

What's Happening at the MCSESC

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Be the Beat



Be the Beat, proudly funded by the Medtronic Foundation, is an online Sudden Cardiac Arrest awareness program from the American Heart Association that teaches teens the simple steps that can save a life. Using a fun and interactive format, Be the Beat teaches 12 to 15 year-olds the basics of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and how to use an automated external



defibrillator (AED). Video games, interactive quizzes and 100-beat-

per-minute songs help to teach teens and tweens what to do if someone collapses in sudden cardiac arrest.

Ben West pictured above and

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Alex Hough picture to the right were two of the 26 students at Claggett Middle School attending Be the Beat classes.

Lori Hogue, Director of Nursing for the Medina County Schools' ESC, instructed 26 students in



Denise Robisons' health class at Claggett Middle School on the Be the Beat program. After completing all requirements each student received their Heartsaver AED cards, January 28, 2011.



Medina County Spelling Bee

The Twelfth Annual Medina County Spelling Bee was held on Thursday, February 3, at Medina High School. Originally scheduled for February 1, this is the first year the Bee had to be postponed to due Ohio's winter weather!

The six top spellers of the Bee will move onto the NE-Ohio Spelling Bee in Akron which will be held on March 12th. The top six winners are:

Wadsworth Middle School

Elizabeth Heckler

Highland Middle School

Jeremy Hardman

Zoe Penko

Claggett Middle School

Kayleigh Fisher

Sunny Levine

A. I. Root Middle School

Sydney Forbes

The sole winner of Akron Bee, which also includes students from Portage, Wayne, and Summit Counties, will travel to Washington, D.C. to participate in the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee in June, 2011.



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Alternative School Update

As always at this time of the year we continue to add new students while losing others. In January one girl completed her course work and will walk on graduation day at Highland. She will be joined by two other Highland boys, one of which has 15 lessons for completion and one who has about 90 lessons to go. We also have another Highland student in the process of completing all graduation requirements for the June 5 commencement festivities.. At the present time we have 10 Alternative School students and 5 on VLA, ranging in ages from 13-19, all working hard on their course work. One is from Cloverleaf, two are from Buckeye and the rest are from Highland. We are preparing to send out brochures for our summer school and credit recovery programs that were very successful last year and we are adding foreign language and speech to our offerings for next year.

MCSESC Substitute Services

The Medina County Schools' Educational Service Center (MCSESC) is in its first year of providing a collaborative substitute teacher service to school districts in Medina County. The two largest districts in the county, Brunswick City and Medina City Schools, have been involved in the pilot project. Substitute Services operates as a part of the Personnel Department at the MCSESC. The comprehensive service package includes all pre-employment processes, hiring, training, and supervision in the field, re-training and disciplinary proceedings if needed, and all payroll functions.

Program staff includes a part-time administrator, two full-time secretaries who also manage all the other personnel functions such as licensure and employment for the local districts in the county, and a treasurer's assistant who is responsible for all payroll activities related to subs but who also has other responsibilities in the Treasurer's Office. CRS, Incorporated's SubFinder program is currently in use as the online management system for the Substitute Services provided at the MCSESC.

The Substitute Services collaboration has resulted in cost savings for participating districts which no longer need to appropriate local time, personnel, and dollars to hiring subs, processing substitute payroll, or dealing with concerns about substitutes' performance in classrooms. A uniform pay scale, decided upon mutually as the districts entered the collaboration, not only moved the county toward a standardized rate of pay for substitutes, but also allowed districts to realize some immediate cost savings as some local rates of pay for substitutes were formerly higher.

The MCSESC substitute services division anticipates that at least one other district will join the collaboration for the 2011-12 school year. The ultimate goal is to provide comprehensive substitute services for all of the school districts in Medina County and, perhaps in the future, to districts outside of the county.

Mission Statement

The Medina County Schools' Educational Service center will be the leader in providing services and products that promotes excellence in education.



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SPECIAL OFFER FOR CEO MEMBERS:

Get tickets for Jersey Boys before they go on-sale to the public.

Jersey Boys tickets went on-sale Monday, February 21, but you have an opportunity to purchase them early. Enter the code below before February 21 and secure your seats.

Jersey Boys (part of the U.S. Bank Star Performance Series)

June 22-July 17, 2011
State Theatre

Visit playhousesquare.org/CEO to learn more about these shows and others available or log in to your Corporate Exclusive Account. Use the promotion code provided below.

Promotion code: SHOWTIX

For more information, please contact Joe Scotch at 216-664-6042 or at scotchj@playhousesquare.org.

Thank you

We appreciate the opportunity to share with you the events and the latest services our ESC offers. Through this newsletter, you are learning about our ESC and what type of services we can provide to you, our customers.

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Healthy Life Screening CARDIOVASCULAR SCREENING OPPORTUNITIES

COMING SOON!

You Have the Incredible Opportunity to Participate In Life-Saving Heart and Vascular Screenings right at Medina COUNTY SCHOOLS' ESC. The results are completely confidential. The MEDINA COUNTY SCHOOLS' ESC will have no access to the results and the results will be sent directly to your home to share with your physician at your discretion

The following tests will be conducted: Echocardiogram (Ultrasound of the Heart) Carotid Artery Ultrasound/ Intima-Media Thickness Assessment Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening

Blood Pressure Screening

These Heart and vascular tests are ultrasound-based, involving
no radiation
no needles
no pain
and can all be done in less than 30 minutes

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011

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