



What's Happening at the MCSESC

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CRM GRANT AWARDS ANNOUNCED

Clinical Research Management (CRM) has long been a strong supporter of the Medina County Schools and has provided this grant since 2006. 2011 will make the 6th consecutive year for the CRM Science Grant, for a total so far of \$30,000.

On behalf of all the school districts, the Medina Schools' County Educational Service Center (MCSESC) would like to thank Vicki Tift, the president and founder of CRM. In a move designed to increase the number of applicants this year, the grant award was divided into two separate awards of \$2,500 each, instead of a single award of \$5,000.

The MCSESC has announced the two winners of the 2011-2012 CRM Grants for Science Teachers in Medina County. Applications were from the following schools:

- Cloverleaf Elementary School (Cloverleaf)
- Crestview Elementary School (Brunswick)
- Sharon Elementary School (Highland)
- Central Intermediate School (Wadsworth)
- Franklin Elementary School (Wadsworth)
- Isham Elementary School (Wadsworth)
- Eliza Northrop Elementary School (Medina City)

The two winners are:

Cloverleaf Local Schools – Cloverleaf Elementary

- Our Scientific Backyard

Highland Local Schools – Sharon Elementary

- Growing a Garden of Scientists

2011 CARL W. BREYLEY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



The 13th annual Carl W. Breyley Distinguished Service Award was presented to Denise Valerio, Technology Director, on December 9, 2011, at Williams on the Lake. Each year, starting in 1999, the Medina County Schools' Educational Service Center (MCSESC) selects one person to receive the Carl W. Breyley Distinguished Service Award which recognizes an employee's outstanding contribution of time, talent, or effort to the MCSESC. Recipients are positive role models for their peers and exemplary representatives of the MCSESC. In addition to receiving the Distinguished Service Award, Denise also received an award honoring her 25 years of service.

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COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG



On Wednesday, December 14, 2011, the 5th grade students at Wadsworth Central Intermediate School were able to experience the activities of people in Colonial Williamsburg.

There were several different activities that took place:

- students made decorations such as snowflakes by cutting different snowflakes from a single sheet of paper.
- board game
- weaving
- calligraphy
- demonstration of spinning wheel showing the students different types of wool that was used to spin for kilts, blankets or other clothing.

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TRANSPORTATION - OBI WORKSHOP

The Transportation Department hosted an On-Bus Instructor (OBI) in-service on Friday, December 9, 2011. Six in-services were scheduled for the month of December. The last two for the year were December 19 at Mid-Ohio ESC in Mansfield and



December 20 at Lorain County JVS in Oberlin. Topics covered: law changes, requirements, pre-trip inspections, emergency procedures and more.

An On-Bus Instructor shall be trained and certified by Mike Redfern, the North Region Ohio pre-service school bus driver training instructor.

All school bus owners shall select a person(s) to be trained as OBI(s). The recommended number of OBI's is one per twenty drivers. An OBI must have a current bus driver certification and is held to the highest standard for all bus drivers.

OBI's and school bus drivers shall be re-certified by the instructor and issued a new certificate upon successful completion of the requirements every six years.
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"INKSPOT" - Deadline February 1, 2012



We will be publishing the 2012 *Inkspot* edition in the spring of 2012. The *Inkspot* is a literary magazine designed to showcase student writing and artwork and to provide an opportunity for students to see their work published and shared with the community. Samples of student work will be included from all the public school districts in Medina County.

Please go to our Website www.medina-esc.org to see the requirements that are necessary to enter your artwork or story. Send your submissions to Keturah Zacharias at the Medina County Schools' ESC. The deadline for submissions is February 1, 2012.

Mission Statement
The Medina County Schools' ESC will be the leader in providing services and products that promotes excellence in education.

"All-Star" BAND FESTIVAL

The 2012 Junior High/Middle School and High School "All-Star" Bands are scheduled to perform in concert on Tuesday, January 17, in the auditorium of Highland High School at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Laurie Lafferty (professor of music at The University of Akron) will guest conduct the High School "All-Star" Band. Michael Foster (band director at Copley High School) is scheduled to be the guest conductor for the Junior High/Middle School "All-Star" Band. Soundwaves Recording, a Huron-based company, will be recording the concert.

Rehearsal for JR/MS

January 5, 2012	6:00-8:00 p.m.
January 12, 2012	6:00-8:00 p.m.

Rehearsal for HS

January 5, 2012	6:00-8:30 p.m.
January 12, 2012	6:00-8:30 p.m.



Happy New
Year