

What's Happening at the MCSESC!

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Nursing Services Expand Again

School Nursing Services, directed by Lori Hogue RN, have expanded again for the 2013-2014 school year. This year the program will include Keystone Local Schools in Lorain County, Mogadore Local Schools in Summit County, and Orange City Schools in Cuyahoga County. Because of the rapid growth of our nursing services program, Dawn Delmoro, licensed school nurse, has joined the nursing department on a part-time basis to assistant Lori Hogue.

Our LPN's, RN's, and STNA's are stationed not only in the schools of Medina County but also the Orrville Local School District in Wayne County. Orrville is utilizing an RN for three days per week in a permanent substitute position.

Lori continues to keep the nursing staff alerted to up-to-date information by attending national conferences. During the summer, Lori attended the 45th annual National Association of School Nurses Conference, which was held on June 27-30. The keynote speaker was author Deborah Phelps, Director of the Education Foundation of the Baltimore County Public Schools. Some of the topics included: health disparities, shaping health policy, Epinephrine, bullying prevention, and innovative health financing models.

Medina County Schools' ESC—Creating Better Customer Service

Each month Michelle McNeely, treasurer of the ESC, will be bringing to everyone's attention that customer services is the heart of any corporation. She is instilling in everyone that "customer" refers to not only the people for whom we do a service but also everyone in our organization. There are a few things you can do that will make a difference when talking to people. First and foremost is put a smile on your face even if you are on the phone. It is difficult to come across in an unfriendly manner if you are smiling. Another, be a good listener and identify the problem. Your customer may not understand your procedures, and by carefully explaining the process, you may alleviate some of the confusion. Create a feeling of good feelings and trust. Let customers know you are sensitive to their needs. Encourage feedback from your customers; this will show that you are truly there to help.

Inspirational Quote

"The best thing about the future is it comes one day at a time."



The Medina County College/Trade/Tech and Career Fair

The Medina County College/Trade/Tech and Career Fair is held annually on an evening in mid-October. This event usually attracts more than 100 colleges and career-enhancing organizations from Ohio and nearby states.

The 2013 College and Career Fair is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, October 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Medina County Fairgrounds Community Center. A special section will be set aside exclusively for scholarship/financial aid and college prep information. To help defray the costs of this event, there is a nonrefundable \$25 registration fee for organization representatives. However, no admittance fee is charged for those who attend.

Students and parents from the following school districts and the general Medina County public are welcome to attend: Brunswick, Buckeye, Cloverleaf, Highland, Medina, Wadsworth, and the Medina County Career Center.

The Medina County College/Trade/Tech and Career Fair is registered with the Ohio Association for College Admission Counseling (OACAC). This event is co-sponsored by the Medina County Economic Development Corporation.

Medina County Schools' ESC Summer Enrichment Class

This past summer, the Medina County Schools' ESC held a six-week Summer Enrichment class directed by Rachel Krause, Behavior/Autism Specialist.

During the classroom sessions, Rachel stated that there were themes for each week, such as honesty and kindness. The fifth week's theme was responsibility and completing tasks.

On the fifth week of the class, Christina Combs, teacher, Chris Gehring, paraprofessional, and students aged 10-14 held a fund-raiser to help the animals of the ASPCA.

Throughout this event students made and sold snow cones for the busy shoppers



who were in need of cool refreshments as they continued in their daily schedules. This event was not only to raise money for the ASPCA but also to increase their social skills of interacting with the community.

On the last day of the final week, the students created a menu and served their families a luncheon in their classroom.

Initiatives in Motion—Special Education

Each year the Medina County ESC and Summit County ESC schedule informative meetings. These meeting address current topics relevant to needs of the teachers and students.



Initiatives in Motion Forum

(Formerly known as Special Education Forum)

2013-2014



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Summit County ESC 420 Washington St. Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221



SST 8 (Summit County ESC) 420 Washington St. Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221 2-3 p.m. Optional face to face discussion

3-5 p.m. Presentation

Lower Level Conference Room at MCSESC

Topics

September 16, 2013 Legal Update from Susan Clark

(McGown & Markling)

October 14, 2013 Gifted Education

November 4, 2013 ETR/IEP Compliance from

Carol Denzinger, SST 8

January 13, 2014 PARCC Updates from

Char Shryock, Bay Village City

Schools

February 10, 2014 Common Core Skills and Supports

for Students with Disabilities from Tracey Mail, SST 8

March 10, 2014 Assistive Technology from

Jennifer Hood, SST 8