1. **LAST DAY OF STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

Due to a misprint in the district (information) calendar, the last day of student attendance is **Tuesday, May 22, 2012** if there are no more weather related school closures.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

2. **HEALTHY KIDS RECIPE CONTEST**

Calling all future chefs! Do you have a tasty, creative, healthy recipe to share? We want to hear about it! Fort Wayne YMCA and Parkview Hospital are partnering to do a **HEALTHY KIDS RECIPE CONTEST**; open to all kids ages 6-18. Some of the winning recipes will be prepared by a professional chef and featured at YMCA Healthy Kids Day on Sunday, April 22 at Parkview Field from 1:30-4:30 p.m.! See **Enclosure #1** for more information.

Britt Magneson, ext. 3143

3. **WEBSITE OF THE WEEK**

http://www.mathpickle.com/K-12/Videos.html

**Math Pickle** features mathematics videos for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade. The videos feature real students engaging in inspiring math problems and puzzles. The videos often speak to unsolved math problems throughout history that students work to solve. In the unsolved problem, students must use developmental level appropriate math to work out the problem. **Math Pickle** is the brain child of Dr. Gordon Hamilton who wants to abolish elementary mathematics as a subject and push the idea that problem solving is at the very heart of mathematics.

Bill Diehl, ext. 3125

4. **NOTICE: USED SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AUCTIONS COMING UP**

EACS will be holding a public auction for surplus used items currently in storage. A Public Auction is open to EACS staff as well as the general public. The Public Auction for miscellaneous/classroom furniture and equipment. is March 17, 2012 at 10 a.m.

Lois Goeglein, ext. 1006

5. **MARKETING OF THE DISTRICT**

We are looking for creative ways to market EACS Educational Opportunities to the public. We are already utilizing posters, billboards, and TV/radio commercials. We are seeking ideas from all employee groups, parents, and community/business leaders. If you have other ideas or would like to serve as a
PR representative for your school please contact Tamyra Kelly by email or phone.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

6. **FRANCINE’S FRIENDS MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY UNIT**

Francine’s Friends Mobile Mammography Unit will finish screenings in EACS on March 29th. This is a wonderful and convenient service offered to EACS and to our community by Parkview Hospital. See **Enclosure #2** for more information.

Britt Magneson, ext. 3143

7. **CURRICULUM CONNECTION**

The Curriculum Connection contains upcoming information regarding assessments, curriculum updates, video clips, instructional websites, and more. Please see **Enclosure #3** for specific information.

Marilyn Hissong, ext. 3124

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Positive Praise:

“What ideas are you finding successful with your students? Can you share with your colleagues? *Sharing the best means everyone succeeds!*”

*Remember….RESPECT IS THE ‘BUZZ’ WORD FOR 2012!*
NOW YOU‘RE COOKING

HEALTHY KIDS RECIPE CONTEST

Calling all future chefs! Do you have a tasty, creative, healthy recipe to share? We want to hear about it!

This contest is open to all kids ages 6-18. Send us your best recipe in the category of:
- Dip or snack
- Main dish
- Salad or veggie
- Dessert

Recipes must involve no more than 6 items (not including seasoning), and must contain at least one fruit or vegetable. Children may submit up to two recipes per participant.

Preparation time is limited to 20 minutes.

Submit your recipes, along with your name, age, address, and parent’s phone number no later than April 12 to healthykidsrecipe@gmail.com. Winners will be notified by April 18.

Some of the winning recipes will be prepared by a professional chef and featured at YMCA Healthy Kids Day on Sunday, April 22 at Parkview Field from 1:30-4:30 p.m.!

This health initiative brought to you by a Y partnership with:
Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography Unit will finish screenings in EACS on March 29th. This is a wonderful and convenient service offered to EACS and to our community by Parkview Hospital.

The American Cancer Society recommends women have a baseline mammography screening at age 35, so the screening is available to all women age 35 and older.

All participants must have a family physician as the screening report is sent to the physician.

For participants that have insurance, their insurance company will be billed. This screening is covered under EACS Health Insurance.

**NO ONE will be turned away for inability to pay.**

Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography Unit will be at:

- Leo Jr-Sr High School, March 16; 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- Woodlan Primary, March 26; 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
- Heritage Elementary, March 29; 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Call (260) 483-1847 or (800) 727-8439, ext. 26540, to schedule your appointment.

*If appointments available, walk-ins welcome!*
Graphing Your DMR Quiz Results

First, create your graph from quiz data (optional format):

- Build **rows** for the number of students and 6 **columns**. The first column will be the number count of students in your class and the other columns will be 1 per tested skill.
- Example:

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- Fill in 5 tested skills from your quiz across the bottom of your graph.
- As you grade your quiz, record correct responses. So, if the student gets both skill questions correct, fill in 1 box under the correct skill category. If the student misses one or both questions for the skill, no tally is recorded. Continue recording.
- You can fill in the grid as you go, or make tally marks and record in the graph later.
- When all tests are graded and the number of correct responses is plotted on the graph, you will now know what your focus will be for next week’s DMR.
- Any skill reaching **80% class success** may be retired and replaced with a new review skill.
- Review chart with students to discuss areas that need continued support and successes.
- **When 2 or more graphs are posted**, students can review a growth pattern of success.
- **Please use data to direct your focus to students and skills that require additional time and support.**

Technology

Make Vocabulary Flash Cards:

Vocabulary Strategies

Integration of Marzano’s Vocab Strategies

1. Learner to give a description, explanation, or example of the new term in his own words

- Remind students not to copy, but use their own words.
- Monitor students to see if any confusion exists.
- Provide more description, explanation or examples if necessary.
- Request that students record these in their Academic Notebooks for reference.

Dynamic Teaching Series

**Personal Learning Networks**
Presenters: Kurt Dager and Kieth Madsen
May 8 or May 10 4:00 – 5:00

**Overview:** Learn how having a PLN (personal learning network) can enhance your own learning and teaching. See how you can use Twitter, MyBigCampus, and other Web 2.0 tools to connect with other teachers who share your same passion.

Bundle 6 Completion Dates

- GK – G8 – March 9 (approximately)
1. **EACS SCHOOLS WITH EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE**

The following schools had excellent teacher attendance the week of February 27-March 2, 2012:

- ✓ Heritage Jr. Sr. High - 96%
- ✓ EACS Alternative - 95%

**KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK TEACHERS!**

2. **SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MATH BOWL**

On March 1st, a total of 6,964 students from 446 teams were a part of the 2012 M.A.T.H. Bowl Competition at 44 sites across Indiana, including the site at Park Hill Learning Center. **Statewide, Leo Elementary ranked 7th in Class One!**

First Place:  
**Class One** – Leo Elementary  
**Class Three** – Meadowbrook Elementary (Red)

Second Place:  
**Class One** – Woodlan Intermediate  
**Class Three** – Meadowbrook Elementary (Black)

Third Place:  
**Class One** – Prince Chapman Academy

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS FROM EACH OF THESE SCHOOLS FOR THEIR FINE PERFORMANCE!**