Special Note: There will not be an Administrative Bulletin distributed on next week (November 23). **HAPPY THANKSGIVING – HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY!**

1. **FRANCINE’S FRIENDS**

Francine’s Friends Mobile Mammography Unit will be visiting several locations in EACS starting in January. This is a wonderful and convenient service offered to East Allen County Schools and to our community by Parkview Hospital. See Enclosure #1 for a complete schedule.

Mike Shaffer, ext. 3151

2. **EACS – SUPPLEMENTAL LIFE INSURANCE**

East Allen County Schools has a Voluntary Life Insurance with American United Life Insurance [AUL] that is available to employees that work more than nineteen hours per week during the school year. During the month of December, employees who had previously declined, have the opportunity to request Voluntary Term Life Insurance. Because this is considered to be an annual late enrollment, there is no guarantee issue of insurance and medical underwriting insurability approval is required. If you are interested, please visit the EACS website at [http://www.eacs.k12.in.us/departments/human_resources/employee_benefits/e_a_c_s_voluntary_life_insurance/](http://www.eacs.k12.in.us/departments/human_resources/employee_benefits/e_a_c_s_voluntary_life_insurance/) for information and forms to complete.

East Allen County Schools has also been notified by AUL that employees who have the voluntary life insurance may increase their life insurance coverage without Evidence of Insurability. Participants are eligible to increase their coverage by the greater of 10% of their current amount or $10,000 to the contract maximum without answering any medical questions. Employees who currently have the Voluntary Life from AUL will receive additional information and forms via the courier.

If there are any questions you can contact Kirby Stahly. If you decide to participate or increase your coverage level, the required forms and documents must be received by Susan Bandt by December 17, 2012.

Kirby Stahly, ext. 1005

3. **RETIRED ATHLETIC DIRECTOR TO BE HONORED**

On Tuesday, November 27, at 6:30 p.m., Woodlan High School will honor retired athletic director Dennis Miesle. An award will be presented prior to the game and a reception will be hosted afterward. Everyone is invited to share in this presentation and to honor Mr. Miesle.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050
4. **CURRICULUM CONNECTION**

The Curriculum Connection for middle school contains upcoming information regarding assessments, curriculum updates, video clips, instructional websites, and more. Please see Enclosure #2 for specific information.

Marilyn Hissong, ext. 3124

5. **AMERICA ON THE MOVE**

It’s time to encourage our employees, friends and family to move their exercise routine to the pool, the roller skating or ice skating rink, the gym, indoor walking or outdoor running groups!

Stay active this winter and be sure to see the great offerings for both physical activity and health and wellness offerings at the Fort 4 Fitness Community Wellness website at [www.fort4fitness.org/4yourhealth](http://www.fort4fitness.org/4yourhealth). Remember, the Fort4Fitness Health and Wellness Calendar. See Enclosure #3 for more details.

Mike Shaffer, ext. 3151

6. **CORRECT CONTACT INFORMATION**

Employees are encouraged to check the address on their paycheck statement for accuracy. Christmas break and snow days can sometimes necessitate mailing check statements. Tax form time is just around the corner as well! Please notify the district office immediately of any changes needed to avoid delays in receiving your mailings from the district in the coming months. Phone 446-0100 ext. 1014 for payroll or 1024 for HR Dept. or e-mail to sbandt@eacs.k12.in.us.

Kirby Stahly, ext. 1005

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**EACS Food Service Fact!**

√ Did you know that EACS requires all cafe managers to be certified? They annually attend professional development meetings, workshops and conferences to keep their certification up to date!

Remember the Slogan:

**EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS ~ ENHANCING THE EDUCATION!**
Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography Unit is returning to EACS. 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.**

EACS screening schedule will start in January 2013 and run through April.

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

*If appointments available, walk-ins welcome!*

*Call Wendy Walker at extension 3321 if you have any questions....*
Balanced Literacy
A balanced literacy program regularly provides several kinds of reading and writing.

This week's focus: Guided Reading

After Reading: 3-4 minutes
➢ Teacher checks predictions. Students provide proof from text to confirm their prediction(s).
➢ Teacher explicitly states teaching point by citing examples from students during lesson.
➢ Students discuss text with a focus on meaning using critical-thinking questions.
➢ Teacher takes anecdotal notes. (May occur here or somewhere else during the GR lesson.)
➢ Other observations.

After Lesson (Optional): 3-5 minutes
➢ Word work relating to text
➢ Written response to critical-thinking question about the text
➢ Choral reading portion of text for fluency

Characteristics of Literature Study:
Literature study enables students to help one another learn. Our goal is always student independence.
➢ Teacher selects reading materials with specific focus for students to choose from based on interest.
➢ Group meetings are scheduled and reading roles are sometimes assigned.
➢ Students often meet several times to discuss the same book.
➢ The teacher and students generate discussion.
➢ The teacher shows ways of thinking about the text and responding to the text.


Collaboration Topics
- RtI students
- DMR
- Skill/Strategy Groups
- Differentiation of Instruction

Important Dates

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Technology

Apps for the iPad:
7LittleWords - Word puzzle consists of 7 clues, 7 mystery words, and 20 letter groups. Find the mystery words by deciphering the clues and combining the letter groups.
Word Salad is a great interactive word cloud generator.
Word clouds can be used for vocabulary lessons, synonyms and antonyms, character traits, word choice just to name a few!
Getacrossfree is a fun game to practice identifying pronouns! Great for all grade levels.

ACUITY

Review ACUITY MATRIX report
Ways to review information for strengths and weaknesses:
➢ Group students by tiers for overall need
➢ Group like indicators and note the correlating question number.
➢ List questions by percent correct from lowest to greatest
➢ Determine greatest need for remediation

How to review questions:
➢ Sign into ACUITY
➢ Reports>Assessment Reports>Class Assessment Report
➢ Subject>Assessment Type (custom)>Class (select yours)>Standards to report by (Common Core)>Get Report
➢ Scroll up and down to see valuable information
➢ Scroll down to standards and indicators
  ○ Click on BLUE linked indicator
➢ This shows you the question number that indicator was on the test
➢ Click on the BLUE question # and it will take you to the question (Item Detail)
If you are looking for great winter time exercise options for you and your entire family, check out the following choices! Be sure to vary your exercise to keep fitness fun and to reap great cardiovascular benefits! The listing below is not an endorsement, but a reference list of locations where you can get moving! For more winter-time offerings, be sure to check the 4YOURHEALTH Community Calendar and other “Get Moving” tips found at: www.fort4fitness.org/4yourhealth

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<td>Crossroads Natatorium&lt;br&gt;2525 Lake Avenue&lt;br&gt;Entrance to pool, off Beacon St.&lt;br&gt;484-4153 x6</td>
<td>For current class schedule and fees, call the Natatorium at 484-4153 x6 and listen to the pre-recorded message.</td>
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<td>Helen B. Brown Natatorium&lt;br&gt;3601 S. Calhoun Street&lt;br&gt;467-2660</td>
<td>Open to the public for lap and recreational swimming and classes. Visit <a href="http://www.HPBNatatorium.com">www.HPBNatatorium.com</a> for schedule. Adult: $3 or 20 visits, $40; Child or Senior (over 65): $2.50 or 20 visits for $35.</td>
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<td>NACS Natatorium&lt;br&gt;Carroll High School&lt;br&gt;3903 Carroll Road&lt;br&gt;637-0340</td>
<td>Open swim hours Monday-Saturday. Check pool schedule at: <a href="http://www.nacs.k12.in.us">www.nacs.k12.in.us</a> Click on the natatorium link for schedules, classes &amp; fees</td>
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<td>Southwest Allen Natatorium&lt;br&gt;Summit Middle School&lt;br&gt;4509 Homestead Road&lt;br&gt;431-2585</td>
<td>Open swim hours vary. Check pool schedule, classes &amp; fees by going to: <a href="http://www.sacs.k12.in.us">www.sacs.k12.in.us</a> and clicking “Natatorium Home” or phone 431-2585.</td>
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<td>Headwaters Park Ice Rink&lt;br&gt;333 S. Clinton Street&lt;br&gt;Clinton &amp; Superior&lt;br&gt;422-7625</td>
<td>Open Skating M-Th.1-8 pm, Fri.12 noon-10 pm, Sat. 11 am-10 pm, Sun. 12-8 pm Fees: 13 and younger $3, 14 and older, $5. Skate Rental $2 Kids 13 and under skate FREE every Wednesday. Open 11-18-12 through 2-28-13</td>
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ICE SKATING, continued

Lutheran Health Sports Center
3869 Ice Way, Fort Wayne
387-6614
Managed by Canlan Ice Sports. Open skating weekdays 1-3 pm; Fridays 7-10 pm; & Sat. & Sun. 1-4 pm Skate rental & classes available. Weekdays: $5; Weekends, $7 Under 4 years of Age, Free; Skate Rental: $3 Check class schedule at: www.icesports.com/fortwayne

ROLLER SKATING

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<td>Roller Dome Skate Centers</td>
<td>Open skate times vary. Call locations for schedules of open skates &amp; classes or see Skate Center’s website at: <a href="http://www.rollerdomenorth.com">www.rollerdomenorth.com</a></td>
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<td>North: 444 W. Coliseum Blvd. 483-6303 South: 4540 Bluffton Rd. 747-3919</td>
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<td>Bell’s Roller Skating Rink</td>
<td>Open skate times vary. Call rink for schedule.</td>
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<td>7009 Indiana 930 749-8214</td>
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OTHER WINTER TIME OPTIONS

Cross Country Skiing
If more than 4” of accumulated snow is on the ground, cross country skiing is a great winter-time option! Check their website for more details at: www.allencountyparks.org

Metea County Park
8401 Union Chapel Rd.
449-3777

Fox Island County Park
7324 Yohne Rd.
449-3180

Winter Running Group
Three Rivers Running Company
4039 N. Clinton Street
496-8000
5:30 PM Wednesdays- year round
All ages and all abilities

Stay Active this Winter! Take the whole family to any of the locations above for fitness fun! To learn other great indoor walking and fitness center information, many at free or reduced pricing, log onto www.fort4fitness.org/4yourhealth and check out “Indoor Exercise Options”

Be sure to check out other great winter-time options at the Fort Wayne Parks & Recreation Department’s website at www.fortwayneparks.org
1. **ALL-DISTRICT HONOR BAND**

Woodlan Jr. Sr. High School had five students selected to the 13th annual Indiana Bandmasters Association All-District honor Band. The students are: Jason Hoeppner, David Kurtz, Josh Hettinger, Joey McKinley and Caleb Raber. They were conducted by Dr. Thomas E. Caneva. Dr. Thomas Caneva is the Director of Bands, Professor of Music, Coordinator of Ensembles & Conducting at Ball State University. There were a total of 93 members selected from 22 schools.

   **Great Job Band Members!**

2. **FIRST IN MATH UPDATE AS OF 11-14-12**

   **Top Teams Nationwide**
   
   #45 New Haven Middle - Gurney - Cardiac5in

   **Top Schools - Statewide**
   
   #2 Meadowbrook
   #3 New Haven Middle
   #8 Harding
   #12 Woodlan Inter
   #15 Leo Ele.

   **Top Teams Statewide**
   
   #1 New Haven Middle - Gurney - Cardiac5in
   #2 New Haven Middle - Gurney - Heart12in
   #6 Heritage El - Mellang
   #16 Meadowbrook - tower31
   #17 Meadowbrook - nifty85in

   **Top Schools - Districtwide**
   
   #1 Meadowbrook
   #2 New Haven Middle
   #3 Paul Harding Jr./Sr.
   #4 Woodlan Inter.
   #5 Leo Ele.

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   #1 New Haven Middle - Gurney - Cardiac5in
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   #3 Heritage Elem - Mellang
   #4 Meadowbrook - Hunter - tower31in
   #5 Meadowbrook - Davis - nifty85in

   **Fabulous Job MathTeams!**