Notice: May 24, 2013 will be the last administrative bulletin of the year.

1. REMINDER: CANAL DAYS 5K4 WELLNESS

Many of our schools will be participating in the Parkview Canal Days 5K4 Wellness event on June 8, 2013. This event focuses on movement and activity for both the able and disabled. See Enclosure #1 for more details on how to register.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

2. REGION 8 WORKSHOPS

See Enclosure #2 for information on upcoming workshops for teachers presented by Region 8 ESC.

Chris Hissong, ext. 1050

3. “RE-EMPLOYMENT” AFTER RETIREMENT

TRF- and PERF-Covered Positions - from Indiana Public Retirement System [INPRS]

Effective July 1, 2008, a member may continue to receive pension payments and re-employ in a TRF- or PERF-covered position with a 30-day required separation from service period before re-employment and no earnings limitation during re-employment. During re-employment in a TRF-covered position, no ASA contributions are made to TRF on the member’s behalf and no additional service credit or supplemental pension is earned. A member who re-employs in a PERF-covered position can earn contributions and service credit. He or she can potentially qualify for a second retirement.

The 30-day separation period is measured from the member’s benefit accrual date to the first date of re-employment. The benefit accrual date is the last day of employment in a TRF- or PERF-covered position. For example, if a member’s last day of employment in a TRF-covered position was May 31, the member’s first date of re-employment in a PERF-covered position must be on or after July 1st.

For a member who chooses to delay his or her retirement, the benefit accrual date is the retirement date. If the member does not have a 30-day separation from service, the member’s retirement is voided and the member is not eligible for pension benefits. The member must repay to the Fund any amounts received for which the member was not eligible.

After July 31, 2009, if, on or before the date the member files an application for a retirement benefit, the member has entered into any re-employment agreement (formal or informal) with a covered employer, the member’s
application for retirement is void and any benefits paid during the period of re-employment must be repaid to TRF. IRS penalties may also apply.

Beginning July 1, 2008, retirees may re-employ in a TRF- or PERF-covered position after a 30-day separation period.

4. CELEBRATE GRADUATION WITH PC ESSENTIALS

See Enclosure #3 to review PC essentials and electronics for students.

Bill Diehl, ext. 3125

5. HEALTHY KIDS DAY

The YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne will be hosting Healthy Kids Day on Sunday, May 19 from 1-4 p.m. at Parkview Field. The day will include fun, active play and activities that will inspire kids to carry a spirit of excitement and exploration throughout their summer, while giving them the tools to keep growing and achieving all year long!

Healthy Kids Day is free and open to the community.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

Remember the slogan:

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EACS Employee Wellness Summer Program

By: Eric Manor, EACS Employee Wellness Coach

Imagine if there was a pill that when taken each day would help you feel great and stay well. Would you try it? What if it wasn’t a pill? Would it surprise you to learn that the majority of illnesses and chronic diseases currently so prevalent in America are largely preventable, and in some cases fully reversible, simply by eating the right foods?

The EACS Eat Right For Life Summer Program will provide a blueprint for eating healthy. This program will provide the basic tenets of making the healthy food choices that will impact every aspect of your health and well-being.

Beginning June 11th, 2013, EACS is kicking off the Eat Right For Life wellness challenge. Participants will be challenged to start making small yet impactful changes to their eating habits, and all employees and spouses are invited to enroll.

This 5-week challenge will inspire participants to focus on five key nutritional areas and work toward transforming unhealthy eating behaviors into healthy habits that will promote a lifetime of stellar health.

Each participant in this fun and inspiring wellness challenge will receive handouts from the Eat Right For Life book and will embark on a journey to assess and improve current eating behaviors in each of the following categories:

- Do Your Fats Right
- Do Your Carbs Right
- Eat Your Fruits and Veggies
- Select The Right Proteins
- Drink the Right Beverages

The Eat Right For Life wellness challenge is here to put you on the pathway to radiant health! Learn more about healthy eating AND be inspired to start transforming your eating habits into ones that promise you a lifetime of good health!

Don’t wait to sign up for the Eat Right For Life challenge. The registration deadline is Wednesday, June 5th. Please complete the attached registration form to enroll in the challenge. For more information, please contact Eric Manor at emanor@eacs.k12.in.us.

Yours in Health,

Eric Manor, EACS Wellness Coach
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Eat Right for Life Registration

The Eat Right For Life Summer Program is a 5–week challenge that will help you to:

Do Your Fats Right
Do Your Carbs Right
Eat Your Fruits and Veggies
Select The Right Proteins
Drink the Right Beverages

When: June 11th – July 11th
Time: Tuesdays 9:00 am to 10:00 am and Thursdays 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Where: New Haven High School (Room TBA)
Cost: FREE

Sign Up Today!!!!
Fill out the form below to take the Challenge!

Name: ________________________
Phone: ________________________
Email: ________________________

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, June 5th 2013

Return Completed Registration To: Eric Manor in the EACS Administration Building or emanor@eacs.k12.in.us
Region 8 ESC Presents:

PBL 201 Summer Workshops
(for teachers who have had PBL 101)

Region 8 ESC is offering a series of six PBL 2.01 summer workshops for teachers who had the three-day PBL 101 training with the Buck Institute for Education through Region 8 ESC and the Talent Initiative Grant. Each workshop is limited to 35 participants.

Location: Region 8 ESC, 251 W 850 N, Decatur, IN 46733 (unless otherwise indicated)
Time: 9:00-3:30 (registration at 8:30)
Cost: No cost for teachers who have had PBL 101 (lunch and materials will be provided)
Registration: www.r8esc.k12.in.us and click “Workshops”

6 Professional Growth Points are available for each session

June 12, 2013: Teaching and Assessing Critical Thinking in PBL
Presenter: Jill Akers
It’s one thing to say your project will “build students’ critical thinking skills,” but it’s another to actually teach and assess this important 21st Century Skill. Key steps include clarifying what we mean by critical thinking and exploring its relationship to cognitive development. In this session you will learn how to design projects with an intentional, explicit focus on critical thinking and make plans for providing scaffolding that helps students understand and practice the skill. We will discuss rubrics, formative and summative assessment, and grading and reporting systems. Location: Region 8 ESC

June 14, 2013: Rubric Design and Common Core Content Assessment in PBL
Presenter: Charity Allen
The Common Core standards are the "what" and PBL is the "how" which leads to an important question, “How do I assess students' mastery of the standards in my project?” Part of the answer is to keep using traditional assessment tools, but you may also need to use performance assessment strategies. Learn how to align Common Core Standards with individual and team products in your project and write rubrics aligned to the Common Core Standards for major products and performances. We will look at rubric examples and evaluate rubric quality using a “rubric for rubrics.” Participants will walk out of the session with a rubric designed for their project. Location: Region 8 ESC

June 14, 2013: Designing and Managing Integrated/Interdisciplinary Projects
Presenter: Dayne Laur
Creating interdisciplinary projects is the next step in your journey of mastering the design process of PBL. In this workshop participants will begin to understand the link between creating interdisciplinary projects and promoting student achievement on state standardized tests. Best practices for creating interdisciplinary projects will be explored and an evaluation of a variety of well-designed interdisciplinary projects will take place. Finally, participants will begin work on creating an interdisciplinary project and receive peer feedback on this process. It is requested that participants bring materials to help them in the planning process. Location: Region 8 ESC

Additional sessions listed on the back
June 14, 2013: Teaching Literacy with PBL  
Presenter: Andrew Miller  
Creating projects that include reading a novel or other as-important pieces of literature—traditional centerpieces of the ELA classroom—might require a shift in your thinking. Learn to design projects that align with Common Core standards for ELA and use literature as a critical component in both instruction and assessment. Create the need to read authentic texts in your projects and create the need for students to produce writing for audiences who want and need their work. In this session you can add details to your plans for an existing project or generate ideas for the new projects. **Location: East Allen Schools (Park Hill Center, 1000 Prospect Avenue, New Haven, IN 46774)**

June 26, 2013 Teaching Math with PBL  
Presenter: Telannia Norfar  
Participants will review example math projects. While examining these projects, teachers will understand how to implement inquiry and redesign math practice. Participants will also learn strategies for collaboration and peer critique in math classrooms. **Location: Region 8 ESC**

June 28, 2013: Teaching and Assessing Creativity and Innovation in PBL  
Presenter: Gina Olabenaga  
What is creativity, and can it be taught and assessed? Along with being innovative, creativity is mentioned frequently as a valuable trait in today’s world. PBL provides opportunities to encourage these traits in students, but actually teaching and assessing creativity and innovation presents many issues which we will explore. Learn how creativity and innovation can be defined and cultivated through project design, management and assessment. In this session you can add details to your plans for an existing project or generate ideas for new projects. **Location: Region 8 ESC**

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Www.r8esc.k12.in.us
RISE Training for Primary & Secondary Evaluators

2013 Summer Intensive Training Sessions

This summer intensive session will support any persons who will be serving as a primary or secondary evaluator and who will utilize the RISE evaluation tool or a modified RISE evaluation tool.

**Audience:** Superintendents, Administrators, Primary and Secondary Evaluators, Teacher Leaders

### REGISTRATION

**Information:**

- **COST:** $250 per participant for members; $500 per participant for non-members
- To register, go to the Region 8 ESC website (www.r8esc.k12.in.us) and click on “R8 Workshop Registration. To register as a group, please contact Misty Gehres directly at Region 8 ESC at 1-800-669-4565 or mgehres@r8esc.k12.in.us.
- Training will be held at Region 8 ESC, 251 W 850 N, Decatur, IN 46733
- Participants will receive a certificate of completion following the last day of training.
- Participants will be notified by email if we should have to cancel a session, and we will reschedule that session as quickly as possible.
- If you have any questions, please contact Amy Leeson (aleeson@r8esc.k12.in.us or 1-800-669-4565).

### Cohort 10: Region 8 ESC

| 1. Brief Overview and Classroom Observations, Part 1 | 8:30-3:00 | June 26, 2013 |
| 2. Classroom Observation: Part 2, Student Learning Objectives, Step 1 | 8:30-3:00 | June 27, 2013 |
| 3. Student Learning Objectives, Steps 2-5, RISE Summative Scoring, Conferencing/Providing Feedback to Teachers | 8:30-3:00 | June 28, 2013 |
Region 8 ESC Presents:

Connecting the Dots:
Understanding Common Core State Standards
Math K-1-2

Targeted Audience: Teachers Grades K-1-2
Presenter: Robert Trammel
Date: June 18, 2013
Location: Region 8 ESC
Time: 9:00-3:00 pm (registration at 8:30)
Cost: $85 ESC Member/$170 Non-Member
Registration: www.r8esc.k12.in.us and click on “Workshops”
What to Bring: Laptop computer (if possible)

6 Professional Growth Points Available

The objectives of the workshop are to delve deeper into the common core state standard design. The following will be addressed:

- Each participant will learn the cohesive design of the Common Core State Standards @ grades K-1-2 mathematics.
- Each participant will learn how to identify which mathematical practices that apply for a given content standard. Participants will learn HOW to teach the content with the selected mathematical practices.
- Each participant will learn how to unpack the common standards by domain.
- Website resources will be researched.
Region 8 has been able to schedule one additional PBL 101 Training by the Buck Institute (BIE) for Education on June 11-13, 2013. There is no cost to teachers in grades 6-12 whose schools are members of Region 8. Funding for this is provided by Region 8’s Talent Initiative Grant. Teachers who attend are expected to implement at least one PBL in their classroom during the 2013-2014 school year.

**Audience:** Teachers in grades 6-12 who wish to implement Project-Based Learning in their classrooms.

**Presenter:** Mike Gorman, Certified BIE trainer

**Dates:** June 11-13, 2013

**Locations:** Park Hill Center, 1000 Prospect Avenue, New Haven, IN 46774

**Times:** 8:30 registration; 9:00-3:30 workshop all three days

**Cost:** There is no cost to attend these trainings for teachers in Region 8 ESC Member Schools (materials and lunch will be provided)

**Registration:** Go to www.r8esc.k12.in.us and click on “Workshops” Please register by June 1, 2013

Training capacity is strictly limited to 35 participants for this session

18 Professional Growth Points Available

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1. **2012-13 EACS ART CONTEST WINNERS**

   The 2012-13 EACS Art Contest secondary school winners:

   - **Abbey Aldrich** - Grade 11 - HEHS (Teacher Leah Mutton)
   - **Hannah Yoquelet** - Grade 10 - HEHS (Teacher Leah Mutton)
   - **Kyle Ibholm** - Grade 11 - LEHS (Teacher Mary Hoff)
   - **Nick Mahasena** - Grade 10 - LEHS (Teacher Mary Hoff)
   - **Cailee Steininger** - Grade 11 - LEHS (Teacher Mary Hoff)

   **CONGRATULATIONS ART WINNERS!**

2. **FIRST IN MATH**

   **As of May 14, 2013**

   **Top Schools in State**
   - #2 - Cedarville Elementary School
   - #3 - New Haven Middle
   - #4 - Leo Elementary
   - #5 - Woodlan Intermediate School
   - #6 - Meadowbrook Elementary School

   **Top Teams State**
   - #1 - quark1in - Cedarville (Linson)
   - #2 - ocean78in - Leo El (Elrod)
   - #3 - cardiac5in - New Haven Middle
   - #4 - folio43in - Woodlan Intermediate (Price)
   - #6 - sioux33in Cedarville (Hively)
   - #7 - xenon45in - Cedarville (Fipp)

   **Top Schools - East Allen**
   - #1 - Cedarville Elementary School
   - #2 - New Haven Middle
   - #3 - Leo Elementary
   - #4 - Woodlan Intermediate School
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   **EACS had the top four teams in the State!**
   **WE ROCK!**