1. REGION 8 TEACHER SURVEY

In order to help Region 8 Program Director Amy Leeson plan professional development to meet the needs of educators in 2015-2016, we are asking teachers to complete a short survey by Thursday, April 30, at 4 p.m. Please follow this link to go to the survey: Teacher Survey: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1qghl35srR4tm3XsS0heTw660EBmP8SPKBFl0GtNCfY/viewform?c=0&w=1. The survey should only take about 5 minutes of your time. Your answers will be completely anonymous. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact us at workshops@r8esc.k12.in.us or call 260-724-6200.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey by Region 8 Education Service Center. Your feedback is important as they continue to improve educational services.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

2. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR TEACHERS

STEM subjects and careers is a national priority, there is a 6-day summer professional development program called TECHFIT that teaches cross-disciplinary teams of middle school teachers how to get students excited about STEM by teaching them how to innovate technology-based fitness games (exergames). TECHFIT is an acronym for Teaching Engineering Concepts to Harness Future Innovators and Technologists.

The 6-day, residential, professional development workshops will be July 20-25, 2015, at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. There is no cost to the participants other than travel to/from Purdue for the summer program and some food costs not covered by the program. Teachers will receive accommodations, breakfast and lunch, a $600 stipend for the summer and another $500 for running a 10-week afterschool program at their schools as long as they fulfill all requirements of the program.

For additional information about TECHFIT, please visit http://techfit.tech.purdue.edu. The online applications are now available under the Teachers & Admin menu on the website.
Applications will be collected until May 15, and decisions will be sent to all applicants by May 25.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

3. STUDENT RECYCLING LEADERSHIP CORPS

Students selected for the Student Recycling Leadership Corps commit to growing recycling programs during their junior and senior years - earning them a $500 scholarship plus valuable program management experience they can highlight on college applications. Applications for the program are due May 11, 2015. See Attachment #1 for application details.

The Student Recycling Leadership Corps is an opportunity for Indiana high school students to grow the impact of K-12 recycling programs and away-from-home recycling by facilitating the Recycle Rally program in their schools and implementing public space recycling projects in their communities. Student Leaders who successfully complete the program will receive a $500 college scholarship.

Recycle Rally is a nationwide school recycling program designed to raise awareness among K-12 students about the importance of recycling and encourage them to take action and make recycling part of their lives. Through the program, schools earn rewards, gain access to educational tools and connect to a national recycling effort. If you have questions about this program, please contact Danni McPherron @ danni@indianarecycling.org or 317-632-5915.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

4. REMINDER: BLUEJAY BOLT RUN/WALK

All East Allen County Schools are welcome to participate in the 5K Bluejay Bolt on May 16. This event is sponsored by East Allen University. See Attachment #2 for more details.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

5. REMINDER: EACS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION BREAKFAST

You are cordially invited to attend the 2015 EACS Educational Foundation Breakfast. For registration details see Attachment #3.

Rose Fritzinger, ext. 3161

6. REMINDER: STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The Student Leadership Conference is April 25. This free event is geared to students in grades 6-12. Students will be led through the development of presentations. Register teams to represent each of the grade 6-12 schools in the district. The conference will be held at West Middle School, Noblesville, IN. For more details contact Michelle Green at mgreen@doe.in.gov.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050

7. REMINDER - CORRECTION: RETIREMENT MEETING

Planning to Retire? Join us on Wednesday, April 29, 4:30 p.m. at the Administration Building. R.S.V.P. to Jennifer Rose 260-446-0100 ext. 1025 or jrose@eacs.k12.in.us.

Kirby Stahly, ext. 1005

8. IDOE SUPERINTENDENT’S MAIL
Weekly, State Superintendent Ritz sends (via email) an informational message to principals and other administrators. This has a lot of great information and notices for professional development opportunities for Indiana educators. Please be sure to pass this information on to teachers.

Tamyra Kelly, ext. 1050
THE STUDENT RECYCLING LEADERSHIP CORPS PROGRAM, POWERED BY RECYCLE RALLY
(A PROGRAM OF PEPSICO RECYCLING)

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2015-2017 PROGRAM
APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 11, 2015

PROGRAM DETAILS
The Student Recycling Leadership Corps is an opportunity for Indiana high school students to grow the impact of K-12 recycling programs and away-from-home recycling by facilitating the Recycle Rally program in their schools and implementing public space recycling projects in their communities. Students apply as Sophomores to be accepted into the Leadership Corps which requires a two-year commitment during their Junior and Senior years. Student Leaders who successfully complete the program will receive a $500 college scholarship.

Recycle Rally is a nationwide school recycling program designed to raise awareness among K-12 students about the importance of recycling and encourage them to take action and make recycling part of their lives. This program aims to take K-12 school recycling programs to the next level, expanding to more schools across the nation and offering new opportunities for involvement. Through the program, schools earn rewards, gain access to educational tools and connect to a national recycling effort.

The goal of the Leadership Corps is to engage Student Leaders across Indiana in recycling initiatives in their communities, building the next generation of recycling champions. Through Student Leader reporting, the Indiana Recycling Coalition (IRC) will tally the amount of material recycled by weight and/or volume from each student project.

LEADERSHIP CORPS APPLICATION CRITERIA AND ELIGIBILITY
Leadership Corps applicants will undergo a competitive selection process. Applicants are expected to make a two-year commitment, spanning their Junior and Senior years of high school. Once selected, Student Leaders are required to implement one public space recycling project in their community each year and facilitate Recycle Rally at their school. Student Leaders are required to track data from their projects to include in a final report. The IRC will provide technical support for data reporting.

APPLICANTS MUST IDENTIFY A SPONSOR, AN ADULT AFFILIATED WITH THE SCHOOL/SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO SUPPORT STUDENT RECYCLING EFFORTS.

APPLICANTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE LEADERSHIP CORPS:

- Must be an Indiana resident and enrolled in an accredited high school degree program
- Must be a high school Sophomore applying for Junior and Senior Year commitments
- Must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 throughout the Leadership program and provide documentation if asked

APPLICANTS THAT MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WILL BE GIVEN SPECIAL CONSIDERATION:

- Demonstrated leadership experience within the school or broader community
- Clear interest in sustainability or environmental issues via community work and/or applicant’s Statement of Purpose
LEADERSHIP CORPS SCHOLARSHIP
Student Leaders who successfully complete the program will receive a $500 college scholarship, to be paid only after the Student Leadership Corps Committee has accepted and approved the Student Leader’s final report(s). The Student Recycling Leadership Corps Program is supported by funds from PepsiCo Recycling.

APPLICATION/IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE
Applications are due by Monday, May 11, 2015. Year one projects may begin upon acceptance into the program and are to be completed by May 2016 (dates TBD). Projects may be implemented over one or two semesters, and may include work to be completed over the summer.
THE STUDENT RECYCLING LEADERSHIP CORPS PROGRAM, POWERED BY RECYCLE RALLY
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LEADERSHIP CORPS APPLICATION CHECKLIST

APPLICANTS TO THE STUDENT RECYCLING LEADERSHIP CORPS MUST:
☐ Commit to serve in the Corps for two years - during their Junior and Senior years of high school
☐ Agree to a social media background check, to ensure appropriate behavior before final approval into the program
☐ Be willing to represent the IRC/PepsiCo Recycling during all official Student Leadership Corps activities/events
☐ Provide a brief bi-weekly progress report to the IRC
☐ Help grow the Recycle Rally program in their school district
☐ Track recyclable materials recovered from projects and Recycle Rally activities using appropriate waste reduction measurements
☐ If asked, be willing to give a final presentation at the IRC’s annual conference in late May/early June (held in downtown Indy)

IRC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ELIMINATE STUDENT LEADERS FROM THE PROGRAM AT ANY TIME IF AN ISSUE ARISES OR THE ABOVE CRITERIA ARE VIOLATED.

APPLICANTS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS WITH THEIR APPLICATION (SUBMIT VIA EMAIL TO DANNI@INDIANARECYCLING.ORG):
☐ 3 letters of recommendation from teachers or other leaders/group advisors in their community
☐ Statement of Purpose/Writing Sample (200 word limit)

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS VIA THIS ONLINE FORM: STUDENT RECYCLING LEADERSHIP CORPS APPLICATION

Thank you for your submission. All applicants will be contacted by Tuesday, May 26th, 2015 with final decisions. Questions about the Student Recycling Leadership Corps should be directed to the IRC office: (317) 632-5915 or to danni@indianarecycling.org.
Blue Jay Bolt
½M • 1M • 5K

Presented by EAU

May 16th, 2015
@ 9:00am
Harding Campus

All East Allen County Schools are invited to participate
This is a great school fundraiser! All pledges stay in home school.

Register at www.runrace.net for more information:
5K – Bonnie Bonneli @ 260-446-0240 x 7516
½ M & 1M – Larry Stemmler @ 260 – 446-0220 X 7249
Fundraising – Kerri Zurbuch @ 260-433-0024

Like us at “Blue Jay Bolt”

EVENT 1
4 wellness summer series
Our Foundation thanks our lead event sponsors . . .

You are cordially invited to attend the 2015 Breakfast / Auction to benefit EACS Educational Foundation, Inc.

Date: Wednesday, May 27, 2015
Time: 7:15a: Doors open / review of auction items
7:30a: Welcome and Breakfast (Goeglein’s Buffet)
7:50a: Recognition of EACS Teachers of the Year
8:00a: Martin Fisher, Executive Director of Science Central, Keynote Speaker
8:20a: Charity Auction, concludes by 9a

Location: New Haven High School, 1300 Green Road, New Haven, Indiana 46774

Purpose: To raise funds for our East Allen County Schools Educational Foundation, Inc.

Event Cost: $15/person, includes breakfast buffet
$25/two people, includes breakfast buffets
$75/table of 8 people, includes buffets

RSVP: RSVPs are required with payment by 05/20. Seating is limited. RSVPs are required.

Donations: Contact the Foundation by 05/15 with items you will donate for our auction

Payment for auction items and/or donations at our event are:
- Cash or Checks

Please make checks payable to EACS Educational Foundation, Inc.

Dress is business casual attire.

Thank YOU! Your generosity is most appreciated.

Gifts to the Foundation may be deductible. Tax ID: 37-1487238
Consult your financial planner / tax preparer for details.
RSVP: Please complete the appropriate information below and return this RSVP form with payment on or before Noon on 05/20/2015:

Your Name: ____________________________________________ Please print. Thank you!
Address: ____________________________________________
Telephone: __________________________ Email: __________________________

Costs [includes breakfast(s)] are: $15/person or $25/two people or $75/table of 8.
Select one:

____ Yes, I plan to attend (____ # attending) x $15/person = $_____

____ Yes, I plan to attend (____ # attending) x $25/two people = $_____

Guest Name: ____________________________

____ Yes, I plan to attend (____ # attending) x $75/table of 8 = $_____

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Guest Name: ____________________________  (please use additional sheet(s), if necessary)

____ I will make a donation to the EACS Educational Foundation: $_____

Return this RSVP to:  East Allen County Schools (EACS) Educational Foundation, Inc.
Attention: Rose Fritzinger
1240 State Road 930 East, New Haven, IN 46774

Method of Payment (select one):

____ Cash

____ Check Please make your check payable to EACS Educational Foundation, Inc.

Cash or checks will be accepted at the event for purchase of auction items and/or for donors to make a donation.

Questions? Contact Rose Fritzinger:
Telephone: 260/446-0100, ext. 3161  Email: rfritzinger@eacs.k12.in.us

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1. FORT WAYNE NEWSPAPERS AD CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Grace Koch, Hannah Fowerbaugh, and Josh Pulver,Leo Jr. Sr. High students. Each of their advertisements were chosen as the ‘best ad’ for their company in the high school category of the Design an Ad Contest, sponsored by the Fort Wayne Newspapers. Their ads will be published in the newspaper in the near future. Josh Pulver’s ad also received second place overall! He was awarded an art set and a Samsung Galaxy Pro Tablet.

WAY TO GO GRACE, HANNAH AND JOSH

LEO JR. SR. HIGH!