



Weekly Bulletin

“Constant dripping hollows out a stone.”
- Lucretius

Upcoming Events

- Fri., July 27 – System Administrator Appreciation Day
- August 16 & 17 – Summer Special Education Institute for Administrators
- August 16-17 – Regents Exams ([link to the schedule](#))
- August 17 – Last Day of ESY

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A Message from Mike

“Wow. That’s amazing.” That was Emma’s reaction when I told her why I was late getting home the other night. I had attended the Monroe #1 BOCES GED Graduation Ceremony. As I was explaining the concept of the General Equivalency to Emma, I told her the story of one of the graduates who had been working on her GED for 17 years, completed it, and was now attending MCC. This was just one of the inspirational stories that I heard. One of the graduates who spoke told her classmates, “Don’t let the journey stop here.”

The power of the human spirit is truly amazing. We all know people or have stories from our own lives of individuals who have persevered through great adversity to achieve notable things. I have often been amazed at how this quality often displays itself in children. Recently, Sam Ciulla, one of our technicians at 11 Linden Park, shared a video with me that I think you will find compelling. Check out [this video of an elementary school student](#) in Ohio who ran a very memorable 400 at his school’s field day.

We all face adversity at times in our lives. It’s how we face it that defines us. Similarly, how we respond to others who are struggling says a lot about us, too.

- Mike Doughty, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

From the Office of Special Education



With the retirement of Michele Cutro, START Assistant Principal, Darrin McCormick, Assistant Principal at Bird-Morgan, will move back to the Foreman Center to work with JoAnn Genthner at START/ALA. Darrin has previously worked in both programs and will be an asset to support the START and ALA programs as they come together in one facility. When I asked him to share a little about himself, he gave me an answer that was true Darrin. “I was born in 1966 on July 31st. It was a sunny day. I remember watching Scooby Doo in 1969, and it was then that I decided to be a teacher...JUST KIDDING.” Seriously, Darrin has worked with BOCES on again and off again since the late 1980s. He has also worked directly with children at St. Joseph’s Villa, and Hillside Children’s Center. It was while he was at Hillside that he became a special education teacher. He moved to

BOCES as a teacher approximately 11 years ago and has been here ever since. By working and attending school in the evening, he eventually obtained administrative certification. Darrin has been an administrator at the Alternative Learning Academy, the START Program and at the Bird/Morgan Program. We are very excited to have him.

Another change happening at BOCES is that Mark Frenzel has been selected for appointment to the principalship of Creekside. Mark is a local native. He was born and raised in Fairport and has lived in the Rochester area his entire life. He attended Niagara University, Brockport, and St. John Fisher College during his college career. Before coming to BOCES, Mark worked in the Rochester City School District for nine years as a special education teacher (self-contained and inclusion), academic coach and program coordinator. Since leaving RCSD, Mark had worked at Creekside School as the Assistant Principal for the Creekside/Hillside Day Treatment Program. Mark lives in Webster with his wife and three beautiful children and enjoys going fishing whenever possible.

Please join me in wishing both Darrin and Mark good luck in their new positions.

With Darrin's move, Ellen Howe's appointment as the principal of Bird/Morgan, and Mark Frenzel's pending appointment to the principalship of Creekside, we have posted for "Anticipated Assistant Principal" openings:

<https://secure.myschooljobs.org/monroe1/jobs.cfm?job=295370&cat=663&getjob=1>

- Cherie Bikowsky, Director of Special Education

Technology Tip of the Week

Thanks to Diane Smith, Computer Application Specialist from Technology Services, for submitting this Tip of the Week:

Tech Tip – Windows 7 Snipping Tool

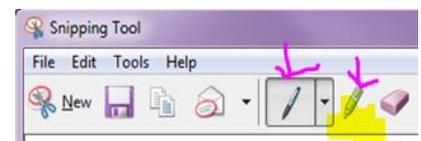
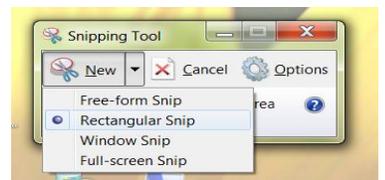
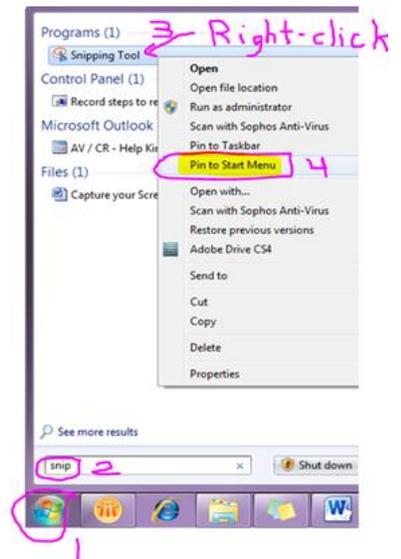
In prior versions of Windows, a screen could be copied by holding down **Shift** and clicking the "**PrtSc**" (Print Screen) button. In Windows 7, there is a new way to capture all or just part of the screen. It's called the "Snipping Tool". It's so handy, I suggest you put it on your Start Menu.

To put the Snipping Tool on your Start Menu: (see picture at right)

1. Click on the Windows Circle. (your **Start Menu**)
2. In the "Search programs and files" box, type **snip**.
3. Right click on **Snipping Tool** in the list of programs.
4. Left click on **Pin to Start Menu**.

To use the Snipping Tool and capture part of the screen:

1. Make sure you can see what you want to copy on the screen.
2. Click on the Windows Circle. (your **Start Menu**)
3. Click on **Snipping Tool**.
4. Click on the **Down Arrow** next to New.
5. Click on **Rectangular Snip**.
6. The screen becomes slightly fuzzy.
7. **Click** in and then **Drag** the mouse to select a rectangular part of the screen to copy.
8. When you release the mouse, the "Snip" will be visible in the Snipping Tool.
9. You can use the "Highlighter" or the "Pen" tool to draw on the image. (optional)
10. This "Snip" is now on your computer's "Clipboard". You can "Paste" it into another program such as Word, Excel, or even an Email message. This is a great way to capture an error message to send to the Help Desk if you're having a problem.
11. You can also save the image as a .jpg file. To do this: Click on **File, Save As**, and give it a file name and location.
12. Experiment with clipping a Window or for more fun try "Free-form snip" to create any shape snip.



Services Update

Instructional Programs



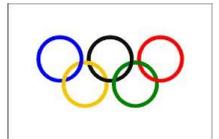
We have just completed the first two weeks of Challenger summer camp with great success. The camps have been a lot of fun. We have piloted the latest mobile lab curriculum with our campers. We have also begun a second scenario based on an ecological mystery in the great lakes. The students complete a mobile lab scenario once during each camp week. You can view camp videos that we send home with each child at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KjqLuMTWISA&feature=g-upl> and <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w-D4neAbbyc&feature=g-upl>. Stop down and visit if you have a chance.

- Steve Orcutt, Director of Instructional Programs

ESY News



AND WE ARE OFF! The District Based Extended School Year Program, located at the East Rochester School Complex, the Brighton Administration Building, and Penn Fair Office Park, began on Monday, July 9th and runs through August 17th. Our summer school theme is The Olympics and we have focused our learning on all aspects of this exciting worldwide event. As you walk around ER, you see brightly designed posters celebrating our staff and students and colorful flags designed by our students. Each classroom at ER has chosen a country to follow during the Olympics and they are learning about their customs and traditions as well as their Olympic connections. Several school-wide events are planned for the students as we continue the countdown to the Olympics. Students are engaged in an Olympic Read-A-Thon with weekly prizes for reading goals achieved. On July 26th and 27th, the Physical Education Staff for District Based and Bird/Morgan are planning our very own BOCES Olympic Events out on the ER campus fields. On Monday, July 30, the District Based students will host our opening day parade, with each classroom representing their country in the parade. School-wide art and cooking projects as well as movie day and a talent show are also in the planning stages for lots of Olympic sized fun. A special thank you goes out to the District Based faculty for your hard work and dedication to make this a productive and fun summer program for our students. We welcome you to stop by and join in the fun!



- Cyndi Lembo, Principal, District Based Program

Connecting with a Colleague

Each week, a staff member will be selected to complete a brief questionnaire to help us get to know him or her. This week we are connecting with **Debbie Affeldt**.

- **What are your primary responsibilities?** My primary responsibility is clerical support to Work Study and Work Experience staff and students. I am responsible for setting up and keeping student information so work students can get on the BOCES payroll as part of their work program. I also do work permits for BOCES and direct district students. I do letters to parents and students regarding report cards, work appraisals, and ACCES appointments etc. Every year I do a Department of Labor report so our sub-minimum wage-earning students are able to work under a SWEP certificate. I am also responsible for entering and submitting time sheet data so payroll can generate our students' paychecks. I design certificates for our students and also several other departments (when asked!). My "location" has changed many times over the years, but not my basic duties!
- **How long have you worked at BOCES?** I am starting my 23rd school year at BOCES!
- **What is your favorite part of your job?** My favorite part of my job is "cooperating" (our middle name) with ALA, START, District Based, Creekside and EMCC to serve our student workers and staff.



- **What do you enjoy doing in your free time?** Free time? What's that? Seriously, I have a part-time position as a Personal Care Aide for All About You Homecare Agency. I work 26 hours a week so that doesn't leave much free time - but when I can, I enjoy cooking/entertaining and getting together with family, especially my new Great Niece. Also stalking, I mean going to see Bruce Springsteen when on tour!
- **What is the one thing you would like people to know about you?** The one thing I would like people to know about me is that I absolutely love my job and am very proud to be part of the BOCES family!

Look for a different colleague to be profiled each week.

News and Notes

- If you know an unemployed educator looking to pay the bills until the 'right job' comes along, please consider referring them to an Adult Education Career Training program! We have training programs that range from 5-40 weeks in length. Anyone interested can visit the Adult Education website or contact Judy Breedlove at 383-2293 to arrange for an orientation and testing session.
- The parents of Amanda Brisson, a recent Creekside School graduate, wrote a "Letter to the Editor" to the Democrat and Chronicle newspaper commending our program. Please click here to read their letter: http://www.democratandchronicle.com/article/20120717/OPINION02/120716008/Creekside-School-community-asset?nclick_check=1
- Tyler Tornstrom (Fairport CSD) won 2nd Place at the 48th Annual SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City on June 27th. Congratulations, Tyler! Tyler is a recent graduate of Fairport High School and the Eastern Monroe Career Center's Basic and Advanced Emergency Services Program. More than 6,000 contestants competed in 95 separate events on June 25-26...[more info](#)