



Weekly Bulletin



We do not remember days, we remember moments.

- Cesare Pavese

Upcoming Events

- Mon., May 27 – Memorial Day
- June 2-June 8 – National CPR and AED Awareness Week
- Thurs., June 6 – Regular Board Meeting
- Fri., June 14 – Flag Day
- Sun., June 16 – Father’s Day
- Fri., June 21 – First Day of Summer

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A Message from Mike

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the Career and Technical Honor Society Induction ceremony at the Burgundy Basin Inn. One hundred forty-seven of our junior and senior students were recognized for their high academic achievement at both their home school and at the Career Center. To qualify for the National Technical Honor Society a student must:

- be a junior or senior in high school or an adult student,
- have a 90% average or higher in their CTE program,
- maintain a 95% or higher attendance rate, and
- be recommended by a teacher

Data Snapshot

147

The number of students who were honored at EMCC’s National Technical Honor Society on Wednesday, May 22, 2013.



The number of people in attendance was impressive. Students, families, BOCES staff and Board of Education members, and representatives from component school districts packed the large room at the Burgundy Basin Inn. What was even more impressive about the night was how focused the program was on the students. Of course a student honor society induction would have to be focused on the students, but the folks at EMCC took it to a whole new level. Mahagani Thomas, a Criminal Justice student from Rush-Henrietta (pictured at the left), was the student emcee for the evening. She ably assisted Principal John Lisak with the smooth operation of the program. Danielle Wert, a Criminal Justice student from Penfield High School (pictured at the right), spoke about her experiences at EMCC. Specifically, she said the following:

following:

EMCC has changed the way I look at life. It has motivated me to want to go to college and make something of myself and give myself a successful future. Growing up was never easy for my sister or me. We see our parents struggle to pay bills, buy groceries and gas and try to keep up with our needs and wants. Thanks to the motivation that I





have gathered, and the friends I have made throughout my years at EMCC, as well as the support from my family, I will be the first person in my family to attend college.

I could not be more proud of all of our EMCC students for their hard work and accomplishments, which would not have been possible without the dedication of our talented teachers, staff members, and administrators. It really was (and is) all about the students.

-Mike Doughty, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

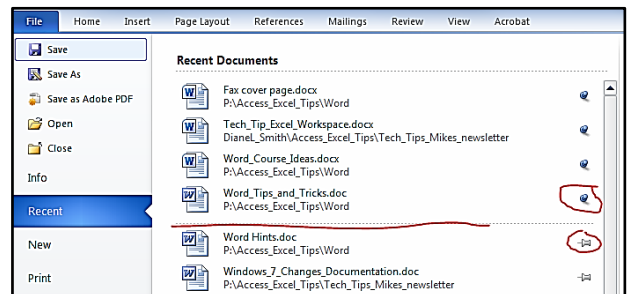
Technology Tip of the Week

Thanks to Diane Smith for the following tech tip:

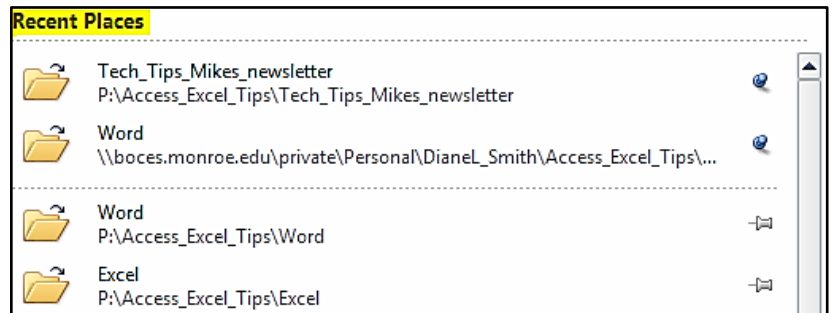


Recent Documents

Office 2010 has a feature called the "Backstage View". To get to it, click on the **File** ribbon. You have probably been using this for Save, Save As, New, Open, and Print features. This feature allows you to keep your most used documents on the top of the "**Recent Documents**" list. To do this, click on the "**Push Pin**" (circled) next to the document. The pin will change from a clear side view to a blue pushed in view. Documents with the blue pin will stay above the grey dashed line at the top of the list. To remove them just click on the blue pin to "un-pin".



In the column to the right of "**Recent Documents**", is "**Recent Places**". You can also "Pin" the file folders that you use frequently. This is really handy when you use folders that have very long folder names (paths).



This tip also works in Excel and PowerPoint. Suggested uses include: Mileage worksheet, meeting agendas, or any blank form that you use repeatedly.

Programs & Services Update

Lois E. Bird/Morgan School

The library committee at Lois E. Bird/Morgan School collaborated with Science Instructional Specialist Maryann Quirk to follow up the Science themed book fair with a day dedicated to Science and Literacy. On May 13th, students at Lois E. Bird Morgan School participated in 'Laboratory Detective Day.' The Instructional Specialist team as well as Aimee Johnson (Science teacher from START/ALA) facilitated stations that were Science themed with a strong connection to Literacy. Students were engaged in activities that exposed them to concepts in Living, Earth, and Physical Science. Students made Barbie bungee jump, were involved in color mixing, and experienced worms and volcanos. They participated in an obstacle course mimicking migration



obstacles as well as created oobleck and gak. The library committee brought in the DEC petting zoo and students had a wonderful time interacting with the animals. The students were so excited to be involved in hands-on activities, activating prior knowledge and making connections to Science! This collaboration facilitated a unique learning experience for the students, one to be replicated and continued in the classroom with inquiry based science lessons that are integrated to all the content areas.

-Maryann Quirk, Science Instructional Specialist

District Based

On Thursday, May 23rd, the District Based team held a Parent Information Session on the Common Core Learning Standards. Instructional specialists, Mike Monaghan and Jason Rotundo, opened the evening with an overview of the standards. District Based teachers Annette Bailey, Lisa Wehner, Nick Kovall, Marne Brady, Lindsey Launer, Joanne Crowley, Lisa Tambasco, Andrew Volpe, Stephanie Scism and Instructional Specialist Kathleen Olmstead set up tables for the parents and guests where they participated in activities tied to the standards instruction in their classrooms. The event was well attended by parents, students, several Board of Education Members and BOCES administration. Many thanks to all who supported this event. It was evident that the work we do in District Based is of extremely high quality and that you are engaged in best practices on a daily basis.

-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 **Mike Baxendell**.

- **What are your primary responsibilities?** I am a Senior Network Technician with the Campus Support team. I am currently assigned to 11 and 15 Linden Park. I also provide support to the Foreman Center as needed.
- **How long have you worked at BOCES?** I originally started working for BOCES in 1997 as a shared Senior Network Technician at Webster Schools. I was hired directly with Webster in 1999 and then took a position with Gates Chili in 2001 since I live in the district. I was rehired temporarily with BOCES in 2011 and then took a permanent position in August of 2012.
- **What is your favorite part of your job?** I enjoy helping anyone with technology issues. It is very satisfying to troubleshoot and solve issues not only for end users but also others on our team. Special thanks go out to Google.
- **What do you enjoy in your free time?** After a long day solving other people's issues, I like to go home and spend time with my family. I enjoy playing sports (volleyball, golf, and tennis weekly), cooking and traveling. I have been to 17 countries and within the last 4 years traveled to Europe for 30 days and Hawaii for 18 days. Kauai is my new favorite place (Retirement??? I wish). Next up: Australia (2016).
- **What did you enjoy most about last year's superintendent's conference?** I enjoyed seeing just how many people there are in this organization. They say it takes a village.....I'd say we have one.
- **What is the one thing you would like people to know about you?** Until I was 17, my family spent 4 months a year in Mexico (Dec-April). I would surf, swim, snorkel and scuba dive every day. I would even do my schoolwork. My parents hated the snow. Also you're never too old to learn anything. I have just started taking guitar lessons and have always wanted to be a pilot. I have flown a plane 3 times. Guitar is less expensive.....



SANE (Sometimes Acronyms Need Explaining)

Thanks to Nichole Outhouse, Director of Teacher Center, for the following explanation:

(NYSED)-New York State Education Department