



# Weekly Bulletin



The fewer the facts, the stronger the opinion.”  
- Arnold H. Glasow

## Upcoming Events

- Fri., July 4 – Independence Day
- Mon., July 7 – First Day of ESY & Regional Summer School
- Tues., July 8 – Board Reorganization Meeting
- Sun., July 13 – Embrace Your Geekness Day
- Thurs., July 31 – Board Meeting/Retreat

Follow this [link to the BOCES Calendar of Events](#)

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## A Message from Mike

I hope you were able to take time to visit with family and friends over the weekend. If you traveled more than 50 miles from your home, you were not alone. According to AAA, 41 million Americans were expected to travel over the weekend. We spent time in Cortland with my parents and at Skaneateles Lake with my aunt, uncle, and cousins. One of the highlights was watching our foreign exchange student from Spain, Paola, take her first boat ride. It was also fun to see my cousins’ children.

It’s a bit of a slow news week as we come off of the Fourth of July and begin our special education extended school year programs and our regional summer school. For everyone who heads back to work on Monday, this is the calm before the storm. It takes a great deal of time and effort for opening of our summer programs to go smoothly. In addition to the faculty and staff in the schools, our maintenance and operations staff and technology services folks have been hard at work to make sure that all of the supplies, materials, and equipment are in the right places. This is also an incredibly busy time for everyone in the Business Office, Human Resources Office, and Payroll Office as the new fiscal year begins. Please take a moment as our summer programs get underway to thank those who have made it possible for us to do this important work for so many students in the region.

### Data Snapshot

Recently Gallop conducted a [survey of 1,801 school superintendents](#).

Here are some of the results:

- About half (51%) of superintendents say their school district is very effective at selecting talented teachers.
- Over half (56%) of superintendents say their school district is very effective at selecting talented principals.
- Roughly three-quarters (77%) of superintendents say their school district has a system in place to develop talented students for future leadership roles.

- Mike Doughty, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

# Technology Tip of the Week

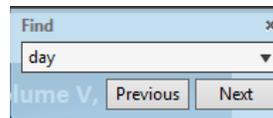
Thanks to Diane Smith for the following tech tip:

## Finding text in Adobe Acrobat Files (.pdf)



It is easy to use the FIND command to get to a specific part of a long Acrobat document.

1. On the menu, click on **Edit** then **Find** or hold down **Ctrl** and type **F**.
2. A small blue box appears in the upper right of the screen.
3. In the box, **Type the word** you want to look for.
4. Hit the **Enter** key and it will highlight the word you are looking for in the file. (It will only highlight the word the first time it appears in the file.)
5. To find the word again, further down in the file, click on **Next**.
6. You can practice this right now – inside the Newsletter. Try to find the word **day**. How many times does it appear in the issue?



(To see a previous Tech Tip about Highlighting and adding comments to Acrobat files: [Click Here](#))

## 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 **Shaun Dulen**.

- **What are your primary responsibilities?** I help to support video conferencing for Monroe 1 BOCES and our component districts. I also provide AV room support to our conference rooms at 11 and 15 Linden Park as well as various locations at the Foreman Center. At times my job also requires me to help design, install, and support conference rooms and Board rooms in our component districts. Additionally, with the assistance of Dana Bowers and Ken Owens, I support the various technical needs of the BOCES' radio station, WBER. I can also be found with either Greg Lada or Matt Dentico moving and/or installing Smart Boards.
- **How long have you worked for BOCES?** This September will mark 15 years with BOCES. I started my first full time position as a para for the CAPS department. I have been in various positions in Technology Services since August of 2001.
- **What is your favorite part of your job?** I enjoy that every day is something different. It's also rewarding to provide support to something like our statewide Erie Canal video conferences and see how much fun the kids have learning and interacting through video conferences. I also can't complain about the several times a year when my job requires me to spend the day scuba diving with Peter Robson as we provide underwater video conferences to students with lesson plans surrounding either geometry or buoyancy.
- **What do you enjoy doing in your free time?** I enjoy spending time helping to coach my son's t-ball team and manage his hockey team. I enjoy playing volleyball and kickball in various leagues. I also DJ weddings, proms, and other events on the weekend.
- **What is one thing you would like people to know about you?** I am a licensed pyro technician with the ATF and have worked for a local fireworks display company.



## SANE (Sometimes Acronyms Need Explaining)

**HQT** – Highly Qualified Teachers