



Weekly Bulletin



It is a medium of entertainment which permits millions of people to listen to the same joke at the same time, and yet remain lonesome.”

- T.S. Eliot, about radio

Upcoming Events

- Sat., Feb. 14 – Valentine’s Day
- Mon., Feb. 16 – Presidents’ Day (Recess)
- Thurs., Feb. 26 – Regular Board Meeting
- Sun., March 8 – Daylight Savings Time begins
- Thurs., March 12 – Regular Board Meeting
- Tues., March 17 – St. Patrick’s Day

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

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A Message from Mike

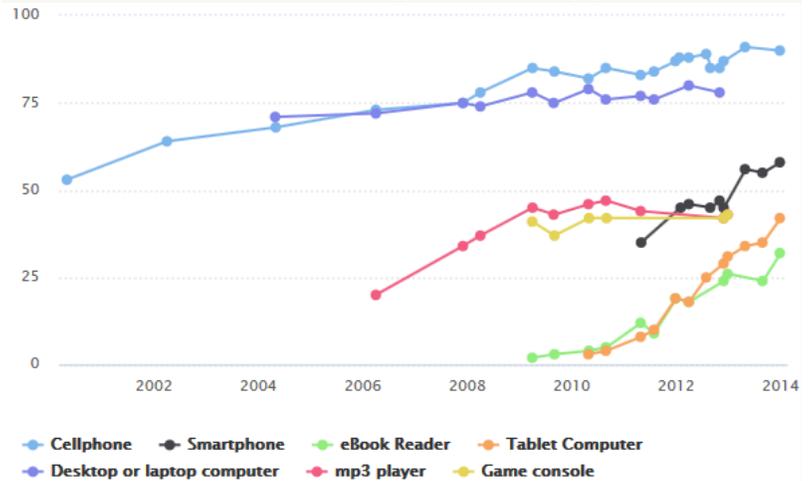
Technology is a big part of all of our lives. It’s hard to imagine a time before the Internet and a time when we weren’t interacting with multiple screens on a daily basis. But how much do people really know about the technology that permeates our lives and how we ended up where we are. Try this quiz: <http://www.pewinternet.org/quiz/web-ig-quiz/>

How did you do? I’m a little embarrassed to admit that I answered only 9 out of twelve questions correctly. Does it matter if people know this information? What surprised you about the answers?

Enjoy the break, and stay warm. If you’re looking to spend a couple minutes on the

Internet, check out this collection of nine TED Talks about the Internet compiled by Alexis Ohanian, the founder of Reddit: http://www.ted.com/playlists/45/alexis_ohanian_9_talks_about.

According to the [Pew Research Center](#), here’s the percentages of American adults who own each type of device by year:



- Mike Doughty, Deputy Superintendent

Technology Tip of the Week

Thanks to Diane Smith for the following tech tip:

Speedily Move and Copy Data in Cells

If you want to move one column of data in a spreadsheet there is a fast way to do it:

1. **Select** the column you want to move.
2. **Move** the pointer to the border.
3. When the pointer turns to a crossed arrow icon, drag to move the column freely.
4. **If you want to copy the data**, rather than just move it, press the **Ctrl** button before you drag to move; the new column will copy all the selected data.

A	B	C	D	E
Code	Name	Country	Age	
1	Liza	USA	25	
2	Linda	USA	29	
3	David	CA	17	
4	Susan	CA	24	
5	Salina	CA	23	
6	Jim	Mexico	49	
7	Jorge	Mexico	29	

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 **James West**.

- **What are your primary responsibilities?** I am an assistant principal at Bird/Morgan and also supervise the District Based classes in Rush Henrietta.
- **How long have you worked for BOCES?** I've been working for BOCES since August, 2014.
- **What is your favorite part of your job?** I love that I am in a position to work with and support staff in making a positive difference for kids.
- **What do you enjoy doing in your free time?** My favorite free time activities include spending quality time with my family (my wife, two children and three dogs), camping, reading, and watching good movies.
- **What is one thing you would like people to know about you?** This will be my 15th year in Education, following 5 years in the not for profit world working for Continuing Developmental Services for adults with developmental disabilities. Each of these experiences has had a positive impact on my life journey, and it has been such a pleasure working with such wonderful people. I look forward to many years of working with BOCES staff to promote the academic and social emotional success of our students!



Programs & Services Update



+ e-START + = Success

Bird Morgan School, e-START, and O'Connor Academy form PLC to Focus on Student Writing

Throughout this school year, teachers, instructional specialists, and administrators from Bird/Morgan, e-START, and O'Connor continue to work collaboratively in an ELA/SS PLC focused on improving student outcomes in writing.

Our short-term goals include creating a shared-essay writing format, rubric, and common language to be used across grade levels. Long-term goals include a robust writing assessment schedule, increased writing in all content areas, and developing a K-12+ writing PLC.

We are very proud of our efforts so far this year and are confident they will best serve students both now and upon completion of their educational career here at Monroe #1 BOCES.

PLC Team Members:

Aaron Lawrick

Frank Vacanti

Karen Cole

Jo Guadagno

Meredith Tindall

Mike Langridge

Sue Burggraf

Karen Meredith

Paula Benetti

Alii Farrell

Tera Strauss

Jay Rotundo

Admiral Lord

Michael Hendrick

Hayley Brockler

Dave McAlpin

Jim West

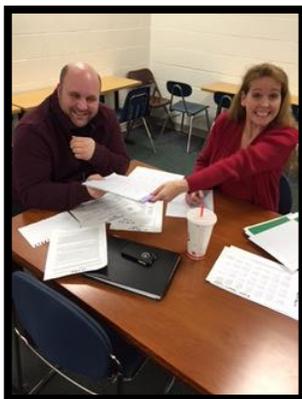
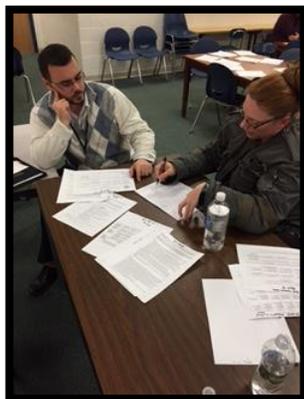
Mike Monaghan

Steve Gipprich

Marcos Frangakis

Barry Tierney

Laura Klemme



*-Mike Langridge, Principal, O'Connor Academy
-Meredith Tindall, Assistant Principal, Bird/Morgan
-Tera Strauss, Assistant Principal, Bird/Morgan*

News and Notes

Thank you to everyone who supported the Monroe #1 BOCES Polar Plunge team. With your support, we were able to raise almost \$5000 for the Special Olympics. It was definitely a cold morning and they once again had to bulldoze a spot for us in Lake Ontario, but we all had a good time. Some team members even made it all the way under the water this year. We hope more staff members will join our team next year. Thanks again!



Team members (left to right) Front row: Lisa Magguilli, Diane Hopper, Jessica Stoneham, Mike Doughty
Back row: Mike Langridge, Rebecca Etlinger, Becky Hicks, Claudine Chartier, Mark Frenzel, Meredith Tindall, Dave McAlpin

- Rebecca Etlinger, Assistant Principal, Creekside School

A well-earned Golden Apple Award from WROC-TV 8 was recently presented to Lisa Mazur. Lisa, an Adult Education Equivalency Teacher at the Adult Education facility located at 999 East Ridge Road near the TOPS Plaza, was nominated by one of her students, Jada Davis. "She has a great spirit," says Jada, "she tells her students to never give up. She always helps her students find the answers, whether it's in their personal life or in their studies. She tells us that school can be a different story this time; it's only the beginning of what can make our lives better."

For the complete story, click [here](#).



- John Walker, School-Community Relations Coordinator

SANE (Sometimes Acronyms Need Explaining)

LTSE: Long Term Sheltered Employment

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