



Weekly Bulletin



Our work is the presentation of our capabilities.”
- Edward Gibbon

Upcoming Events

- Oct. – National Bullying Prevention Month
- Sat., Oct. 31 – Halloween
- Sun., Nov. 1 – Daylight Savings begins (turn clocks back on Saturday night)
- Tues., Nov. 3 – [National Sandwich Day](#)
- Tues., Nov. 3 – Election Day
- Thur., Nov. 5 – [National Doughnut Day](#)
- Wed., Nov. 11 – Veteran’s Day (No School)
- Tues., Nov. 17 – School Related Professionals’ Day
- Wed.-Fri., Nov. 25-27 – BOCES Closed for Thanksgiving

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

A Message from Mike

There is a lot of content in this week’s Bulletin. I’m going to yield my space to the great information below. Have a great week.

- Mike Doughty, Deputy Superintendent

Technology Tip of the Week

Thanks to Diane Smith for the following tech tip:

Stop Showing Rounded Numbers

There is a feature of Excel that could drive you nuts if you work with numbers a lot. If you change the Column Width of a column with say 3 places after the decimal, you could end up seeing a number with no numbers after the decimal. This can be very misleading.

Before:

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3	Zeta	14
4	Total	62.8833
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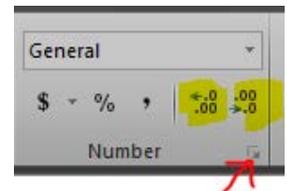
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3	Zeta	14.0000
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The problem is that the cells with the numbers are formatted as "General".

To fix the problem:

Select the cells, and then on the Home Ribbon, Number area - change the format from "General" to Number. You can use the highlighted tools to Decrease or Increase the # of places after the decimal (or use the little formatting arrow).



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Programs & Services Update

October is Advanced Manufacturing Month

If you were asked to picture in your mind what a manufacturing workplace looks like, it may invoke images of the Industrial Revolution Era, buildings with monstrous, loud machines, greasy black floors, and areas filled with scrap metal. That was yesterday! Today, advanced manufacturing facilities consist of clean spaces, high tech, state-of-the-art equipment and employees who may earn more than the national average.



Advanced Manufacturing Month provides an opportunity for Rochester area businesses to dispel the myths and increase awareness about career opportunities available in a variety of interconnected manufacturing fields. It is an opportunity for the manufacturers to bring to light the shortage of middle skills workers in our area and to attract some to fill those employment gaps.

Throughout the month of October, students from the College and Career Ready Partnership schools have been touring Advanced Manufacturing facilities, such as Micro-Automated Systems, CooperVision, Inc., Gleason Corp. and Gorbels, Inc. They have had the opportunity to investigate the many careers available, identify the skills necessary to get and keep a job, and prepare themselves for a future in advanced manufacturing.

- Kathleen Barrett, TASC/HSE Prep Teacher and "College and Career Ready" Coordinator

Multi-Occupational FOCUS

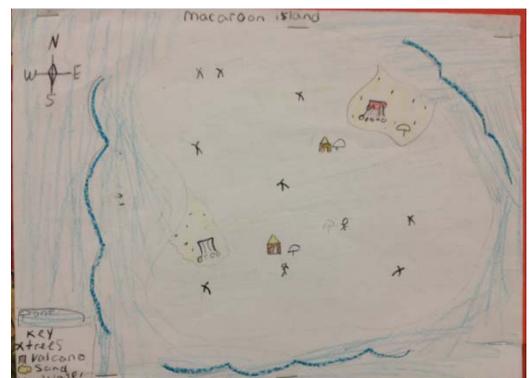
The Multi-Occupational FOCUS Business & Retailing students opened their store on Monday (October 19th). The store name is SnackZ. The students were excited to open and excited to work inside (as well as outside of the store at the coffee cart). Thanks to teachers, staff and fellow-students for your patronage!

- JoAnne L. Jones, Business and Retailing Teacher



K-5 Integrated Curriculum

The plate of an Elementary teacher is full. Teaching foundational reading, writing, speaking and listening skills, while also covering content in Science, Math, ELA, and Social Studies, is a daily uphill battle. However, a new K-5 Integrated Curriculum has helped students draw connections between **what** they are learning and **how** they are learning. Over the past year and a half Karen Cole, Jennie Lyle, Linda Lucey, Rachel Hawkins, Lisa Tambasco, Faith Berndt, and Jamie Schnaus worked tirelessly to develop a curriculum that integrates ELA, Science and Social Studies. Bird/Morgan and District



Based classrooms are just finishing up the units “All About Me” and “Where in the World Am I?” Students have created some great products. Several districts have marveled at our newly developed integrated curriculum maps. Once again, Monroe #1 BOCES is leading the way to find creative and unique ways for our students to be successful.

- Mike Monaghan, DeAnna Hoobler, Marne Brady, Instructional Specialist Team



Professional Development

PD at M1B: Engaged in Learning

Teachers or groups of teachers spend a great deal of time writing curriculum for their classes and courses at M1B. Knowing the curriculum provides a guide or a roadmap for instruction. This upcoming week we are offering An Introduction to ATLAS for Administrators.

We are also continuing a series of sessions on working with the more defiant student. This two-day session is for anyone that plays a role with students within our organization. I know you will find a session that fits with your learning goals or a session to recommend to a colleague.

Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities:

October 26	New – Introduction to ATLAS for Administrators
October 26 & 27	Keeping Everyone Safe: Avoiding & De-Escalating Physical Crisis Situations
October 27	GANAG Lesson Planning Workshop
October 29	Getting Started with the TI-Nspire

These sessions and others can be found at WinCap WEB: <http://www.monroe.edu/about.cfm?subpage=2829>

- Annette Hauenstein, Coordinator of Curriculum, Instruction & Professional Development

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 Kathleen Barrett.

What are your primary responsibilities? *The first half of my day is spent teaching the TASC (GED) prep students. I have done this for 18 years, and every day is an adventure. I am responsible for assessing their strengths and weaknesses in all high school subject areas and providing instruction to prepare these “at-risk” students to pass the TASC test and receive their high school equivalency diploma.*



After spending three years teaching in the Consumer Family Science program, I have started a new afternoon position as the Coordinator for College and Career Ready Partnership. My responsibilities are to provide college and career information to the staff and students of the partnership schools, by organizing tours of area businesses, instituting school and industry presentations, and working with area colleges and workforce development groups on a variety of events.

How long have you worked for BOCES? *I have worked at Monroe #1 BOCES for 18 years!*

What is your favorite part of your job? *Being able to make a difference in the life of a student who has had difficulty in a traditional high school setting has always been my favorite part of the job. There is nothing that spurs me on more than having a student come back and tell me about their successes in life, from attending college to fulfilling their career goals. Knowing that they have passed the TASC (GED) exam and received their high school equivalency diploma is exhilarating, but just the beginning. Even more gratifying, is the opportunity to run into a past student "on the job", and observe how pleased they are with their achievements.*

I always enjoy challenging myself in my work. My new afternoon position as Coordinator for the College and Career Ready Partnership is providing a pleasant and interesting change to my day.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time? *I enjoy reading, painting, drawing, crafts, and creating all sorts of things. In the summer, I love to be near the water and in the sun. I am most relaxed when I can spend a day at the beach with my family and a good book.*

What is one thing you would like people to know about you? *The most rewarding aspect of being a parent, is knowing that your children have turned out to be exceptional human beings". My daughter Katalin, who will be 28 Saturday, lives and works in California. We are hoping she will make it back to the east coast in the near future. My son John, 20, will be graduating on the dean's list from Clemson University in May, after attending for only three years. They are awesome kids!*



SANE (Sometimes Acronyms Need Explaining)

NYSA – [New York State Archives](#)

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