

ESC News

September 30, 2005



Dates to remember:

Oct. 10, 2005 9:00-11:00 a.m.
ESC Internal Staff Meeting

Oct. 12, 2005 4-7 p.m..

Open House – Invitations have been sent to district personnel, business associates, families, and friends to see our new building and offices.

Oct. 21, 2005 from 1-3 p.m.

All Staff Meeting (Programs Included)

Dec. 9, 2005 @ 12:30 p.m.

Holiday Party – Harry's Steak House

Lunch served at 1:00. CSESC will be joining us this year. Watch for further information soon.

Administrative Academy Feedback – There are mixed reviews on the evaluation forms. Some felt that it was just what they wanted, and got some inspiration from it and felt that the structure was good. Others did not – they felt there was too much down time, would have liked more direction in groups and some other issues. Overall it was felt that it was worthwhile, a few changes could be made, but that we felt that the districts/programs enjoyed finding out “Who We Are”. We will continue to use the information/ tools from the retreat on “Our Best Self”.

New ESC Staff – We have a few new supervisors working here this year. In the Special Ed Department we welcome Denise DiMatteo (Richmond Hts., Brooklyn Preschool, and Gerson) and Paula Jones (Garfield Heights). The Gifted Education Department welcomes David Dewey (Brecksville).

Website – Website reconstruction is currently being done. It is hoped that it will be a great source of information to those outside our offices and include many items of interest to the public. It will include forms, meetings, and all activities here at the ESC. The new format should be easy to update here at our office.

Ease@Work – a representative from Ease@Work recently gave the office an overview of the many aspects of the program. Steve Rogaski has a video if anyone would like to see it. This confidential program is open to all of us and our immediate families.

www.easeatwork.com/EASEy - user name: CCEsc – password: EASE.

Security System – A new security system has been installed in the building. If you have a need to enter the building on a weekend, you may obtain a temporary fob from Jennifer to use at that time that will allow access to the building.

Building News - The rear **walkway** under construction is being replaced with concrete and pavers. While the **windows** are being replaced some of the staff must vacate their office for safety reasons. **Signage** has been ordered to identify this building as the ESC. Dr. Eastridge has been in contact with the Village of Valley View to see if they can redo the wall at our corner to coordinate with the stone walls at the park across the street.



Landscaping will also be done to coordinate with the park area across the street.

5700 W. Canal Building is gutted and framing has begun for the new offices. The ESC name has come off the front of the building.

Snow Days - We are in the process of changing our policy on Snow Days. Dr. Eastridge will determine if there is a snow day for our office. We will no longer be going by the Independence and Cuyahoga Heights schedule. If it is not an official ESC snow day and it is bad out, we are expected to report as soon as we are able. In the event that we do not report we are to use an emergency day, vacation or a day without pay.

Meeting Maker – Just a reminder to staff that have the Meeting Maker Program – please keep your calendar up to date so others can see at a glance who is in the office at any time. Thanks.

Sunshine - Claudia shared that she will be having her reconstruction surgery on Nov. 21st. She will be out of the office for that week and perhaps some shortened hours the following week. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.



September/October Birthdays - Belated **September** wishes to: Linda Hile (1st), Bob McMahon (12th), Barbara Clark (20th), and Felice Willis (23rd). Our **October** birthdays include Judy Greer (21st) Kevin Staller, (23rd) and Claudia Stebal (25th).

Office Help - We are very happy that our part time helper, Kathy Fordos, has accepted an administrative assistant position at the new Rosemary Center School. We wish her well as she sets up her new office. The new school is schedule to open soon in the Tremont Area.

Because of this, we are in need of another substitute or part time helper here in the office. If you know of anyone who might be available or interested, please let us know.

The Educational Office Professionals of Ohio met on September 30th for their annual fall conference in Sugarcreek, Ohio. President Leanne Long reported that the 46 attendees were treated to motivational speaker, Twyla Southall, who talked about being our “best self.” Senator Joy Padgett spoke about how legislation works, house bills, and tips on contacting lawmakers. Barbara Myers gave us ideas on how to get organized and stay organized at the office.

Future Issues - If anyone has anything that they would like to submit for future issues of ESC News, please submit them to Nina Stein for publication.
