

High School Activity Report May, 2011

Walk for Autism:

For the second year in a row, the Early Childhood Education Lab has participated in a community fundraiser. This year, the students and Mrs. Erdman “WALKED” for the March of Dimes on May 1, 2011. Mrs. Erdman reported that approximately 50 people represented ECTS – 37 students, 1 aide, and herself were included in that number.

Kudos to Mrs. Erdman and her outstanding students.

NOCTI Results:

The results for the NOCTI testing for the school year are in, and we are proud to report that ECTS had a super year again. Twelve of the eighteen programs had at least 70% of their students achieve the Competent or Advanced status with Art & Design for Business, Auto Body Repair, Construction Trades, Diversified Occupations, and Health Assistant having 100% of their students in the competent or advanced categories.

EOY Assessments:

The instructors “End of the Year” assessments were conducted on May 9th and 10th. Dr. Jackson and Joe Tarasovitch shared the duties of reviewing the instructors “portfolio” binders and meeting with the individual instructors to discuss their 2010-11 school year. Each assessment with the instructors was approximately 45 minutes and was a review supported with documentation and an administrative collaboration.

National Technical Honor Society:

Mr. Bob Craft and Pam Lasher organized an outstanding evening on May 3rd to recognize the National Technical Honor Society students. The students, parents, and faculty gathered at the Ambassador Banquet Center for the event which Mr. Michael Tirpak, the CEO of Northwestern REC was the guest speaker. Mr. Tirpak is a graduate of the first class from the Erie County Technical School in 1970.

“In-House” Awards:

The annual “In-House” awards will be given out by Mrs. Palo, the individual instructors, and Mr. Tarasovitch on May 26th & 27th. The students that were identified for SAFETY, LEADERSHIP, or WORK ETHIC qualities by their instructors will receive a certificate and an ECTS t-shirt.

Thank-you to Pam Lasher for her creative work on the certificates.

Senior Awards Ceremony:

On Wednesday, June 1st approximately 210 seniors will be recognized as ECTS graduates. The event will begin at 7:00 PM at McDowell Intermediate High School and you are welcome to attend.

Last Day for Students:

Believe it or not – the school year will conclude on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 for our students; and on June 8th the instructors will complete their final day.

As the principal, I again want to inform the JOC of how proud I am of the staff at ECTS. This school operates fantastically because EVERYONE has the best interest of the students in mind, and EVERYONE takes great pride in the Erie County Technical School.