

Admission Coordinator Board Report

March 2015

I have met with every district's Guidance Counselor to review all students that applied to ECTS. As of this report there are 320 students enrolled in the 16 programs (3 yr.). Several of our programs are full with waiting lists and several are nearly full. Each Guidance Counselor has been extremely helpful in the entire recruiting and application process. Dr. Jackson and I will visit every district in the next few weeks to greet the new students. They will be given an ECTS gym bag, and a reminder to attend the Dinner with Teacher event. We take a group picture of the newly enrolled students. The pictures are blown up and sent back to the districts for display. They will also be posted on the ECTS Facebook page.

The extreme winter weather made it very difficult to complete the recruiting presentations for Tourism and Hospitality Management and Computer Networking. This piece of the admission process is typically done in February, but due to so many 2 hour delays spilled into March. I have worked with our Computer Networking Instructor to plan dates and activities for potential students. On March 25th I will be hosting all potential Tourism and Hospitality students to the Ambassador Hotel and Conference Center for the morning session. Nick Scott, the hotel manager, and a representative from Mercyhurst University will be speaking to the students. I have a mini session planned to introduce the tourism industry and the hotel will provide a tour for the students. Applications for the 2 year programs will be due to ECTS by April 10th. This will allow us to process the applications and communicate with the districts in time for the 2yr Program students to participate in the Dinner with Teacher event at the end of April.

I have been working with Lisa Houser, the current Tourism and Hospitality Instructor to plan a field trip for the students at the end of May. We are hoping to take the class to 1201 Kitchen, a fine dining Restaurant owned by a graduate, the Bayfront Convention Center, the Sheridan on the Bay, and Mercyhurst University with lunch along the way.

Before the spring break I will begin to plan the Dinner with Teacher event on April 23rd. We are expecting roughly 500 new students and parents to attend.

The 3rd Guidance Counselor meeting of the year took place on March 23rd. All districts were represented.