

High School Activity Report February 2016

2nd Quarter Recognition: With the end of the second quarter occurring on January 15th, ECTS recognized outstanding students in these categories:

Perfect Attendance: 130 students had Perfect Attendance in the 2nd quarter which represented 17% of the ECTS population.

Honor Roll Students: 121 students achieved the Honor Roll status; 16% of the student body.

Distinguished Students: 28 ECTS students achieved the Distinguished Student recognition which accounts for 4% of the student population.

(Individual district lists are attached)

Lockdown Marshal Meeting: Joe Tarasovitch held a meeting with the “Lockdown” Marshals to address the opportunities for improvement to the school’s facilities, planning and process. The team of Dr. Jackson, Jeff Smith, Pat Holland, Del VonVolkenburg, and Joe Tarasovitch reviewed products that would facilitate the safety of the building such as window blinds, floor mounted door security, and lockdown kits. In addition, the team identified changes that would require attention to the Protective Institute campus map and procedures to ensure that an evacuation of the building and rally point maneuver were in the best possible areas. The team will continue to investigate areas of improvements; a second drill will occur in the spring of 2016.

Perkins Revision Meeting: Terri Birchard, Jeff Smith, and Joe Tarasovitch reviewed the Perkin’s funding and the possibilities of revisions to the grant. Mr. Tarasovitch issued a final request for “field trips” from the instructors, and a final utilization of approved purchases. Terri Birchard will review the funds available after the fore-mentioned request have been completed to determine if a revision is necessary for the March 31, 2016 deadline.

Military Presentation: On Wednesday, February 3rd a “military” panel presentation was held at the Erie County Technical School. This was the 3rd year that this type of presentation was conducted at ECTS. Mrs. Moyak moderated the sessions that had military representatives from every branch of service.

Welcome to ECTS: The Erie County Technical School completed the process of hiring and welcoming a new Tourism and Hospitality Instructor on Monday, February 8th. Mr. Jeff Zellefrow began his tenure at ECTS with the guidance of Ms. Melanie Damore, the long-term substitute. Ms. Damore spent the week with Mr. Zellefrow to support a smooth transition.

Mr. Tarasovitch is extremely grateful to Natalie Fatica for her efforts to assist with this hire, and to Ms. Damore for her efforts to bridge the gap from December to February.

2nd Suicide Awareness Session: The second part of the suicide awareness training was conducted on Wednesday, February 10th at an after-school faculty meeting. Dr. Mandy Fauble from Safe Harbor Behavioral Health again was the “expert” presenter. The faculty has now completed 2 hours towards the stated mandatory 4 hours of training for ACT71; the remaining hours will be completed during the opening school in-service of 2016.

Tornado Drill: A campus-wide tornado drill was conducted in the AM and PM sessions on Wednesday, February 24th. Both drills were completed with the appropriate decorum and cooperation from everyone involved.

Progress Reports: The 3rd quarter progress reports were mailed home to the students’ parents on Monday, February 22nd. This mailing opportunity was also utilized to forward the annual “Parent Survey.”

February ECTS Pride Student: Please find attached the monthly recognition of the PRIDE student of the month from each lab.

March Special Event: ECTS would like to invite each of you to our special event in March. On Tuesday, March 8th the Spring Occupational Advisory Committee Dinner and Meeting will be held at ECTS. The dinner is scheduled from 5:30 to 6:30, with the program meeting immediately following. If you would be interested in attending, please contact Elaine Shaffer.