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March 2015

Important Dates

Tuition Waiver Deadline
for Summer

April 6

• Spring Break

Mar.30-Ap.3

- EOY Elections Round 1– Mar. 18 Round 2– April 8
- Officers' Elections April 8
- Fac Rep Elections April 29
- Spring Reception





WEA Officers:

President Rhonda Gilpin <u>Vice President</u> Tom Cook <u>Treasurer</u> David Johnston <u>Secretary</u> Kelly Modlich <u>Fac Rep At Large</u> Cathy Montiero Jordi Vilanova Kimberly Rostorfer Tami Martine Karen Lee Todd Ebbrecht

President's Corner

TESTING has turned into such an ugly word. We used to test to drive instruction and assess our students. Now it seems we just test to test. The administrators and BOE members in WCS want to thank you for making your students feel as comfortable as was humanly possible. You are all true professionals and I couldn't be prouder. Rhonda

Reminder: Need fee waivers for OSU? We have plenty. OSU fee waivers are issued electronically. In order to apply for an OSU fee waiver you have should have an account set up with OSU and be able to provide your student ID number. Fee waivers from other institutions aren't as abundant but we have many waivers to give for OSU.

Remember: The HR department will be putting internal postings on the intranet on Tuesdays and Fridays. If you are interested in changing buildings or grade levels, please be sure your application is current. Retiring this year and want to keep your district insurance through the summer, then notify HR with your intent to retire effective the end of this school year, and a statement that you want to keep your insurance through the summer. By contract to keep your insurance through the summer, you MUST notify HR by April 1.

Summer Opportunity

If you are a teacher in need of a reading endorsement, there is a completely online opportunity through Muskingum University beginning this summer. The endorsement consists of four courses. Jamie Lipp will be teaching one of them.

Muskingum Flyer https://drive.google.com/a/westerville.k12.oh.us/file/ d/0B78jegg0tce3OHMxc1FicWtiUzg/view?usp=sharing Information about Reading Endorsement through Muskingum University https://docs.google.com/a/westerville.k12.oh.us/document/ d/1FEDo25vyVRBkMhVzcKpluiHrCDVswjDguyfeeIjXFG8/ edit?usp=sharing



Because We Care...

<u>Births</u>

Walnut- Laura Douridas- Baby Girl Hawthorne- Becky Limes-Baby Boy -Angela Leone-Baby Girl -Tiffany Arnold-Baby Girl McVay- Arin Florence-Baby Girl Wilder-Natasha Stoll-Juredine-Baby Girl ELC-Katie Workman-Baby Girl Mark Twain-Beth Cumming-Baby Girl Heritage-Duane Bradley-Baby Girl -Tyson Hilkert-Baby Girl -KC Murphy-Baby Boy -Kellie Sheeley-Baby Boy Genoa-Stacey Dettwiller-Baby Boy North-Dan Finan-Baby Boy Condolences Annehurst-Conan Schneider-Grandmother McVay/Central-Denise Stuckey-Xander-Mother Heritage-Stacey Morrison-Grandfather Robert Frost-Michelle Kuisel-Father

Testimony on House Bill 2: Public school personnel and advocates must weigh in on HB 2-the charter school "reform" bill

The Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy of School Funding provided testimony on March 9 before the House Education Committee regarding HB 2. As introduced, HB 2 doesn't reach the tip of the iceberg regarding reform needed in the charter industry. Public school supporters need to weigh in by advocating a complete systematic overhaul of the charter industry. Call the House Education Committee Chairman's office to get on the list to testify. Written testimony can be submitted as well.

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TAX INFORMATION: AMOUNT OF DUES THAT YOU CAN DEDUCT

Full time:	\$829.97
Half time:	\$534.87
Quarter time:	\$395.38



MyEdPortal - If an activity is returned to you for clarification or is denied, please go back into MyEdPortal and when looking at that activity scroll to the bottom of the page and read the comments from the LPDC. Also be sure and put activities into

MyEdPortal in a timely manner as they happen. Don't save them all up until it's time for you to renew your license.

Public SchoolWorks classes that you take online, please enter them as activity title "Public SchoolWorks".

LPDC did not meet in February due to a snow day but we will work hard to get caught up when we meet this month (March 26).

Point of Information: Applications for Master Teacher must be submitted to the Human Resources office at the Early Learning Center by April 30, 2015.