



Wyoming County Schools . . .  
Inspiring Our Students to Learn, Dream, and Achieve!

## Superintendent's Bulletin

March 15, 2017

### Superintendent's Message

Deirdre A. Cline

March 15, 2017

"Empathy is . . .

*Seeing with the eyes of another,*

*Listening with the ears of another,*

*and Feeling with the heart of another."*

Having true empathy for others within a school system is so vital to the important work that goes on every day. Showing and feeling empathy for the children we work with, our colleagues, and parents is critical in our success as a school system and in our service to children. The quality of having empathy helps us be more accessible, more open, more in touch, more helpful, and ultimately, more inspiring. The power of empathy to help us connect with each other and with children is immeasurable. Thank you for your hard work and dedication, every day.

*Deirdre Cline*



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## Personnel Protocols

Please call Mrs. Stacey Lusk-Butcher, Director of Personnel and Assessment, at ext. 1121, or email her at [slusk@k12.wv.us](mailto:slusk@k12.wv.us) if you have any questions regarding personnel matters.



### March 30, 2017

The All-County Band Concert will be at Wyoming East High School on Thursday, March 30, at 6:00 p.m. The performance will showcase three days of intensive rehearsals by Wyoming East, Westside, and the feeder schools.

### March 31, 2017

Friday, March 31, was scheduled to be an Out-of-School Environment Day. However, March 31 will now be used to make up the snow day we had on January 30.

School will be in session on March 31!



**Wyoming County Board of Education**

March 6, 2017 Meeting

**First Place Winners** in the Wyoming County Social Studies Fair were honored at the March 6 Board Meeting. A complete list of medal winners in the 2017 Social Studies Fair is available in the attachments section.



*Division III First Place Winner*



Melinda Bowman, a teacher at Baileysville Elementary and Middle School, was honored by the Board of Education. Ms. Bowman secured a \$5,000 grant from Lowe's Home Improvement to start an agriculture program at the school.



*Division II First Place Winners*

**WINNING MEANS YOU'RE WILLING TO GO LONGER, WORK HARDER, AND GIVE MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE.**  
- Vince Lombardi



*Division I First Place Winners*



## Spotlight!



### Electrical Technician

This program of study prepares students for a career in Electrical Technology, with a strong emphasis on safety. Students enrolled, participate in the construction of the school's modular house as well as other live work experiences. Those enrolled, have the opportunity to earn up to 28 college hours in pursuit of a 2 or 4 year degree. The Journeyman Electrician License is available to those students completing the 1080 hours of instruction, to include the 4 Core and 4 Elective courses.

### Electronic Technician

Students entering the field of electronic technology will be on the forefront of developing trends. Those enrolled in this course of study will diagnose, adjust and repair electronic equipment such as computers, televisions, and DVD players as well as sonar, radar, industrial and medical measuring, and engineering and control devices. This is a one year program and is often taken in conjunction with Robotics courses, making the student a dual completer. Students are eligible to enter the Toyota Advanced Manufacturing Technician Program after completing this program.

### Coding, App and Game Design

This course of study covers Web, Console, Mobile and Windows programming. Students will be prepared to pass the two certification exams offered at the Center through the Certiport exam systems. Students will create web based

simulations and games using Adobe Flash and create Windows and Xbox 360 games using C# and XNA. This program offers the 4 core Courses and can be completed in one year.

### Pro Start Restaurant Management

The food service industry is the largest and fastest growing in America, employing 12.5 million people, making this industry the nation's largest employer outside of the government. Pro Start is a 2 year course of study that allows 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students to learn the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for success in restaurant management and culinary arts careers. This program provides instruction in 25 subject areas ranging from basic food prep, accounting, and cost control to sanitation and work place safety. Student successfully completing the program will be able to enter the work force or continue their education in pursuit of a 2 or 4 year degree.

### Health Science Education

This program of study is designed to provide students an opportunity to acquire basic knowledge of health care. Students may choose to attend the concepts, fundamentals and terminology courses as a foundation for the professional pathway, or they may opt for the clinical experiences in addition to the other courses to prepare them for the CNA component of the program. A new option for students is to attend the EKG and Phlebotomy courses only for that particular certification. Health Science Education has expanded from a one to a two year program, allowing more opportunities for students to fulfill their career choices.



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*"We cannot hold a torch to light  
another's path without brightening our own."  
--Ben Sweetland*

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## FAFSA Completion Rates

Both Westside High and Wyoming East High have passed their FAFSA completion rates from last year. Currently, 51% of West Virginia seniors have completed a FAFSA.

## Wyoming County Community Fund

Applications for the 2017 Wyoming County Community Fund Scholarship are now being accepted through April 12, 2017. The scholarship is for any Wyoming County resident that is looking to attend the Wyoming County Career and Technical Center or the Wyoming County Campus of Southern WV Community and Technical College. The scholarship is a one time award of \$2,500 to be used in the Fall of 2017 and the Spring of 2018. The application can be downloaded on the Wyoming County EDA website at [www.wyomingcounty.com](http://www.wyomingcounty.com), see attachment section of this *Bulletin*, or visit a high school counselor.



### West Virginia EMS for Children Program

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Program collaborated with the West Virginia Violence and Injury Prevention Program (VIPP) to develop and produce a safe driving video to put a face on the effects of unsafe driving practices.

The campaign slogan, "Stay Alive, Just Drive", addresses the dangers of impaired and distracted driving. This video titled "For

Andrea" is ten minutes in length and contains interviews regarding the aftermath on a West Virginia family and community who lost their young teen to an impaired driver. This video is being shared at no cost with numerous agencies across West Virginia, such as county Department of Health and Human Resources offices, Division of Motor Vehicle offices, the West Virginia State Police, and West Virginia residents about the importance of practicing safe driving.

We would also like to make this DVD available to all school systems grades 5 through 12 at NO COST as an excellent opportunity to provide safety education. This video can be utilized as part of the Health Education and Driver Education curriculum to meet required WVBE content standards and objectives. Pre and post surveys are available as a tool to measure learning outcomes. This video can additionally address the entire school population and serve as an impactful tool when shown school-wide as part of an operation Prom/Graduation program in helping teens make responsible decisions.

To request a FREE copy of this DVD, or access the online YouTube link visit <http://www.wvoems.org/designation-and-categorization/ems-for-children/Stay-Alive-Just-Drive> and complete the DVD request form and e-mail to Vicki L. Hildreth, EMS for Children Coordinator, at [Vicki.L.Hildreth@wv.gov](mailto:Vicki.L.Hildreth@wv.gov). If you have additional questions, you may contact Ms. Hildreth at (304) 558-3956 Ext. 74470.



IT'S REALLY A WONDER I HAVEN'T DROPPED  
ALL MY IDEALS, BECAUSE THEY SEEM SO  
ABSURD AND IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY OUT.  
YET I KEEP THEM, BECAUSE IN SPITE OF  
EVERYTHING, I STILL BELIEVE THAT PEOPLE  
ARE REALLY GOOD AT HEART.

Anne Frank

### **Class of 2017 Senior Opinions Survey**

The purpose of the **Class of 2017 Senior Opinions Survey** is to identify the educational needs and college choice criteria of our students to help maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of financial aid administration, program development and outreach activities.

The [attached memorandum](#) (see **Bulletin attachments**) provides further details and timelines. In order to facilitate next steps of the survey administration, we ask that you have each of your high school principals or school counselors complete the following online registration from no later than

**Friday, March 24, 2017**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSOS17>.

Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Dr. Chris Treadway at [chris.treadway@wvhepc.edu](mailto:chris.treadway@wvhepc.edu) or 304-558-1112.

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### **WV STEM Hub to Assist Middle and High Schools**

**June 12-16, 2017 - Huntington, WV**

The West Virginia Department of Education is working in collaboration with the June Harless Center at Marshall University to implement a STEM Hub. The purpose the WV STEM Hub is to assist middle and high schools in the development and implementation of action plans with a goal of improving student performance on WV College and Career Readiness measures. At the STEM Hub, schools will be assisted in writing action plans that are specific to each school's needs and will include:

- a. Workplace Adaptability Competencies
- b. Personal Competencies
- c. Academic Competencies

The STEM Hub model will seek to improve overall teacher quality in STEM fields

by increasing teacher content knowledge with embedded best practices in current teaching strategies, tools and techniques as. In addition, the model will address a culture of excellence promoting personal and workplace readiness competencies.

The WV STEM Hub will not provide a "one shot" solution to measured deficiencies, but will provide a continuous systematic program of professional development and support based on WV College and Career Readiness standards and policies.

Participating schools should have a principal and 4 teachers, preferably from STEM fields, who are willing to attend the WV STEM Hub training for the entire week of June 12-16. Travel expenses and stipends will be provided for eligible educators. The West Virginia STEM Hub training will take place at Huntington High School. Additional details will be provided along with the application process the first week in April.

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### **FIRST2**

FIRST2 is a new NSF-funded project to better support first generation college students who are potentially interested in STEM fields in their first 2 years of undergrad.

The project offers current high school seniors a PAID 2-week internship at Greenbank Observatory in radio astronomy or at Fairmont in the Solar Army (working on using sunlight to split water into hydrogen fuel!). During the academic year, participants will have a weekly STEM support session with faculty at WVU, Fairmont, Marshall or Glenville (or virtually at other WV schools) to help navigate and thrive in college and STEM classes, as well as learn to be an ambassador for STEM and first generation college students.

Finally, this program will offer participants funding to return to their home high school and serve as Hometown Ambassador, serving as a resource to high school students as well as to the k12 and higher ed systems so that we can all grow in the direction of a better WV through increasing the success of our students. Please see [attached flyer](#) (see **Bulletin attachments**).

## West Virginia Make It Shine Youth Challenge

The Make it Shine Youth Challenge, presented by the WV Youth Environmental Program, WV Wesleyan WE LEAD team, and Stockert Youth Center, will provide an opportunity for area youth groups to learn about service projects that address environmental and conservation needs from **1:00—3:00 PM, March 19, 2017 at the Stockert Youth Center 79 E. Main Street, Buckhannon, WV.**

Presenters from WV Dept. of Environmental Protection, WV Division of Natural Resources, Upshur Solid Waste Authority, City of Buckhannon, Appalachian Forest Heritage Area, WVU Extension and West Virginia Wesleyan College will be on site to demonstrate project ideas on topics such as litter cleanups, recycling drives, wildlife and fish habitat, gardens, invasive species removal, trail maintenance, state parks, rain barrels, and more. Groups can also choose to design their own project through the Roots & Shoots program, founded by Jane Goodall. The Youth Environmental Program provides \$15,000 in awards to participating youth groups annually.\*

See the [attached document](#) (see **Bulletin attachments**) or contact [callie.c.sams@wv.gov](mailto:callie.c.sams@wv.gov) or 304.924.6211 for information or to RSVP.

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**Attached to this edition of the *Superintendent's Bulletin* are:**

- ❖ Learning Enrichment Programs
- ❖ 2017 Social Studies Medal Winners
- ❖ Title I Parent Meeting flyer
- ❖ Wyoming County Community Fund Scholarship
- ❖ Memo about Senior Opinions Survey
- ❖ FIRST2 flyer
- ❖ WV Make It Shine Youth Challenge

**2016-2017 Wyoming County Schools Learning Enrichment Programs rev. February 28, 2017**

Constitution Day	Observed Friday, Sept. 16, 2016	Activities at each school K-12
Reading Fair	September 22, 2016 – County Fair, School Fairs completed by 9-19-16	Divisions: K, 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3-4 <sup>th</sup> , 5-6 <sup>th</sup> , 7-8 <sup>th</sup> , 9-10 <sup>th</sup> , 11-12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>WV Legislative Page Program</b>	House of Delegates and Senate <b>Send in applications to state ASAP</b>	83 <sup>rd</sup> Regular Session – Feb. 8 – April 8, 2017
Poster Contest "Fall in Wyoming County"	Submissions due Oct. 14, 2016	Ages K – 12 <sup>th</sup> Autumnfest Art Show
Essay Contest 2017 Project on Racism	Due to County Office – Oct. 17, 2016 Deadline – October 21, 2016	Grades 1-4; Grades 5-8; Grades 9-12. Sponsored by YWCA Wheeling, WV.
Class Christmas Ornament	Deadline- October 27, 2016	Grades K-12, Ornament for Capitol Tree
<b>Science &amp; Engineering Fair</b>	*County Fair (4 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> ) Nov. 16, 2016 At Berlin McKinney Elementary. *School Fairs completed by Nov. 14. *Training for School Coord.- Oct. 11 Central Office – 8:30 a.m.-10:00.	* <b>Regional Fair for 4-8<sup>th</sup> – April 29, Beckley, WV</b>  * <b>State Fair for 9-12- Fairmont State, April 1, 2017</b>
Attendance Works Poster C.	Due to S. Norman – Dec. 2, 2016	Pre K -2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3-5 <sup>th</sup> , 6-8 <sup>th</sup> , 9-12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Math Field Day</b>	December 2, 2016- County <b>Regional- Saturday, March 25, 2017</b> <b>State – Saturday, April 22, 2017</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> grade County- Southern WVCTC- Saulsville Regional – Concord; State - WVU
Youth Art Month Poster Contest.	Due to County January 13, 2017	Grades K-12. Contest for the Design of the YAM official Poster.
<b>Spelling Bee</b>	January 12, 2017 – County <b>March 11, 2017 – Regional, Charleston</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Submit school winners by January 9, 2017 County held at Pineville M.S. Auditorium.
<b>Young Writers</b>	School Winners due to County – Feb. 6, 2017 <b>State Celebration – May 12, 2017</b>	Divisions: 1-2 <sup>nd</sup> ; 3-4 <sup>th</sup> ; 5-6 <sup>th</sup> ; 7-8 <sup>th</sup> ;9-10; 11-12 9-10 <sup>th</sup> ; 11-12 <sup>th</sup>
Governor's Honor Academy	January 27, 2017 Application Due to county.	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade July 1 – 22, 2017 at West Virginia University
Youth Art Month, 2 D and 3D	February 6, 2017- due to county February 18, 2017 –State competition <b>April 28, 2016 – Arts Alive</b>	K-12 <sup>th</sup> grade Parkersburg Art Center- A Day in the Studio WVDE Arts Alive, Clay Center -Charleston
<b>Governor's School of Math and Science</b>	<b>Application Due to County</b> <b>March 14, 2017</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> gr. – WVU, June 14-22, or June 23 – July 1,17</b> <b>8<sup>th</sup> gr.–WV State – July 10-23, 2017</b>
<b>Youth and Government 8th</b>	<b>March 13-15, 2017, in Charleston</b>	Application due to county- Nov. 2, 2016
<b>Social Studies Fair</b>	<b>February 9, 2017 - County</b> <b>March 4, 2017– Regional, RESA I</b> <b>April 21, 2017 – State</b> County at Pineville Elementary School	Divisions: I - (Grade 3 – 5) II - (Grade 6 – 8) III – (Grade 9-12) School Fair completed by Feb. 3, 2017
Golden Horseshoe	February 8, 2017 - ESSAY February 23, 2017 - on line exam	8 <sup>th</sup> grade
WV History Bowl	Regional: Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017 April 25, 2017 – State	8 <sup>th</sup> grade only; Registration Due, Jan. 20, 2017 Regional Site -Wyoming County, PMS Each school- 2 teams of 4
<b>Poster Contest</b> <b>Southern Conservation Dist.</b>	<b>School Winners due to county,</b> <b>March 31, 2017</b>	<b>K-1; 2-3; 4-6; 7-9; 10-12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Southern Conservation District</b>
<b>WV Ambassadors Camp</b>	Application Due to County <b>May, 2017</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> grade June 2017 Charleston, WV
<b>Public Speaking Contest</b>	<b>May 16, 2017 – County</b>	Grade 4-5 ; 6-8; 9-10 at Career & Tech.

**2017 Social Studies Fair February 9, 2017**

<b>Medal winners</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Allyson Plumley	Berlin McKinney Elem	Anthropology
<b>Div. 1 2nd</b>	Ian Blevins	Glen Fork Elem/Middle	Anthropology
<b>Div. 1 3rd</b>	Ashton Collins	Baileysville Elem/Middle	Anthropology
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Lashaya Brown	Glen Fork Elem/Middle	Economics
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Hadli Evans, Kinley Morgan	Berlin McKinney Elem	Economics - Group
<b>Div. 1 3rd</b>	Kanyon Paynter, Kyra Paynter	Road Branch Elem/Middle	Economics - Group
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Iain Furman	Mullens Elementary	Geography
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Hanna Evans	Oceana Middle	Political Science
<b>Div. 1 2nd</b>	Moriah Smith	Glen Fork Elem/Middle	Political Science
<b>Div. 1 1st</b>	Piper Cook	Pineville Middle	Sociology
<b>Div. 1 2nd</b>	Duff Stable	Glen Fork Elem/Middle	Sociology
<b>Div. 1 3rd</b>	Andrew Lusk	Mullens Elementary	Sociology
<b>Div. I 1st</b>	Savannah Thomas	Pineville Elementary	State & Local
<b>Div. I 2nd</b>	Krislynn McKinney	Herndon Consolidated	State & Local
<b>Div. I 3rd</b>	Jagger Smith	Berlin McKinney Elem.	State & Local
<b>Div. I 1st</b>	Alivia Acord, Emma Pavlik	Berlin McKinney Elem.	State & Local- Group
<b>Div. I 3rd</b>	Chloe Eldridge, Malachi White	Road Branch Elem/Middle	State & Local - Group
<b>Div. I 1st</b>	Connor Lundy	Pineville Middle	US History
<b>Div. I 2nd</b>	Laniee Hylton	Herndon Consolidated	US History
<b>Div. I 3rd</b>	Sarah Daniels	Road Branch Elem/Middle	US History
<b>Div. I 1st</b>	Julia Williams, Chloe Quesenberry	Herndon Consolidated	US History - Group
<b>Div. I 2nd</b>	Jalden Boothe, Havanna Paynter	Road Branch Elem/Middle	US History - Group
<b>Div. I 3rd</b>	Perry Hall, Kevin Mitchell	Baileysville Elem/Middle	US History - Group



<b>Medal winners</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Div. I 1st</b>	<b>Maria Morgan</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. I 2nd</b>	<b>Austin Pennington</b>	<b>Pineville Elementary</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. I 3rd</b>	<b>Emma Blankenship</b>	<b>Mullens Middle</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>John Paul Lusk</b>	<b>Mullens Middle</b>	<b>Anthropology</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Nathan Ford</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>Economics</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Abigail Greene</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>Economics.</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Wyatt Harvey</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>Geography</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Levi Crider</b>	<b>Road Branch Elem/Middle</b>	<b>Geography</b>
<b>Div. II 3rd</b>	<b>Elizabeth Calendar</b>	<b>Pineville Middle</b>	<b>Political Science</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Madison England, Alexandria Lefler, Renia Pando</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>Political Science - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Abby Quessenberry</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Madeline Tilley</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Div. II 3rd</b>	<b>Samantha Steele</b>	<b>Pineville Middle</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Haley Martin, Lindsay Toler</b>	<b>Baileysville Elem/Middle</b>	<b>Sociology - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Chloe Sigmon</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>State &amp; Local</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Adison Lusk, Hansel Bledsoe</b>	<b>Baileysville Elem/Middle</b>	<b>State &amp; Local - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Lizzy Colbird, Tori Lusk</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>State &amp; Local - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Chandra Hodges</b>	<b>Oceana Middle</b>	<b>US History .</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Natali Hash</b>	<b>Glen Elem/Middle</b>	<b>US History</b>
<b>Div. II 3rd</b>	<b>Summer Mullins</b>	<b>Pineville Middle</b>	<b>US History.</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Tristin Bailey, Logan Eaton, Hunter Lawrence, Daltin Harris</b>	<b>Baileysville Elem/Middle</b>	<b>US Hisory - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 3rd</b>	<b>Anastasia Mathews, Callie Oneal, Dylan Burks</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>US History- Group</b>

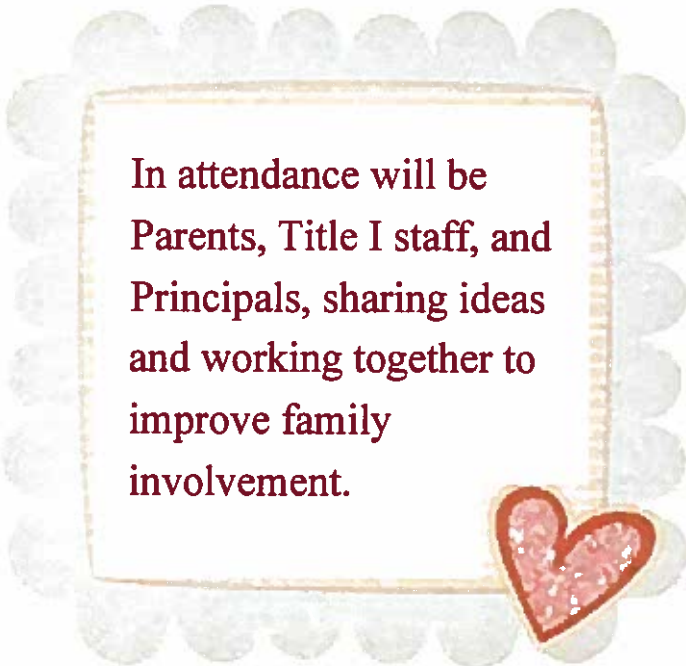
<b>Medal winners</b>	<b>Student</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Emily Osborne</b>	<b>Glen Fork Elem/Middle</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Carleigh Mounts</b>	<b>Huff Consolidated</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. II 3rd</b>	<b>Hannah Walls</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Div. II 1st</b>	<b>Thomas Toler, Emily Hatfield, Savannah Parsons</b>	<b>Baileysville Elem/Middle</b>	<b>World History - Group</b>
<b>Div. II 2nd</b>	<b>Payton Keen, Kaiden Lambert</b>	<b>Herndon Consolidated</b>	<b>World History- Group</b>
<b>Div. III 1st</b>	<b>Julie Brown</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Anthropology</b>
<b>Div. III 2nd</b>	<b>Breonna Stevens, Kychina Nelson</b>	<b>Wyoming East</b>	<b>Anthropology - Group</b>
<b>Div. III 1st</b>	<b>Alyssa Bailey</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Economics</b>
<b>Div. III 2nd</b>	<b>Nathaniel Ponce</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Geography</b>
<b>Div. III 1st</b>	<b>Emily Prichard</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Psychology</b>
<b>Div. III 1st</b>	<b>Liam Lester, Caitlyn Zornes, Jacob Hatfield</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Psychology - Group</b>
<b>Div. III 2nd</b>	<b>MaKenzie Lusk</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Div. III 3rd</b>	<b>Keli Kara</b>	<b>Wyoming East</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Div. III 1st</b>	<b>Katie Elkins</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>US History</b>
<b>Div. III 3rd</b>	<b>Hannah Bledsoe</b>	<b>Westside High</b>	<b>World History</b>

# Title I Parent Meeting

Join us for Wyoming County Schools  
Annual Parent Meeting.

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

at Cook Memorial Baptist Church in Pineville, WV



In attendance will be  
Parents, Title I staff, and  
Principals, sharing ideas  
and working together to  
improve family  
involvement.

We hope you can Attend.  
Lunch will be served at 12:00.

Debbie Hall, Title I Director.  
304-732-6262 ext. 1106



# WYOMING COUNTY

WEST VIRGINIA

*"Building the Foundation for a Brighter Today"*

## Wyoming County Community Fund 2017 Scholarship Grant Proposal Guidelines

To obtain a copy of the application or to find out more about the Wyoming County Community Fund, please visit our website, [www.wyomingcounty.com](http://www.wyomingcounty.com) or call (304) 732-6707.

### General Information

This scholarship grant is intended to support higher academic pursuits in Wyoming County.

#### Grants are awarded to:

1. Students attending a Wyoming County High School Or
2. Wyoming County students currently enrolled at the Wyoming County Career & Technical Center or the Wyoming/McDowell County Campus of Southern WV Community & Technical College Or
3. Wyoming County adults returning to school.
4. Wyoming County adults with a GED.
5. Must be a Wyoming County resident.

**(In all cases, the awardee must attend or plan to attend the Wyoming County Career & Technical Center or Southern WV Community & Technical College Wyoming/McDowell County Campus.)**

#### Grant Amounts:

This scholarship grant is for \$2,500 to be used for the Fall 2017 – Spring 2018 academic year.

**One Scholarship will be awarded.**

### **About The Wyoming County Community Fund**

The Wyoming County Community Fund (WCCF) is a sustainable source of funds built to serve the needs of Wyoming County for years to come. Donations made to the WCCF are invested; only income from the investment is distributed, thus ensuring sustainable funds for future generations. The WCCF is made possible by the Beckley Area Foundation (BAF) who manages the funds and acts as an umbrella organization. For more information on supporting or volunteering for the WCCF please contact 304-732-6707 or visit [www.wyomingcounty.com](http://www.wyomingcounty.com).

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Any high school or college student must possess a 2.5 or greater cumulative GPA.
- Work experience or exceptional community service or GED requirements.
- The applicant cannot be on probation of any kind.
- The use of this scholarship grant must be used for the **Fall 2017 – Spring 2018 term.**
- Applicants must submit one original proposal and one copy.
- The intent of this scholarship is to be a one-time grant. It will not be repeated for ongoing needs.
- This scholarship will be awarded to the school of choice in the name of the recipient of the scholarship.
  
- Grants are not awarded to or for:
  - Paying off student loans
  - Wyoming County Community Fund or Wyoming County Planning Commission members or immediate family.

### **Scholarship Grant Narrative**

Please address the following questions and limit your narrative to three (3) pages.

“According to the eligibility criteria, please describe why you feel you should receive this scholarship.”

“How will this scholarship assist you with attaining your educational goals?”

“What ideas would you have to help stimulate the economy in Wyoming County?”  
(Optional)

## Scholarship Grant Proposal Components

Please attach the following materials to your scholarship grant proposal:

- Proposal Cover Sheet
- Proposal Narrative
- Unofficial Transcript
- Any additional information that supports your application (Optional)

## Submission & Review

Provide one original and one copy of your entire proposal for the review committee.

All scholarship grant requests must be postmarked or delivered to the Wyoming County EDA office at one of the addresses below by 4:00pm on April 12, 2017.

The review process may include a phone interview by the Scholarship Application Committee. Grant award notification will take place 4-8 weeks from the proposal deadline.

If you have any questions, please contact the Wyoming County Community Fund at (304) 732-6707.

Please submit your completed scholarship grant request to:

**Wyoming County Community Fund  
Scholarship Application Committee  
PO Box 1828  
506A River Road  
Pineville, WV 24874**



**Proposal Cover Sheet**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Application Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School or Organization (If Applicable):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Point Average (Cumulative):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Next Class Registration:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Intent for Scholarship Use:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Community Service:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Work Experience:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I understand that false statements on this application will disqualify me from a scholarship. In addition, I understand the information submitted in my application may be shared with the scholarship committee and Beckley Area Foundation's Board of Directors.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Bruce L. Berry, M.D.  
Chair



Paul L. Hill, Ph.D.  
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West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission

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www.hepc.wvnet.edu

Dear Superintendent:

The West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission and the state Department of Education invite your participation in a survey of the post-high school plans of West Virginia's senior class. The purpose of the *Class of 2017 Senior Opinions Survey* is to identify the educational needs and college choice criteria of our students to help maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of financial aid administration, program development and outreach activities.

All public high schools are asked to participate in this survey research project. To ensure responses reflect the thoughts and opinions of the entire West Virginia graduating class of 2017, we request that the online survey be administered to your all of your seniors during homeroom/advisory classes. Should a homeroom/advisory period not be feasible, we suggest administering the survey in senior English classes. Pre-tests of the online survey have shown that students are able to complete the survey in 15-20 minutes. We leave it to each principal or contact person to decide when and how to distribute the surveys provided, although the administration of the survey must take place during the month of April 2017. The Commission will provide participating schools with access to aggregate survey results via an online, interactive data dashboard in the fall.

In order to facilitate next steps of the survey administration, we ask that you have each of your high school principals or school counselors complete the following online registration from no later than Friday, March 24, 2017: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSOS17>

Commission staff will follow-up with the individual that each principal identifies as the person who will administer the survey. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Dr. Chris Treadway at [chris.treadway@wvhepc.edu](mailto:chris.treadway@wvhepc.edu) or 304-558-1112.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Paul L. Hill in blue ink.

Dr. Paul L. Hill  
Chancellor  
West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission

Handwritten signature of Michael J. Martirano in black ink.

Dr. Michael J. Martirano  
West Virginia State Superintendent of Schools  
West Virginia Department of Education



# First2Network: Building STEM Success

## Research Opportunity for Rising First-Year Students Majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math: Internship July 16-29, 2017

### Help Solve the Problem

The First2Network is pleased to announce a unique opportunity for first generation college students in West Virginia!

West Virginia and the Nation need more STEM professionals, but many students leave their STEM course of study in the first two years of college. The First2Network is a growing group of professors, state officials and students like you who want to improve persistence in STEM during those first two years. We are piloting efforts to support you and others to achieve success. We ask you to join us in building a better environment for STEM students, and to be an advocate and leader in your hometown by encouraging future STEM students in your community!

If you are planning to start your first year of college this fall, and will be a first-generation college student majoring in a science, technology, engineering or math related field, then consider joining the First2Network. We are seeking rising freshmen from rural communities who will be enrolled in a West Virginia community or 4-year college in the fall of 2017. We will be able to select about 35 students to participate in this pilot project.

### Program Activities

As a student member of the First2Network you will participate in several STEM related activities:

- Summer 2017, a 2-week all expenses paid **research internship** at one of two First2Network research sites: Fairmont State University or the

Green Bank Observatory. This experience will give you a "leg-up" as a STEM major and could lead to future internships.

- Weekly online meetings with fellow First2Network colleagues during the 2017/2018 academic year to develop STEM skills and leadership, discuss issues with friends and to solve problems;
- Hometown STEM Ambassador activities. You are the best person in your community to inspire future STEM students and to dialogue with local education officials and business leaders about your STEM experience! We expect you to visit your hometown community at least 4 times over the next two years.

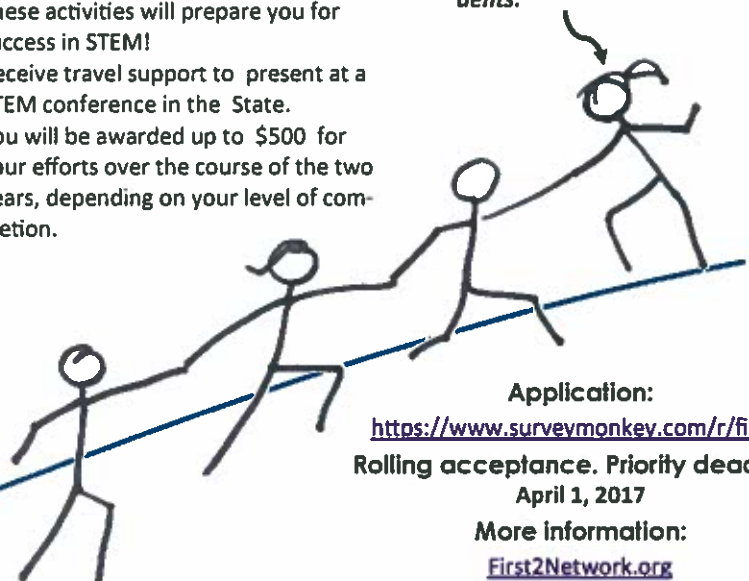
### Benefits to You

- These activities will prepare you for success in STEM!
- Receive travel support to present at a STEM conference in the State.
- You will be awarded up to \$500 for your efforts over the course of the two years, depending on your level of completion.

### Did you know?

- ➔ Students who participate in research early are more likely to succeed and graduate with college degrees in STEM disciplines.
- ➔ Faculty /student interactions are important to STEM success.
- ➔ Discussing your STEM coursework outside of class with other students has a positive effect on persistence.

*Is this you? Join us to improve the STEM experience for all STEM students.*



Application:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/first2>  
Rolling acceptance. Priority deadline:  
April 1, 2017  
More information:  
[First2Network.org](http://First2Network.org)  
sueannheatherly@gbservatory.org  
304-456-2209

## Who We Are:

The First Two Network is a project funded by the [National Science Foundation](#) (#1649323), aimed at helping rural first generation students who major in a science, technology, math or engineering related field, to survive and thrive during the all-critical first two years of their post secondary education.

Our steering committee includes current first generation college students, professors, researchers and educators, and has representation from small and large West Virginia colleges and universities, informal science education, and several West Virginia agencies. They include:

- Fairmont State University
- Glenville State College
- Green Bank Observatory
- High Rocks Educational Corporation
- National Academies Scientific Teaching Alliance
- WVDE Office of Instruction, Policies and Career Technical Student Organizations
- West Virginia University

Major advisors to our project include experts from:

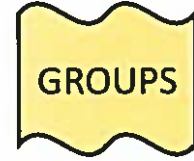
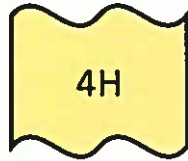
- The West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission
- WVU Center for Excellence in STEM Education
- Health Sciences and Technology Academy at WVU
- West Virginia Community and Technical College System
- Education Alliance
- WV Governor's STEM Initiative
- The UCAR Center for Science Education
- Brookhaven National Lab
- Emory and Henry College
- Center for Advancing Science/Mathematics Teaching, Learning, and Evaluation (CASTLE)

## Interested in Joining Us?

We are seeking greater participation in this important work! Your input is valuable. Please visit [First2Network.org](https://www.first2network.org) and send us your contact info by clicking on "Contact". We will add you to our email list, and keep you updated on future meetings and the progress of our working groups.



# West Virginia



# Make It Shine



## YOUTH CHALLENGE!

**What can your group do to make West Virginia shine?**

### Project demos and ideas for:

- Adopt-A-Highway & Adopt-A-Spot
- Make It Shine Litter Cleanups
- Fish Habitat
- Audra & Holly River State Parks
- Recycling Drives
- Rain Barrels & Gardens
- Bluebird Boxes
- Avian Center with Raptors
- Garlic Mustard Pulls
- And More! Prizes & Awards!

1:00—3:00 PM, March 19, 2017

Stockert Youth Center

79 E. Main Street, Buckhannon, WV 26201

Contact [callie.c.sams@wv.gov](mailto:callie.c.sams@wv.gov) or

304.924.6211 to RSVP



## What is it?

The Make it Shine Youth Challenge, presented by the WV Youth Environmental Program, WV Wesleyan WE LEAD team, and Stockert Youth Center, will provide an opportunity for area youth groups to learn about service projects that address environmental and conservation needs. They will be challenged to take on one of these projects during April Make it Shine Month. Presenters from WV Dept. of Environmental Protection, WV Division of Natural Resources, Upshur Solid Waste Authority, City of Buckhannon, Appalachian Forest Heritage Area, WVU Extension and West Virginia Wesleyan College will be on site to demonstrate project ideas on topics such as litter cleanups, recycling drives, wildlife and fish habitat, gardens, invasive species removal, trail maintenance, state parks, rain barrels, and more. Groups can also choose to design their own project through the Roots & Shoots program, founded by Jane Goodall. If groups have completed their project, or part of their project, prior to April 15th, they may submit a report of their actions to the Youth Environmental Program and be eligible this year for an award. If not, they can still submit for an award next year. The Youth Environmental Program provides \$15,000 in awards to participating youth groups annually.\* In addition, prizes will be drawn for youth groups who attend the event and follow through with a project and a rain barrel will be raffled off to groups interested in doing a stormwater or gardening project. The Avian Conservation Center of Appalachia will be onsite with birds of prey. We hope to see you there!

Please plan to arrive at Stockert Youth Center in Buckhannon at 1:00 PM and stay until all groups have announced their project plan. Remember, many of these projects correlate with scouting and 4H requirements, as well as West Virginia Board of Education Content, Standards & Objectives. They provide a great opportunity for community service, place-based learning, and outdoor fun! Help us keep West Virginia Wild & Wonderful.

## Are you ready for the Make it Shine Challenge?

### Schedule of Events:

- 1:00—1:15 Youth groups arrive and explore the project booths, selecting top 3 to go to presentations.
- 1:15—1:20 Introduction & motivation from WWC WE LEAD team
- 1:20—2:00 Project Booth Presentations: Groups visit their top three choices—about 10 minutes at each.
- 2:05—2:15 Group Huddle: Groups decide on project what/when/where & who will present.
- 2:15—2:45 Group Presentations: Groups will announce their project plan to the audience.
- 2:45 - 3:00 Rain Barrel Raffle—Closing Remarks from WWC WE LEAD & WV DEP
- 3:00 - 3:30 Booths available for additional networking and planning

\*In order to be eligible for a Youth Environmental Program award, groups must enroll in the program and fill out a W-9 form with a tax identification number. Enrollment is free and groups will be able to enroll at the event.



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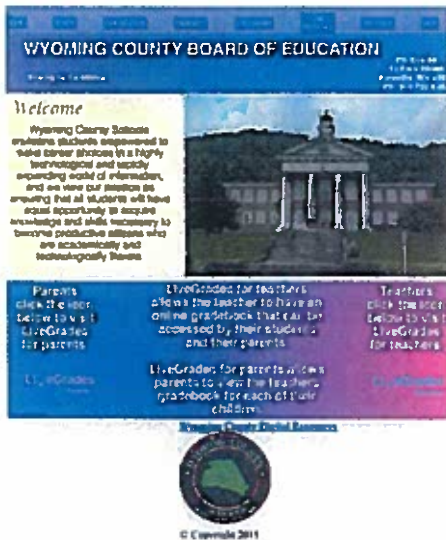
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