



# Wyoming County Schools

*... Destination graduation!*

## Superintendent's Bulletin

September 15, 2016

### Superintendent's Message

**Deirdre A. Cline**

September 15, 2016

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*"Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way." – George Evans*

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As we enter our second month of school for the 2016-2017 school year, we have already laid the foundation for the relationships that will enable students to learn, grow, and achieve, within our schools. These relationships must be positive, firm, caring, and steadfast in the commitment to high expectations for all students. Every child can learn! Every child must learn! We know these ideals are the challenge and the goal of everyone within Wyoming County Schools. We must be mindful that each child is different, and special, and wonderful in his or her own way, and we must work together, as a team, to teach each child and foster learning. This task is not easy. It is difficult and time consuming, but so very worthwhile. It is what we do. It is our life's work. We take children as they come to us and we help them reach higher and become stronger. We can and we will reach and teach every child! Thank you for choosing to be a part of a school and for playing such an important part in the lives of so many children.

*September is  
Childhood  
Cancer  
Awareness  
Month*

*September is  
Attendance  
Awareness  
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# We the People

Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by thirty-nine brave men on September 17, 1787, recognizing all who, are born in the U.S. or by naturalization, have become citizens. On September 17, 1787, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention met for the last time to sign the document they had created.

Constitution Day is honored and celebrated each year in our schools on September 17. Since September 17 falls on a Saturday this year, Constitution Day will be observed on Friday, September 16.

## Reading Fair

The Wyoming County Schools Reading Fair will be Thursday, September 22, in the Oceana Middle School gym.

All school level fairs need to be completed by Friday, September 16. The divisions for fair competition are 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>, and 11-12<sup>th</sup>.

## Tuition Reimbursement

Due to budget concerns and cutbacks, Wyoming County Schools will no longer participate in the tuition reimbursement program for professional staff members.

Please see attached memorandum for more information.

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*"There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all." —Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis*

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## Board of Education Meetings

July 5 at 6:00 pm at Career Center July 14 at 10:00 am at Central Office July 25 at 6:00 pm at Career Center
August 1 at 6:00 pm at Career Center August 18 at 10:00 am at Central Office August 29 at 6:00 pm at Career Center
September 6 at 6:00 pm at Career Center September 15 at 10:00 am at Central Office September 26 at 6:00 pm at Career Center
October 3 at 6:00 pm at Career Center October 13 at 10:00 am at Mullens Middle LSIC October 24 at 10:00 am at Career Center LSIC
November 7 at 6:00 pm at Career Center November 17 at 10:00 am at Oceana Middle LSIC November 28 at 10:00 am at Huff Cons EMS LSIC
December 5 at 6:00 pm at Career Center December 15 at 10:00 am Baileysville EMS LSIC December 19 at 10:00 am Road Branch EMS LSIC
January 3 at 6:00 pm at Career Center January 19 at 10:00 am at Herndon Cons EMS LSIC January 30 at 10:00 am at Pineville ES LSIC
February 6 at 6:00 pm at Career Center February 16 at 10:00 am at Westside High LSIC February 27 at 10:00 am at Berlin McKinney ES LSIC
March 6 at 6:00 pm at Career Center March 14 at 10:00 am at Glen Fork EMS LSIC March 27 at 10:00 am at Wyoming East LSIC
April 3 at 6:00 pm at Career Center April 11 at 10:00 am at Mullens ES LSIC April 18 at 10:00 am at Central Office April 24 at 10:00 am at Pineville Middle LSIC
May 1 at 6:00 pm at Career Center May 18 at 10:00 am at Central Office May 30 at 6:00 pm at Career Center
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# Counselor's Corner

From the  
West Virginia Department of Education  
State Superintendents' Update  
September 2, 2016 edition

## First National How-to Book Concert Scheduled in West Virginia on October 14, 2016

What is a How-to Book Concert? Most how-to books related to increasing the college going and degree completion rate fall short when it comes to providing additional resources and action steps.

Achieving the Dream: A How-to Guide for Adult Woman Seeking a College Degree by Dr. Carol A. Leary takes a Concert Approach.

On October 14, 2016, author Dr. Leary and her team will be partnering with West Virginia entities to launch the The College Dreams Ignited Movement which is a CONCERTED EFFORT to rally all citizens, especially in the educational and business community, to increase the number of women who attend and complete a college degree in the Mountain State.

A child's desire to attend college is determined by the educational level of the mother. If the mother has a higher level of education, she will tend to want her children to have the same opportunities as she did. In addition, if the Desire-to-Attend College Seed is not planted by the third grade, then the likelihood of a child's attending college is diminished.

The Free Book Concert Begins with registration and check in starting at 9:00 a.m. The grand opening will start at 10:00 a.m. There will be a free bag lunch provided as well as there will be a Resource Row to help people who may be thinking about starting or returning to college in 2017. The concert will be held at West Virginia State University in Ferrell Hall Auditorium.

All registrants will receive a free copy of the book Achieving the Dream and College Foundation of West Virginia Booklets: College 101, Admissions 101, and Financial Aid 101. For additional questions call 304.343.2647. To register, access the link below.

<http://bit.ly/collegedreams>

### Westside High School

September 15  
*Senior Information Night and Gear Up Kickoff*

September 20  
*College Fair 1:00–3:00*

### Wyoming East High School

September 19  
*Financial Aid Workshop and Senior Information Night 5:00*

September 20  
*College Fair 9:00–10:15*

October 4  
*FAFSA Completion Workshop 12:00–5:00*

October 10  
*Concord University Representative at 1:00*

October 26  
*Gear Up Leadership Academy*

November 1  
*FAFSA Completion Workshop 12:00–5:00*



### **Assisting Students Transitioning from Institutional Programs**

Thank you for your efforts to help all  
students achieve.



As the new year gets underway, students may be starting to transfer into schools in your district from other locations. As transfers continue throughout the school year, districts and schools throughout the state may receive students who have completed their program enrollments in institutional education programs. These students should be enrolled in the receiving schools as soon as possible to help them continue to make progress toward graduation and positive educational outcomes.

Many students may be homeless when they transition out of their institutional placements and back into other education settings. Given their status as homeless students, the protections of the McKinney-Vento Act apply. These students should be enrolled in their new schools immediately, even if they do not currently have all of the necessary paperwork typically required for enrollment. Questions about the McKinney-Vento Act should be referred to your local Attendance Director.

The WVDE Office of Institutional Education Programs (OIEP) employs transition specialists who work with students to help make the transition back to regular public education as smooth as possible—both for the student and for the receiving school.

OIEP schools also employ counselors who can assist in providing relevant information and support as students' transition into new settings.

Many options exist for former OIEP students to help them make progress and achieve positive educational outcomes—whether through traditional classroom settings or other settings/options. OIEP has resources and ideas for helping schools and students work together to find the best courses for student success. If you need help, please contact OIEP staff for assistance. Mollie Wood coordinates

### **Faculty Senate President's Meetings**

Wyoming County Career and Technical Center  
2:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 6, 2016

Thursday, January 5, 2017

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

### West Virginia High School **BUSINESS PLAN Competition**

Students can launch their own business plan and win a \$10,000 scholarship! The competition is open to all public and private high school juniors and seniors.

Visit [wvde.state.wv.us/hsbpc/](http://wvde.state.wv.us/hsbpc/) for more information. Additional information is also attached to this bulletin.

"WHAT WE HOPE EVER TO DO WITH EASE,  
WE MUST LEARN FIRST TO DO WITH  
DILIGENCE."

--SAMUEL JOHNSON





# Nurse's Notes



Flu shots are being provided for all staff members. Please sign up at your place of work. You will need a copy of your health insurance card. There will also be vaccine available for those who do not have insurance.

The schedule for your work location is below.

## Wednesday, September 14

7:00 - 7:30	Maintenance
8:40 - 9:40	Bus Garage
10:00 - 10:30	Resource Center
10:40 - 11:20	Central Office
1:00 - 1:45	Pineville Elementary
2:00 - 2:45	Pineville Middle

## Friday, September 16

8:30 - 10:00	Westside High
10:15 - 11:15	Baileysville EMS
1:00 - 2:30	Huff Cons. EMS

## Thursday, September 22

10:00 - 11:15	Wyoming East High
12:30 - 1:30	Herndon Cons. EMS
1:40 - 2:40	Mullens Middle
2:45 - 3:30	Mullens Elementary

## Friday, September 23

8:15 - 9:15	WCCTC
9:45 - 10:45	Glen Fork EMS
11:30 - 12:30	Road Branch EMS
1:30 - 2:30	Berlin McKinney
2:40 - 3:30	Oceana Middle

## Like The Impossible Dreams

"The one quality which sets one man apart from another—the key which lifts one to every aspiration while others are caught up in the mire of mediocrity—is not talent, formal education, nor intellectual brightness—it is self-discipline."

With self-discipline, all things are possible. Without it, even the simplest goal can seem like the impossible dream."

Theodore Roosevelt



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

- Tuition Reimbursement Memo
- WV High School Business Plan Competition

Wyoming County Schools website:  
<http://boe.wyom.k12.wv.us>

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Principals  
**FROM:** Deirdre A. Cline, Superintendent *DAC*  
**SUBJECT:** Tuition Reimbursement  
**DATE:** September 7, 2016

Due to budget concerns and cutbacks, Wyoming County Schools will no longer participate in the tuition reimbursement program. Upon my recommendation, the Wyoming County Board of Education voted to discontinue tuition reimbursements at the September 6, 2016, Board Meeting.

Please note that tuition reimbursement is still provided by the West Virginia Department of Education Office of Educator Effectiveness and Licensure. This funding is on a first come, first serve basis; therefore, early application is important.

We regret that discontinuance of tuition reimbursement by Wyoming County Schools has become necessary. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Central Office.

Thank you.

DAC/kw



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4<sup>th</sup> Annual West Virginia  
**Statewide High School Business Plan Competition**

Hosted by the College of Business & Economics  
West Virginia University

BrickStreet Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship and WV Secondary Education

## **Rules and Regulations 2016-2017**

**Prize: (1) \$10,000 scholarship to a participating institution**

### **Eligibility**

Open to all juniors and seniors in high schools and career and technical centers in the state of West Virginia. Teams may consist of one to three members.

### **Entry**

Create a Team (1-3 members) - Students may only submit one proposal per year. The business plan proposal must be:

- Submitted on the available template
- Submitted electronically, on-line via Reviewr
- Submitted on the website by the student team leader
- First submission due by **NOON November 18, 2016**

**Enter on:**      <http://wvde.state.wv.us/hsbpc>

Business Plans should include the following information:

- **Business Name:** Do not put your name or school, this information is recorded when you submit on Reviewr
- **Idea:** Product? Service? Why is your Idea Unique? Why will People buy/use it? (2-4 sentences)
- **Marketing Analysis:** Who will your Customer be? How will you promote your Product? (2-4 sentences)
- **Financial Recap:** Startup costs, Expenses, Revenue? (1-3 sentences)
- **SWOT Analysis:** Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats

Judges from each region will then evaluate each submission based on a 100 point rubric. The ten (10) finalists, (top scores from each RESA region, plus next 2 highest scores) will advance to the final competition. Finalists will be announced **December 9, 2016**. Notifications will be made via e-mail.



### **Coaching and Workshop**

Finalists from each district will be paired with a business coach (volunteer) from December finalist announcement through the end of the competition. The coach will mentor and support the student in developing a complete business plan for his/her idea. This person can be a teacher or business leader in the community of that region. The teams will participate in the Finalists workshop on **January 28, 2017 at West Virginia University**. Teams will meet and work with marketing, financial, legal and business professionals. They will learn valuable information, related starting a business in West Virginia.

### **Finals**

Teams will turn in their final business plan by **NOON March 10, 2017**.

- Final Business Plan must be 15 pages maximum
- Double spaced, 12 pt. font
- Include Cover Page
- Submissions must be submitted by the team leaders on-line via Reviewr
- Must be saved and submitted as a PDF file

Final judges will be able to grade business plans using the data management system before they attend the final competition. Final competition is held at WVU in Morgantown, WV on **March 18, 2017**.

\*Students will be responsible for all transportation and lodging associated with participating in the Statewide High School Business Plan Competition.

## **Finals**

**Saturday, March 18, 2017**  
West Virginia University

12:00 p.m.	Opening remarks Speaker
12:15 p.m.	Competition Begins 10 Minute Presentations with 5 Minute Q&A
1:45 p.m.	Break
2:00 p.m.	Award \$10,000 Scholarship