

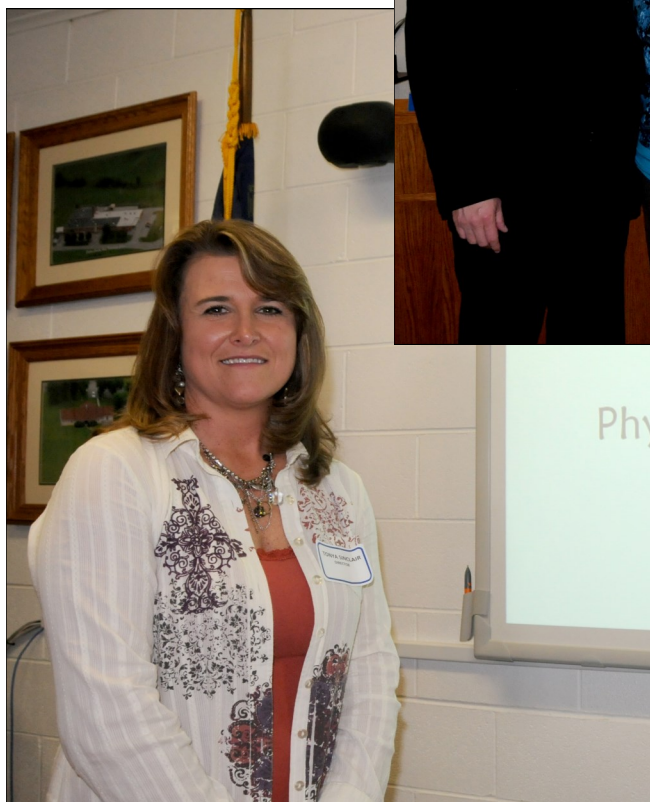


Paw Prints

A District Publication of Clinton County Schools
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School District Awarded Two New Grants

The staff of the new counseling and the physical education grants presented overviews of their programs to school and community partners at a lunch meeting on January 14, 2011.



The Clinton County School District was recently awarded two new grants to address the emotional and the physical needs of the students and families in Clinton County. Pictured at right is Tyonia Sinclair, the Project Director of the new PEP (Physical Education Program) grant. PEP is a Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant and will last for a total of 3 years, with a budget of \$713,161. Clinton County was one of only 77 grantees selected from across the United States for this grant.

Pictured above are the Clinton Elementary School Counseling Program staff: Project Director Eric Dicken, AES Counselor Kathleen Gregory, CCMS Counselor Allison Thrasher, and Social Worker Dannielle Wheat. The Clinton Elementary School Counseling Grant will last for a total of 3 years, with a budget of \$1,002,547. Clinton County was one of only 42 grantees selected from across the United States. Both grants were awarded from the U.S. Department of Education.

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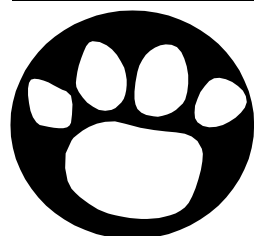
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Reading RTI Implemented at ECC

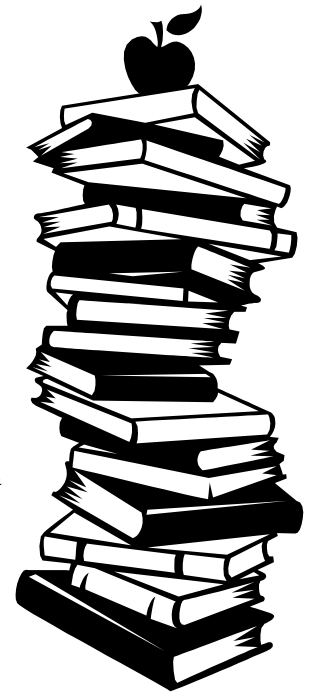
The Clinton County Early Childhood Center implemented reading RTI (Response to Intervention) during the fall semester. ECC Counselor Melissa Campbell stated, “I think our students are doing a fabulous job. We are so proud of them.” She went on to

explain that RTI is a group effort among all faculty and staff. Superintendent Mickey McFall visited the Early Childhood Center and facilitated RTI with a group of students. Additionally, the entire Early Childhood Center staff will work with a group of

students at some point throughout the year. Mrs. Campbell stated that the ECC faculty and staff are really excited—the teachers, instructional assistants, custodians, Family Resource Center staff, everyone!



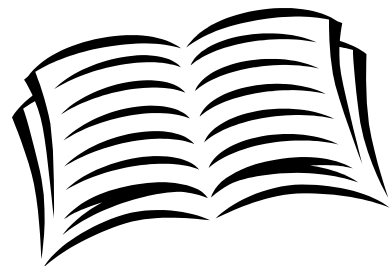
Pictured at left is Kindergarten teacher Patricia Riddle with a small group of students at the Early Childhood Center during reading RTI.



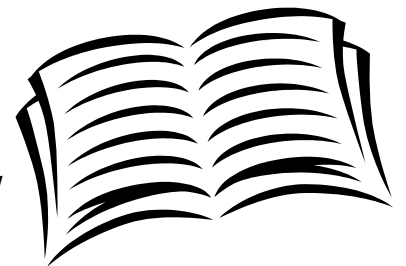
Below left is Kindergarten teacher Tammy Cook, and below right is instructional assistant Marcy Aaron, also working with small groups of students during reading RTI at ECC.



Reading RTI Implemented at ECC



Pictured above left, Kindergarten teacher Sandy Duvall, and above right, Kindergarten teacher Jackie Frey, work with students during Response to Intervention.



Below left, instructional assistant Robin Warinner, and below right, instructional assistant Annette Antle, also facilitate groups of students during RTI.



School District Awarded Two New Grants

Overview of Clinton Elementary School Counseling Program

The Clinton Elementary School Counseling Program (CESCP) will provide much-needed counseling services for students and their families in grades 1-8 at AES and CCMS. This program assumes a comprehensive approach to ensure that children are safe, that behavioral barriers to learning are removed, and that social and emotional supports are present for all children.

The project's main goals are: (1) To expand guidance and counseling services to students in grades 1-8 to PREVENT students from engaging in harmful and delinquent behaviors; (2) To target students or families who have a high number of risk factors for mental health problems and INTERVENE by

providing increased counseling services and mental health programs; and (3) To develop an integrated services delivery model to COORDINATE all school and community-based services available to children and families in Clinton County.

To accomplish these goals, the district has hired a project director, two additional school counselors, and a social worker. Key activities will include: greatly increased individual and group counseling, classroom guidance, KINnections support groups for nonparental caregivers, school staff training, the development of a Helping Hands network of community resources,

and use of the research-based Families and Schools Together (FAST) program. For more information about the Clinton Elementary School Counseling Program, contact Project Director Eric Dicken at (606) 387—9772.



Overview of PEP (Physical Education Program)

The Clinton County PEP project will completely restructure the way that physical education is taught by aligning curriculum with state standards, providing increased opportunities and access for physical activity both during and after school, providing high-quality, intensive teacher training, and



developing Individualized Physical Education Plans for each student. Clinton County PEP will dramatically upgrade the quality of the physical education supplies and equipment available for student use, making PE a more engaging and enjoyable experience for all students, not just the athletically gifted.

Clinton County PEP's main goals are (1) To reduce childhood obesity in Clinton County by increasing the effectiveness of the district's physical education and nutrition programs; and (2) To facilitate development of lifetime healthy eating and active living habits among Clinton County students. Key program activities include use of the research-based SPARK curriculum and TriFit Assessment System in PE

classes. Core subject teachers will bring physical activity into the regular classroom through the TAKE 10! curriculum, while parental and community involvement activities will expand it into homes.

It is the hope of the PEP director and PE teachers that as students learn and experience the benefits (and fun!) of an active lifestyle, they will begin to change their habits. Reinforced at every turn, students will internalize the message of good health, so they will become not only more fit for school, but more fit for life. For more information about PEP (Physical Education Program), contact Project Director Tyonia Sinclair at (606) 387—3495, Ext. 203.



Fire Safety Week at ECC



The students at the Early Childhood Center enjoyed a visit from the Albany Fire Department during Fire Safety Week. At left, Interim ECC Principal Todd Messer talks with Albany Fire Chief Robert Roeper. At right, students get an up close view of a fire truck. Below left, Albany Fire Department volunteers and the fire station dog also made an appearance at the ECC. Below right, Principal Messer, instructional assistant Robyn Warinner, and ECC student Trinady Warinner take a ride in the lift bucket of the fire truck.



SAFE-T Project Tabletop Exercise

Safe Schools / Healthy Students SAFE-T Project conducted its fifth Tabletop Exercise and Advisory Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at the Clinton County Welcome Center. Facilitated by SAFE-T Project Director Charlotte Bernard, School Safety Coordinator Kevin Groce, and Emergency Services Director Lonnie Scott, participants reacted to a scenario involving a school bus wreck with an explosion and serious

injuries. In a Tabletop Exercise, participants have the opportunity to react and respond to a simulated emergency or crisis situation. This type of exercise allows participants to explore the available community resources, clarify roles and responsibilities of each organization, examine existing modes of communication, reflect on strengths and weaknesses, and consider longer-range goals in a compressed timeframe. Over forty community partners

participated in the Tabletop Exercise, representing the Clinton County Board of Education, Sheriff's Department, Albany City Police, State Police, Emergency Services, Fire Department, Clinton County Hospital, City & County Government, Ministerial Association, and Equity Group. Thanks to all community partners who participated in the Tabletop Exercise and are working hard to keep our children safe!



Local FBLA Members Attend National Leadership Conference in New Orleans



Members of the Clinton
County Area Technology
Center Future Business

Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana for the National Leadership Conference on Friday and Saturday, November 12th and 13th. The conference consisted of two full days of seminars on various topics, tours, and general sessions. The

2010 National FBLA Leadership Conference was held at the Hilton Riverside on the Mississippi River and was attended by over 2000 FBLA high school students representing eighteen different states. While visiting New Orleans members were able to enjoy many activities including dinner at The Gumbo Shop, strolling through the streets of the French Quarter, riding the St. Charles Streetcar through

the beautiful Garden District, and of course stopping in Café Du Monde for a beignet after shopping at the French Market. Clinton County Area Technology Center FBLA members who attended the National Leadership Conference in New Orleans were Megan Norris, President; Brittany Talbott, Vice-President; Courtney Talbott, Secretary; and Ms. Stesha Shelton, FBLA Adviser / Office Technology Instructor.



Office Technology Students and Clinton County Care & Rehabilitation...

Clinton County ATC students in Ms. Shelton's Office Technology classes and the Clinton County Care and Rehabilitation Center joined together this year and provided 38 shoeboxes for the Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is part of Samaritan's Purse, a relief and evangelism organization based in Boone, North Carolina. and led by Franklin Graham, the son of Billy Graham. Last year alone eight million children around the world received a box.

Michelle Shelton, mother of Keleigh Cross who is a freshman in Ms. Shelton's class, volunteered Clinton County Care and Rehabilitation Center's support and provided many shoeboxes to be shipped to needy children around the world.

Operation Christmas Child is a great learning lesson for the students and allows them to become aware of the different countries and how fortunate we are. One student stated, "It felt good to give a child something small like a doll or a stuffed animal and know how happy they will be." Students enjoyed sorting and wrapping the many items donated by the students and their parents. The items included candy, toys, pencils, erasers,

pens, puzzles, stuffed animals, chalk, Play-Doh, coloring books, crayons, bars of soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss and more.



...Participate in Operation Christmas Child



The Clinton County ATC FBLA Chapter along with the Clinton County Care and Rehabilitation Center covered the cost for the shipping, which was \$7 per box. The boxes were delivered to the First Baptist Church in Monticello and from there went to Atlanta to the Samaritan's Purse distribution center to be shipped all over the world. Thanks to all who participated in this year's project and a special thanks to Clinton County Care and Rehabilitation Center. More Information regarding the Operation Christmas Child can be found at www.samaritanspurse.org.

FBLA students and staff worked together to pack the boxes donated to Operation Christmas Child.

Pictured above are Mariah Maupin, Ms. Stesha Shelton, Lindsay Asberry, Alex Beard, and Briana Conner.

Pictured at right are Nicole Craig, Taylor Polston, Torey Sparks, and Ashley Flowers.



Perfect, Perfection, Undefeated

Perfect, perfection, and undefeated are some words that are rarely spoken in everyday conversation. Occasionally those words are used in describing something or someone that is very unique and very special. But, at Clinton County Middle School, on November 1, 2001, the words **Perfect, Perfection, and Undefeated** were the exact words that were used to describe the CCMS 6th Grade Lady Dawgs Basketball Team. That night at 5:58 PM, the 6th Grade Lady Dawgs Basketball Team defeated a very pesky Monroe County Girls Basketball Team, 21—13. By defeating Monroe County, the

CCMS 6th Grade Girls Basketball Team became very unique and very special, at that exact moment in time. Some Clinton County residents, students, and fans may not have known or even heard of the kind of dream season that these young ladies have had. For the first time ever, they had just completed an undefeated basketball season with a final record of 17—0. That is still hard to believe to this day, 17—0! Perfect, Perfection, Undefeated! One of the highlights of their season was playing in and winning the Monticello Invitational Tournament. They did so by

defeating Southern Middle School from Somerset, Kentucky by a score of 16—9. They then defeated a team from Danville, Kentucky by a score of 19—14. In the championship game, they defeated a team from Meese Middle School in Somerset 22—9. So when anyone happens to see or pass by one of the 6th Grade Girls Basketball Team members, please stop her and congratulate her on a very special season and for earning respect for the CCMs Girls Basketball Program and Clinton County. Good job ladies!!!

Submitted by Coach Jeff Shelton



This team picture was taken just minutes after defeating Monroe County for the Lady Dawgs' 17th victory.

Front Row: Ashton Thrasher, Kelsey Patrick, Mel Dishman, Abby Craig, McKenzie Albertson, Haley Dicken, and Sam Flowers.

Middle Row: Kaylynn Dalton, Emilee Conn, Gabby Beaty, Bree Boils, Mackenzie Polston, Keilee Dalton, Macy Campbell, Hannah Smith, and Allee Hopper.

Back Row: Coach Jeff Shelton and Addison Carr ~ the 6th Grade Lady Dawgs #1 fan!



Archery Teams Attend 2010 NASP Worlds

Bows, Arrows, and Smiles All Around—The 2010 NASP® Worlds was a Huge Success!

Competition at the 2010 NASP® (National Archery in the Schools Program) World Tournament concluded October 9, 2010 in Orlando, Florida. More than 40,000 arrows were launched at 10 and 15 meters by 902 student archers during the event. Total participation was 48% higher than the first NASP® world tournament conducted in October 2009. While students in all of NASP®'s 4th-12th grade classes were in attendance, 6th grade boys and girls comprised 24% of the total shooter population. As is the co-gender norm, total participation was 40% female and 60% male. There were a total of 64 team and individual award categories (more than 300 medals, plaques, trophies, and banners) and youngsters were present to accept 100% of them! Of course the big story behind the story is how these archers, their teammates, and coaches were able to participate in the world tournament. First of course the archers had to qualify for the world tournament. To do this

they had to qualify for their country's national tournament by participating in the state or provincial contest. Then they had to participate in their country's national tournament. Finally,



they had to raise money for travel. Some teams had to raise \$30,000-40,000 to make it to the event. A variety of ingenious ways were invented to raise the necessary funds. The

common thread in nearly every case was strong community support for the archery students to enjoy an exciting and educational experience. As they grow older, very few of these world participants will ever encounter anyone who has competed at a national or world level.

Clinton County High School and Middle School were two of the 64 teams to compete in the 2010 NASP® World Tournament. The Clinton County High School Team placed ninth in the tournament. The Clinton County Elementary Middle School Team placed tenth in the tournament. The archers on both teams along with parents and the community worked extremely hard during the summer to raise enough money for the teams to attend the NASP® World Tournament. The coaches, team members and parents would like to thank everyone who supported our endeavor to accomplish the goal of attending the NASP® World Tournament. Your help was greatly appreciated!!



Warning Signs of Developmental Delay

What are the warning signs of developmental delay?

There are several general "warning signs" of possible delay. These include:

→ Behavioral Warning Signs

- ✓ Does not pay attention or stay focused on an activity for as long a time as other children of the same age
- ✓ Focuses on unusual objects for long periods of time; enjoys this more than interacting with others
- ✓ Avoids or rarely makes eye contact with others
- ✓ Gets unusually frustrated when trying to do simple tasks that most children of the same age can do
- ✓ Shows aggressive behaviors and acting out and appears to be very stubborn compared with other children
- ✓ Displays violent behaviors on a daily basis
- ✓ Stares into space, rocks body, or talks to self more often than other children of the same age
- ✓ Does not seek love and approval from a caregiver or parent

→ Gross Motor Warning Signs

- ✓ Has stiff arms and/or legs
- ✓ Has a floppy or limp body posture compared to other children of the same age
- ✓ Uses one side of body more than the other
- ✓ Has a very clumsy manner compared with other children of the same age

→ Vision Warning Signs

- ✓ Seems to have difficulty following objects or people with her eyes
- ✓ Rubs eyes frequently
- ✓ Turns, tilts or holds head in a strained or unusual position when trying to look at an object
- ✓ Seems to have difficulty finding or picking up small objects dropped on the floor (after the age of 12 months)
- ✓ Has difficulty focusing or making eye contact
- ✓ Closes one eye when trying to look at distant objects
- ✓ Eyes appear to be crossed or turned
- ✓ Brings objects too close to eyes to see
- ✓ One or both eyes appear abnormal in size or coloring

→ Hearing Warning Signs

- ✓ Talks in a very loud or very soft voice
- ✓ Seems to have difficulty responding when called from across the room, even when it is for something interesting
- ✓ Turns body so that the same ear is always turned toward sound
- ✓ Has difficulty understanding what has been said or following directions after once she has turned 3 years of age
- ✓ Doesn't startle to loud noises
- ✓ Ears appear small or deformed
- ✓ Fails to develop sounds or words that would be appropriate at her age



**For a free developmental screening of your child,
contact SAFE-T Project Early Childhood Case Worker April Speck 606-387-3495, Ext. 205.**



Students Journey With DOME Theater

On November 30, 2010, gifted and talented students in grades K—8 were treated to a variety of programs set up in the Dome Theater at CCMS. The Dome is a Mobile Digital Theater Featuring Highly Innovative, Immersive, and Educational Programs. With the Dome Theater, students had the opportunity to experience the excitement of museum-quality shows in a state-of-the-art mobile digital theater system. Students in grades K—2 saw two shows: The Dinosaur Prophecy & Secret of the Cardboard Rocket. In The Dinosaur Prophecy, students joined paleontologists at the scene of the crime, excavating bones and wondering what killed the mighty dinosaurs. They were amazed as their favorite giants came to life, roamed across the dome, and met their catastrophic deaths. In Secret of the Cardboard Rocket, students climbed aboard a magical cardboard rocket with two young children and entered an extraordinary ride through space.

They experienced a breathtaking, up-close look at each of our solar system's planets. Students in grades 3—6 saw two shows: Passport to the Universe & Earth's Wild Ride. In Passport to



the Universe, students took a thrilling journey out into the Solar System, through the Milky Way Galaxy and to the edge of the observable universe. They flew beneath the rings of Saturn,

into the heart of the Orion Nebula, and back to Earth through a black hole. In Earth's Wild Ride, students discovered what it would be like to live on a lunar colony and to dream of visiting Earth. They experienced the heart-pounding exhilaration of a water canyon ride near an erupting volcano, ventured through an Ice Age scene with a herd of woolly mammoths and to the time of the dinosaurs as an asteroid hit. Students in grades 7—8 saw two shows: Microcosm & Cosmic Collisions. In Microcosm, students were able to fly up the carotid artery, explore the eye, brain, ear, and heart and then shrink into a cell to see the nucleus and DNA. Microcosm uses the latest discoveries of nanoscale science to create a voyage that is realistic and possible for inner space probes only a few nanometers wide. In Cosmic Collisions, students were launched on a thrilling trip through space and time to explore cosmic collisions, hypersonic impacts that drive the dynamic and continuing evolution of the universe.

Adult Education Offers GED Help

If you or anyone you know is interested in obtaining a GED, entering college, or taking remedial classes, please contact Mitch Latham or Nicole Cross at the Clinton County Adult Education Program at (606) 387—6648.



**We can help
and our help
is free!!!**



ATC October Students of the Month

The faculty and staff in the six career and technical education programs at Clinton County Area Technology Center are proud to honor “Students of the Month” for a specific character trait selected each month.

Instructors from each department have selected students who most nearly exemplified the character trait of diligence and who represent October’s Students of the Month. Deserving students are given a certificate of appreciation, and their photos are displayed in the school lobby during the month following their selection.

Below left is Mariah Thompson with Stesha Shelton, Office Technology Instructor. Below center is Tessa Burchett with Teresa Giles, Office Technology Instructor. Below right is Hailey Neal with Billie Frye, Health Sciences Instructor. Bottom far left is James Harper with Jerry Bell, Electricity Instructor. Bottom center left is Levi Jones with Barry Harmon, Carpentry Instructor. Bottom center right is Tyler Lee Story with Dennis Flowers, Automotive Technology Instructor. Bottom far right is Matthew Stearns with Jesse Burchett, Welding Instructor.

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