

Friday Update

October 27, 2006

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Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Board of Education Meeting	11/6	7:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Holiday – Veterans' Day	11/10	----	Students, Teachers, and Staff
Principals' Meeting	11/14	8:30 a.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Early Release Day	11/15	----	Traditional +Year-Round Calendar
High School Social Studies Teachers' Meeting	11/16	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
SHAC Meeting	11/17	8:30 a.m.	Child Nutrition Annex
APs' Meeting/Academy	11/21	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Teacher Workday	11/22	----	Traditional +Year-Round Calendar
Thanksgiving Holiday	11/23+24	----	Students, Teachers, and Staff
BOE Meeting	11/27	7:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
Music, Band, and Drama Teachers Meeting	11/28	4:00 p.m.	Riverside Campus – A107
United Way Educational Grants Reception	11/30	7:00 p.m.	Mitchell Media Center

Principal of the Year: Mr. Charles Fuller is the 2006/2007 Franklin County Schools Principal of the Year. Mr. Fuller is the principal of Franklinton High School. Prior to his appointment as principal he was Assistant Principal at Franklinton. Mr. Fuller is a life-long resident of Franklinton and he even graduated from Franklinton High School. Charles is an extraordinary principal, dedicated to the academic needs of all students. We extend to Charles our heartiest congratulations on as job well done.

High School U.S. History and Civics and Economics (C+E): The first meeting of the U.S. History and C+E Teachers meeting scheduled for November 16th has been rescheduled for **December 5th from 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at the Riverside Campus.** We will be meeting with Judy McGinnis and Kelly Thomas, both DPI Social Studies Consultants. They focus on essential questions, major concepts, terms, thinking skills, activities and resources (print and electronic). If you are unable to attend this meeting, please call me at 496-2600.

Board Retreat: The annual board retreat was this past Monday. The board heard presentations on No Child Left Behind and its effect on the Exceptional Children's Program, Whole Faculty Study Groups, Reading Apprenticeship Program, and the Freshman Academy. The presentations were made by teachers, principals, and central office staff and they did an awesome job. The board was pleased with the depth and breadth of our work to ensure that all children achieve at least at grade level. I want to express my sincerest appreciation and gratitude to the following people who all made exceptional presentations: Jewel Eason, Connie Beddingfield, Kim Sledge, Jackie Crudup, Novella Brown, Harriet Thomas, Tammy Raynor, Dianne Carter, Katrina Watson, Eddie Ingram, Chris Blice, Fannie Perry, Kim Heller, Faye Keith, Wendy Vavrousek, Todd Thornton, Karen Cooke, Diane Cooley and Debbie Williams.

Instructional Council (IC): The IC is an opportunity for a representative from each small group within Whole Faculty Study Groups to share Action Plans. It's a key component of the process. It's an opportunity to share what we are learning from our interventions. The first IC should occur between **October 30th and November 10th.** Please send your IC log to Dianne Carter. I will meet with the C+I staff to review all IC logs. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Online Reading/Language Arts License Program: This program is being offered by UNC/CH and it's completely online. The program is designed to help practicing classroom and special education teachers of writing, reading and language arts add to their professional license. A new cohort (30 teachers) will begin Fall 2007. The application deadline is May 1st. Go to <http://soe.unc.edu/services/apply/nondegree.php> to complete the application process. If you have questions, please call Mr. Tim Eldred at 919-843-5458 or teldred@email.unc.edu.

Target© Field Trip Grants Program: In response to teacher requests, Target is introducing the Field Trip Grants Program. Target will award 800 grants of up to \$1,000 each to teachers and classrooms nationwide. Teachers can apply online at www.Target.com/teachers until November 1st. Grants will be awarded in February 2007, just in time for spring field trips.

Interactive Classroom Training: Please note the date change: **November 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Tech Lab on Riverside Campus. If you plan to attend, please email Susan Leisy.

Discipline Website: Go to the following website for discipline help: www.disciplinehelp.com. Thank you, Susan Leisy, for this great resource.

Coming to a School Near You – Flu Shots! Blue Cross/Blue Shield is offering flu shots at each school and central office. If you have the State Health Plan or the PPO, the shots are free. Being school personnel, we have ample opportunity to contract the flu virus. Take this opportunity to spend this winter “flu free.”

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11/6	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	EBES	11/6	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	FES
11/17	8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Central Office	11/14	10:50 a.m. – 1:05 p.m.	FHS
11/3*	1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	LMES	11/14	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	RES
11/14	2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	LES	10/18	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	YES
11/9	11:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	LHS			

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**Have A Great Weekend,
Bert L'Homme,
Superintendent**