



BATH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

AGENDA ITEM: INFORMATION { } ACTION { X } CLOSED MEETING { }

SUBJECT: GOOD NEWS IN BATH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- A. Virginia School Board Appreciation Month, February 2013
B. National School Counseling Week, February 4-8, 2013
C. Scholastic Bowl Team is going to Regionals (February 9 @ Parry McCluer)
D. All Area & District Honor Band

A record number of band members auditioned and were accepted into all area band! Many students decided to go the extra mile, learn additional repertoire and scales and worked very hard! Bath County will host the Area Band event at BCHS on February 15 & 16th. We are fortunate to acquire fantastic conductors for the weekend. Todd Tinsley from the Richmond area for Middle School and Dave McKee, the top director of bands at Virginia Tech for High School Band!

All Area Honor Band

Table listing band members for Middle School Area Band, BCHS 8th Grade, and High School Area Band with their respective instruments.

All District Honor Band

Table listing band members for Middle School Area Band, High School Concert Band, and High School Symphonic Band with their respective instruments.

Because Eli and Sarah's scores were so high, they are eligible to audition for ALL STATE BAND on Feb 23rd.





# RESOLUTION

## VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH 2013

**WHEREAS**, the Education of Virginia's school-aged children is the foundation upon which the economic, social and intellectual capital of our state is built; and

**WHEREAS**, locally elected and appointed school boards play an important and vital role in a representative democracy, and decisions made by local board of education directly influence instruction in Virginia's public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, these decisions affect the present and future lives of children, and also set direction to prepare all students to be competitive in a local, state, national and global 21<sup>st</sup> Century knowledge economy; and

**WHEREAS**, local school board members work with parents, businesses, education professionals and other community members to create the educational vision we want for our students; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme *School Boards Speak Out for Public Schools* reflects the efforts of local school board members to advocate for public education with local, state and federal leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, School Board Appreciation Month provides an opportunity to build stronger relationships between the thousands of Virginians who champion the mission of public education and school board members; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, the Virginia School Boards Association recognizes the contributions of the state's local school boards to the academic success of its public school students and expresses its sincerest recognition to local board members for their focus on the well-being and achievement of children throughout the state; and be it finally

**RESOLVED**, the Virginian School Boards Association declares February 2013 as School Board Member Appreciation Month and encourages local school divisions and community leaders to appropriately recognize our state's dedicated school board members.



**Superintendent's Memo #022-13****COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA  
Department of Education**

January 25, 2013

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

**SUBJECT: National School Counseling Week, February 4-8, 2013**

The Virginia Department of Education would like to recognize professional school counselors during the week of February 4-8, 2013, as we celebrate National School Counseling Week. The week highlights the tremendous impact school counselors have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

School counselors work with all students to remove barriers to learning by addressing academic concerns, personal/social skills and career awareness in postsecondary options. Comprehensive school counseling programs help to increase student achievement and are a vital part of the educational process for all students as they meet the challenges of the 21st century.

Division superintendents are encouraged to join the Department of Education in recognizing Virginia school counselors for their dedication to students' educational success. Should you have any questions, please contact Joseph Wharff, school counseling career connections specialist, Office of Career and Technical Education, by e-mail at [Joseph.Wharff@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Joseph.Wharff@doe.virginia.gov), or by telephone at 804-225-2052.

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