

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 2014
- B. Career and Technical Education Month
- C. National School Counseling Week, February 3-7, 2014
- D. All Area and All District Honor Band

The following students auditioned and were accepted into All Area Honor Band – the event will be February 14 & 15, 2014, at Alleghany High School, the concert is on Saturday at 4:00 PM

Middle School:	Katie Rexrode	Flute	BCHS
	Ashlyn Liptrap	Flute	BCHS
	Mary Dressler	Clarinet	BCHS
	Steve Gardener, Jr.	Clarinet	BCHS
	Travis Braxton, III	Clarinet	BCHS
	Allan Kimmel	Tenor Sax	VES
	Scout Paret	Trumpet	MES
	Jordan Lee	Trombone	BCHS
	Travis Hall	Trombone	VES
	Ethan Essex	Baritone	BCHS
	Nevada Kershner	Baritone	BCHS
	Kendall Keyser	Snare/Mallet	BCHS
	Marlon Brown	Mallet	BCHS
High School:	Emily Arrington	Flute	BCHS
	Austin Hall	Bass Clarinet	BCHS
	Mikayla Miller	Trumpet	BCHS
	Ivy Barker	Trumpet	BCHS
	Mackenzie Kincaid	Trumpet	BCHS
	Jordan Marshall	Trumpet	BCHS

Mary Dressler auditioned and was accepted into All District Honor Band. Event takes place January 31 and February 1 at Harrisonburg High School.

RESOLUTION
VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION
MONTH 2014

Local Schools, Local Decisions

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 boards 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 21st 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 *Local Schools, Local Decisions* reflects that school boards keep the public in charge of public schools, since they represent their community's beliefs and values; 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 2014 as School Board Member Appreciation Month and encourages local school divisions and community leaders to appropriately recognize our state's dedicated school board members.



CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia there is hereby officially recognized:

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

WHEREAS, the month of February has been designated National Career and Technical Education month; and

WHEREAS, profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education provides students with a career pathway for postsecondary education and workplace readiness and is the foundation of a strong, well-educated work force which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to Virginia's leadership in the international marketplace; and

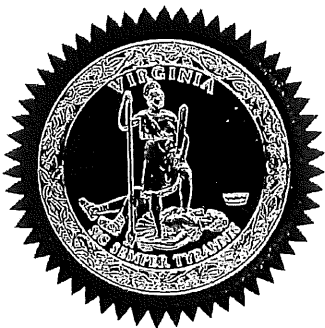
WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education gives students experience in practical, meaningful applications of basic skills such as reading, writing, and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating high achievement for all students, and giving all students leadership opportunities in their chosen careers in their communities; and

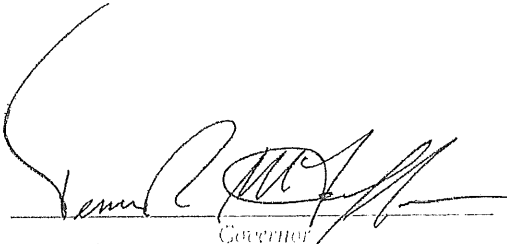
WHEREAS, Career and Technical Education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, that provide them with career choices, expanded earning potential, and job satisfaction; and

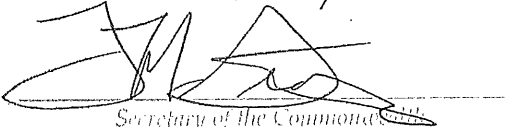
WHEREAS, the ever-increasing cooperative efforts between career and technical educators, career and technical education administrators, and business and industry representatives stimulate the growth and vitality of our state economy and by preparing students for careers in high-demand, high-wage, and highly technological skilled areas in a global economy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, do hereby recognize the month of February as **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH** in the **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia this 23rd day of January in the year 2014.




Governor


Secretary of the Commonwealth

Superintendent's Memo #013-14**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

January 17, 2014

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: National School Counseling Week, February 3-7, 2014

The Virginia Department of Education would like to recognize professional school counselors during the week of February 3-7, 2014, 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 for postsecondary options. Comprehensive school counseling programs help to increase student achievement and are a vital part of the educational process for all students.

School divisions 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, or by telephone at 804-225-3370.

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