

Meeting to Discuss Road Closure

On Monday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m., staff members are invited to attend a meeting at Utica Elementary School to receive information about the closure of Utica-Sellersburg Road due to the east end bridge construction. Superintendent Dr. Andrew Melin and representatives from the Greater Clark Transportation Department will be in attendance to present information about revisions to bus routes/times and answer any questions parents may have about the impact of the road closure.

Extension of Retirement Deadline

Many Greater Clark employee groups have a \$2,000 retirement severance benefit set out in their collective bargaining agreements, fringe benefits, or meet and confer documents. The retirement notification deadline for eligibility to receive this severance benefit per these various agreements is March 1. However, with the changes in TRF and PERF benefits there are a number of employees still trying to determine whether retirement at this time is in their best interest. Therefore, the Board of School Trustees approved for the 2013-14 school year that the March 1, 2014 retirement notification deadline for the \$2,000 retirement severance benefit be extended to **May 30, 2014** for eligible employee groups.

If you decide to retire and you submit a retirement letter for approval by the Board of Trustees, you will be contacted by GCCS Employee Relations/Benefits Manager Nancy Lopp to schedule an appointment. During this appointment, Nancy will discuss the retirement benefits provided by Greater Clark County Schools. Please note that you should not wait until this appointment to complete your Teachers' Retirement Application. If it is your plan to retire at the end of this school year and you have not requested an Application for Retirement Benefits from Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS, formerly Teachers' Retirement Fund, TRF), you should do so immediately. The toll-free number is 1-888-526-1687. Any questions regarding your Teachers' Retirement Application should be directed to this number. You do not need to submit any paperwork from your Teachers' Retirement Application to Greater Clark. Any employer information will be submitted online by Nancy Lopp. Should you have any additional questions regarding the retirement process, please contact Nancy Lopp at nlopp@gcs.k12.in.us or (812) 288-4802 ext. 321.

Jeffersonville Area Elementary Art Show

The Jeffersonville area elementary schools currently have an art show on display at the Jeffersonville Public Library which will run until Tuesday, May 6. Schools represented in the show include Bridgepoint, Thomas Jefferson, Spring Hill, Maple, Utica, and Riverside. The purpose of the show is to recognize National Youth Art Month and to emphasize the value of art education for our students and encourage support for quality art programs. Artwork will be displayed during normal business hours and the library is located at 211 East Court Avenue in Jeffersonville.

Important Dates

- April 14 - Road Closure Meeting @ Utica Elementary
- April 15 - Camp Kindergarten @ Elementary Schools
- April 16 - "Champions for Children" @ Kye's II
- April 22 - Board of School Trustees Meeting @ Charlestown High School
- April 23 - District Parent Advisory Meeting @ Admin. Building

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“Champions for Children”

Greater Clark County Schools and the GCCS Educational Foundation will host “Champions for Children” on Wednesday, April 16 at Kye’s II in Jeffersonville. The event will begin at 6:00 pm. This event will recognize Greater Clark staff members who make an outstanding contribution to their school, students, and the district. A certified and classified staff member from each building will be recognized, with district-wide winners announced at the event. Contact Erin Bojorquez at ebojorquez@gcs.k12.in.us or (812) 283-0701 to purchase a table or ticket to the event.

Proceeds from the event will help fund the GCCS Educational Foundation’s ACT Testing Initiative, a program designed to better prepare students for college and career life. ACT has developed a series of tests that predicts college success and provides comparison statistics to assist students in coursework to improve their chances for a high ACT score. Greater Clark County Schools administers an ACT test to students beginning in the eighth grade and the assessment system creates an opportunity for teachers to know how each student is progressing toward college readiness.


Greater Clark County Schools
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Champions for Children

Wednesday, April 16, 2014
 Kye’s II at 6:00 p.m. \$500 per table/\$60 per ticket

An evening to highlight Greater Clark County Schools certified and classified staff members who have made an outstanding contribution to their school, students, and district.

For more information:
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Our Vision: *Greater Clark County Schools’ vision is to become nationally recognized as a premier provider of education by serving as the bridge connecting stakeholders to ensure all students are college and career ready.*

Our Mission: *Greater Clark County Schools’ mission is for stakeholders to give 100 percent effort in meeting the academic and behavioral needs of each student ensuring acceptance to a post-secondary opportunity.*