

ON | Teacher Externships

ON, Greater Clark's weekly video update, highlights district initiatives, events, students, employees, and more! Click here to view the August 21st episode about the district's Teacher Externship Program and hear a few teachers share their externship experience.

- Allen Keith (Utica Elementary) - ERL Performance Inc.
- Courtlon Peters (Maple Elementary) - City of Jeffersonville Stormwater Department
- Jason Graves (New Washington Middle/High School) - IU Southeast/Purdue School of Technology
- Bettie Wise (River Valley Middle School) - Family Scholar House
- Christa Isenburg (Parkwood Elementary) - USA Metals

Greater Clark County Schools had 24 teachers participate in business externships this summer. Participating in an externship program gives local businesses the opportunity to bring a teacher into their organization and share real world needs with educators. By being a part of work settings, teachers can better understand what skills students will need when they leave the classroom for the workforce. The teacher externship program a key component of the district's College and Career Readiness Initiative.

The district's Educational Foundation committed \$10,000 to fund the program. Thank you also to the following businesses for sponsoring a teacher externship: Advanced Manufacturing & Logistics Board of Directors, ESSROC, Kahl's Body Shop, Owings Patterns, Koetter Group, Centra Credit Union and Foundation, Metals USA, Janice Korfhage, New Washington State Bank, and NIBCO.

What is GCCS PRIDE?

In Greater Clark, we believe all students need to learn and master the soft skills necessary to succeed in school and in life. As a result, we have created a PRIDE program that teaches and positively reinforces Persistence, Respectfulness, Initiative, Dependability, and Efficiency to all of our students on a daily basis from preschool through 12th grade.



The PRIDE program was developed by a team of educators in cooperation with business and community leaders. The goal of PRIDE is to build students of strong character that will not only strengthen our school district, but eventually our entire community. As a culminating acknowledgement of PRIDE, Greater Clark has implemented a Work Ethic Certificate that seniors can earn that will be recognized by area employers. To earn the certificate a senior must not only possess the PRIDE skills, but also must have 98 percent attendance, have no more than one behavioral referral, have six hours of school or community service, and have at least a "C" grade point average. Fifth grade and eighth grade students will also have the opportunity to earn the certificate. More information will be shared with parents in the near

future. PRIDE is the foundation of Greater Clark's culture and we hope one day a foundation of our region's culture as well. [Click here to view](#) a past ON episode which highlights the program.

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Important Dates

- August 27 - ELL Parent Night @ Northaven Elementary
- September 1 - Board of School Trustees Meeting @ Admin. Building
- September 3 - Multicultural Advisory Meeting @ Admin. Building
- September 7 - No School - Labor Day

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GCCS Employee Health & Wellness Center

Greater Clark County Schools opened a Health & Wellness Center in 2014 for employees and dependents who are currently covered by the district's group Humana medical insurance. The center is ideally located between Jeffersonville and Charlestown at a site located at River Ridge on Highway 62. [Click here to visit](#) the GCCS Health & Wellness Center website, which includes information on how to schedule an appointment, hours of operation, and more.



A few reminders from your Greater Clark Health & Wellness Clinic:

- Please bring your insurance card and driver's license with you and if you are a new patient arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment to fill out paperwork. If you do not have your insurance card you can print out a copy from Humana's website prior to your visit.
- Allow 24-48 hours for medication refills. Please call in for medication refills. If all staff is busy we cannot always fill your prescription immediately. If you are not personally picking up medication, please send an authorization note stating who may pick up your medications.
- When calling, please inform staff in detail your reason for being seen. Some appointment types take longer than others, the better informed we are about your care, the better the clinic can run on time with appointments. New appointments generally take 45 minutes to review medical history.
- If you would like to be seen the same day, please try to call before 9:00 a.m. These appointments fill up very quickly. Again, we can prioritize your appointment correctly if you give the staff in detail all symptoms you are experiencing and issues you would like to discuss with Dr. Furr.

Just a reminder on how your Greater Clark Health & Wellness Center can benefit you and your family medical needs:

- Immunizations: Shingles, pneumonia, flu, MMR (measles/mumps/rubella), TDAP (tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis), Meningococcal, Varicella (Chickenpox), IPV (Polio), Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, HPV (Gardasil)
- Laboratory work – the GCCS Health & Wellness Center can do most laboratory work. Dr Furr can see the patient and order labs, or you can bring an order from an outside physician and the results will be directly faxed to each physician listed directly from LapCorp.
- Routine wellness labs are done as well as labs 2-3 times yearly if you are on diabetes medications, cholesterol medications, thyroid medications, or medications that could alter electrolytes (hydrochlorothiazide, spironolactone, furosemide, bumex, potassium, long term steroid use).
- In-office urine dips, urinalysis, pregnancy tests, Quantefron Gold bloodwork to test for tuberculosis (TB).
- Pre-Operative Labs/EKG – Pre-op lab and EKG before surgery and save money on your surgical bill.
- Generic Medications – 70 generic medications are available at no-cost in the center including antibiotic, blood pressure medications, cholesterol medications, depression medications, birth control medications including Depo-provera shot, cold and allergy medications. A 90-day supply of most medications are given. Check the website for complete list.
- If another physician writes a script for a medication and it's stocked at the center, established patients can get the medication filled at no cost.
- Brand Name Medications – Greater Clark County Schools is now paying co-pays of brand name medications through the Elect RX program. Information should have been received at the beginning of the school year, but the center can fax the prescription to Elect RX after a brief office visit to review medications.
- In-office procedures that Dr. Furr has the expertise to perform are: sports physicals, wart removal, skin tag/skin lesion/cyst removal and some skin biopsies, pap smears and pelvic exams, foreign body removal from eye/skin, ear wax removal, stitches, in-grown toenail removal, ortho injections for achy joints, fluid removal from joints, hemorrhoid treatment and some hemorrhoid removals, allergy management (we do not do skin testing for allergies but can manage symptoms and give allergy injections), diabetes management, vitamin B12 injections.

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.*