



Millville Alternative School Program

Mid-Year News

January 2016

Principal's Newsletter

PARCC SCORE REPORTS

During the month of November, students PARCC score reports from last spring became available for school districts across the state including the Millville Public School District. The score reports provides a snapshot of how students are progressing and shows where he/she excels or need more support.

A consortium of stakeholders including parents, teachers, post-secondary educators came together to create a more



informative score report to give families information about their children's progress. Information about reading and interpreting students' scores and a sample score report can be found online at: www.understandthescore.org

We look forward to providing you with the score reports in early 2016. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school counselor or the main office for more information.

HOLIDAY PBSIS CELEBRATION

On Wednesday December 23rd teachers, students, and family members came together to celebrate the holidays with a potluck dinner. Each staff member brought in a dish for the celebration. The event was part of the school Positive Behavior Supports Program (PBSIS) which encourages the positive behavior of students by offering



incentive awards when students show positive behavior over a period of time. For the month of December leading up to the event, students without any discipline infractions and at least one day absent were permitted to attend the event. Students had the opportunity to invite a family member over the age of eighteen to join in on the celebration. The celebration was well received by everyone involved.

MAKE THE GRADE IN ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

It is important to know that every students can make the grade and be successful in the Millville Alternative School program. Students with more than five days absent will be endanger of losing high school credits for courses taken throughout the school year. To be successful in the



classroom, students should follow the instruction provided by the teacher, avoid excessive talking and peer distractions, as well as complete all required course work. Here are the ABCs to be successful in the classroom.

- A – Attendance (No more than five days absent)
- B – Behavior (Demonstrate positive behavior at all times)
- C – Complete required work (turn in all assignments on time and study for assessments)



The following are important school closing and event dates for the Alternative School Program. Please mark your calendars and plan accordingly.

January 18th

School Closed – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Observance

January 22nd, 25th, and 26th

Final Exams – Early dismissal at 6:25 p.m.

January 27th

School Closed – Semester Break for students, Staff professional development day

January 28th

Semester 2 Classes Begin

February 12th

School Closed for Students – Staff Professional Development Day

February 16th

School closed - President’s Day Observance

March 25th—April 1st

Spring Break

MEET THE STAFF

Administrative Staff:

Mr. Richard Dawkins	Principal
Mr. Jeffrey McAfee	Guidance Counselor
Dr. Terrance Tracey	School Psychologist

Support Staff:

Ms. Susan Trout	Administrative Secretary
Mrs. Linda Jost	Student Asst. Coordinator (SAC)
Ms. Lee Seybold	School Nurse
Mr. Robert Gant	Security

Teaching Staff:

Summer Brett (Booz)	Music
Steven Bowen	Math
Frank Breakell	Health and P.E.
Holly Capertina	English
Lamar Davis	Alternative 7th & 8th Grade
Cynthia Flachsbart	Social Studies/History
Brenda Hoffman	Science
Tiffany Lind	Financial Literacy/Technology
James McCarthy	Culinary
Kathleen Morris	English
Sonja Saeed	World Language
Tracy Seitz	Social Studies/History
Cindy Simione	Math
Alice Sparks	Science
Richard Vanarsdale	Automotive

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Main Office – 856-327-6058
 Guidance Office – 856-327-6158
 Nurses Office – 856-327-6175
 Student Assistant Coordinator (SAC) – 856-293-2420 X 2912
 Child Study Team - 856-327-6016