



GOOD NEWS FRIDAY
February 19, 2010

Pitt County Schools is pleased to share the following good news in our district!

- All across our district, schools have joined together to raise money and collect supplies to support relief efforts in Haiti. [Click here](#) to see the various activities taking place!
- Parents, students and teachers in Pitt County Schools have been celebrating school bus drivers as a part of the fourth annual National Love the Bus appreciation campaign. [Click here](#) to see the events held in PCS.
- Connie Cheston, ***K-12 Mathematics Instructional Resource Coordinator*** for Pitt County Schools, has been selected as the Outstanding Administrator in Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education as determined by the North Carolina Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education Center.
- Chicod School
- Lara C. Brickhouse, adaptive PE teacher at ***E. B. Aycock Middle School***, received a 2010 Windows of Opportunity Grant in the amount of \$500 from NC Beautiful. E. B. Aycock was one of only twelve schools in the state selected to receive these funds to promote environmental stewardship in the classroom.
- Eighth grade students at ***C. M. Eppes Middle School*** collected more than 1,500 canned good items during their recent "Souper Bowl" drive! The canned goods were donated to the Food Bank of Eastern NC on February 5, 2010.
- ***Northwest Elementary School*** recognized their students for academic success and accomplishments during the second nine weeks of school on Thursday, February 4, 2010. Assistant Principal Brent Maupin is pictured presented a certificate to Kevone' Harris for the Kiwanis Terrific Kids Award. The award promotes character education and good citizenship skills.
- ***Stokes School*** Junior Beta members attended the State Junior Beta Convention in Greensboro on February 8-9, 2010. Thirty-four of the thirty-five members were in attendance. Beta members competed in Arts and Crafts Competitions, Banner competition, Scrapbook competition, Living Literature competition, and Multi-Media competition. Members also attended the Leadership workshop and

Robert's Rules workshop. Reba Warren competed in the Woodworking competition and placed third in our state! Reba has received an invitation to compete on the national level at the National Junior Beta Convention to be held in Kentucky on June 26-29, 2010.

- ***Sam D. Bundy Elementary School*** recently named Anna Banno, fifth grade student, as their Spelling Bee Champion! She will travel with her parents, Akihiko and Melissa Banno, to the Scripps Regional Spelling Bee Competition on March 13, 2010.
- ***Farmville Middle School*** recently held their annual Science Fair.

Physical Science

- 1st Place – Trey Johnson; Bullet Weight versus Velocity
- 2nd Place – Brett Nicholson; Boiling Liquids
- 3rd Place – Matthew Meeks; Affects of Different Substances on the Cooling of Water
- Honorable Mention – Maddux Hartman; Which airplane is more Aerodynamic?

Earth Science

- 1st Place – Ben Sasser; Which wastes more water bath or shower?
- 2nd Place – Jeffery White; Evaporation of Liquids
- 3rd Place – Austin Grant; Craters

Biological Science

- 1st Place – Jake Nicholson; Dissolving Vitamins
- 2nd Place – Madison Ellis; How do roots grow when the direction of gravity changes?
- 3rd Place – Ainsley Cowart; Driving Distraction: What's your reaction time?

Technology

- 1st Place – Josh Williams; How to build a buzzer?
- 2nd Place – Evan Wainwright; The Pendulum Phenomena
- 3rd Place – Xavier Stokes; Effects of Current on an Electric Motor

- The Choral Department at ***Pactolus School*** sponsored a Musical Olympics competition in January. Students competed for gold, silver, and bronze medals in two different divisions. Medals were given to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students for sight reading rhythms and sight reading melodies using solfege syllables. Students winning medals are listed below:

Sight reading rhythms:

- Gold Medals – Kelvin Hill, Rebecca Ezzell, Sarah Eckert
- Silver Medals – Andrew Wilkins, Beatrice Mosca, Savannah Eckert
- Bronze Medals – Kayla Smith, Wendy Silverio, and Kimberly Whitehurst

Sight reading melodies using solfege:

- Gold Medals – Tianna Moore, Taylor Dunn, Karim Askew
- Silver Medals – Abraham Diosdado, Rebecca Ezzell, Savannah Eckert
- Bronze Medals – Kayla Smith, Taylor Whitehurst, Kimberly Whitehurst

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