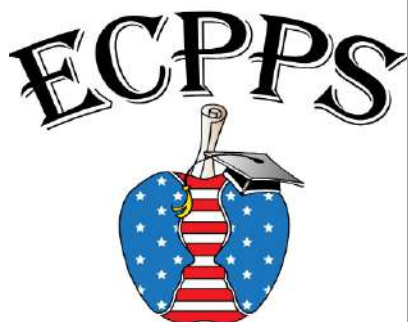


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# ECPPS Wins State Awards for School Communications

ECPPS was among 38 school districts in North Carolina to win Blue Ribbon Awards for effective school communications and public relations. The awards were presented by the North Carolina School Public Relations Association (NCSPRA) during the Association's annual Blue Ribbon Awards ceremony and brunch on Friday, January 26 at the O. Henry Hotel in Greensboro.

ECPPS won awards in the following categories:

Special Events & Programs – ECP Backpacks (GOLD AWARD)

ECPPS has worked collaboratively with others in the community to initiate a program that provides weekend food for children who may be experiencing food insecurity. ECP Backpacks began this school year with a goal of serving 200 children a weekend; however, approximately 271 have been served each weekend since it started.

Special Events & Programs – 2017-2018 ECPPS Parent Academy (SILVER AWARD)

ECPPS offers a Parent Academy each fall to provide parents and the community the opportunity to gain a better understanding of various programs, instruction and curriculum, and opportunities offered through our district. Attendees are able to choose sessions that are of particular interest to them. The 2017-2018 Parent Academy was held on September 23, 2017 with over 30 in attendance.

A Blue Ribbon Award is the highest honor a school district can receive from the North Carolina School Public Relations Association. The award recognizes excellence in school communications and public relations in eight categories: digital media engagement, electronic media, excellence in writing, image/graphic design, marketing, photography, publications (print and electronic), and special events and programs.



## River Road AVID Students Hold Food Drive

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) students, along with Nurse Fischman, recently held a Healthy Food Drive, collecting over 100 pounds of food. This drive was in conjunction with the Healthy Carolinians and in support of Food Bank of the Albemarle.



RRMS Students: Deja Whitehurst, Britney Garcia, and Xavier McNeal

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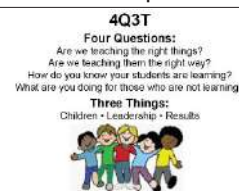


We are very thankful for the warmer weather in recent weeks as the icy grips of winter created quite a few calendar challenges for the district. We truly appreciate the understanding and support from our parents and community as we worked diligently to revise the calendar and keep spring break.

ECPPS will kick March 2018 off with a new event, a CTE/Workforce Development Conference for area businesses and employers. This conference will give the business community an opportunity to get a glimpse into the Career and Technical Education world and how the program prepares our students to be a successful part of the local workforce. We also hope to develop partnerships with businesses for internship opportunities and direct employment for many of our students. The event will take place on March 1st at 4:30 pm at Northeastern High School.

We are also preparing for our annual Tour of Schools. If you have not registered for this excellent opportunity to visit and tour our schools, please visit our website and register today.

~ Larry W. Cartner, Ed.D.  
Superintendent



## ECPPS Students Place in Science Fairs

Each year, the Pasquotank County 4-H Extension Office, hosts a District Science Fair for select 5th grade students. The event is held to help prepare students for further science fair competitions. The event this year was held in January and those participating included:

- Central Elementary (Nahtalia Bennett, Braelyne Brewer, Alicia McKinney, Claire Montero)
- J.C. Sawyer Elementary (Isaiah Nickols, Logan Sellers – 3rd place winner, Jada Simpson – 1st place winner)
- Northside Elementary (Ana Julia Hernandez-Garcia, Marcus Hvidsten, Natalie Stephens)
- P.W. Moore Elementary (Connor Henry – Honorable Mention, Azariah Hush, Caden Munden)
- Pasquotank Elementary (Julia Rosewall, Meybelline Ruiz)
- Sheep-Harney Elementary (Mattie Ditro)
- Weeksville Elementary (Skyler Ambrose, Jacob Meads – 2nd place winner, Waylan Meads – Honorable Mention)



ECPPS Instructional Coaches, Bert Lane & Kimberly Whitehurst, along with District Science Fair winners... Jada Simpson, Jacob Meads, Logan Sellers, Waylan Meads, Connor Henry and 4-H Extension Agent, Mason Lawrence

The Northeast Regional Science Fair was held on February 17th at East Carolina University. ECPPS had four students place in the competition: Jacob Meads, Asher Niphakis, Khaleeya Hicks, and Jada Simpson.

Jacob Meads received 1st place for his project Let's Light It Up. His project tested three blade angles to determine which one produced the most voltage output for a 2.5 volt LED light. Jacob is a 5th grade student at Weeksville Elementary School.

Asher Niphakis is a 4th grade student at J.C. Sawyer. Asher placed 2nd in the competition at East Carolina. Khaleeya Hicks placed 3rd in the competition. She is a 4th grade student at P.W. Moore Elementary. Jada Simpson received honorable mention. She is a 5th grade student at J.C. Sawyer Elementary.

Congratulations to all of the science fair winners!



JACOB MEADS  
1st Place Winner - Regional Science Fair (ECU)





WEEKSVILLE ELEMENTARY  
CELEBRATES LOVE THE BUS WEEK



## UPCOMING MARCH EVENTS

- MAR 1: CTE Conference - NHS - 4:30 pm
- MAR 8: Pre-K Registration Begins
- MAR 9: Tour of Schools 8 am - 2:30 pm
- MAR 19: BOE Committee Meetings -2 pm
- MAR 22: ECPPS Geography Bee - 6 pm  
ECPPS Spelling Bee - 7 pm  
Museum of the Albemarle
- MAR 24: 2nd Annual Childcare Providers  
Conf. 8:30 am - Sheep-Harney
- MAR 26: BOE Regular Meeting -7 pm  
Sheep-Harney Elementary
- MAR 27: AVID Elementary Workshop  
Hosted by Family & Comm. Ctr.
- MAR 30: Optional Teacher Workday
- April 2nd through April 6th**  
**SPRING BREAK**

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## Sheep-Harney Celebrates Million Word Reader

The honor of having the title of Million Word Reader is usually awarded to children in the fourth grade and higher, but Sheep-Harney has the distinction of having a first grade Million Word Reader for the first time.

Adelaide Schubert, is the first grade Million Word Reader. She is a member of Kristin Gonzalez's class at Sheep-Harney. Adelaide is the daughter of Jason and Lindsey Schubert. She has a younger brother and sister who she reads to all the time. She is an excellent all-around student who willingly helps others in her class.



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## P.W. Moore Receives Han-Dee Hugo's Donation

P.W. Moore received two \$500 donations from Han-Dee Hugo's to support science and math programs within the school. Han-Dee Hugo's has provided donations to P.W. Moore for the past couple of years.



PRINCIPAL SARA ENGLISH ACCEPTS DONATIONS FROM HAN-DEE HUGO MANAGERS, JERRY CARTWRIGHT AND ANN PIERCE

## RRMS Announces Geography Bee Winners



River Road held their Geography Bee recently. The winners include (l-r):

**Ben Dyke (3rd Place)**  
**Sophia Stephenson (1st Place)**  
**Cristal Vicente (2nd Place)**

## Weeksville Elementary Holds Music and Math Event

Weeksville Elementary hosted a Title I event, M & M Night (Music and Math), on February 22, 2018. The students kicked off the event with a mini recorder concert.

Families attending the event had a chance to experience music, attend a meeting with the Weeksville PTO (Parent Teacher Organization), and visit the classrooms to learn strategies to help with math assignments at home.



## Northside Students Place in Soybean Contest

The sponsors of the NC Soybean Festival hold a poster contest each year for 4th graders in Pasquotank and surrounding counties. The NC Soybean Festival was held on January 16th this year at the K.E. White Graduate Center. The theme for the event and the poster contest was "NC Soybeans: The Possibilities Are Endless." All poster contest winners, including one honorable mention, were 4th graders from Northside Elementary.



The winners include (shown l-r):

- 1st Place - Natalie Gallop
- 2nd Place - Abby Temple
- 3rd Place - Jaidyn Alexander
- Honorable Mention - Makenna Turner

## ECPPS Announces 2018-2019 Registration for Pre-K and Kindergarten

ECPPS will begin registration for Pre-K during March and Kindergarten in April.

The ECPPS website has detailed information on registration dates, requirements and more. Please visit <https://www.ecpps.k12.nc.us/resources/parents>.

The ECPPS Pre-K program is based at Sheep-Harney Elementary School. All ECPPS Pre-K students will attend the program at Sheep-Harney. The attendance zones apply to students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

## J.C. Sawyer Holds Science Night

J.C. Sawyer Elementary held a Science Night for families recently. Students in 4th and 5th grade displayed and demonstrated their science fair projects. Students in kindergarten through 3rd grade performed various science experiments in their classrooms.



Adrian Davis, 5th grade student, displays his Science Fair project during the J.C. Sawyer Science Night



Students perform experiments in the classroom during Science Night

## ECPPS FAMILY & COMMUNITY CENTER

The Family & Community Center has expanded the availability of online opportunities:

### • Electronic Library

Books, pamphlets, videos and resource flyers for parents to access from the ECPPS website, Twitter and Facebook

### • eTips

Weekly tips emailed to parents... also posted on Facebook and Twitter

### School Resource Centers

There will be a center available at each school for parents to pick up various information on available resources.

Please visit the Family & Community Center page on our website at...

[ecpp.us/4Tk](http://ecpp.us/4Tk)

... you can connect to Twitter and Facebook right from their page! Be sure to follow them on both to keep up with the latest information!

## ECPPS Family & Community Center

There will be a Community Expo Event on Saturday, April 28th at Museum of the Albemarle. Make plans to come by for fun, food and great ideas for summer care for children.

More information coming soon....

