

The Principal's Pad

Weekly Notes From Principal Denise Comeaux

School Evacuation Site: Marion Diehl Center, 2219 Tyvola Rd., 704-527-0237

Register your **Food Lion MVP Card** for Metro (213683) online at www.Foodlion.com.

Register your **Vic Card at Harris Teeter** for Metro School: Our School Number is **3024**

If you shop at **Office Depot**, we earn free supplies. Give them our number: **70060560**

Send in UPC symbols from **Campbell's Products**

Send in **Box Tops for Education** "coupons" from General Mills products

Always inform the school when your child will be absent

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Week of: December 10, 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- December 15, 9 am, "Principal's Coffee"
- December 17, 9:30, Our Holiday Program

CURRICULUM CORNER.....Susan Bennett, Literacy Facilitator

Real life experiences using math, reading, and social skills are incorporated into the schedules of our high school and transition classes. Today's article will highlight our ninth and tenth grade students. They are involved in very successful school based enterprises every Tuesday and Thursday morning. This on-site job skill training is part of our Community Based Instruction program coordinated by Dee Griffith. Many of the students participate in the *Tiger Tail Bakery* run by Janie Young, with assistance from Delbra Best and Jill Bambara. Delicious goodies are baked and sold by our students. This week's treats included four different varieties from which to choose! Other students are part of the *Eye of the Tiger* coffee crew under the direction of Zach Sanford and Kristy Anderson. Three varieties of coffee are brewed and sold to staff members by the students. Everyone looks forward to Tuesday and Thursday mornings! Another group of students is based in our Media Center under the direction of Hillary Knorr, with assistance from Valerie Gilmore and Bettrena Farris. These students work hard to cut out, sort, and count donated Box Tops for Education, Campbells' soup labels, and Tyson's Chicken- Project A+ labels. Thanks to your generous donations and their efforts, we recently earned over \$200 for our school! This group also helps with book check-in and shelving. The fourth group is our horticulture/grounds crew under the direction of Dorothy Westbrook. Weather permitting, they work outside in our greenhouse and our courtyard to help beautify our campus. Thanks to all of the above mentioned teachers and assistants who supervise these successful and worthwhile learning experiences for our students. Thanks also go out to Ashlei Cole and Eileen Jones for all they do to assist.

Congratulations to Sam H.! He is our Metro Star Student of the Week. Sam is a transition level student in Shannon Martin's class. Cynthia Charles and Bruce Crede are the teaching assistants. Sam received his star student badge and certificate during the closed circuit broadcast of our Thursday morning announcements. Keep up the great work, Sam! You are doing a great job!

DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT METRO SCHOOL?

We have been "adopted" by the PTO of Providence Spring Elementary School. This week the Providence Spring PTO provided a wonderful holiday brunch for our entire faculty. We are very appreciative of the generosity of the Providence Spring PTO.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT.....Staff Social Committee

This week's Staff Social Committee Spotlight shines on our Assistant of the Week, Ms. Phyllis Martin. Phyllis has been a dedicated member of this faculty for many years and was nominated this week by her teacher, Mr. Michael Haynes. Phyllis is one of the chairpersons of the Staff Social Committee, and the faculty is very appreciative of all our Social Committee does. Congratulations Phyllis, and thank you for your hard work, creativity, and devotion to the children in your classroom and to your colleagues.

STUDENT SERVICES CORNER.....LaShica Hemingway, Counselor

We would like to thank all of the Metro Families who donated canned goods to our school's canned good food drive. Thank you for helping to make it a success. The Student Service Department has two winter coats sizes 10/12 and 16/18 that were donated. If your Metro student is in need of a winter coat please contact me at 980-343-1051 (LaShica Hemingway). The coats will go to the families that contact me first.

NEW FUND RAISER

Metro School is starting a new fund raiser. This fund raiser is sponsored by the Tyson Chicken Company. Our thanks go to Ms. Shannon Martin, transition level teacher, who found out about this fund raiser. On each Tyson product you will find a label called "Project A+" which you can cut off the product box. Please send in those labels and we earn money by submitting those to the Tyson Company.

iPADS FOR STUDENTS WITH AUTISM

The Holly Rod Foundation, founded by Rodney and Holly Robinson-Peete, who themselves have a son with autism, are having a holiday giving campaign. The foundation is donating Apple iPads to families with children diagnosed with autism, who are either non-verbal or have limited verbal ability. The iPad is an excellent tool for communication and can be life changing for some children.

There is a financial requirement to apply- *single family annual income of less than \$35,000 or dual family annual income of less than \$50,000*. Please spread the word.

Here is the link to apply:

<http://www.hollyrod.org/#/holiday-2010/4545650338>

Enjoy Your Weekend!

