

Monday Musings

November 6, 2017

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Flu Shot Clinic

Tuesday, November 14

8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Central Office Board Room &
NAMS Auditorium

AHS Blood Drive - November 9

The Asheboro High School Health Sciences Academy is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, November 9 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. in the AHS original gym. The school will partner with the Community Blood Center of the Carolinas. If anyone would like to make an appointment, they may email Asheboro High School Health Sciences Academy teacher, Rita Morton at rmorton@asheboro.k12.nc.us. Drop-in donors must report to the front office before being admitted the blood drive.

Middle School Tours for Current 5th Grade Families

Asheboro City Schools will offer school tours and information sessions at North Asheboro and South Asheboro Middle Schools tomorrow, November 7. Current 5th grade students and families are encouraged to attend to hear valuable information to make for a smooth transition from elementary to middle school. Tours and information sessions will take place at NAMS and SAMS on **Tuesday, November 7 from 6- 7 p.m.**

United Way Campaign Underway

There is still time to pledge your donation to the United Way campaign of Randolph County. Your dollars help support education, income, and health-related programs for individuals and families across Asheboro and Randolph County. Everyone who gives receives a free sandwich coupon from Chik-fil-A. When you give \$100 over the course of a year, you are entered to win a Honda Fit, Nissan Versa, or Dodge Dart! Please see Dr. Maerz if you have questions! All pledge forms are due to Dr. Maerz by Thursday, November 9.

Apply for the PRISM Award!

[PRISM](#) grants, supported and distributed by Burroughs Wellcome Fund, were created to support North Carolina educators dedicated to bringing high-quality, inquiry-based learning activities to their classrooms. This one-year award is open to all certified K-12 public school educators, and covers up to \$3,000 for STEM materials and equipment, and up to \$1,500 toward the cost of relevant professional development. With the right materials and training, you could be looking at all-new levels of classroom engagement and fulfillment. **December 5** is the deadline for submission. To find out more, or to apply online, visit bwfund.org

NAMS Student Invited to State Mathematics Conference

Jenna Graham, 8th grade student from North Asheboro Middle School, was a winner in the 2017 State Math Fair last April. She was invited by the North Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics to display her project at the 47th Annual State Mathematics Conference November 2-3 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.



AHS Hosts Successful College Fair

AHS hosted a College Fair Day on Tuesday, October 31st. Juniors and seniors had the opportunity to meet with college representatives from trade/technical schools, community colleges, and 4-year colleges/universities.

Randolph County Health Department Resources for Schools

The Randolph County Health Department has a number of health educators available to discuss mental health, communicable disease, substance abuse, nutrition, physical activity and chronic diseases with school teams. If interested, staff can contact their school nurse for more information.

Staff: We want your feedback!

We're excited to announce a website redesign for the district and our schools! Before we begin, we want to know what you would like to see on the new site. Please complete the short survey below! We thank you in advance!

<https://docs.google.com/forms/u/1/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoq7A7Xtkukb2kDWtJ07gjFyz8QCn0NPxRDkIsoMJ3277wqQ/viewform>

SAMS Football Team Finishes Extraordinary Season

The South Asheboro Middle School football team went undefeated all season and won the conference championship this year! The team also won the Super Tuesday championship for all middle schools in Asheboro and Randolph County! Way to go SAMS!



CenturyLink Grant Opportunities

Funded by CenturyLink's Clarke M. Williams, the Teacher's and Technology program provides classroom grants to help fund projects that advance student success through innovative use of technology.

A few items to note about the program:

- Full-time private and public school teachers are eligible
- Only schools in CenturyLink's residential service areas may apply
- Applications will be accepted Oct. 1, 2017 – Jan. 12, 2018 (midnight) via the online registration portal: <http://www.centurylink.com/teachersandtechnology>
- Grant winners will be announced between April 1 - May 15, 2018
- Grant awards range from \$500-\$5000
- Schools do not have to be a CenturyLink customer to apply but must be located in a CenturyLink service area where CenturyLink provides residential phone service. If you are not sure if your school is in a CenturyLink residential service area; visit www.centurylink.com and click on "Check for Deals at my Home" in the upper right corner. Enter your school address to verify if CenturyLink services are provided there.

NCCAT Professional Development for Spring 2018 Now Open

The North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching has announced the spring professional development opportunities. Registration is now open. For a full listing, please click [here](http://www.nccat.org).

SECU to Host FAFSA Help

Know a student planning to attend college in the 2018-2019 academic year and need assistance completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) will be offering FAFSA assistance to members during normal business hours throughout the month of November. Credit Union staff at all branches statewide will be available to answer questions and help students and their families complete and electronically file the FAFSA, a required document to be considered for all federal and most state financial aid for college, career school or graduate school.

Brucie Shook Book Signing -

Friends of the Randolph County Public Library present, Brucie Shook, author of *She Named Me Bruce*, on November 8th at 6:45 p.m. at Randolph County Public Library. Admission is free!

Information Session on MAED Program

Dr. Smith will be in Asheboro City Schools on November 27th for an information session on the Master of Arts in Education Reading Education program through NC A&T University. The session will take place at 3:45 p.m. in the Professional Development Center.

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION READING EDUCATION

Program Information
The Master of Arts in Education (MAED) program in Reading Education (K-12) at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (NC A&T) is a 36-credit program designed to prepare educators to enhance the literacy skills of their students. The MAED program is based upon standards set forth by the International Literacy Association and North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. This program provides candidates to attain an advanced specialist certificate at NC A&T in North Carolina. The MAED program is a 36-credit program and is a total for any K-12 teacher as a condition of admission to the MAED program.

Application Requirements
Graduate Degree
Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Scores
Official College Transcripts
North Carolina "C" Level Teaching License
Letters of Recommendation
Statement of Purpose

Program Benefits
Gain-to-Fee and Other Considerations
Classroom Practice: Individualized Instruction
Cooperative Classes to Theory and Field Practice
Research Opportunities
Opportunity to Work Closely with K-12 Teachers to Impact Literacy Skills

Scholarship Engagement
MAED Reading Candidates and faculty participate in a variety of literacy related scholarship activities. They receive and present their work at various conferences through poster presentations and conference sessions. Additionally, they collaboratively engage in writing scholarly manuscripts. Candidates can benefit from advancement of their professional capabilities.

Post-Graduation Placement
Graduates of the MAED Reading Program have become experts in improving the literacy skills of their own students. Additionally, research-based content and practice have been shared with other colleagues in an effort to guide students and colleagues in their own classrooms.

National Board Certification Preparation
Candidates gain the program with knowledge, skills, and alignment to prepare National Board Certified.

Employment Opportunities
Graduates of the MAED Reading program find employment in a variety of educational settings, including:
• P-12 Classroom Teachers in Public, Charter, and Private Schools
• Reading Specialists
• Literacy Coaches
• Special Education Program Specialists
• Curriculum or Advisor

Overview of Courses/Requirements
The program emphasizes broadening the knowledge of literacy processes and instructional practices, application, methods, and skills with regard to reading and writing instruction, as well as assessment tools and practices to plan and evaluate effective literacy instruction. The MAED Reading Program is composed of the following courses:
Research and Inquiry
Diversity in the K-12 Classroom
Foundations of Literacy
Literacy and the 21st Century: Literacy, Classroom Organization and Supervision of Literacy Programs
Language and Early Literacy Development
Literacy and the English Language Learner
Writing and Literacy in the Content Areas
Research in Literacy Instruction

NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY THE GRADUATE COLLEGE

GRADUATE FEE SCHEDULE PER SEMESTER
Fall 2017 - Spring 2018
 tuition and other subject charges per semester (General Administration)

RESIDENCY STATUS	F	F + I	F + I + R	F + I + R + M
NON-RESIDENT (FEE)	\$1,100.00	\$1,136.00	\$1,294.00	\$1,330.00
RESIDENT (FEE)	\$215.00	\$251.00	\$409.00	\$445.00
IN-STATE (FEE)	\$1,100.00	\$1,136.00	\$1,294.00	\$1,330.00
OUT-OF-STATE (FEE)	\$1,100.00	\$1,136.00	\$1,294.00	\$1,330.00
INTERNATIONAL (FEE)	\$1,100.00	\$1,136.00	\$1,294.00	\$1,330.00
ADDITIONAL FEES				
LABORATORY	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
FIELD TRIP	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
TRAVEL	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT UNION	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT CENTER	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT SERVICES	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT HEALTH	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT LIFE	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT UNION	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT CENTER	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT SERVICES	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT HEALTH	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
STUDENT LIFE	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Online application
Application fee
Transcripts
Personal statement
Recommendation letters

IMPORTANT APPLICATION DEADLINES

Priority	UG Degree	International
Fall	Feb. 1	May 1
Spring	Nov. 1	Dec. 1
Summer	NA	April 1

FINANCING GRADUATE STUDIES
For a complete list of aid, fees, and related costs of education, visit www.nccat.edu or contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at grad@nccat.edu.

RESEARCH CAPABILITIES OF A LAND GRANT UNIVERSITY
• Anticipate and Therapeutic Services
• Biomedical Research
• Biotechnology & Biosciences
• Computer and Computational Sciences
• Defense and National Security
• Energy, Environment, and Sustainability
• Food Science
• Human Health, Nutrition and Wellness
• Information and Communications Technology
• Materials Chemistry and Manufacturing
• Social and Behavioral Sciences
• Transportation and Logistics



Congrats Ms. Runnfeldt

Ms. Valerie Runnfeldt from South Asheboro Middle School received the Outstanding Math Teacher award from NCCTM president, Julia Kolb last Thursday!