

MAY BRINGS AN 'ACE'

Each day teachers, staff and volunteers enter school buildings where they make tremendous impact and support the students in our community. During the May 7 Board of Education meeting, Berkeley County Schools' Board and Staff were proud to honor May's ACE (A Caring Educator) - Angela Pittinger of Berkeley Heights Elementary School. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to the success of our students.

(Pictured L - R) Member Pat Murphy, President Dr. Bill Queen, Member Michelle Barnes-Russell, Angela Pittinger; Member Todd Beckwith and Vice-President Dr. Darin Gilpin.



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2018 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Jana Stenson, Berkeley County Schools 2018 Teacher of the Year. Stenson has taught in Berkeley County Schools and at Hedgesville High School for 28 years. She serves as the math department chair and has been an adjunct faculty member for both Shepherd and Marshall Universities. Stenson is very active at HHS serving in many leadership and mentoring capacities. Jana also serves on numerous district level committees and advisory councils.

Ron Lyons, principal of Hedgesville High School commented, "Her students admire her, and her class is full of thought provoking instruction. She is a truly a reflective teacher. We are so fortunate to have her as a leader of our instructional team, as well as the voice of the Hedgesville Eagles at athletic events."



In an awards ceremony held at Spring Mills High School, the following Teacher of the Year finalists were also recognized for their outstanding work in the classroom: Karen Beer, Kindergarten Teacher, Berkeley Height Elementary School; Annette Jordan, Business and Leadership Teacher, Hedgesville High School; Michael Knepper, Music and Band Teacher, Musselman High School; Mallory Painter, Pre-K Teacher, Mill Creek Intermediate School.

Thank you to each of these educators for their commitment to learning shared with students in and out of the classroom each and every day.



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IMMUNIZATION & HEALTH UPDATES

The WV Department of Education, the WV Department of Health and the Human Resources Bureau for Public Health have updated school entry requirements. If you haven't done so, schedule an appointment with your family doctor for necessary immunizations. Please be sure to update your student's immunization records with their school once immunizations have been administered. To learn more about current recommendations and requirements for school attendance, visit: <http://ow.ly/m2x330jW9fJ>.

2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

It's here! Start adding dates to your calendar for the 2018 - 2019 school year. To learn more about the 2018 - 2019 School Year Calendar for students and families, visit: <http://ow.ly/gbiP30k0E0v>

Calendars are developed each spring and are approved by the School Board/State of WV in May.

In the event of school closings due to inclement weather or other emergencies, calendars may be adjusted to ensure the required number of instructional hours. Every effort will be made to communicate calendar adjustments to parents, students and staff as soon as possible.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

May 22 Martinsburg High Graduation

May 28 No School - Memorial Day

May 23 Hedgesville High Graduation

May 29 Spring Mills High Graduation

May 24 Musselman High Graduation



To see more information about important dates throughout the school year, visit: www.berkeleycountyschools.org/calendar

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