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A Success!

Board Clips



...from the January 21 meeting of the Board of Education of Dorchester County

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## **Election of Officers Held**

The Board held their annual elections for officers. **Mr. Philip L. Bramble** is the new President of the Board of Education for 2010. **Ms. Lorraine Henry** is the new Vice President. Congratulations to our officers!



President Bramble & Vice President Henry

## **2010 Service-Learning Fellow Deborah Wooden Honored**

The Board of Education recognized **Mrs. Deborah Wooden**, guidance counselor at Mace's Lane Middle School, for being selected as **one of Maryland's nine 2010 Service-Learning Fellows**. Mrs. Wooden joins a select group of Dorchester educators who are also past recipients of this honor:

- Mrs. Regina Teat (1995)**
- Ms. Teresa Berry (1998)**
- Ms. Valerie Lomax (2009)**



Mrs. Wooden  
pictured with President Bramble

## **Staffing Changes for January**

### **Resignation:**

**Stephanie Snyder**, science, North Dorchester High

### **Non-Certificated**

### **Retirement:**

**Ronnie Cain**, grounds and custodial manager, Central Office (effective 6/30/10)

### **Awards of Tenure**

(effective 1/1/10)

**Carol Lee Peterson**, speech pathologist, Central Office

**Rachel Morris**, special education, North Dorchester High

**Laurie Whiston**, language arts, Mace's Lane Middle

## **Programs of Study for Middle School and High School Reviewed**

DCPS has adopted the State Curriculum (formerly the Voluntary State Curriculum- VSC) for Fine Arts. The Pre-K to Grade 8 Fine Arts document has been revised and recently released by the Maryland State Department of Education. The State Curriculum is being fully implemented in DCPS in Music and Visual Arts and is also available for Dance and Theatre.



**Upcoming  
Important  
Dates!**

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**Report Cards,
January 28**

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**Fine Arts Senior  
Honors Recital,  
Wednesday,  
February 3,  
7:00 p.m.,  
C-SDHS**

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**Schools Closed
February 15,
Presidents' Day**



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**Next Regular  
Board Meeting  
Thursday,  
February 18,  
3:00 p.m.,  
Central Office**

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**March 20,
1:32 p.m.,
Vernal Equinox
(SPRING!)**

**Eastern Shore Land
Conservancy Art Contest
Winners Attend Meeting**

The Eastern Shore Land Conservancy has announced the winners of their second annual Kids Essay and Art Contest. In both the essay and the poster, students were asked to tell, via the written word or via their artwork, why they love the Eastern Shore and what people, places and memories make the Eastern Shore so special to them. Over 300 entries were received from schools throughout the Upper and Mid-Shore. Four of our own Mace's Lane Middle School students received honors in the Grade 6 - 8 Division:

1st Place,

Morgan Forrest, Grade 8

2nd Place,

Samantha Stanley, Grade 6

2nd Place,

Carmen Villalta, Grade 7

Honorable Mention,

Molly Myers, Grade 8



First Place Artwork by Morgan Forrest

Financial & Matters

The Board reviewed the statement of appropriations & expenditures ending December 31, 2009; the capital projects fund report ending December 31, 2009; the quarterly grant report; and the quarterly technology purchases report. All of the documents may be viewed on our website: www.dcps.k12.md.us.

Other Actions

The Board approved the following grants, purchases and contracts on January 21:

- A grant from Mid-Shore Mental Health System for \$4,250 to be used for suicide prevention services.
- The purchase of network equipment from Chesapeake Netcraftsman in the amount of \$140,000 and the authorization for additional purchases within the next twelve months, subject to budget limits and the Superintendent's approval.
- The purchase of educational technology equipment in the amount of \$380,782 with funds from the Quality Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) and the authorization for additional purchases within the next twelve months, subject to budget limits and the Superintendent's approval.



"The joy of effort is more important than the thrill of victory."

- Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympic movement (1894)

