

Wayne County

Federal Projects Newsletter

January 2014

Feb. 3

Parent Teacher Conference

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held at all Wayne County schools from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 3, 2014 (unless otherwise notified by your school). Parent Teacher conferences are an excellent opportunity to visit your child's school and discuss their progress with their teachers.

Feb. 17

In-Service

In-Service sessions at individual schools will be held on February 17 (President's Day). Students will not be in school this day.

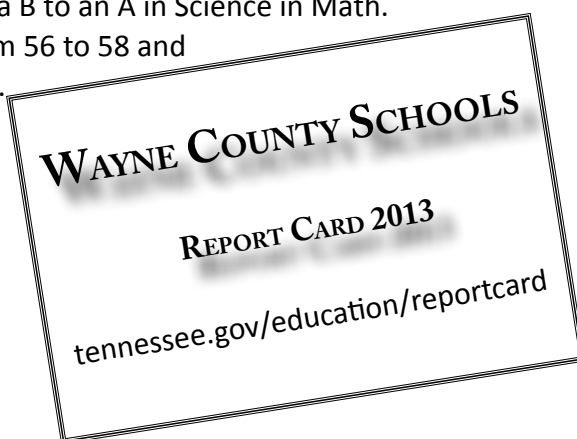
Report Card Shows Improvement

The Wayne County School System's 2013 Report Card shows improvement over the 2012 report.

The annual Report Card is a comprehensive look at state, district and school-level data for each school year. The Report Card includes demographics, achievement results, accountability progress, value-added data, attendance figures, graduation rate and more.

Wayne County's TCAP (Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program) results for grades 3-8 improved from a B to an A in Science in Math. Scores in Social Studies increased from 56 to 58 and in reading, scores went from 50 to 52.

The Annual Report Card shows an attendance rate increase for grades K-12 and a graduation rate of 93.2 percent. The report also reflects that 100 percent of teachers in the Wayne County School System are considered highly qualified.



Guest Speaker Bringing Positive Message to Students

Youth motivational speaker Joel Penton will bring his message about making the right choices to Wayne County students this month.

Students are often told what not to do, but rarely told what they should do, says Penton, a graduate of Ohio State University where he played football for five years. Penton, who will speak to students in grades 8-12, was a member of three Big Ten championship teams, a member of the National Championship team, and a four-time Academic All-Big Ten selection. As a senior, he was awarded the Wuerffel

Trophy, known as the Humanitarian Heisman. From his platform as a champion, Penton brings a positive message to students that is both relevant and impactful. Combining humor and sincerity, he gives a real-life example of the rewards that result from making right choices.

Joel Penton Speaking Schedule

January 27

9 a.m. - Wayne County High School

1 p.m. - Frank Hughes School

January 28

9 a.m. - Collinwood High School

*All sessions held in school gymnasiums.

Wayne County Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Wayne County School System not to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, age, color, sex, handicap, or national origin in its educational programs, activities, or employment policies as required by Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

If you are unable to speak English an interpreter will be provided for you upon request. **La Política de No Discriminación Del Condado de Wayne**

Es la política del Sistema Escolar de Condado de Wayne de no discriminar a base de raza, religión, credo, edad, color, sexo, ventaja ni a base del origen nacional en sus programas educativos, sus actividades ni en sus políticas del empleo como requerido por el



Titulo VI del Acto Civil de Derechos de 1964, el Titulo IX del las Enmiendas Educativas de 1972, y la Seccion 504 del Acto Federal de Rehabilitacion de 1973.

Si usted es incapaz de hablar ingles, un interprete sera proveido para usted a pedido.

English as a Second Language Notification

Title III is the portion of No Child Left Behind that serves English as a Second Language Students. Through Title III, students who have a primary language other than English receive instruction in English in a specialized setting.

Tennessee has more than 35 language groups who come from more than 50 countries. For these students, English is not the first language they learned to speak. However, for many of these students, English is the first language in which they have learned to read and write.

ESL classes vary from district to district and from school to school. The purpose of the Title III office in the State of Tennessee is to offer support and guidance in meeting federal and state guidelines set forth to educate this important subgroup in Tennessee schools.

No Child Left Behind Waiver

The Tennessee Department of Education has received a waiver from certain portions of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, known as No Child Left Behind. Tennessee was one of 10 states granted the waiver, which was given in February of 2012. The waiver gives Tennessee flexibility to measure progress with state-specific goals and standards rather than using the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) model.