

ANNUAL REPORT

Montgomery County Educational Service Center

2012 — 2013

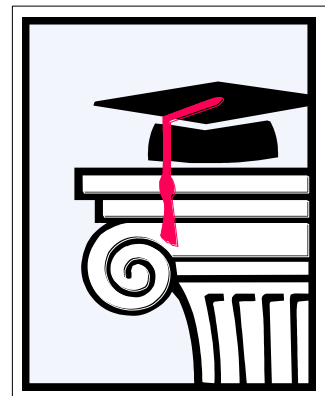


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with Ohio Revised Code 3319.94 to provide a progress report
of the Montgomery County Educational Service Center’s achievements
in meeting its goals. This Annual Report covers the period
of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.*

Frank DePalma, Superintendent

EDUCATION IS FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS

Philosophy	<p>The Montgomery County Educational Service Center believes that all students should be given educational experiences that maximize their potential in meeting the challenges of a constantly changing world. We believe that the ultimate goal of education should be to engage students in the problems of a subject matter, in the processes of thinking, and in connecting learning with real life and work. As students develop greater competence and confidence, they must assume responsibility for their own educational processes. Finally, to realize success in the communication age, all students must interact with technology to enhance their acquisition of knowledge and problem-solving skills.</p> <p>We believe it is our mutual responsibility to provide visionary leadership and quality services that promote effective learning communities.</p>
Mission Statement	<p>The Montgomery County Educational Service Center provides effective leadership and quality services to educators, students, local boards, and the community.</p> <p>The County Educational Service Center supports a system for strong, collaborative linkages of the major stakeholders: districts, educational providers, students, parents, and the public at large. Through these combined efforts, the Center works actively to support the schools' continuous improvement processes by offering a broad range of quality services and programs. These services and programs focus on challenging and meaningful curriculum for all students, professional development, personnel and business management, student intervention, and active communication.</p> <p>These cooperative efforts are designed to strengthen the capacity of the districts to achieve quality and cost-effective programs.</p>

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2012-2013 school year was one of success in established services and in new endeavors. Traditional direct classroom services to children remained strong and included:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Students</u>
MCESC Learning Centers	
Emotionally Disturbed	147
Multiple Disabilities	143
Preschool	5
Includes Individual/Group Mental Health for 152 Students	
Kettering Behavioral Medicine Center	177
Kettering Hospital Based Mental Health Program; Schools Pay for Tutoring	
Youth Partial Hospitalization	52
Primarily Mental Health Paid by Insurance; Schools Pay for Tutoring	
Occupational Therapy	2,087
Occupational Therapists Travel to Students	
Physical Therapy	921
Physical Therapists Travel to Students	
Hearing Intervention	224
Therapists Travel to Students	
Vision Intervention	158
Therapists Travel to Students	
Speech Therapy Services	336

Montgomery County Educational Service Center services are provided by a highly trained staff. I thank the MCESC staff for their dedicated service to children throughout the region.



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNING BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Members Have Important Role

Each board member brings with him or her a commitment to the cause of educating youth and the desire to serve their communities and the schools through the important role they play in education. This commitment, when combined with the expert knowledge and experience of staff members of the county and local schools, ensures the success of the county local school educational program in meeting the needs of students.

Board members have a broad range of responsibilities including hiring of the superintendent and his staff, approving contracts and policies of the county, and providing oversight activities carried out by staff members.

As elected officials, board members are highly visible in their communities and serve as a resource to informally survey public opinion and facilitate two-way communication between the schools and their publics.



Terry L. Smith



Daryl M. Michael, Jr.



Greg S. Shell



Gary M. Roberts



Joy Weaver

AREA ELECTED OFFICIALS

MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNING BOARD OF EDUCATION

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<u>Ohio Board of Education</u> Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr.	<u>Ohio Senate</u> Bill Beagle (R-5) Peggy Lehner (R-6)	<u>Ohio House of Representatives</u> Fred Strahorn (D-39) Michael Henne (R-40) James Butler (R-41) Roland Winburn (D-43) Terry Blair (R-42)
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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

SOURCES OF INCOME – SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013

Federal Programs	\$ 4,272,205	12.22%	<p style="text-align: center;">Revenues</p>
State Funds and Other	4,549,067	13.02%	
General Fund			
Foundation Program	17,041,482	48.75%	
Contracted Services	8,167,021	23.36%	
Other	<u>927,280</u>	<u>2.65%</u>	
Total Receipts	34,957,055	100.00%	
Balance 7/1/12	<u>17,631,733</u>		
Total Receipts Plus Balance	<u>\$52,588,788</u>		

EXPENDITURES – SCHOOL YEAR 2012-2013

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OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

EXPERIENCED, DEDICATED EMPLOYEES NECESSARY FOR QUALITY EDUCATION

Experienced and dedicated employees are an important part of the Montgomery County Educational Service Center program.

The Montgomery County Governing Board of Education employed 326 people in 2012-2013, with 202 of them certificated in education. Certificated staff members averaged 14 years of experience in education. (Reported as of October 1, 2012.)

Of those certificated employees, 67 percent had a master's degree, and an additional 4 percent held a doctorate degree. The remainder (29%) held at least a bachelor's degree.

Staff members are encouraged to participate in additional training opportunities such as workshops, inservice programs, and seminars which apply to their particular area of expertise.

At various times throughout the year, the Montgomery County Educational Service Center Curriculum and Staff Development Office plan workshops dealing with current topics and issues in education. Local school district certificated personnel and teachers or administrators from other area school districts often attend these workshops.

Classified staff members have similar opportunities for participation in workshops which will help to maintain professionalism and update skills used in their jobs.

Certificated and classified employees provide services which support the educational process at the county level, in local school districts, and to other school districts in Montgomery and neighboring counties.

The objective of each employee at the Educational Service Center office is to provide the best services which affect quality education for the students, parents, and communities we serve.

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CLASSIFIED STAFF

Treasurer	1
Assistant Treasurer.....	1
Executive Director.....	1
Secretaries and Clerks	22
Family Consultant	1
Educational Assistants	56
MDECA.....	19
Attendance Officers.....	2
Supervisor	1
Interpreters.....	3
Transportation Dept.....	2
PT Assistant.....	1
OT Assistant	1
City/County Cooperative.....	1
Computer Consultant	1
Coordinator of Technology.....	2
Maintenance Supervisor.....	1
Assistant Maintenance Supervisor...2	
Food Service	2
Custodian	4
Total	124

CERTIFICATED STAFF

Superintendent.....	1
Assistant Superintendents	1
Executive Directors	3
Directors.....	2
Curriculum Supervisors.....	4
Attendance Officer	1
Speech Supervisors.....	1
Transition to Work Coords	2
Special Ed Supervisor	1
Special Ed Program Supervisors.....	3
Gifted/Talented Supervisors	1
Speech Therapists.....	11
Teachers ED and MD	42
Tutors.....	7
Occupational Therapists	37
Physical Therapists	20
Audiologists	2
Psychologists	12
Mobility Specialists	3
School Nurse	1
Vision Intervention Specialists	4
City/County Cooperative.....	15
Hearing Intervention Specialist	3
State Support Team	16
SOITA Certificated Staff	5
Autism/Low Incidence Consultant ..	1
RttT Regional Specialists.....	3
Total	202

TOTAL STAFF STATISTICS: By Sex – Male 22%, Female 78% By Race – White 87%, Non-White 13% EXPERIENCE – 14 average years of experience in certificated staff

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

This year the Office of Curriculum transitioned into the Office of Instructional Services. The department consisted of Curriculum Supervisors, The Dayton Regional STEM Center staff, Race to the Top Staff and our Executive Director.

The overall professional development delivered this school year primarily revolved around the state initiatives and impending state mandates. Those topics include:

- Ohio Teacher Evaluation System
- Ohio Principal Evaluation System
- Third Grade Reading Guarantee
- Student Growth Measures/Student Learning Objectives
- Resident Educator Instructional Mentoring

Other professional development included the Dayton Area Superintendent Association's (DASA) second year offering in the Series: Re-Designing Teacher Evaluation by Dr. James Rowley. This year long professional development impacted 25 different districts and 170 education staff.

Seventeen other professional development workshops were held during the course of the year with attendance from 35+ districts.

Curriculum Supervision

Our supervisors are assigned to our local districts and service their districts of assignment in a variety of roles. While all handle the supervision of curriculum alignment to the new standards, textbook adoption, state initiative implementation, other roles consist of: district test coordinator, professional development creator and deployment, technology implementation, OIP facilitator, instructional improvement, policy consultation, Master Teacher representative, Resident Educator Coordinator, Value Added Specialist, and various state initiative trainers.

The supervisors' biggest project this year was developing an Assessment Literacy Training that effectively maximized the Student Learning Objective training deployed through the state by the ESCs. Our staff held professional development sessions at the ESC that serviced 21 districts; as well as, provided customized assessment literacy professional development on-site at several districts within our county and Miami County. Those districts included: Valley View, Miamisburg, Northridge, Huber Heights, Northmont, Dayton Public, Brookville, Mad River, Upper Valley Career Center, Miami Valley Career Technology Center, Miami County ESC, and New Lebanon.

Race to the Top (RttT)

Our Race to the Top staff continued to work with RttT districts in the RttT Southwest Regional in order to meet their scopes of work in the area of Success Factors, Standards and Assessments, Data Systems to Support Instruction, Great Teachers and Leaders, and Turning Around Lowest Performing Schools. These staff members include our Regional Specialist and Formative Instructional Practice Specialist. Their work is instrumental in region but also in the state as they play part in the State RttT team.

THE DAYTON REGIONAL STEM CENTER (DRSC)

The DRSC continued its signature approach to sustainable and highly qualified professional development with its fifth season of the STEM Fellows Program. PK-12 teachers, higher education faculty, scientists/engineers and practicing STEM industry partners continued to come together to work in teams while creating curriculum aligned to the new Ohio Academic Content Standards but also geared to meet the need of key regional economic career cluster. This represented 42 educators from 33 buildings in 20 districts. In addition to the signature professional development opportunity, the DRSC continued to provide materials, consultation and customized professional development to individual educational entities. Overall:



- 24 units of instruction were created
- 56 PK-12 educators receiving intensive STEM training
- 5215+ students received STEM outreach
- 766+ educators received STEM outreach
- 1813+ community participants have participated in STEM outreach
- 2167+ students experiencing STEM curriculum reflecting 22 lessons generate through the DRSC STEM Fellows Program
- 40+ classrooms received unique material for students hands-on STEM learning experiences
- National Outreach: State of Washington, NWPA Virtual STEM Consultation, TTITP Teacher STEM Training, NWPA Virtual STEM Consultation
- International Outreach: National of Kosovo
- 9 High School Educator participants in a 4 week STEM Industry Internship Program
- 11 Pilot sites for semester long Modeling and Simulation: Survey Course



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VIRTUAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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MCESC in conjunction with the Virtual Community School of Ohio continues to offer alternative programs for the children and youth in Montgomery County. Servicing over 580 students from Kindergarten to age 21 since 2005, VCS offers a plethora of opportunities for students who are unable to participate in the traditional school setting. Virtual Community School provides full time enrollment, credit recovery, branching, dual credit, summer school, Earn & Learn – credit for work or volunteer experience, Highly Qualified Teachers, face to face tutoring, special education services, gifted programs, a computer with internet connection, scanner and printer. This past year, 5 students from the Montgomery County graduated with their high school diploma.

OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

The Office of Operations assists districts, both city and local, in Montgomery County and the MDECA service area by:

1. Providing up-to-date information pertinent to education.
2. Providing accountability for MCESC services.
3. Working collaboratively with school districts for best services at the lowest cost.
4. Communicating legislative updates.
5. Providing resources for school districts.
6. Providing leadership for financial and transportation issues.
7. Monitoring home schooling requests for local school districts.
8. Providing up-to-date information from ODE.
9. Providing maintenance schedule for properties owned by the Montgomery County ESC.
10. Sponsoring representative for Mound Street Academies.

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The Office of Operations provides oversight of the regional handicapped transportation system, technology support, building operations, and serves as a liaison between MDECA and the Montgomery County Governing Board.

METROPOLITAN DAYTON EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

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Executive Director**

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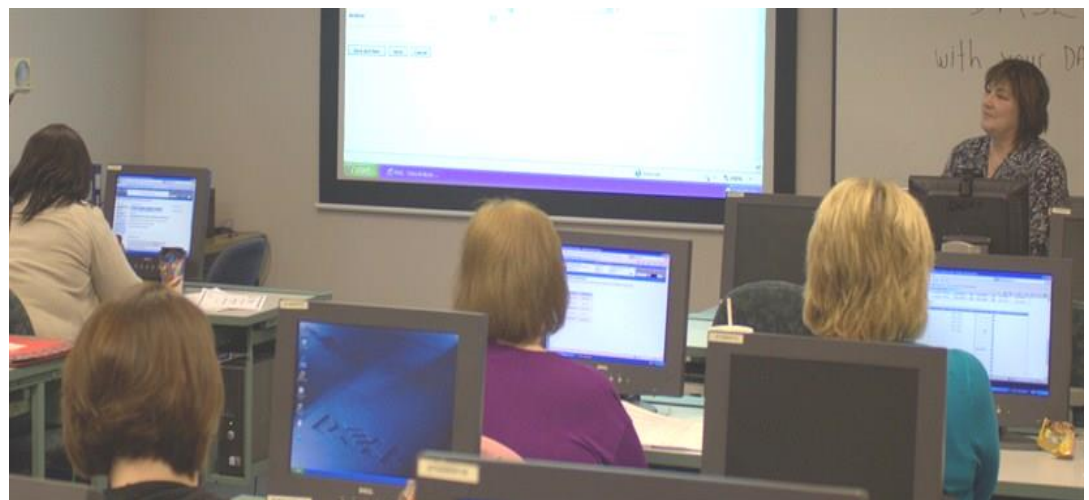
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Metropolitan Dayton Educational Cooperative Association (MDECA) is a Shared Services provider of high quality, cost effective solutions to area school districts for data management, electronic connectivity, and information access using emerging technologies. Software applications supported include payroll, accounting, equipment inventory, Student Information System (DASL), Library Automation, Electronic Gradebook with Parent Access, and Educational Management Information System (EMIS).

MDECA also provides LAN/WAN connectivity and management solutions to the public schools, community schools, and non-public schools in the surrounding four counties, representing in excess of 110,000 students. MDECA serves as the host for the connectivity of the instructional buildings providing e-mail, Internet and filtering capabilities, and video conferencing. New services include: Server Hosting and Management, VoIP, Managed Wireless, Mobile Device Management, Backup as a Service, OnBase, a document management system and Ohio Alerts, a messaging alert system.



Julie Brennan teaching a class on "Student Information"

MCESC REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION

MCESC Regional Transportation provides services to challenged students in the three-county region (Miami, Montgomery, and Preble) who are placed in educational programs outside of their resident school district. In the 2012-2013 school year, six bus routes carried 60 students. The MCESC also provided a route carrying 15 students to their pre-school program. Each MCESC bus is staffed with well-qualified drivers and aides who are certified in CPR/First Aid. Drivers and bus aides are required to attend annual training seminars which cover transportation of students with special needs, CPI training pupil management, defensive driving, and many other aspects of transportation safety.

Daniel A. DeCerbo,
Coordinator

Tina Boehmer,
Dispatcher

Leah Mitchell,
Dispatcher/Router

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The Montgomery County ESC Technology Department provides purchasing advice, installation, and support services for approximately seven hundred fifty pieces of computer equipment and the associated internal networks that supply them with data from the outside world. The technology department provides services to users such as: selecting appropriate hardware and software, ensuring that daily data backups and logs are running correctly, and answering desktop user questions.

Supported sites are Special Programs Learning Center classrooms and various leased classrooms located within Montgomery County, the Administration Building, and the Miami Valley Regional Center.

OFFICE OF STUDENT PROGRAMS

The Office of Student Programs provides a variety of educational programs to prepare students to meet academic, social, cultural, civic, and employment needs. Each student's educational program is designed to provide skills that will lead these children towards independence as adults. The program for students with multiple disabilities had 143 students in twenty classrooms. The program for students with emotional disabilities had 147 students in fifteen classrooms. Five tutors worked with students in the Youth Partial Hospitalization Program. One tutor worked with students at the KBMC Mental Health Program.

Student community activities included several experiences with fine art activities as well as volunteer work activities at many sites. High school MD students participated in a talent show. Such educational field trips help students to learn the proper behaviors in social settings. Highlights of the year included the annual MD prom, and MD graduation.



Students in a class at the Montgomery County Learning Center on Wilmington Pike.

Transition to Work services focused on community training locations including retail stores, restaurants, hospitals, and service companies. Emphasis was placed on developing the skills necessary for the workplace and independent living.

The Preschool Program for students with hearing impairments, located in Kettering, is unique. The program emphasizes teaching verbal communication and accepts students who demonstrate the desire and ability to develop spoken language.

This was the third year for the Autism Low Incidence Coaching Team (ACT). It consists of a team of three: an instructional specialist, a communication specialist, and an occupational therapist. After receiving a written referral, the team observes a student in his/her classroom and studies relevant information regarding the student. A plan is then developed to help the student be more successful. The classroom staff is trained to implement the plan. Two-hundred twenty four students in twenty-six districts received the services during the 2012-2013 school year. This year, ACT served 229 students in 26 districts across our six counties, plus Shelby County. The team also coached 508 professionals with excellent student outcomes and feedback from staff and parents.

2012-2013 COUNTY OPERATED PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

Program	Total	Female	%	Male	%	White	%	Non-White	%
MD	143	31	22	112	78	89	62	54	38
ED	147	20	14	127	86	102	69	45	31
Hearing Impaired	5	2	40	3	60	5	100	0	0
Totals	295	53	18	242	82	196	66	99	34

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Gifted Services

Our gifted coordinator worked with Fairborn City Schools and five local districts: Brookville, Jefferson Township, Mad River, New Lebanon, and Northridge. They provide gifted services that include the following:

- Help with testing and identification.
- Curriculum design and teaching strategies for gifted and regular education teachers.
- Professional development opportunities, including inservices with district gifted and regular education teachers as well as larger workshops open to all schools in the county.
- Consultation with gifted teachers, parents, and students.
- Provide leadership training and opportunities for students.
- Assistance with planning and attending field trips and college visits.
- Special parent workshops.
- Model lessons with gifted classes and regular classroom teachers.
- Enrichment opportunities for gifted students.
- Information about competitions and participation in special programs and summer opportunities for gifted children.
- Outdoor education camp for gifted students in grades four, five, and six.
- Informing school districts of legislation pertaining to education of gifted students in Ohio.

If you have questions regarding gifted education and/or services provided by our gifted coordinators, please send an e-mail to Jean Kremer at jean.kremer@mcesc.org or call 937/225-4603, extension 3003.

Speech Supervision

The speech supervisor consults with speech pathologists in the Montgomery County area. The supervisor ensures that our region receives high quality, best practice service by providing compliance consultation, theory, evaluation, and diagnostic/treatment support.

If you have questions regarding speech supervision and/or services provided by our speech supervisor, please send an email to Zelene Minnich at Zelene.minnich@mcesc.org or call 937-225-4603, extention 3043.



REGION 10 STATE SUPPORT TEAM

The Region 10 State Support Team provides professional development and technical assistance to schools and districts in our six county area. Our service area includes fifty-six school districts, six county boards of MR/DD, six educational service centers, colleges/universities, four joint vocational school districts, 31 community schools and anyone working with individuals who have disabilities, ages birth through twenty-one.

The State Support Team (SST) hosts regional school improvement services from the Ohio Department of Education's Ohio Network for Innovation and Improvement, Office for Exceptional Children, and Office of Early Learning and School Readiness. Under the No Child Left Behind guidelines, SST Consultants work collaboratively with district, building, and teacher-based-teams to address systems issues focusing on an aligned curriculum, formative assessment practices, and evidence-based instructional practices designed to improve academic performance for every student.

In the area of Special Education compliance, SST Consultants confer with district and school staff to ensure that children with disabilities have equal access and opportunity to fully participate in the educational program. Services include professional development focusing on Evaluation Team Reports (ETR), Individual Education Plans (IEP), Operating Standards, Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports, inclusive practices, Ohio's Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities, secondary transition planning, and surrogate parent training. Additional services, including various in-service trainings, for parents and families in our six county region is provided through the SST by our Parent and Family Consultant.

Early Learning and School Readiness Consultants are well-versed in preschool rules, assessments, and developmentally appropriate practice, and transition activities prior to age three and into school age programs. During the past year their work has included supporting the Step Up to Quality rating system and providing professional development and technical assistance to preschool staff on literacy and mathematics, promoting social and emotional competence, and preschool special education compliance.

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MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL CENTER

The Miami Valley Regional Center works closely with school districts in fourteen counties to provide cost-effective programs and services to children with special needs.

Specially trained staff provides support for students with impairments in vision, hearing, and orientation and mobility, as well as those needing occupational and physical therapy.

Additionally, the Regional Center can assist with the identification of youngsters in need of special services as well as with the development and implementation of the services they need. The staff works closely with students, their parents, and school districts to maximize their opportunity for success.

Regional Center Library

The Regional Center Library, sponsored by the Montgomery County Educational Service Center, operates a lending library of professional resources and instructional materials available for loan to stakeholders in our six-county region. Additionally, we offer disability awareness programs (Kids on the Block and Everybody Counts) and some instructional materials development services, such as Board Maker software and laminating services.



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Occupational/Physical Therapy

The Occupational and Physical Therapy Services Department provided educationally oriented services to more than fifty districts in five counties. The Department has sixty-seven fully licensed therapists providing a full range of OT and PT services to over three thousand students. All therapists utilize an integrated and school based philosophy and approach. While the majority of students served are those with an individualized education plan (IEP), there are many pathways to entry for OT or PT services. The Department provides evaluation and consultation for students that have been identified as educationally “at risk” through school district Intervention Assessment Teams and the Response to Intervention processes. Staff members continue to address modifications/accommodations, assistive technology, fine and gross motor issues, educationally relevant sensory and behavioral concerns, and equipment needs. The group places a strong emphasis on teacher support to enable district staff members to implement therapy activities into classroom learning strategies.

The Department hosted several trainings/workshops this year and provided numerous internships for approximately ten colleges/universities as well. The workshops train intervention specialists, therapists, and student interns. Several staff members remain involved with the University of Dayton’s Doctor of Physical Therapy Program and provide insight to students about the unique aspects of school based physical therapy practice. Additionally, we participated in two research grant projects, the *Ohio Occupational Therapy Transition Outcomes Study* and the *Ohio Caseload and Ratios* grant project. As always, we continue to work to achieve the Department’s mission statement: As valuable members of the educational team, we facilitate each student’s unique potential, thereby enhancing his or her ability to meet life’s challenges.



*Cheryl VanHoose, OT/PT Coordinator,
training university PT students.*

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Educational Assessment Team

The *Educational Assessment Team* assists school districts in completing multi-factored evaluations for children ages 3-22 who present unique challenges for the district's own assessment team. Professionals on the team have specialized training in audiology, low vision, augmentative communication/assistive technology, occupational/physical therapy, speech and language, school psychology, and autism spectrum disorder evaluation. The Regional Center Assessment Team also provides Independent Educational Evaluation and second opinion evaluation options to eligible districts. Additionally, the team is able to provide consultation and technical assistance to districts on a variety of topics including model policy and procedures, best practice initiatives, IDEIA standards, new assessment instruments, etc.

Hearing Intervention Services

Hearing Intervention Services provides educational services to students with hearing loss in fourteen counties. They also work with IEP and teaching teams to provide appropriate educational services for deaf and hard of hearing students in a wide variety of placements.

Vision Intervention/Orientation and Mobility

Vision Intervention services are provided to school districts in an eight-county region serving children with visual/hearing impairments and students with multi-disabilities to assist them in their educational placement and program activities.



Hallie Greenfield, Orientation and Mobility Specialist, providing services to a student.

Orientation and Mobility is a service provided for schools in an eight-county region serving children with visual impairments and students with multi-disabilities to assist them in gaining skills that allow them to move independently around their schools and communities.

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ReadySetSoar



ReadySetSoar is a public/private partnership of early childhood professionals, community and business leaders who are committed to improving the quality of early care and education for all children in the Miami Valley to help make every child school ready.

Program Objectives:

- Create and sustain quality early learning environments
- Advance the early childhood profession
- Support families in their children’s healthy development
- Maximize investments in quality programs



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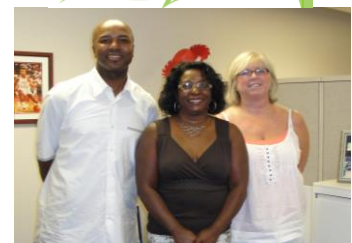
Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County

The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County serves to network all agencies providing mentoring services for youth and to train and certify both the agencies and individual mentors within our partner agencies. The Mentoring Collaborative works in conjunction with the Montgomery County Educational Service Center and the Montgomery County Family and Children First Council.

The Mentoring Collaborative provides training services for agencies that connect mentors with at-risk kids. Whether you are looking to become a certified agency or looking to join one of our partners as a trained mentor, The Mentoring Collaborative provides all of the resources you will need to effectively make a difference in a child’s life. We provide:

- ✓ Training of Partner Agencies, Mentors and Mentees
- ✓ Background Checks
- ✓ Enhanced Technical Support
- ✓ Marketing of “Mentoring” Brand
- ✓ Mentoring Recruitment Support Plan for Partner Agencies

In 2010, The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County was selected for the Ohio AmeriCorps Program. The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County AmeriCorps Program (MCMCAP) aligns with Learn to Earn Dayton (i.e. 1) Birth-Kindergarten, 2) Kindergarten-9th Grade, 3) 9th Grade – High School and 4) College/Post-Secondary) and the national service efforts with all of the partner agencies addressing one or more of these indicators. The MCMCAP will engage 20 members to serve some of our most disadvantaged students in 13 host sites throughout the county.



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The Miami Valley Autism and Low Incidence Coaching Team (ACT)

During the 2012-2013 school year, The Miami Valley Autism and Low Incidence Coaching Team (ACT), were once again available to serve school districts in the six counties in Region 10: Greene, Darke, Clark, Miami, Montgomery, and Preble. The ACT team is comprised of three coaches who provide classroom embedded coaching to educational teams serving students with autism and other low incidence disabilities. The team is supervised by Lisa Combs, and is comprised of an instructional/behavioral specialist (Ms. Combs herself), and communication/assistive technology specialist (Carol Dittoe), and a sensory/motor specialist (Dr. Susan Aebker). The ACT service model takes a four-pronged approach to building the capacity of professionals to serve the needs of children with autism and other low incidence disabilities. The first prong of service available is Onsite, Intensive Coaching. This service level involves onsite observation of the student and includes comprehensive recommendations for instructional, communication and sensory supports, including resources, training demonstration, and troubleshooting. The second prong of service is Remote Supports, including web based training, information delivery, consultation and support and includes video consultation, bug-in-ear coaching, ongoing information delivery and support through wikis, forums, online book studies for university credit, and live internet chat options. The third prong of the ACT model is the Community of Practice, which provides network meetings and other learning opportunities to develop targeted skills for specific students with Autism or Low Incidence Disabilities. The fourth prong of the ACT model is a network of exemplar classrooms that are located in various school districts around the region, for the purpose of observation and demonstration of best practices and collaboration with area universities. The ACT team is involved in a collaborative effort with Wright State University to offer and implement the region's first Autism Intervention certificate program. They are also involved in efforts by the Office for Exceptional Children and OCALI to support other similar teams across the state of Ohio. The ACT program had a very robust 2012-13 school year, serving 508 professionals on the educational teams of 229 students in 29 districts among the six counties served by the MCEC.



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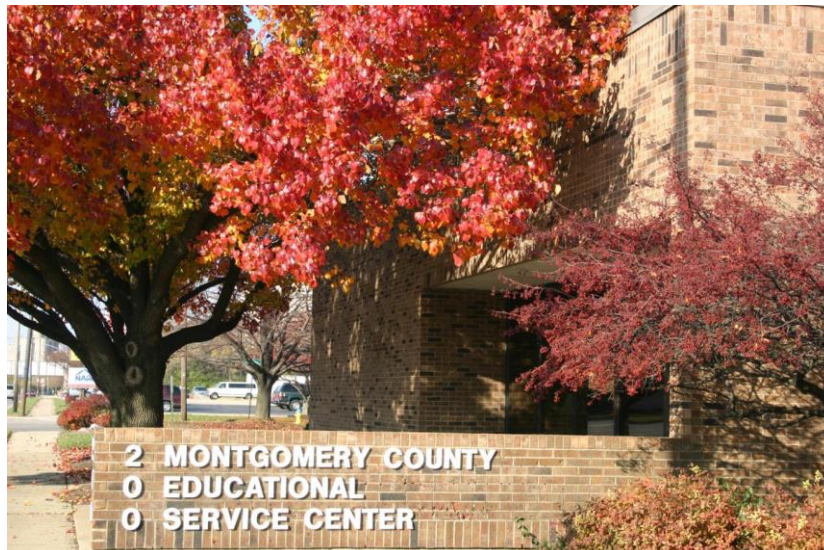
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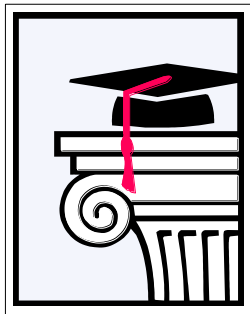
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