



ECASB Summer Update July 05, 2024

ECASB SWITCHES FROM THIS WEEK AT ECASB TO ECASB Summer Update: During the summer months, ECASB will switch to the Summer Newsletter. The format is a little less formal and may not be distributed on a consistent weekly basis as we deal with vacation schedules and less school news.

ECASB OFFICE REOPENS ON MONDAY JULY 8TH: The ECASB office is closed for the 4th of July weekend. Staff will be checking emails occasionally. You can always reach out to me on my cell phone at (716) 867-3531.

BOARDS AND BREWS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY JULY 11TH AT HAMBURG BREWERY: The third annual event is a no cost social for all ECASB members and their spouse/significant other. There is no cost to attend, however, it is essential that members RSVP directly with ECASB no later than July 3, 2024. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. Dress is summer-casual. If you somehow failed to notify us that you would be attending, please email jsullivan@e1b.org ASAP so that we can add you to the overall count of attendees. There are currently 93 people that will be joining us for our Kick Off To Summer event.

THE WESTERN NEW YORK LAW CONFERENCE IS AUGUST 7TH: The annual event will take place at Salvatore's on Transit Road. NYSSBA Senior Legal Counsel Jeffrey Mongelli, Esq. is the key note speaker. People wishing to attend the event should register with the Western New York Education Service Council. Please register through your District Clerk.

RURAL SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE: Will hold this years summer conference at Lake Placid. This a changed from the Otesaga location in Cooperstown. The Conference is July 14th—16th. I look forward to seeing any ECASB members at the conference

SPONSOR UPDATES: The following additional businesses have signed on as ECASB Sponsors. Please continue to support ECASB sponsors.

Perma - Platinum Level Sponsor

NYSIR - Gold Level Sponsor

Webster Szanyi - Silver Level Sponsor

NEW BOARD MEMBER INFORMATION IS SLOWLY COMING IN: All new ECASB members were provided with a questionnaire so that we can feature them in Board Connections. Please encourage your newest Board Members to return the information sheets. Once we have our ECASB 2024-2025 update list, we will begin sending out Board Connections so that you can learn about our newest members.

SUMMER HAS STARTED AT ECASB. We have two Summer promotions in play. Promotion one is ECASB Summer Challenge which requires ECASB members to send us a picture of wear-

ing their ECASB T-Shirt. All entries are entered into a drawing. The chances of winning are based on the number of entries. Contest will run until the Back to School Dinner.

The second promotion is a random weekly drawing of ECASB member names for a small prize. Weekly prize winners will have their name entered into a final end of summer drawing. Weekly prize winner drawing chances are 1 in 283. Final prize winner drawing chance is 1 in 7.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Michael Lauria who will become the new Superintendent at Depew UFSD.

CONGRATULATIONS TO WILLIAMSVILLE SUPERINTENDENT DR. DARREN J. BROWN-HALL: Who will be one of the Keynote speakers at the NYSCOSS Fall Leadership Conference September 23rd. His presentation entitled "You Gotta Have Hope...Creating Safe Superintendent Spaces" will focus on creating safe spaces to advance the Superintendency to make the profession alluring to a new generation of educators.

NYSSBA LEADERSHIP EVENT: If you have not registered for the event, you will want to register ASAP. NYSSBA also is sponsoring the Luncheon Seminar on Foundation Aid on July 11th that will provide updated information about the Rockefeller Institutes progress on developing a new Foundation Aid Formula.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ECASB AUGUST 22ND BACK TO SCHOOL DINNER: The dinner will feature a presentation from a team from Akron CSD on the Science of Reading. More details will follow in the coming months.

ECASB HAS ASKED DISTRICT CLERKS TO COMPILE A LIST OF THEIR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS THAT HAVE AT LEAST 20 YEARS OF SERVICE: and are entering their 21st year of service as well as those Board Members that have at least 25 years of service and will be entering their 26th year of service.

ANNUAL DUES INVOICES HAVE BEEN SENT TO DISTRICTS: The Annual Dues invoices have been sent to the District Clerks attention in all ECASB Member Districts. Dues have remained the same for 10 years now. There is no increase in dues this year either.

AT MOST RE-ORG MEETINGS: Appointments are being made to the ECASB Delegate Assembly Committee, the ECASB Budget and Finance Meeting, and the ECASB Legislative Committee. Committee descriptions and meeting dates have been sent to the District Clerks and may appear in your meeting materials. Please keep in mind that if you are interested in serving on the following committee to reach out directly to Dave Lowrey. If you served on a committee in the past, and wish to continue, please reach out to me.

- Awards Committee - Generally meets twice per year to review award nominations. Awards committee needs at least 3 members.

- Nominating Committee - Generally meets once a year to make recommendations for ECASB Officers and Executive Committee Members. Nominating Committee needs at least 3 members.

- Fiscal Advisory Committee - Meets once with the ECASB Auditor once the yearly review has been completed. The meeting is generally a virtual meeting.

- WNED/PBS Education Committee - Meets with other committee members at the WNED studios usually 2-4 times per year.

- Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra Education Committee - Meets with other committee members at their office on Delaware Avenue 3-5 times per year.