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Preference Vote

The preference voting on whether to give priority to classroom teachers and service personnel who are currently employed at Limestone Elementary and Sherrard Elementary when filing newly created positions at the newly constructed Hilltop Elementary School will occur in the morning on October 27, 2008. All staff members need to be at their home location to vote. The faculty senate president will conduct the vote per the on guidelines received from the office of personnel. Maintenance will vote at the county office and bus operators will vote at the bus garage. Please note that **there is no provision in the law that provides for absentee ballots**, therefore, all voting members need to be in attendance in the morning on October 27, 2008.

MCS Policies

Board of Education policies may be viewed at <http://boe.mars.k12.wv.us/policies>. FY09 New and amended policies include:

10.4 Expenditures

Governor Manchin Praises Marshall County Schools



In a recent visit to Marshall County Schools, Governor Joe Manchin III, expounded praise for recent accomplishments of the school system and its employees. His first stop was at Central Elementary School, where he discussed the sound business sense Marshall County Schools has exemplified through their partnerships to complete the bond projects on time and under budget. Governor Manchin commended the citizens of the community for

understanding that education is our pathway to future economic growth and their commitment to education by passing school bonds and levies.

Governor Manchin then traveled to John Marshall High School where he extolled the academic success of the schools. He recognized John Marshall High School as being selected as the only high school in West Virginia selected as a 2008 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School. John Marshall High School was chosen for the award based on assessment results, indicators of academic success, curriculum and instruction, and scientifically based instructional programs.

Governor Manchin acknowledged Corey Murphy, Assistant Principal at John Marshall High School; and Joyce Cole, Principal at Sherrard Middle School, who were selected to receive the “West Virginia Distinguished Educator” award by the WV Center for Professional Development. Each new principal, through the WV Principals’ Leadership Academy, is required to complete a 21st Century skills-based “Action Research Project”. Mr. Murphy targeted “Reducing School-wide Discipline Referrals through Positive Behavior Support”. Mrs. Cole focused on implementing “Sound Practices in Kindergarten and First Grade Reading Instruction”. Their projects were judged on 9 separate criteria and they had to receive the maximum points possible in all 9 areas in order to attain the Distinguished Educator status.

Governor Manchin also recognized all of the county’s fifteen schools for achieving Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in both Reading/Language Arts and Mathematics for the 2007-08 school year. AYP is based upon the percent of students overall as well as the percent of students in specific subgroups including low socioeconomic status, disabled, and minorities to achieve proficiency on the WESTEST, the state’s annual measure of student learning. The achievement of each Marshall County School making AYP is significant in that it is a measure of excellence in teaching and learning in the county.

In closing, Governor Manchin reiterated that Marshall County Schools and the community have much for which to be proud, and he considers Marshall County a high water mark for others to achieve. He told the audience that he tells others “If you want to see it done right, visit Marshall County.”

Building for the Future



CAMERON ELEMENTARY

Pictured is the new 2-room Pre-K addition. The project, completed in September of 2008, was finished one year ahead of the original bond call schedule. In addition to the Pre-K addition, the roof of Cameron Elementary was replaced and the HVAC system was upgraded.

HILLTOP ELEMENTARY

Hilltop Elementary will consolidate Sherrard Elementary and Limestone Elementary. The new 50,000 square foot facility is being constructed to meet the requirements for LEED (green) certification. This project is scheduled to be complete in August, 2009.



MAINTENANCE BUILDING

The new Maintenance building was constructed to replace the maintenance facility previously located at the Field House. The project was completed in October 2007.



MCNINCH ELEMENTARY

The McNinch Elementary project includes a demolition and re-construction of the building's interior. The plan also includes the addition of a Pre-K classroom and a multi-purpose room, as well as mechanical, electrical and plumbing upgrades. The project is planned for an August 2009 completion.

FIELD HOUSE

The interior and exterior renovation of the field house is currently underway. The project also included demolition of the old Moundsville High School and Bus Garage. This project is schedule for a December 2008 completion.





JOHN MARSHALL

The John Marshall project included the construction of a 3-story classroom addition. Two of the classrooms will be used in collaboration with WVU to offer distance learning. The third classroom is a state-of-the-art industrial technology laboratory. The project also included an upgrade of all exterior doors and electronic hardware to comply with the SBA's Safe School initiative. The project was completed in August, 2008.

MOUNDVILLE MIDDLE

The Moundville Middle School project incorporated the construction of four classrooms to accommodate the reconfiguration of housing grades 6 through 8. The project was completed in August, 2008.



SHERRARD MIDDLE

The Sherrard Middle School project included the construction of four classrooms to accommodate the reconfiguration of housing grades 6 through 8, a student dining room expansion and restroom renovation, a kitchen expansion and renovation, renovation of north and south classroom wings and a new roof. The school also received upgrades in structural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing as well as security upgrades to all exterior doors and hardware.



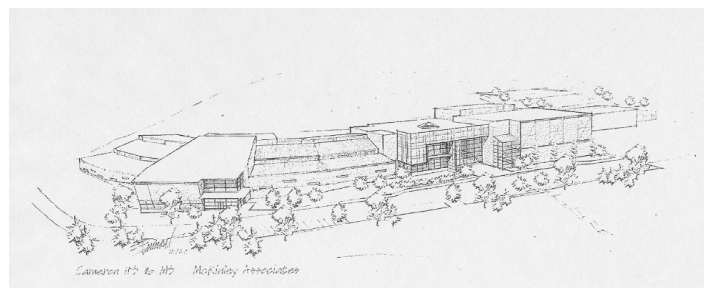
CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

The Central Elementary School project included the construction of six classrooms, a multi-purpose room, a kitchen expansion and renovation, and renovation of east and west classroom wings. The school also received upgrades in mechanical, electrical and plumbing. The project was completed in August, 2008.



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

County school officials are working with architects and engineers to design the future Cameron High School complex. Funding for this project is contingent upon School Building Authority monies through competitive bidding that will be held in the spring of 2009.



Welcome to Marshall County Schools

Marshall County Schools is pleased to welcome new staff for the 2008-2009 school year.



Kelly Frazier
Counselor
Cameron High



Elyse Brandt
Strings
County



Holly Woods
Math Facilitator
County Office



Amy Ritz
Math
John Marshall



Tricia Long
Lang/Arts/Librarian
Moundsville Middle



Jennifer Schwertfeger
Science
Sherrard Middle



Drew Beckett
Math
Moundsville Middle



Ashley Cottrill
Art
Moundsville Middle



Melanie Hanson
Multi-Cat
Central



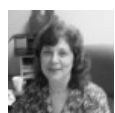
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Math
Moundsville Middle



Lisa Tomer
Art
Sherrard Middle



Megan Shreve
Pre-K
Center McMechen



Carla Garrison
Technology Coordinator
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Amelia Francis
Bus Operator
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