News from the Coordinator

If you Google the word appreciation, some of the synonyms associated with the word are value, treasure, and admiration. With Teacher Appreciation Week being next week, these words are all very fitting when describing our teachers. It is hard to express the value that teachers add to a student's life on a daily basis. The time and effort that they put into each lesson plan, behavior plan, IEP...the list could keep going on and on...is invaluable.

SnapType

SnapType helps students keep up with their peers in class even when their penmanship holds them back. Students can easily complete school worksheets with the help of an iPad or iPhone.
Our special education teachers are also deeply treasured; by students, administrators, families, and colleagues. Their students come to school each day knowing they can count on a teacher for whatever they need. Academic support, behavioral support, or just a listening ear. Parents and families are equally as reliant on their support. You put all of your trust in your child's teacher and day after day, they take care of your most prized possessions, pushing them to reach their highest potential, but being there for them if they fall. Our special education teachers are an essential part of every team and help keep students as the focus for all of our decisions.

Above all, teachers are admired! Teaching is not a profession for everyone, but each one of our teachers has the special gift to be an educator. I love hearing young children say they want to be a teacher when they grow up because they get to watch their teachers do their job every day.

Please join me in thanking our special education teachers for all of their effort and hard work each and every day!

Sincerely,

Alli Chance

"Not all superheroes wear capes, some have special ed degrees."

Center Grove has been selected to participate in the Unified Sports Program which combines students with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team for sports training and competition.

Our elementary and middle school students are in training and will have a Unified Game Day on May 8th at MSC (rain date May 9th). Students will participate in a variety of track and field events.

With SnapType, students can take a picture of their worksheets, or import worksheets from anywhere on their device. They can then use their iOS device keyboard to add text to these documents and print, email, or share their creations. It is the perfect solution for kids, and even adults, who struggle with their handwriting.
Our Agape group is finishing up another great year of teamwork! Special thanks to Virginia Zubia for helping this group build their skills and carry them over into school.

INSPIRE Graduation
Franklin College

INSPIRE Graduation is May 10th at 11:00 am in the Chapel at Franklin College.

PROJECT REACH
GREENWOOD

This is a project reaching out to individuals with special needs through athletics and various games. Meet the team, hear their vision, and join them this summer!

To Volunteer
Camper Registration
Facebook Page
Enjoy the 1 sentence celebrations! highlighting the wonderful things that have happened in your classrooms over the course of this school year.

- We are enjoying the many wonderful features of the newly installed SMARTboard in our classroom!
- Working with students and parents to navigate transition has been so rewarding and fun!
- Watching and listening to our students education growth this year has been inspirational!
- Students worked hard to prepare for and work at Casselman’s Corner Store this year and learned what working in a retail store is all about!
- Mike Stenzinger, to all his hard work and dedication to kids and keeping the staff laughing....Happy Retirement!!!
- The CGHS Sp Ed Dept, always working together and doing what is best for kids and I am proud to be a part of this crew.

Special Ed Bus Drivers & Bus Monitors Thank You Breakfast

We would like to thank our special needs bus drivers and monitors for all that they do. We are so fortunate to have such caring people transport our students.

This year, Alli and I will be providing breakfast for them at 5:30am on May 12th. We would like for all of you to have your students make cards or signs for the drivers and monitors. You can give them to the

Student Opportunities

1. Different Like Me
bus drivers/monitors on May 12th or send them to us and we can distribute them. If you would like to make a poster, we can put it on display at the transportation building along with our goodies.

~ Thank you, Kathy and Alli

And so the adventure begins...

Debbie Hussey

Debbie Hussey, Occupational Therapist has worked in Developmental Preschool for the past 25 years. She will be retiring at the end of this school year and will be greatly missed! Debbie is a wonderful therapist and has enlightened all of us with her expertise within her field. She meets all the needs of each child she works with and is a wonderful resource to all teaching staff. Debbie never hesitates to step in when there is a specific need in the classroom. We will greatly miss her smiling face and her kind demeanor. Debbie is very creative and we will miss all of her “custom creations” to meet sensory needs! (It’s amazing what she can create with a pool noodle!) We wish her the best as she enters her next chapter in life and those will be very BIG shoes to fill! GOOD LUCK DEBBIE!

Mary Irvin

Mary has been instrumental to many of our teachers, assistants, parents and administrators throughout the many years she has

Different Like Me is a FREE game night for teens and tweens on the Autistic Spectrum that want to hang out, have fun, and play games. Game night is an opportunity for students to be themselves and socialize. Different Like Me occurs monthly, to register for email reminders please contact abbey@stillpointconsultants.com.

2. Blending In
Positive Social Time for Unique Teens. This group is for Central Indiana teens to meet others in a safe, non-judgmental, laid-back atmosphere. blendingin.org

3. Adaptive Climbing Group
Once a month, men and women with varying physical disabilities meet at Epic Climbing & Fitness. adaptiveclimbinggroupinfo

4. Johnson County Autism Support Group Upcoming Events
May 19: We will be hosting a social event, “A Hawaiian Luau”, for individuals on the spectrum, ages 16-25 at New Hope Church from 6:30-8:30pm. There will be a DJ, snacks and dancing. Contact Diane at 317-881-8219 to RSVP.
August 26: Mark your calendar and get your teams of eight together for Trivia Night. Dinner will be at 6:30 and trivia will begin at 7:15. There will be a cash bar and silent auction. Cost is $250.00 per team. Contact Sheila for more information or to reserve your table.

5. Charlene's Angels
Charlene's Angels is a CARF, Nationally accredited organization that provides day services for adults with a variety of special needs.
worked in Center Grove! Her passion and experience in working with students with autism has taught us all to embrace the special qualities of all of our students. Mary - you have changed the world because you have touched our lives.

Thank you Mary!

Please join us on Wednesday, May 17th from 3:00 pm to 5:00pm at the ESC Boardroom for a Reception to Celebrate Mary Irvin.

Above & Beyond

Each month, we receive heartfelt nominations for the Above and Beyond Award! It is very difficult to identify one person or a group of people who have earned the Above and Beyond award for the month. Thank you to all of you who have been nominated!

April Award Winner - Laban Clark, Sue Larmore and Barb Kindred

Sue, Laban, and Barb jumped right in to planning our Unified Sports program for our elementary and middle school students who qualify for Special Olympics. This was uncharted territory and they did not hesitate to get the program up and running coordinating activities, transportation, t-shirts, ribbons, subs…. Because of these three people, Center Grove will be one of 33 school districts in the state of Indiana to have a district-wide Unified Sports Program. Thank you so much for all of your work. ~ Kathy Stricker and Alli Chance

Congratulations to Laban Clark, Sue Larmore, Barb Kindred and the other April nominees:

- Ellyn Fisher

6. Dungarvin Indiana

Dungarvin Indiana supports the philosophy of self-determination. The focus of our services is to enhance the individual's independence and maximize the quality of life. Please see the activities sponsored by Dungarvin for the month of May:

- **May 16th**: WISH-TV Station Tour
  - Tour the TV station and watch a live news broadcast, parking is available in the lot behind the building.

- **May 25th**: IMS Day at the Track
  - Explore the IMS Museum, parking is available in the museum lot.

To RSVP for the above activities, call 317-926-3823

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