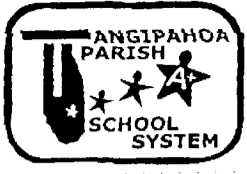


TANGIPAOA PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM NEWSLETTER



TIMELY INFORMATION OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO
SCHOOL EMPLOYEES AND OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY

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THOMAS BELLA VIA, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

TO: PRINCIPALS

RE: JOB LISTINGS

Please post the attached advertisements.

LYNELL HIGGENBOTHAM, SUPERVISOR OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

TO: PRINCIPALS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH TEACHERS

RE: DECEMBER NEWS AND INFORMATION

Please see the attached information form Ann Wilson, Program Coordinator of Science, Health, and Physical Education for the Louisiana State Department of Education.

PAT J. WILLIAMS, COORDINATOR OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT

TO: TEACHERS

RE: TEACHER TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

Please be reminded that teachers who would like to seek reimbursement for the fall college semester must follow the guidelines for reimbursement on the attached page. The deadline for submission is January 5, 2007. Additional information may be found on the school system website under Personnel, News & Events, or What's New.

Tangipahoa Parish School System does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disabilities or veteran status. We are an equal opportunity employer.

******NOTICE******

The Tangipahoa Parish School System is now accepting applications for the position listed below:

DEADLINE: December 13, 2006
POSITION: Head Football Coach
LOCATION: Hammond High School - Hammond High
CRITERIA: Must be certified in Health, Physical Education or Social Studies

Please address application to Mr. Thomas Bellavia, Assistant Superintendent, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, Louisiana 70422. Submit a letter stating specifically the position for which you are applying. Be sure to show your complete address and telephone number.

Applicants should indicate references, qualifications, past work experience and other personal data. All credentials requested MUST accompany your application.

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**LOUIS JOSEPH
Superintendent**

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faxed 12/04/06

******NOTICE******

The Tangipahoa Parish School System is now accepting applications for the position listed below:

DEADLINE: December 15, 2006

POSITION: Principal

LOCATION: Northwood High School - Amite, Louisiana

CRITERIA: Must currently hold full State Certification to serve as Principal at the appropriate level

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Personnel currently on staff at these schools may submit their concerns regarding the selection of a principal to the attention of Mr. Louis Joseph, Superintendent.

Applicants who have previously applied for Principalship positions must re-apply. However, you may use your present score. Please indicate: "I want to use my present score" or " I want to be interviewed"

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The Tangipahoa Parish School System is now accepting applications for the position listed below:

DEADLINE: December 13, 2006

POSITION: Sales Tax Auditor I

LOCATION: Sales Tax Department - Amite, LA

SALARY RANGE: \$31,970 - \$43,069

CRITERIA: Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting or
Masters Degree in Business Administration;
Two years audit experience preferred

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******NOTICE******

The Tangipahoa Parish School System is now accepting applications for the position listed below:

DEADLINE: December 13, 2006
POSITION: Head Football/Assistant Track Coach
LOCATION: Amite High School - Amite, LA
CRITERIA: Must be certified Physical Education, Health, or Science

Please address application to Thomas Bellavia, Assistant Superintendent, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, Louisiana 70422. Submit a letter stating specifically the position for which you are applying. Be sure to show your complete address and telephone number.

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Superintendent**

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The Tangipahoa Parish School System is now accepting applications for the position listed below:

DEADLINE: December 19, 2006

POSITION: Social Worker

LOCATION: Special Service Center - Hammond, LA

CRITERIA: Certification by the State Department of Education as a Social Worker;
Board Certified Social Worker (BCSW);
Preference will be given to those who have previous experience as on an Educational Pupil Appraisal Evaluation Team.

Please address application to Thomas Bellavia, Assistant Superintendent, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, Louisiana 70422. Submit a letter stating specifically the position for which you are applying. Be sure to show your complete address and telephone number.

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December News and Info



Safety

"Safe Toys and Kids Month" is the theme of the National Association for Sport and Physical Education's (NASPE) December Teacher's Toolbox. Share with parents and students the fitness activity calendar, coloring page, puzzle, and much more. Perfect for the holiday season, NASPE has created a sample letter about the importance of safety and helmets for you to send to parents. For all of these great resources, visit

http://www.aahperd.org/naspe/template.cfm?template=teachers_toolbox_dec06.html

New FDA Learning Tool - Make Better Food Choices

A downloadable interactive learning program available from the FDA can help students make better nutritional food choices. *Make Your Calories Count* is designed to assist consumers—and teachers and students—to understand and use the Nutrition Facts Label to explore the relationship between serving sizes and calories while they learn how to limit certain nutrients and get enough of others. The program is available at <http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/labelman>.

Physical Education Teachers Apply for *Physh Ed* grants

The Future Fisherman Foundation (F3) has \$200,000 available in grant funding for physical education teachers to incorporate fishing and boating education into their curricula, offering up to \$5,000 in individual grants to help foster active leisure lifestyles and ethical attitudes about the outdoors.

Grant monies can be used for fishing and boating equipment, field trips, curriculum materials and other resources to assist instructors in carrying out fishing and boating education. "The *Physh Ed* Grants Initiative is an excellent way to bring students close to aquatic resources while learning about life long sports like fishing and boating," said Jim Stewart, Manager of Education and Outreach for RBFF. A mandatory training workshop for grant recipients provides instruction on angling and boating skills, safety and ethics; basic equipment set-up and maintenance; fish and their habitat needs; taking part in community conservation efforts; developing partnerships for access to fishing and boating sites; and recruiting long-term mentors for children.

Applications must be received at the foundation office on or before Friday, March 2, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. All applicants will be notified in mid-May on the status of their grant proposals. The training workshop for grant recipients will be held in mid-July to help prepare teachers for the upcoming school year. Partners can also link teachers with state outdoor education professionals and community groups with tried-and-true fishing and boating education programs to help in the application process and ensure program success. The foundation staff is also available to provide technical assistance to complete the grant application.

To obtain grant application forms or for more information on the *Physh Ed* Grants Initiative and other angler education programs and services, please visit www.futurefisherman.org or contact PE Grants Coordinator Jesse Graytock at jgraytock@asafishing.org or 703-519-9691, extension 224.

Teacher Tools

teAchnology is a great site for utilizing free, effective tools for teaching. Examples of the free programs available are: Crossword Puzzle Maker, Time Line Generator, KWL Chart Maker, Web Quest Generator, BINGO Card Generator, Concept Map Generator, Rubric Makers and various graphic organizer programs. For these tools, go to http://www.teach-nology.com/web_tools.

Ann Wilson

LDOE Program Coordinator

Dancing Can Leads to Healthier Hearts

Dancing improves ability to function and quality of life among chronic heart failure patients and may be a good alternative to other aerobic exercises, researchers reported at the American Heart Association's Scientific Sessions 2006. "Our research suggests that dancing is a new choice of exercise training for patients with heart failure," said Romualdo Belardinelli, M.D., lead author of the study. "This is good news, because if we want patients to take part in lifelong aerobic exercise at least three times a week, it should be something that's fun and makes them want to continue." <http://www.sciencedaily.com/upi/index.php?feed=Science&article=UPI-1-20061113-16183900-bc-italy-waltz.xml>

Real World Connect

Cleveland Clinic has launched *Real World Connect*, a web portal that provides online learning opportunities in the areas of math, science, health and wellness, the arts, and innovation. Resources include:

- * *Worldwide Classroom*: a curriculum of state-of-the-art distance learning courses.
- * *Infotrac*: a nationally recognized database of health information resources.
- * *My Health Librarian*: a personalized service that provides answers to health questions.
- * *Earl's Virtual Garage*: a narrated, minds-on educational playground for children of all ages.
- * *Online X-Ray Library*: a student-created database of authentic medical images.
- * *Virtual eXpressions Exhibition*: an online collection of award-winning student art and the scientific research that inspired it.

"Making available this broad array of educational resources online will strengthen lesson plans, enhance materials available for school projects and research papers, and improve the access to current health information," said Rosalind Strickland, Senior Director of Cleveland Clinic's Office of Civic Education Initiatives. Cleveland Clinic, located in Cleveland, OH, is a not-for-profit multi-specialty academic medical center that integrates clinical and hospital care with research and education. http://www.clevelandclinic.org/civiceducation/real_world_connect.htm

Ann Wilson

LDOE Program Coordinator

8(g) Local Teacher Quality Block Grant 2006-2007 (Teacher Tuition Exemption)

This program provides reimbursement funds only if the applicant meets the required criteria and submits all the necessary documentation at the end of the semester on the specified date for submittal. Eligible criteria for this year's grant includes college credit to obtain standard state certification and the NCLB Highly Qualified status as a core content area teacher. Teachers working on a Master's Degree are not eligible for these funds, but can request financial assistance through CTEP.

The process to receive reimbursement funds is as follows:

1. Eligible applicants must complete the application form for year 2006-2007 found on this website. The application is to be used for the current semester and must be completed for each semester.
2. The proper documentation, specified on the school system website under **Teacher Reimbursement Procedures**, must be submitted with the completed application. The failure to complete the entire application or delete any part of the necessary documentation will cause the application to be returned. (Note: The receipt must be an itemized statement with the exact amount of tuition registration listed.)
3. The applicant must submit the application and documentation as specified on the schedule below.
4. Once all applications are received, the amount of reimbursement will be determined. Applicants may be reimbursed the amount of tuition registration only unless there is a large number of applications and the funds may be less than the tuition registration amount.
5. Applications and documentation should be submitted to the office of **Pat J. Williams, Title I Resource Center, 500 East Pine Street, Amite, LA**. Applications should not be sent to C.M. Fagan Special Services Center. Faxed applications and documentation will not be accepted.
6. Applications will be processed approximately two weeks after the submission date. No applicant will be reimbursed prior to that time.

Dates for Submission of Applications

Semester	Date for Submission
<i>Summer</i>	<i>August 18</i>
<i>Fall</i>	<i>January 5</i>
<i>Spring</i>	<i>May 25</i>