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## **Open Enrollment - Sept. 30 - Oct. 31**

[State Health Plan Open Enrollment](#) – Click here to find comparison charts, rate sheets, and the 2019 Open Enrollment Video & Decision Guide.

**The State Health Plan will conduct Open Enrollment on September 30 - October 31. The choices you make during this period will be effective January 1 - December 31, 2019.**

If you do not complete the Open Enrollment, you will be enrolled in the 70/30 plan at the highest premium. If you want to pay the lowest premium, you must complete the tobacco attestation regardless of the plan you choose. If you are a new employee, you still must complete this enrollment to keep the lowest premium cost or choose the 80/20 plan. This enrollment is for health insurance only. Enrollment for dental, vision, etc. will be in the spring.

**Important:** During Open Enrollment, all active members and eligible dependents will automatically be enrolled into the traditional 70/30 plan. If you want to reduce your premium or enroll in the 80/20 plan, then **you must take action during Open Enrollment.** During Open Enrollment, members can: enroll in the state health plan; switch between plans; add or remove dependents without a qualifying life event (Please remember when adding dependents to a benefit plan, you will be asked to provide documentation of dependent eligibility under the state health plan).

## **Flu Shot Clinic - Oct. 11**

It's never too early to get your flu shot! Asheboro City Schools will host a flu shot clinic on October 11 in the North Asheboro Middle School lobby of the auditorium and in the Central Office board room. Hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Appointments are not necessary. Please bring your BCBSNC member ID card and a photo ID.

Get the  
**FLU**  **SHOT**  
not the flu!

## Truliant Financial Education Grant Process Now Open

Last Monday, Truliant Federal Credit Union opened its grant application period for the Financial Education Grants. The grant program, which will distribute a total of \$200,000 for financial literacy education through 2020, was launched in 2016. Annually, about \$40,000 is awarded to teachers through the Financial Education Grant program.

Teachers may apply individually or collaborate and apply as a department. A preliminary budget is required to demonstrate how the funds will be spent. Teachers can access the grant application by visiting <https://www.truliantfcu.org/About-Us/Community-Involvement/Financial-Education-Grants>. Completed applications, including all documentation required, **should be submitted by Friday, October 12, 2018.**

## Support the United Way of Randolph County

The Asheboro City Schools United Way campaign will begin October 17 and run through November 2. We ask that you consider donating to the United Way of Randolph County, which helps to support 19 agencies across the county. From Boy Scouts to legal counsel, the United Way's mission is to support agencies focused on improving the lives of individuals through health, education, and income. Please be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks!

## Mayors Fitness Challenge - Year 8!

The Asheboro Mayor's Fitness Challenge is a community initiative with the purpose of mobilizing the Asheboro and Randolph County communities to engage in healthy activities during a six-week period. This year's challenge will start on Monday, October 8th and conclude on Sunday, November 18th. This is an "all activity" wellness challenge with the goal of increased physical activity to become more alive, active, and able. All ages are encouraged to participate.

To learn more about the challenge, please attend the kick-off event on Tuesday, October 2nd at Randolph Community College's LRC Auditorium. The event will begin at 6 p.m. All attendees will receive a free gift.

During the six-week challenge, many special events are planned. All are free and no registration is required. To learn more about free wellness events and community walks/hikes, please log on to [www.healthycommunitiesa3.com](http://www.healthycommunitiesa3.com).

The advertisement features a photograph of a man and a young girl looking at a book together. The text reads: "You help others every day. Now, let us help you." Below this, it says "\$500 BONUS CASH on select vehicles". At the bottom, it says "ASHEBORO Ford" and "The Carolina Ford Dealers appreciate your dedicated service to students. Right now, eligible educators receive an additional \$500 Bonus Cash on top of public offers on select vehicles. For more information go to [FordThanksEducators.com](http://FordThanksEducators.com)".

**Asheboro Ford  
is offering \$500  
extra dollars off  
on select  
vehicles for  
NC educators.**

## PowerTeacher Pro Webinars

The NCDPI DTL staff will host a series of PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook webinars. These webinars will be led by Digital Learning Competency Ambassadors and funded by the NC Digital Learning Initiative. **Participants will earn .1 CEU for each webinar attended. All webinars in this series will be offered from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.**

### Report for Duty: Understanding PTP Reports

In this webinar, teachers will become familiar with the reports' tab of PTP, the different types of reports offered by PTP, and the various uses for these reports will be explored. Additionally, teachers will be presented with scenarios in which they must decide which report would be best for that situation.

**Dates/Times:** 9/27

**Webinar Registration Link:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4455296275486672898>

### Using PowerTeacher Pro to Impact the Bigger Picture

In this webinar, the following topics will be addressed:

- Creating reports (demographics, grades from other classes, etc.)
- Importance of Attendance
- Impact of changing grades from prior grading quarters (how-to and when not to)
- Referencing dropped students and how to view past grades
- % Grading -vs- Point Grading

**Dates/Times:** 9/25, 10/02

**Webinar Registration Link:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7363555108488791042>

## Grandparent's Breakfast at Donna Lee Loflin

The annual Grandparent's Breakfast was held at Donna Lee Loflin on Wednesday, September 19th. Sixty grandparents attended and enjoyed the special time spent with their grandchildren.

## EL Parent Meeting at NAMS

NAMS packed its media center Tuesday (9/18) for its first EL Parent Night of the school year. Adriana Paschal and Elizabeth White showed parents of English Learners how to sign in to PowerSchool to follow their children's academic progress. Faye McLeod, the school's data manager, was on hand to help parents access their accounts.



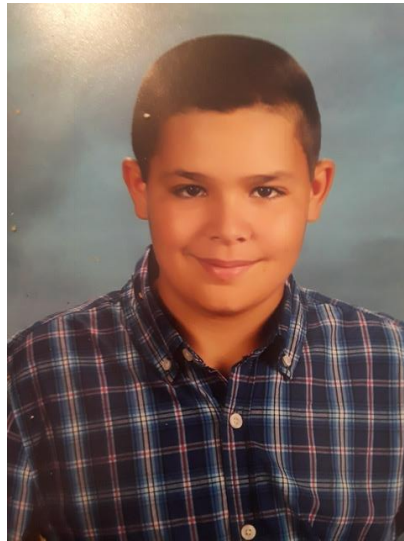
## Congrats AHS Senior, Joshua Castro

Congratulations AHS senior, Joshua Castro, who was invited to participate in the 2018 Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston this past summer!



## Robert McKee Selected for Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra

Robert McKee, eighth-grade student at North Asheboro Middle School, was selected by competitive audition to play the tuba for the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra. Mr. McKee is the only tubist who will play for the orchestra. Congratulations Mr. McKee!



## NAMS Students Complete Map Race

Last week, sixth-grade students at North Asheboro Middle School participated in the annual Map Race activity!



## Asheboro City Board of Education Earns Silver Award

The Asheboro City Board of Education was presented with the Silver Bell Award from the North Carolina School Board Association during the District 5 meeting last week. The Silver Bell Award recognizes boards in which each member has actively worked towards meeting their 12 hours of training during the specified time frame. The Silver Bell Award reflects school board member's commitment to training excellence for the 2017-2018 NCSBA Academy Year.



## EL's Professional Development

EL teachers Emmy Biaggi and Jennifer Judd demonstrated Ellevation strategies to teachers at McCrary Elementary on Tuesday, Sept. 11. Ellevation is software that organizes English Learners' data and provides lesson plans and strategies designed for their needs.

