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Steve's Sound-Off

June 2015

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Summer learning can happen anywhere. Highlighted below is a group of young athletes who are not only honing their baseball skills, but their 21st Century skills as well. Research has shown that participation in sports increases self-esteem, social competence, problem-solving skills, and academic achievement. Make getting active your summer goal!

-Steve

Success Story of the Month

Congrats to each and every player in the Edwards Ed little league team for stepping up to the plate on and off the field! You are all superstars!

After a season of hard work and dedication, the little league team sponsored by Edwards Educational Services, Inc., competed in the Alexandria Little League AAA level, winning both the Potomac Division regular-season title AND the final playoff tournament for the AAA Championship.

Many thank to coaches Chris Krese, Jeff Hull, and Chad Stackhouse for their contributions as well! GO TEAM!



Quick, Proactive Classroom Management Tips

Here is a list of some of our favorite, effective classroom management tips for teachers. Creating a more peaceful learning environment is achievable for everyone!

1. Give on-going, honest feedback to all students;
2. Circulate throughout the classroom and maintain proximity with all students;
3. Be consistent and fair;
4. Make students aware of changes in routine(s);
5. Do not change classroom rules-maintain consistency with all students;
6. Know your students' strengths and weak areas;
7. Embrace the "power" of a phone call home;
8. Focus on the positive;
9. Keep notes about students to get to know them better; and
10. Meet and greet students at the classroom door.



Source: Edutopia, 2015

For more tips, please visit our [blog](#)

iLeader of the Month

A big Bluegrass State welcome to iLeader Shirley LaFavers, one of EES' newest consultants!

Shirley believes in lifelong learning for all as a way to improve the quality of life. Her professional journey began at Eastern Kentucky University, earning an undergraduate degree in English. Next, she earned a Master's degree with emphasis in Library Science and Education from Western Kentucky University. She then returned to Eastern Kentucky University to pursue school leadership certification - specifically, instructional supervision. Throughout her career, she has served as school media specialist; professional development coordinator; adjunct instructor for Eastern Kentucky University; consultant for the Kentucky Department of Education, where she led the school improvement planning initiative; and as a director of professional learning for the Kentucky Association of School Administrators, working to develop and improve leadership through the Kentucky Leadership Academy. Shirley truly believes that effective leadership at both the district and school level is crucial if we are to improve learning conditions for our students. She is excited to join Edwards Educational Services to assist in making this a reality.

In her free time, Shirley enjoys reading, traveling to historic sites, and attending Broadway shows.



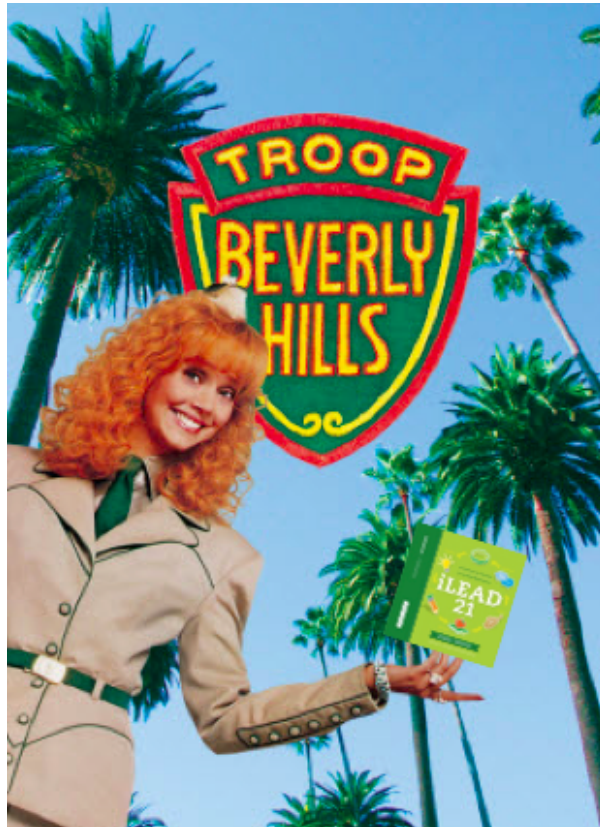
Upcoming Events

For educators:

Come explore leadership protocols that cultivate immediate, noticeable short-term and long-term benefits to health, wellness, performance and quality of life this July 12-17 in Farmville, Virginia at The Secrets of Champions Summer Institute. For more information, please visit [here](#)

For students:

Come be a part of your own Troop Beverly Hills this July 27- August 7 at iLead Summer Camp hosted through Baroody Camps! Conveniently located at St. Rita's in the Beverly Hills neighborhood of Alexandria, your rising 7th-9th grader will learn important leadership skills while having fun! Contact [Michelle](#) for more details!



NYAR Conference Las Vegas

Save the date! This November 5-7, the National Youth at Risk Conference arrives in Las Vegas, Nevada. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Identify specific instructional strategies to increase student engagement and achievement in school.
- Examine social issues that place youth at risk and identify steps to address these issues to increase student engagement and achievement in school.
- See Dr. Steven Edwards in action!

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