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On the cover

Pictured at the top of the page are employees from Henry E. Lackey High School taken during the 2013-14 school year. Pictured, from left, are Angel Clark, instructional assistant; Ronald Wells, science teacher; and Charles Cole II, building service worker.

24-hour information line

Charles County Public Schools posts school news, employee and student accomplishments, inclement weather closures and calendar information on a 24-hour information line. Call 301-934-7410 or 301-932-6656 for a recorded message.

Airing on NewsBreak96

Airing this week on Comcast 96 and Verizon FiOS Channel 12 is a new episode of NewsBreak 96, a show produced by the communications department. The episode features administrative changes at some county schools, highlights student and teacher summer vacation plans and reviews Dr. Kimberly Hill's first year as superintendent of schools.

School calendar

A partial calendar for the 2014-2015 school year is available on the school system website, www.ccboe.com. Visit the About section and look for the At A Glance link located under the calendars area. Dates are subject to change.

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Lifelong Learning Center classes continue at Hanson

Classes for students at the Lifelong Learning Center will continue at John Hanson Middle School for the remainder of the summer session. The summer session for students enrolled in programs at the Lifelong Learning Center ends on Friday, Aug. 15. Hanson is located next to the center, which was damaged last Wednesday during a fire. Students should enter Hanson through the main doors and will be directed to specific classroom areas.

Due to the change in location for classes, the Lifelong Learning Center is not able to provide childcare for the remainder of the summer session. Additionally GED testing and orientations, as well as English as a Second Language (ESL) orientations, have been temporarily suspended. Classes began at Hanson earlier this week and according to Elizabeth Sinnes, the Lifelong Learning Center's adult education coordinator, the transition is going well for both students and staff. Adult education program coordinators from

facilities in Maryland, as well as other states, have also provided instructional materials to the center.

The Lifelong Learning Center housed the Charles County Adult Education Program, which offers a variety of daytime and evening classes for adults and includes preparation for a Maryland State High School Diploma, English as a Second Language, Basic Skills, Job Skills, and Citizenship classes.

Plans are underway to secure a location for the fall session of Lifelong Learning Center classes, which is scheduled to begin in early September. A fire destroyed the center's classroom on July 9, causing the cancellation of adult education classes last week. No one was injured in the fire.

Updated information about adult education classes and testing information will be posted on the CCPS website at www.ccboe. com and on the 24 hour information line at 301-934-7410 or 301-932-6656 as it becomes available.

National Board Certified Teachers



Christina Cockerham



National Board Certification Area Exceptional Needs Specialist/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood

Teaches: special education at Theodore G. Davis Middle School

Years of teaching experience: seven

Years with Charles County Public Schools: seven

Education

A bachelor's and master's degree in special education from the University of Maryland, College Park

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In Memoriam Joseph Butler Jr.

Joseph Butler Jr., a building service worker at La Plata High School, passed away on July 10, 2014. He was a longtime Charles County resident and worked for Charles County Public Schools for 29 years.

He began his career with the school system in 1985 as a temporary building service worker and moved to a full-time position at La Plata in August that year. Before starting his career with Charles County Public Schools, Butler worked as a security guard at Swan Point Yacht and Country Club and also worked on several area farms.



Joseph Butler Jr.

Butler was a 1984 graduate of La Plata High School and lived in Waldorf with his wife, Danielle. He has two children, Joseph Butler III and Destinee Ransome.

Services were held July 14 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Newport in Charlotte Hall.

Personnel

Job Openings

Research and Assessment Secretary – Jesse L. Starkey Administration Building, 12-month position. Apply by July 18.

Secretary – Westlake High School, 11-month position. Apply by July 18.

Financial Secretary – Maurice J. Mc-Donough High School, 12-month position. Apply by July 21.

Resource Teacher – Henry E. Lackey High School, 11-month position. Master's degree and a minimum of five years teaching experience required. Apply by July 21.

Staff Development Secretary – Jesse L. Starkey Administration Building, 12-month position. Apply by July 22.

Building Service Assistant Manager – Piccowaxen Middle School, 12-month position. Apply by July 24.

Part-Time Advisor/Assessor – Lifelong Learning Center/Adult Services, 12-month position. Apply by July 24.

Administrative Assistant – Maurice J. Mc-Donough High School, 11-month position. Three years teaching experience required. Apply by July 25.

Special Education Coordinator for the Life Skills Program – Jesse L. Starkey Administration Building, 12-month position.

Master's degree, Advanced Professional Certificate and a minimum of three years teaching experience required. Apply by July 28.

Instructional Assistant – Malcolm Elementary School, 10-month position. Apply by July 28.

Literacy Instructional Assistant – Theodore G. Davis Middle School, 10-month position. Apply by July 28.

Emotionally Adjusted (EA) Program Special Education Instructional Assistant — Matthew Henson Middle School, 10-month position. Apply by July 28.

Special Education Instructional Assistants, Life Skills Program – Openings at Berry, Gale-Bailey and Dr. Thomas L. Higdon elementary schools, 10-month positions. Apply by July 28 for Higdon and Gale-Bailey; apply by July 29 for Berry.

Preschool Instructional Assistant – Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer Elementary School, 10-month position. Apply by July 29.

Records and Registration Secretary – Arthur Middleton Elementary School, 11-month position. Apply by July 29.

Painter II – CCPS Maintenance Shop, 12-month position. Apply by July 29.

Special Education Instructional Assistant – F.B. Gwynn Educational Center, 10-month

position. Apply by July 29.

Special Education Instructional Assistant – Westlake High School, 10-month position. Apply by July 30.

Science Teacher – Opening at the elementary school level, 10-month position. Apply by Aug. 1.

French Teacher – Location to be determined, 10-month position.

Spanish Teacher – North Point High School, 10-month position.

Reading Recovery Teacher – Location to be determined, 10-month position. Master's degree in early childhood and a minimum of three years teaching experience required.

School Counselor – Opening at the elementary level, 10-month position. Master's degree in school counseling and a minimum of 600-hour practicum or experience teaching or counseling required.

School Counselor – Opening at the secondary level, 11-month position. Master's degree in school counseling and a minimum of 600-hour practicum or experience teaching or counseling required.

School Psychologist – Location to be determined, 10.5-month position. School psychology certification required; national certified school psychologist credential is preferred.