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Quick Links

Revised re-entry transition plan and options can be found [here](#).

A list of Frequently Asked Questions concerning COVID-19 precautions can be found [here](#).

Parent support tools for iPads and Schoology can be found [here](#).

Wood County Schools COVID-19 Dashboard can be found [here](#).

"Our vision is to work as a community to inspire a passion for learning, pursue excellence and empower students to reach their potential."

- Wood County Schools

Full STEAM Ahead!

Blennerhassett Middle School recently showcased its three new labs: An Entrepreneurship Lab, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) Lab and Broadcasting Lab.

The additions were made possible through numerous grants and the support of the Blennerhassett Middle School PTA and Local School Improvement Council (LSIC).

The school opened The Bobcat Biz as part of its Entrepreneurship Lab, with students creating and selling school-logo items, such as t-shirts, keychains and water bottles.

The Broadcast Lab includes a green screen area which allows students to produce videos and live feeds with a variety of backgrounds and effects.

The STEAM Lab allows students to learn about electronics, programming, robotics, engineering and creative problem solving.

The student-driven technology programs build on STEAM programs offered at Blennerhassett Elementary School and feed into advanced classes at Parkersburg South High School.



"At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents."

Jane D. Hull



Celebrating Education

The Wood County Board of Education on Tuesday will recognize National Board Certified Teachers and announce the 2022 Wood County Schools Teacher of the Year.

The school board meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Central Office in Parkersburg. The meeting will be broadcast on Zoom and a link can be found at www.woodcountyschoolswv.com under Menu: Policies: Meetings.

Six Wood County Schools teachers will be recognized for achieving or renewing their National Board Certification, the highest level of certification for schools educators.

Marley Jolly, Jennifer Tennant and Christine Walker will be recognized as newly certified National Board Certified Teachers, and Mary Blaker, Corinne Full and Jimmy Stewart will be recognized as renewal NBCTs.

Officials also will announce the Wood County Schools 2022 Teacher of the Year.

The finalists are: Whitney Anne Dobson (Blennerhassett Elementary School), Jessica Farmer Linville (Jackson Middle School), Tana Stanley (Williamstown High/Middle School), Sara Klesel (Parkersburg South High School), Marley Jolly (Neale Elementary School) and Linda Hindman (Parkersburg High School). They will be interviewed by committee Monday night and the winner announced Tuesday.

Important Dates

May 31 – Memorial Day.

June 7 – Last Day of School.

Feedback?

Questions or suggestions can be emailed to the Wood County Schools Communications Department at merb@woodcountyschoolswv.net and everyone encouraged to download the WCS app for news and announcements.

