The Bark of the Bulldog

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Whittemore Earns the Certified Education Technology Leader (CETL)tm Designation

Roxboro Community School (RCS) Technology Director Earl Whittemore recently earned the Certified Education Technology Leader (CETL) designation by passing a rigorous certification exam.

The CETL certification, awarded by the Consortium for School Networking (CoSN), signifies that Whittemore has mastered the knowledge and skills needed to bring 21st Century technology to K-12 school systems. RCS Managing Executive Director Dave Ebert said, "Earl Whittemore is so important to RCS. Whether he is helping students with Chromebook issues or assisting teachers with technology, Earl is always available. I do not think RCS would operate as efficiently as we do without Earl. Congratulations on earning your CETL credentials. You are truly an asset to our staff."

"Earning the Certified Education Technology Leader certification demonstrates a commitment to bringing 21st Century learning to our nation's schools. Because of the CETL recertification requirements, certified leaders pledge to stay current in this ever-changing field of education technology," said Keith Krueger, CAE, chief executive officer of CoSN.

To become certified, the candidate must have demonstrated experience in the education technology field and pass a comprehensive two-part examination based on the 10 skill areas in CoSN's Framework of Essential Skills of the K-12 CTO. Once the CETL certification is earned, the ed tech professional must complete 60 hours of professional development activities every three years to maintain the designation. The CETL certification is awarded by the Consortium for School Networking. Founded in 1992, CoSN is the premier professional association for school system technology leaders and its mission is to empower educational leaders to leverage technology to realize engaging learning environments. CoSN is committed to providing the leadership, community, and advocacy tools essential for the success of these leaders.

Clayton to be part of Gordon Goodwin's Phathouse Band

Congratulations to Roxboro Community School (RCS) junior Tanner Clayton for auditioning and being invited to be part of Gordon Goodwin's Phathouse Band. Gordon Goodwin is a world renowned jazz pianist and composer. Goodwin has won a Grammy for The Incredibles 2 and been nominated for three Emmys and 13 Grammys. The Phathouse Band is a part of Soundhouse Pro's online program. Soundhouse is recognized nationally as the leading music performance training studio for musicians.

Two RCS students earn Next Gen scholarships

On April 30, Next Gen Personal Finance hosted a live event on YouTube showing a documentary that promotes high school financial education called *The Most Important Class You Never Had.*

RCS senior Jaylen Pointer and freshman Allyshea Oliver participated and won a \$500 scholarship. Congratulations to Allyshea and Jaylen!



Jaylen Pointer



Allyshea Oliver

We have named the Bulldog!

Since Roxboro Community School (RCS) was chartered in 2006, our mascot never had an official name. So, we asked for your help to Name the Bulldog. Votes were cast in February and March for Roxy, Ruckus or Cotton -- three names suggested by RCS staff. Parents, students and others voted at school and online and we have a winner! Your Bulldog's official name is Ruckus! Votes were 25 cents each. We raised a total of \$242.06 in the Name the Bulldog contest. Thanks largely to Mr. Czysz's badgering ... uh, campaigning ... Ruckus won, with 539 votes. Cotton came in second, with 233 votes.



Returning laptops, library books, picking up yearbooks

RCS students and parents, if you still have library books or other materials checked out, please return to the front desk on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 8:30 a.m. and noon. You may also return library books and other school materials on the following dates, when returning laptops. Those who ordered year-books will be able to pick them up on these dates.

Roxy earned 196 votes.

May 19 -- 6th grade laptop return (2-4 pm)

May 20 -- 7th grade laptop return (2-4 pm)

May 21 -- 8th grade laptop return (2-4 pm)

May 26 -- 9th grade laptop return ((2-4 pm)

May 27 -- 10th grade laptop return (2-4 pm)

May 28 -- 11th grade laptop return (2-4 pm)