More than 800 MCCSC students graduated this May from Bloomington North, Bloomington South, the Academy of Science and Entrepreneurship, and the Bloomington Graduation School. 2015 graduates have earned nearly $7.5 million in college scholarships. Read more on page 2 inside.
The end of May marks an exciting moment each year. Students, many of whom had spent more than a decade learning at MCCSC, say goodbye to friends, and earn the distinction that comes with finishing high school. This year’s graduating class of seniors was nothing short of spectacular. Graduations began Thursday, May 28 at the Indiana Memorial Union as 22 students and Valedictorian, Erin Shipley Courter, from Bloomington Graduation School turned their tassels and accepted well-deserved diplomas.

The Academy of Science and Entrepreneurship Graduation followed on Friday, May 29 at the Indiana Memorial Union. The Academy graduated 19 seniors and recognized Valedictorian Brandon Arbuckle and Salutatorian William Robinson.

Bloomington High School North Graduation followed on the morning of Saturday, May 30 at 9:30 a.m. This year’s senior class at North graduated a total of 345 students and recog-
In 2014, professional baseball player, Scott Rolen began development of a camp near Lake Monroe just south of Bloomington. The camp, now known as Camp EmmaLou, is part of Rolen’s Enis Furley Foundation dedicated to serving “children and their families who are dealing with an illness, hardship or other special needs.” Through a combination of fundraising and grants acquired by Rolen’s foundation and those secured through an Outdoor Education grant with the MCCS Foundation, all sixth graders in the MCCSC experienced Camp EmmaLou for a day during the 2014-15 school year. Students, seen above, rode buses to the location just south of Bloomington to spend the day exploring nature and learning from one another.

5TH GRADERS FINISH OUT THE YEAR AT BRADFORD WOODS
Students from Fairview Elementary are seen below on their three day trip to Bradford Woods this May. Each year every MCCSC 5th Grader has this amazing experience.
The last day of school for students fell on Thursday, May 28, but before the final bell rang, teachers and staff were already gearing up for a number of MCCSC summer programs. This summer, MCCSC EdVenture Camp, a day camp serving students entering grades K-6, will run at Templeton Elementary beginning June 3. Also on June 3, MCCSC launches Summer Reading Camp at Fairview Elementary. This year’s reading program has expanded to serve another grade level dropping down to those students leaving first grade and heading into second. The program originally began to support students who needed extra reading intervention getting to third grade reading level and passing the State IREAD-3 assessment. It still serves that purpose, but the program’s other goal is to intervene in earlier years to best support early readers before ever reaching third grade. The opportunity to expand to earlier grades to provide intensive summer reading intervention has built for the past several summers. This year marks the first summer where students as young as first grade will be receiving extra reading support through the camp. Also new this summer is the Arlington Heights Elementary Jumpstart Reading Camp funded through a grant from the Duke Energy Foundation. The half day camp will run from July 6 to July 24 and serve 30 students entering first through third grade who have been identified as reading significantly below grade level. The intensive summer program will provide a 5:1 student to teacher ratio. Read about PLATO virtual summer school and the new Computer Technology Support Course for high school on page 14.
This fall, Fairview Elementary will use a fourth grade classroom to pilot an Action Based Learning program. The goals of the program are to increase student focus and engagement in the classroom through the incorporation of activity based components. Currently throughout the MCCSC, teachers use “Brain Breaks” to accomplish this same goal. With this grant, the pilot classroom will be able to take the project a step further. Action Based Learning introduces physical activity into the classroom and has been proven to increase students’ brain activity, ability to focus, and improve academic performance. Funds awarded from an IU Healthy Kids Grant will be used to purchase fitness equipment from KidsFit™, To further support the cause, Fairview will partner with IU Health to plan an Every Kid Healthy Week activity and purchase stability balls to replace traditional chairs in the pilot classroom.

MCCSC SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM
USDA PROGRAM PROVIDES FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH FOR STUDENTS THIS SUMMER AT FAIRVIEW, TEMPLETON AND ARLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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This summer, the MCCSC will once again participate in the USDA Summer Food Program. 2015 will expand the program from only Fairview in 2013 and 2014 adding Templeton and Arlington. This program is free to anyone under the age of 18 regardless of income. The table to the left includes dates and times for meals this summer.
Bloomington High School South graduation finished out class of 2015 with a 2:30 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 30. This year’s graduating class at South is sending off a total of 417 students. Valedictorian Calvin Anderson and Salutatorian, Miranda Christ, were both recognized for their outstanding academic achievements during their time at South.

NORTH AND SOUTH LIVE STREAM GRADUATION CEREMONIES

This year marked the first year that the two largest high school graduations, North and South, held their commencement ceremonies at their respective high schools instead of Indiana University’s Assembly Hall. The moving of the events from the massive Assembly Hall to the much smaller high school gymnasiums posed an early hurdle to find a way to fit approximately 400 graduates and their respective guests into one space. The solution was to issue a set number of tickets and find a way to live stream the events in the high school auditoriums and online. The live stream of the event allowed for real-time casting of the ceremonies in the high school auditoriums to accommodate additional attendees beyond the gymnasium capacity. The live stream was made possible with the support of CATS, Community Access Television Services, and the use of an existing MCCSC technology through the company MediaCast. MediaCast equipment provided the interface for the live camera feed to be broadcast online under the direction of the MCCSC Information Services staff. At South, MCPL CATS, provided the camera work while at North, Mr. Cole and Mr. Taylor worked with the Information Services department along with students.
MCCSC Community Transitions (CT) is a program for students who have disabilities, aged 18-22 providing support to make the transition from school to adult services. Community Transitions focuses on transition skills and goals, such as employment, independent living and leisure activities. This spring, Answers for Autism awarded Community Transitions a grant to help explore and learn more about nature. Different aspects of the grant included geocaching, birdwatching and identification of plants and trees. Jennifer Robinson, CT Coordinator explains, “Knowledge about nature helps students with disabilities expand social connections, find new ways to get exercise, and improve overall health.” An important, and often difficult, aspect of life to manage in adulthood is staying physically active. The grant provided the students with new ways to think and interact with nature and those around them. Shane Gibson, Educational Coordinator at Sycamore Land Trust, has started working with Community Transitions to share his knowledge of the outdoors with the students. Students have recently taken a guided walk through Bean Blossom Bottoms, noting many plants and wildlife along the way. Sycamore's Environmental Education Program is dedicated to providing outdoor experiences to people of all ages and abilities to nurture an overall love of nature that contributes to life-long learning, a healthy lifestyle, and conservation of land and water. Sycamore Land Trust protects over 8400 acres in 26 southern Indiana counties.

Indiana FFA Names Section IV Star in Agribusiness
Hoosier Hills Student Keeley Hardiman Earns Distinguished Award for Agricultural Experience

This May, Indiana Future Farmers of America (FFA) Section 4 awarded the Star Agricultural in Agribusiness to Keeley Hardiman from the Hoosier Hills FFA Chapter. Hardiman's background includes working with rabbits and poultry and in high school developed into research looking at animal health and what additives help build health, muscling, and feather conditions. This named honor is part of a larger awards program called the Indiana State Stars. Members determined as District and Section Stars are interviewed for a chance to be named as State Star in these four prestigious awards: Star Farmer, Star Placement, Star Agribusiness and Agriscience. The State Star awards take place on June 17th, 2015 at 7 pm in the Hoosier Degree Session during the 86th Indiana State FFA Convention at Purdue University. Those determined, as State Stars, in each of categories will receive a scholarship for $250 sponsored by The Jeff Lehman Family.
GRADUATING CLASS OF 2015

2015 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES AT BLOOMINGTON GRADUATION SCHOOL, BLOOMINGTON

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Below are listed the 2015 scholarship winners from the Hoosier Hills Career Center Awards Night. Additionally, we have students who were recently inducted into the National Technical Honor Society, and a listing of our Most Outstanding and Most Improved from each program.

**Bloomington North Rotary Club Scholarship ($1000):** Alana Benson- Bloomington High School North

**Cruisin’ Classics Car Club ($250):** Cole Chastain-Bloomington High School South

**Maudie Starbuck Health Careers Scholarship ($300):** Baylee Allen-Bloomington High School North

**Dana Jill Anderson Scholarship ($200):** Jade Thompson-Bloomington High School North

**Foundation of MCCSC and Indiana University Credit Union Leadership Award ($100):** Jasmine Chandler- Bloomington High School North

**Josh Richards- Bloomington High School North**

**LeAnna Beth Anderson Scholarship ($320):** Rebecca Hoffman- Bloomington High School North

**New Horizon Scholarship ($1000):** Alana Benson-Bloomington High School North

**Psi Iota Xi Scholarship ($300):** Jacob England- Bloomington High School North

**Competition Scholarships:**

- Josh Richards (BHSN) received a $1,000 scholarship to Vincennes University for placing 1st in Physical Therapy at the HOSA State Leadership Conference. He will be competing at Nationals in June.

- Mandy Rodgers (BHSN) received a $6,000 scholarship to Sullivan University for placing 1st in the Regional Skills USA Competition in January.
On Wednesday, May 6, 2015, friends and family filled the auditorium at Bloomington High School North for the 2015 Adult Education Awards ceremony. The awards honored students in the Adult Education program housed at Broadview Elementary for achievements in completion of high school equivalency diplomas, English language courses, and career certification courses. Director of Adult Education for MCCSC, Mr. Robert Moore, opened the ceremony by acknowledging the scope of backgrounds, ages, and motivations for students who attend classes at the center. Many students honored that evening were returning to school after having left earlier in life. A large number of awardees completed an English language course, one of the most popular roles served by the Adult Education programs.

MCCSC EXPANDING SCHOOL RECYCLING PROGRAMS
2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR PLANS TO GROW RECYCLING EFFORTS AT SCHOOLS

In 2015-16, the MCCSC will continue its push toward a corporation-wide recycling program. For the past few years, the MCCSC Building Operations department has been piloting a variety of recycling options. Seen below are images from the Binford/Rogers recycling pilot program in the 2014-15 school year. While the Binford/Rogers program required sorting, the MCCSC is also working toward “single stream” recycling to help promote its use. Currently, commingled dumpsters are at BHSS, BHSN, The Academy and Arlington Heights Elementary as a pilot program. Along with the commingled dumpsters, every school has at least one cardboard only dumpster and an ABITIBI bin for paper. This summer, look for additional commingled dumpsters at a few more facilities as the efforts continue to grow.
Secondary teachers from throughout the MCCSC kicked off the summer in training at Bloomington High School North to take an in-depth look at the Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) rolling out this fall at MCCSC high schools. The two-day secondary training and one-day elementary level training took place from June 2-4 and trained more than 325 teachers. The trainings were conducted by MCCSC teachers, some digital learning coaches, but many were teachers from multiple disciplines who quickly familiarized themselves with the system and were anxious to share with their colleagues. The adoption of an LMS adds the MCCSC, its students, its families, and its staff, to a growing group of school corporations recognizing the need for a global education and the development of student-led lines of inquiry. Rather than one person telling the story of history through a purchased textbook series, a textbook becomes one of the many tools available to students and teachers to learn from the global perspectives available on a given topic through the incorporation of an LMS. The higher ed version of Canvas, conveniently, is also utilized at Indiana University making our current faculty and families involved with Indiana University pre-equipped for its rollout in August.

1:1 TECHNOLOGY
STUDENT DEVICE
DISTRIBUTION BEGINS IN AUGUST 2015

Nearly five years ago, the MCCSC laid the groundwork for what will soon be the realization of a 1:1 initiative. “1:1” is a term used to describe a student to device technology ratio wherein every student has an assigned device, be it a laptop, tablet, computer, or something else, enabling the student instantaneous access to a seemingly infinite array of digital learning resources. To fully implement a learning management system, access to the system through a device is critical. Much of the surface level conversation surrounding 1:1 initiatives concerns device selection. The reality is, that as long as the device enables access, is easy to use, and is reliable, the device type is irrelevant. The relevant piece of the initiative is enabling students to have access to the world at their fingertips, to discuss, create, and research current events as they are happening, and to evaluate a universe of possibilities when working on a project. Secondary teachers were issued the corporation adopted HP laptop devices in late spring to prepare for summer training. A small number of high school students also received devices to pilot the program in 14-15. In August, all high school students will receive individually assigned devices. Tablets previously used at the high school level will shift to middle and those at the middle to the elementary schools bringing the 1:1 initiative into action.
More than 300 people gathered at the Monroe County Convention Center on Thursday, May 14, 2015 for the Second Annual Evening of Stars banquet. The evening recognized the accomplishments of the MCCSC’s 2015 retirees as well as the outstanding achievements of a group of nominated employees receiving the “Star of Excellence” award.


$7,467,000
College Scholarship Funds Awarded to 2015 Graduates of MCCSC High Schools. Congratulations!
Binford Elementary 5th grade teacher, Wendy Tamborrino, is currently facilitating a student-led project to create a more welcoming environment at Binford for students and parents from different countries who speak languages other than English. It is called VIAP (Virtual International Ambassador Project). The end product will be a series of short videos in several languages that will be accessed when giving new students and families a tour of Binford, or when teaching students about a whole-school/universal procedure. Principal Mrs. Lucy Fischman explains the impact of the videos saying, “These videos meet our school improvement goal of increasing the capacity for cultural competence within our building and for creating a warm, welcoming environment accessible by all.” Students identified locations throughout the building that new students would want or need to know about, such as the library, cafeteria, the office and health office. They interviewed appropriate teachers or staff about these areas, what they’re used for and any procedures related to the area (how to check out books, for example). The students then wrote a short script for each area. In the last weeks of school, they will translate the script into Chinese, Korean and Arabic, film the videos and then make them available by QR code. QR codes will be posted at the appropriate locations throughout the school. As parents tour around, or as students familiarize themselves with the building, they may access the videos with MCCSC iPads, or their personal devices.

**HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM OVERVIEW**
**COMPUTER TECH AND VIRTUAL SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

MCCSC high school students will find two options for summer programming this year. The first is the PLATO online instruction program. Students can complete the coursework support for credit recovery during the summer months. Students may complete the instructional work at any computer in any location and complete the pre and post-tests at Bloomington High School South. Students may also attend the sessions offered at BHSS for additional individual support. From June 2-July 16, six daily sessions will be offered at BHSS beginning at 8:00am. Graduating seniors will be given first priority for the 75 available seats. New this year is the Computer Technology Support course. This course is designed for those students who will provide technical and hardware support during the 15-16 school year. The course is part of the Microsoft A+ Certification. In addition to completing coursework for a prestigious certificate, students completing the course will also be positioned to provide technical support for the 1:1 devices at both high schools this fall.
IVY TECH PARTNERSHIP BEGINS HEALTH SCIENCES CAREER PATHWAYS IN HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS CAN BEGIN NURSING DEGREES WHILE AT MCCSC HIGH SCHOOLS

This fall, the MCCSC and Ivy Tech Bloomington will strengthen one of their newer partnerships in dual-credit courses for health science career pathways. Beginning in August, students at both North and South will have the opportunity to enroll in and complete coursework to finish per-requisites for Nursing and Practical Nursing degrees at Ivy Tech-Bloomington. The pathway courses will allow students completing the coursework during high school to not only get a jumpstart on a health sciences degree through Ivy Tech after high school, and the dual-credit design of the courses allows them to save a significant amount of money on college tuition by earning college credit in high school. The Ivy Tech partnership is one of a number of dual-credit opportunities in MCCSC secondary schools. These programs combined with Advanced Placement courses where students also earn college credit saved families approximately $1,000,000* in college tuition costs in 2013-14.

*KThis number is based on Indiana University tuition credit costs.

KINDERGARTEN SUPPLY DRIVE AND BLOOMINGTON F.D.
PARTNERSHIP KICKS OFF TO RAISE DONATED KINDERGARTEN SUPPLIES

The City of Bloomington Fire Department (BFD) has partnered with United Way of Monroe County and IU Health for their first annual Kindergarten Countdown Supply Drive in June. The backpacks will contain the supplies each child will need to succeed during Kindergarten. Each year for the past five years, United Way, IU Health, and MCCSC EdVenture Camp have partnered for fifth Kindergarten Countdown, a free or low-cost summer camp opportunity aimed at jumpstarting the transition from preschool to kindergarten. (KCC) starts on June 3 and ends on July 16. Anyone may drop off supplies at the following fire stations:

Station 1: 300 E. Fourth St.
Station 2: 209 S. Fairfield Dr.
Station 3: 900 N. Woodlawn Ave.
Station 4: 2201 E. Third St.
Station 5: 1987 S. Henderson St.
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