



## FEH BOCES News and Notes November 17, 2015

*“The Mission of the Franklin-Essex-Hamilton  
Board of Cooperative Educational Services  
is to provide shared services to its component  
school districts”*

### **Common Core State Standards Review-Closes November 30**

As shared in the October 20 News and Notes, the New York State Education Department has launched an online survey that will allow New Yorkers to provide detailed feedback on the State’s English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy and Math Common Core Learning Standards for prekindergarten through grade 12. Teachers, administrators, school board members, parents, the business community, and anyone with an interest in the future of our schools should participate in the review. To take the survey go to [www.nysed.gov](http://www.nysed.gov). If you or others have questions or need assistance in the process of completing the survey you may reach out to Rhonda Shorette-Peets or Kerri Keeler in the Instructional Support Services office.

### **Other State Standards and Curriculum Related Items**

*Social Studies*-The New York State Social Studies Framework has been revised. This is important to all teachers providing instruction in social studies throughout our region. Our ISS staff and teachers have been engaged in activities as the changes are rolled out. Detailed information about the Framework including a toolkit and 8 part video series can be found [here](#). If you are interested in learning more about the changes in the Framework for K-12 Social Studies, please contact Rhonda Shorette-Peets in the ISS office or reach out to one of our social studies teachers on staff (Chris Kormanyos-NFEC Alt Ed, Rhonda Meserole-AEC PASS, and Tracy Edwards Warren-New Vision Government and Law). The ISS Office will be facilitating the following upcoming Professional Development offerings:

*The New Global History and Geography-Changes and the Next Steps* (November 23, Presenter Greg Ahlquist 2013 NYS Teacher of the Year)

*NYS Alternate Assessment Science and Social Studies Administration Training* (December 15, Presenter Denise Luka FEH BOCES Principal)

*Demystifying the Holistic Scoring Process in Social Studies* (May 9, Presenter Donna Merlau NYSED)  
More offerings to be announced soon-check with ISS

*Science*-Changes are also on the way in science. Action on standards is expected as soon as January by the Board of Regents and information will be provided in a future News and Notes.

### **John Roe Participates in Farm to School Event**

John Roe, Culinary Arts instructor at AEC recently participated in a Farm to School event at Petrova School in Saranac Lake. The article that appeared in the Adirondack Daily Enterprise can be found [here](#).

### **University of Northwestern Ohio Representative Visits Centers**

Tom LaRose, a representative from the University of Northwestern Ohio recently visited AEC and NFEC to present information to juniors and seniors about programs at UNOH. Students at both AEC and NFEC are provided regular opportunities to experience visits to postsecondary institutions and presentations at the centers from representatives of postsecondary institutions. Our staff is to be commended to making sure all students are provided with information about continuing their education as continued training is essential for advancing in their chosen trade or field beyond entry level positions.