



FEH BOCES Staff News and Notes October 21, 2016

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

Successful Events!

Three significant events have taken place recently and all were very successful. On October 12 NFEC and Northern Borders Academy held Open Houses. The events were very well attended. Each event included student presentations that showcased activities that have been underway since the start of the school year.

On October 17 the second meeting of the Component District Advisory Committee (CDAC) took place at AEC. There were significant discussions that elicited information from districts regarding current or potential services that were of most interest. The notes from the meeting should be available at the CDAC link on our home page next week.

Thank you to all staff members that participated and made these events a success!

ESSA Forum October 26

New York State is currently drafting a required plan for submission to the federal government outlining how New York will implement the provisions of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Several FEH BOCES staff, district staff and a wide cross section of other stakeholders are registered for this event that will be hosted by FEH BOCES at NFEC on Wednesday, October 26. If you are not participating, but would like to learn more and offer feedback to NYSED, you are encouraged to visit the ESSA page on the NYSED web site [here](#). Of particular interest are the “High Concept Ideas” that NYSED is seeking input on as part of the plan development. They can be found by scrolling approximately half-way down on the ESSA page.

ELA and Math Standards Public Review & Comment

NYSED being responsive to the field has extended the window for public review and comment on the draft P-12 English Language Arts and Mathematics Learning Standards. These standards will be the foundation of curriculum, instruction and assessment in these areas for our instructional programs. I encourage you to consider providing feedback to NYSED on the standards by visiting www.nysed.gov/aimhighny. The last date to submit feedback is November 14.

Reminders

Now is the time to consider getting a flu shot. The change in weather indicates that late fall and winter conditions are upon us which corresponds to the start of flu season.

Election Day is November 8 and you are encouraged to exercise your right to vote. If you are in an instructional program let students know you are voting as this is great modeling of adult participation in our democracy!