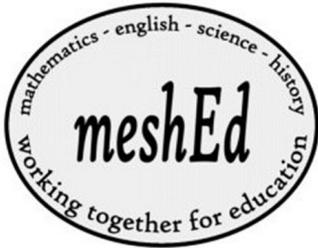


# meshEd News



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**Next Meeting: April 9, 2009, at 4:00PM**

## Great Mentoring/Tutoring Opportunity!

Many of you had the opportunity to meet with Holly Herrera from Bon Air Middle School; She recently came to IUK to meet with a couple of secondary education classes. She informed us about an awesome mentoring opportunity and answered some of our questions. The focus of the program is on 6th and 7th grade students who failed or barely passed the ISTEP. Mentors must be able to dedicate an hour each week for at least one semester. A mentoring session between the mentor and student would include:

- \* 5-10 minutes engaging with the student
- \* 20 minutes with a tutoring activity

\*a discussion/reflection on that activity

\*mentor documentation of the meeting.

Bon Air is different from a lot of Kokomo's middle



**One Hour per Week  
for One Semester**

schools. Some student statistics include:

\*80% Free and Reduced Lunch

\*59% Passing Scores in ISTEP Language Arts

\*65% Passing Scores in ISTEP Mathematics

\*Large Special Ed. & Minority student population

Bon Air Middle School is in session from 7:55AM until 2:45PM Monday through Friday and is located on North Apperson. If you are interested in this rewarding experience (for you and the student), please contact Mrs. Herrera at [hherrera@kokomoschools.com](mailto:hherrera@kokomoschools.com).

FYI: This would be an excellent resource for eportfolio documentation.

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## **Don't forget: Eportfolios are due by 9AM on March 27!**

The time is getting nearer for a lot of secondary education students. Let's get together and collaborate over our eportfolios. We can help each other get started, answer questions, proofread, and brainstorm for ideas on where to put

what artifacts. MeshEd has reserved computer classrooms in the main building during two dates this month just for the purpose of working on our eportfolios. Please, join us on Tuesday, March 10, from 1PM-3PM in room KO 082 and Thursday,

March 12, from 4PM-6:30PM in room KO 080. Feel free to bring snacks or dinner. Hope to see you there!



## meshEd Officers



Back Row: Natalie Bandy (PR), Debi Smith (Secretary), Megan Woodruff (President)  
Front Row: Kathy Smith (VP), Steven Edwards



### PANEL DISCUSSION

Attention education students who will soon be student teaching: On March 31st, a panel discussion/mock interview will be held in the East building (Room 125) starting at 4:30PM. The sessions should last no longer than 6PM.

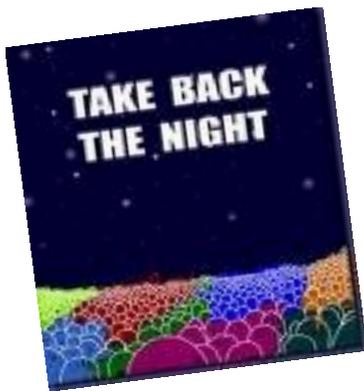
Attending resourceful people will include:

- \*current student teachers to answer any questions about student teaching

- \*two area principals to answer questions about what they look for in a student teacher and a first year teacher.

“This has been a very informative activity and I trust many of you will be able to work it into your schedules” (Ed Stipp).

### Take Back the Night



Take Back the Night, “Angel Walk” is a rally and fundraiser conducted by IU Kokomo and Family Service Association (FSA). The event is scheduled for April 28, 2009, at IU Kokomo.

There will be a pre-walk rally beginning at 5:30PM at Alumni Hall at IU Kokomo. The Angel Walk will begin at 6PM at IU Kokomo and head north to Defenbaugh Street. Participants will continue their walk around Washington School and back to IU Kokomo (approximately one mile). After the walk, plan to

stay for music, refreshments, and student presentations. The event will end at 8PM.

MeshEd members also have the opportunity to judge essays from local schools.

MeshEd has formed a team for this event. Please help raise money for the awareness of domestic violence; contact Megan Woodruff for a collection envelope ([megwoodr@umail.iu.edu](mailto:megwoodr@umail.iu.edu)). All proceeds go to support FSA (checks made payable to FSA). Together, we can help make a difference!

In addition to making a difference, once again, this would be an excellent community service artifact for your eportfolio.

Please, consider a few hours of your time to be a part of this team! We need you!