

# MAYVILLE AREA TEACHER CENTER

Mayville Area Teacher Center Newsletter

December 2015

## Merry Christmas

### *A Note from Donalee*

*While many of you may be dreaming of a "White Christmas", I am dreaming of seeing many of you on MLK Day here on the campus of MSU! It will be a day to be informed, refreshed, and renewed as well as a day to spend time catching up with your colleagues in the area. We will also be learning much at the 2nd session of the Daily 5 Workshop with Liz Mackowick. We had such a great turnout at the first session with 36 teachers attending! I am also excited about the Traveling Teacher Contest and hope many of you enter the contest. I am also hoping to get ideas for ordering text sets for the STEM collections in the STEM Center. Please send those ideas that will fit your curriculum so that we can be of a better support to STEM learning in your classrooms!*

*Maybe I am a bit more sentimental at this time of year, but I want to take this opportunity to thank you for being the wonderful educators that you are! I think that the teachers in this region are some of the best there are anywhere and I am so proud to serve you all!*



**Merry Christmas from the Mayville Area  
Teacher Center!**

### *Donalee's Hours:*

*I am in the Mayville Area Teacher Center the following hours (although this will be subject to change on occasion ):*

- *Monday: 8 am to 4 pm ( with the exception of 9-10, as I teach a class during that hour)*
- *Tuesday: 8 am to 4 p.m.*
- *Wednesday: 8 am to 12 p.m.*

*\*Robin Haines and Dr. Andi Bucholz will be available to help you at times that I am not available.*

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**HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO WIN AN ALL EXPENSE PAID TRIP? WELL NOW IS YOUR CHANCE BY ENTERING THE "TRAVELING TEACHER CONTEST"!**

**10 DAY ALL EXPENSE PAID TRIP( INCLUDING COSTS OF A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR THE WINNER'S CLASSROOM) TO COURTLAND, VA AND WASHINGTON, D.C.**

*Sponsored by the Mayville Area Teacher Center*

**What:** One very lucky teacher will be chosen from the participating schools to travel with CORE Trip MSU students and faculty to Courtland, Va and Washington, D.C. The CORE trip students and faculty will participate in service projects along the route to Courtland and then observe and participate in classroom activities once in the Courtland Public Schools. In the Courtland area and in D.C., participants will again participate in short, service projects (i.e. serving at soup kitchens, potential clean-up of something or possibly offering work hours at some community organization) Two days of sightseeing in Washington, D.C. will wrap up the trip. A possible stop in Suffolk, VA is also on the agenda!

**You** are eligible to enter this contest because your school administrator is in support of this adventure!

**When:** The trip will leave from Mayville on Friday, March 11 and will return to Mayville on Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. The travel will be by luxury bus! An adventure awaits!

**Contest Rules:** Submit a plan (in the form of a lesson plan or essay), including the following:

**A. How could this trip allow for creative learning in your classroom?** (Think Skype!)

**B. How could this trip support your professional development?**

Length: Whatever length it takes to win the contest.

**Contest Deadline:**

The contest will end on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. All entries, (include name and school), must be submitted by 4:00 that day! The names and other personal information will be removed and replaced by numbers for the judges, but will be needed to identify the winner. Please submit your essay (plan) in a Word Document to: [teachercenter@mayvillestate.edu](mailto:teachercenter@mayvillestate.edu)

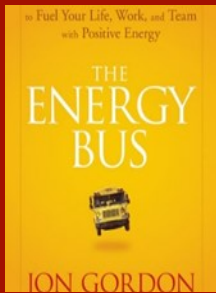
**Judges:**

This contest will be judged by the **SEA Chapter of Mayville State Students. The Teacher Center is not involved in the judging.**

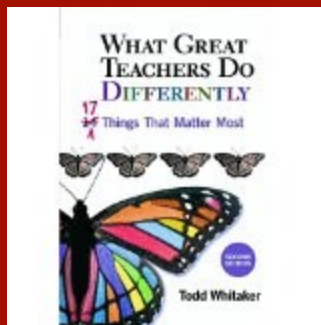
**Contact Donalee Strand at the Mayville Area Teacher Center with any questions:**

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## Bookshelf

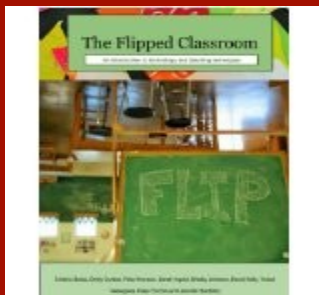


The Energy Bus



What Great Teachers  
Do Differently

By Todd Whitaker



The Flipped  
Classroom By  
Christine Boles  
and Emily Curtiss

## Sites to Grow By

Here are some sites to help you organize and share your ideas and lessons:

1. Thinglink: <https://www.thinglink.com/?buttonSource=badgeButtonBoxWideBanner>
2. LiveBinders: <http://www.livebinders.com/welcome/home>
3. Padlet: <https://padlet.com/>

Here are the links to some presentation sites to make your lessons come alive!

1. Canva: <https://www.canva.com/>
2. My Storybook: <https://www.mystorybook.com/books/new>

## Check It Out

### What's New at the STEM/Teacher Centers



## IDEA PAGE

1. Near Pod: <https://www.nearpod.com/> Thank you to Principal Jon Dryburgh from Hillsboro for this idea! Great app for use with many devices.
2. Kahoots: Interactive Quiz Games: <https://getkahoot.com/> fun site for creating pre and post tests or any other assessment type quiz!
3. Steam'n Lesson Plans: <http://www.steamn.net/lesson-plans/Math/18/Fractions-189.html>: Sharing site for Lesson plans on STEM +Art.
4. QR Coding: <http://www.schrockguide.net/qr-codes-in-the-classroom.html> This is a site that will help you both use and generate QR Codes for classroom use!
5. Project Based Learning Sites: <http://bie.org/> Many ideas for project based learning.
6. Photopeach: <http://photopeach.com/home> A new approach to slideshows, with quiz capabilities!

**Thank You:** to Matt Chandler from Thompson School and Donna Flaten from Northwood School for the donations of reading curriculum samples. Also thank you to Darwin Potter from Thompson School for the donations of the Carve-Write Machine as well as the Kelvin Electronics equipment. These donations are so very appreciated!

### Advisory Board

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# COMING SOON

## Announcement:

*This upcoming March, during MSU's Spring Break, a group of pre-service students will be traveling to Virginia to experience classroom life there. The trip will also include time in Washington D.C.*

*A contest is being sponsored by the MSU Student Education Association for area teachers to compete to become the "Traveling Teacher" on the trip! This teacher will get an all expense paid trip, including sub pay, ( funded By the Mayville Area Teacher Center) , to Virginia and Washington D.C. and will communicate back to their classroom from historic Washington D.C. !Watch for more information on the contest and how you can enter in the December Newsletter!*

## Upcoming Event

**: MLK Day ( January 18) at MSU! Come and get refreshed at the MLK Event!**



Keynote Speaker

**Dr. Jack Berckemeyer**

Co Author of

**DELIBERATE OPTIMISM:**

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