



21st Century Community Learning Center's "Soaring Beyond Expectations"



The 21st Century Community Learning Center's at Rockcastle County Middle School, High School, and Area Technology Center have recently completed their first year implementation of their three-year federal grants from the U.S. Department of Education. The 21st Century Community Learning Center is a key component of our national efforts to ensure the safety of our children while also providing academic enrichment and recreational opportunities.

About 6,800 rural and inner-city public schools in 1,420 communities – in collaboration with other public and non-profit agencies, organizations, local businesses, post-secondary institutions, scientific/cultural and other community entities are now participating as 21st Century community Learning Centers.

The 21st Century Community Learning Center program enables schools to stay open longer, provide homework centers, mentoring, drug/violence prevention, college prep and other activities like art, foreign language and technology programs. Because more than 28 million school-age children have either their only parent or both parents working outside the home, the trend for such programs are just in time. Each weekday afternoon, at least 8 million "latchkey" children are left alone and unsupervised. The juvenile crime rate triples between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., with violent crimes by juveniles peaking between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., the hour at the end of the school day. Why? Mostly because an increasing number of children are unsupervised during these late afternoon hours, while parents are at work. But, according to the new U.S. Department of Education report, 21st CCLC: Providing Quality Afterschool Learning Opportunities for America's Families, children in over 900 communities across the nation now have a positive alternative to unsupervised, unstructured and uninspiring afternoons.

Rockcastle's Middle and High School, along with the Area Technology Center is proud to take a leadership role in the afterschool movement, and is very excited that they have the opportunity to provide our children with a positive afternoon alternative to the streets.

Rockcastle County Middle School

Rockcastle County High School

Rockcastle County Area Technology Center

- ✦ **Survivor: Circles of Learning**
Mondays & Tuesdays
3:00-5:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Quilt Making**
Mondays
4:00-6:00 p.m. 
- ✦ **Computer Classes**
Mondays
4:00-6:00 p.m. 
- ✦ **Aerobics**
Wednesdays & Thursdays
3:00-4:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Gymnastics**
Thursdays
3:00-4:00 p.m.
4:00-5:00 p.m.
5:00-6:00 p.m.
6:00-7:00 p.m. 
- ✦ **Babysitting Certification Class**
November 10 – 9:00-5:00
November 17 – 9:00-5:00
- ✦ **French Class**
Wednesdays
3:00-4:45 p.m.
- ✦ **Cooking**
November 15 – Holiday Feasts
4:00-5:00 p.m.
December 13 – Edible Gifts
4:00-5:00 p.m. 

- ✦ **GED Tutoring**
Tuesdays
6:30-8:30 p.m. 
- ✦ **ACT Prep**
Mondays & Thursdays
5:00-7:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Karate/Self Defense**
Mondays
3:00-4:00 p.m. RCHS Students
4:00-5:00 p.m. Ages 6 and up 
- ✦ **Tutoring**
Mondays & Tuesdays
3:00-5:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Make Up A High School Credit**
Mondays & Tuesdays
3:00-5:00 p.m.
- ✦ **Microsoft Excel**
October 30, November 13 & 20
6:30-8:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Internet**
November 27
6:30-8:30 p.m. 
- ✦ **Using Digital Cameras**
December 4 & 11
6:30-8:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Microsoft Publisher-RCHS Staff & Students**
November 12 & 19 – 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Microsoft Publisher-RCHS Staff & Students (Second Offering)**
Nov. 26 & Dec. 3 – 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Spanish**
Tuesdays – 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- ✦ **Parenting Sessions**
Stress/Anger Management
November 20 – 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Parenting Teens
December 4 – 6:00-8:00 p.m. 

- ✦ **Life Skills Class**
Open to all RCHS & RATC Students
Tuesdays
3:00-5:00 p.m.

Interested in any of the following
classes:

- ✦ Introduction to Computers
- ✦ Keyboarding
- ✦ Microsoft Word 
- ✦ Microsoft Access
- ✦ Microsoft Front Page
- ✦ Microsoft Outlook e-mail usage
- ✦ Digital Photography
- ✦ Introduction to Internet
- ✦ Healthy Lifestyles and Diet
- ✦ Technical Math
- ✦ Basic Sketching & Blueprint Reading
- ✦ First Aid
- ✦ CPR
- ✦ Microsoft PowerPoint



Students enjoy using the new computer lab at
Rockcastle Area Technology Center.

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