



# Let's Connect

A NEWSLETTER DESIGNED WITH SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS IN MIND

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## WELCOME!

We hope you have visited our website [www.OhioSTS.org](http://www.OhioSTS.org). We designed it to be an all-inclusive resource for you.

Be sure to check back often, we will be adding more information throughout the year to serve you better.

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[Facebook.com/BeASubTeacher](https://Facebook.com/BeASubTeacher)



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## SCHOOL CLOSURES:

As a reminder, for up-to-date information on school closings and delays, please log into your Absence Management account as postings are made as soon as we are notified.

You are responsible for monitoring school cancellations due to inclement weather or other calamities. Notifications will be sent out via email through Frontline. Web Alerts will be posted for each district.

While we make every effort to contact everyone as soon as possible, please monitor your local news stations for up-to-date closings or delays.

Only 54 more days until Spring!



## DID YOU HEAR?

Effective January 22, 2024, Indian Valley has increased their pay rates to \$110.00/day for Daily Subs and \$125.00/day for Building Subs.

If you wish to add Indian Valley to your list of districts, please email Allison Rice at [allison.rice@ecoesc.org](mailto:allison.rice@ecoesc.org).

Our Pay Schedule and current rates can always be found on our website [www.OhioSTS.org](http://www.OhioSTS.org).

[Click here](#) to view the current pay scale.

## JUST A REMINDER:

To cancel an assignment, please call our office at 216.446.6787, Option 1. This cannot be done online or through the Frontline App. The Service Team is in the office from 6:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. A Service Representative monitors evening calls from 4:00 - 9:00. If you do not reach a Service Rep, leave a detailed message and we will take care of your request.

If you want to accept an assignment after the start time, you must call our office at 216.446.6787. We need to verify with the district the position has not been filled internally.

Thank you for understanding.

## AND THE WINNERS ARE:

Thank you to everyone who accepted assignments so far this year. We will once again enter anyone who works 10 + days a month into a drawing.

A total of three (3) winners are chosen each month, one from each of the geographical areas in which OSTS serves.

We have quite the list of winners since the beginning of the school year. Please be sure to congratulate your colleagues if you see them.

### **Columbiana County Area:**

September - Kera Wilson

October - Taylor Blaner

November - Olivia Brant

December - Darlene McElroy

### **East Central Ohio Area:**

September - Samantha Stout

October - Ashley McPherson

November - Sally Mae Art

December - Madison Lewis

### **Northeast Ohio Area:**

September - Andres Echarri Mendoza

October - Ryan Lacey

November - Indrani Sarcar Saha

December - Brian Gates

## PAY SCHEDULE:

Period Covered	Pay Date
January 8 - January 19, 2024	2/2/2024
January 22 - February 2, 2024	2/16/2024
February 5- February 16, 2024	3/1/2024
February 19 - March 8, 2024	3/22/2024
March 11 - March 22, 2024	4/5/2024
March 25 - April 5, 2024	4/19/2024
April 8 - April 19, 2024	5/3/2024
April 22 - May 10, 2024	5/24/2024
May 13 - May 24, 2024	6/7/2024
May 27 - June 7 or last day of school	6/21/2024

If you have any questions about payroll, please contact Loren Cross at the ESC of Northeast Ohio at [loren.cross@escneo.org](mailto:loren.cross@escneo.org).

## SUB SUGGESTION FROM STEDL:

A SubPack is like an emergency kit for the classroom. It allows you to have some control in situations where you are uncertain as to what supplies you will have access to.

- Select a container that is easy to carry, large enough to hold all of your supplies, closes securely, and looks professional.
- Pack some basic classroom supplies that might be locked away such as scissors, pencils, a calculator, tape, sticky notes, etc.

- Rewards or motivators for students such as stickers, tickets for drawings, a stamp and ink pad, or certificates.
- Fill-in activity materials such as number cubes for games, picture books to read aloud, or activity pages for students who finish early

More suggestions can be found at [www.STEDL.org](http://www.STEDL.org).

