Welcome to the 1st Edition of ECE News To Know!

ECE News To Know, a newsletter for the ECE community, has arrived complete with what we hope to be the news you need to know! With so many exciting changes happening daily, a newsletter seemed like the logical choice to keep our high schools “in the loop.” We will publish our growing newsletter twice annually in Fall and Spring semesters. ECE News To Know will be as good as you help us make it, so let this be an open invitation to send in an article or photograph you would like to share with participating ECE high schools. It can be an event that your course is participating in, or it can be about an ECE student… this newsletter is for you! Please send all ECE “news to know” to Jennifer Griffin at jennifer.griffin@uconn.edu.

Windsor High School Sweeps the 2005 French Quiz Bowl

On November 3rd eight Connecticut high schools, including Glastonbury, Enrico Fermi, Newtown, Parish Hill, E. O. Smith, Fairfield Ward and Windsor, attended the 2005 French Quiz Bowl on the UConn Storrs Campus. The day started with a welcome from Professor Ed Benson, faculty coordinator and creator, at The Konover Auditorium in the Dodd Center. Students then broke into groups of 15 and with the guidance of UConn French Teaching Assistants, worked in conversation groups throughout the morning where only French could be spoken.

ECE students then headed to South Campus for lunch and experienced college life in the dining hall first-hand.

The afternoon’s quiz bowl events started with a brief introduction by Vice-Provost Veronica Makowsky. Makowsky spoke of how knowing a little bit of a language is not the same as grasping a language completely, and encouraged the high school participants to understand the language as a whole. The quiz bowl went into full swing at 1:30pm with Professor Benson addressing the participating students in French only. Professor Benson told the group of over 150 students to “répondre correctement aux questions avant que les autres ne puissent le faire [answer the question before the other team]”. A buzzer system was used by students to answer Professor Benson’s questions. It was Windsor High School who took home the Grand Prize trophy, with second place going to Glastonbury High School, and Parish Hill and Enrico Fermi sharing third.

Mrs. Dale Maxwell with her History 101 students from Coventry High School visited the ECE office for a quick photo before heading to the Homer Babbidge Library at UConn Storrs.

UConn Trivia Winners: 1st place - Plainville High School - ECE Spanish
2nd place - Stratford High School - ECE History • 3rd place - Glastonbury High School - ECE French
The ECE Team Wishes all of Our High Schools a Wonderful Holiday and a Happy New Year!