



They're Almost Ready

Instructor Annette Harton rehearses the Supply Elementary School chorus for its Christmas choral program with an international flair. The program will be presented Friday at 1:30 p.m., the last day of school before the holidays.

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Speak Up About Public Education

Brunswick County residents with an interest in public education are being invited by the North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE) to participate in one of three forums on "Solutions for Schools through Partnership."

Water Street, with registration starting at 8:45 a.m. The meeting will adjourn at 12:30 p.m.

Program participants will include Julia Kron, NCAE president; Charles Coble, dean of the School of Education, East Carolina University; and a panel of educators, business and civic leaders, students and par-

ents who will present their personal vision for education.

Breakout discussion groups will meet starting at 10:10 a.m., with findings shared with all participants.

For more information or to pre-register, contact Beth Gargan, NCAE, P.O. Box 27347, Raleigh, N.C. 27690-1198.

Youth Hospitalized After Reaction To Medication

A Shallotte Middle School student was rushed to The Brunswick Hospital Tuesday after taking another student's prescription medication.

Shallotte Volunteer Rescue Squad transported the 14-year-old boy from school to the Supply hospital around 12:30 p.m. Tuesday.

"He just started getting real sleepy," Shallotte Police Chief Rod-

ney Gause said. "It just felt bad on his stomach."

Police are investigating the incident. They identified the drug as "Ceftin," an antibiotic usually used to treat upper respiratory problems.

"It wasn't a very strong dose," Gause said. "He took two tablets as far as we can determine at this time." Shallotte Police Det. Carey Gas-

kins said doctors pumped the stomach of the boy at the hospital. The drugs had been prescribed to a 15-year-old boy who attends the school.

Police said Tuesday afternoon they hadn't been able to question the sick student and weren't sure if the drugs had been given to him or if he took them from the other student's jacket.

We wish you health and happiness... this holiday season.

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