



Our Voice

Tri-Village Local Schools

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A School of Excellence

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Tri-Village Completes Successful School Year

Sometimes in our humbleness we fail to share with the public many of the great things going on in our local district. Below is a list of highlights the district achieved this year while maintaining excellence across the board in our student offerings.

Did you know...?

- The FFA Chapter received a Gold Ranking in the State of Ohio this year. This is the highest ranking available.
- The marching band is the biggest based on per student population in the county.
- Tri-Village is one of only two schools in the nation teaching a modeling and simulation class in partnership with the Wright Patterson Air Force Base, and one of our teachers was the lead curriculum writer on the team.
- Tri-Village started an internship program with GTI's Moriroku Technology North America Division placing high school students in the engineering department at the plant.
- Tri-Village High School has the highest English state scores in the county.
- Tri-Village offers modern art courses through Web design, modeling and simulation, computer applications, and digital photography classes.
- The district offers dual credit options, so high school students receive high school **and** college credit for classes taken at the high school in English, history, statistics, calculus, and education through Indiana University.
- Tri-Village is offering financial literacy classes to all students to prepare them to make sound financial decisions upon graduation.
- The district now offers online classes through our recently launched Blended Learning Academy.

The district was able to do all of this while also maintaining financial restraint. Tri-Village rates excellent in comparison to other districts in the state of Ohio. Seventy percent of the schools in Ohio spend more per pupil than the Tri-Village Local School District. It is nice to know that in tough economic times the district is delivering quality educational offerings and at the same time being prudent with tax payer dollars. Please call Superintendent Tony Thomas if you have questions regarding district operations and everyone is encouraged to attend the district's monthly Board Meetings.

Reid Hospital and Reid Sports Medicine continue Community Benefit Athletic Training Program

For the past four years, Reid Hospital has provided athletic trainers at no cost to public high schools under the Reid Community Benefit program. The expense is written off to the hospital's community benefit. Reid will continue the program for the 2012-13 school year.

Brian Steele, Sports Health Manager, said the trainers "are a great asset to our regional community. This program puts medical professionals in the schools where they can greatly affect the health and wellness of the high school population." Athletic Trainers provide many important services in the high school setting:

- Injury prevention — working with athletes, coaches, and administrators to reduce risk factors for student athletes.
- Injury/illness response — Trainers attend many practices or events and are often the first health care professional to help with an injury or illness. In this role the Athletic Trainer may be responding to issues with athletes, coaches, other staff or the general public. Being at the school allows the trainer to provide immediate treatment. In many cases, immediate treatment may lessen the severity of the injury.
- Injury assessment/triage — Trainers assess the type and extent of injuries and make recommendations for appropriate care. In some cases that may be treatment in the athletic training room. In others, it may mean a trip to the doctor, urgent care or emergency room.
- Treatment and rehabilitation — Trainers provide post acute and chronic care for their athletes involving a range of techniques, interventions, modalities, activities and exercises. Rehabilitation may be necessary for a variety of injuries ranging from a simple ankle sprain to complex post-surgical repairs like an ACL.
- Communication — Trainers function in the context of a highly complex health care system in addition to the stresses of athletic competition. The trainer is the central hub of communication between all parties in the sports medicine team: coaches, parents, athletes, physicians, administrators, therapists, nurses and others.
- Return to Sports — For injuries that require a longer period away from sports, it is important to work back up to the previous level of competition. Otherwise, risk for re-injury or even a new injury is greater because the athlete does too much too soon.
- Health care cost savings — Trainers treat and rehabilitate many injuries at the school, helping reduce the need for trips to physician offices or hospitals. This saves money for the family, insurance, and government. Athletic trainers have a positive impact on health care.

Reid Orthopedics, our team physicians, will continue to provide specific times for athletes to walk in and be seen a doctor or physician assistant. This allows for quick injury diagnosis and aides in returning athletes to their sport quickly.

"It is our sincere hope that these programs demonstrate the commitment that Reid has for the children of our communities and the commitment to helping them grow up well," Steele said.

Mrs. Chronister's Students Win Writing Contest

Five students in Mrs. Chronister's class won awards for their submissions in the Darke County Writing Contest. Their entries will be submitted to the Central Ohio Writing Contest. They were all awarded certificates, and some received coupons from McDonalds and movie tickets to Wayne Theater.

The winners are:

Lissa Siler – First place in fiction for "The Runaway Present."

Addie Miller – Second place in fiction for "The Magic Tree." Abbi Lipps – Third place in fiction for "The First Candy Cane." Courtney Runkel – First place in nonfiction for "Putting Up the Christmas Tree." Victoria Meyers – Second place in nonfiction for "Christmas Day." Dalton Cockerham – First place in poetry for "The Ten Days of Christmas."



Left to right: Lissa Siler, Abbi Lipps, Courtney Runkel, Addie Miller, Victoria Meyers, Dalton Cockerham