

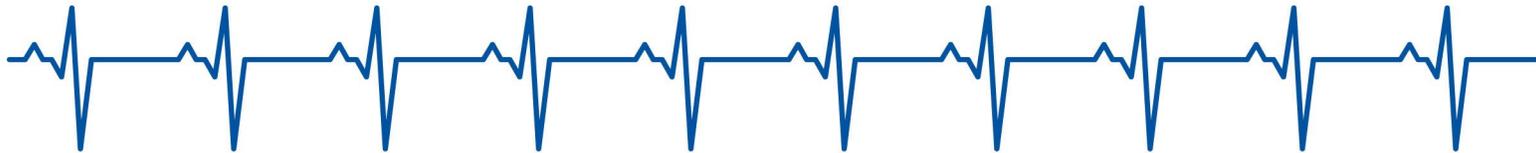


# The Patriot Pulse



## Tri-Village Local Schools

January 2019



### Earning an Ohio High School Diploma for the Classes of 2018 and 2019

As a student who entered grade 9 between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2016, you have multiple pathways to earn a high school diploma so that you can move on to your next steps in education or a career.

- You must complete and earn a state minimum of 20 credits in specific subjects. Additionally, you must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy and complete at least two semesters of fine arts. Your district may have more graduation requirements. Your school counselor has this information.
  - You must demonstrate what you have learned. Choose a pathway below to show that you are ready for college or a job.
1. **Ohio's State Tests** - Earn 18 out of 35 points on seven end-of-course state tests. You can earn up to five points on each test. You need a minimum of four points in math, four points in English language arts and six points across science and social studies.
  2. **Industry-recognized credential and score on workforce readiness test** - Earn an industry-recognized credential or a group of credentials totaling 12 points and earn the required score on the WorkKeys test. Ohio pays for you to take the test one time. Some districts offer the Senior Only Program through which you can earn credentials in one school year.
  3. **College and career readiness tests** - Earn remediation-free scores\* in math and English language arts on the ACT or SAT. Your district chooses either the ACT or SAT. You will take a one-time statewide spring test in grade 11 for free. \*Ohio's university presidents set these scores, which are subject to change.



If you do not meet any of the above three pathways, Ohio law provides you two additional options to earn a high school diploma **for the classes of 2018 and 2019 only**.

#### OPTION 1

Students entering grade 9 between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2016, are eligible to utilize the graduation options outlined below. Students must take and pass courses that constitute the curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. If the student receives a score of "1" or "2" on any math or English language arts test, the student must retake the test at least once while in high school.

Additionally, students must meet at least *two* of the below requirements:

- Attendance rate of 93 percent during the 12<sup>th</sup>-grade year;
- Earn a GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in all courses completed during 12<sup>th</sup> grade (must complete at least four full-year, or equivalent, courses);
- Complete a capstone project during 12<sup>th</sup> grade that the district or school defines;
- During 12<sup>th</sup> grade, complete a work or community service experience totaling 120 hours that the district or school defines;
- Earn three or more [College Credit Plus](#) credits at any time during high school;
- Earn credit for an Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) course *and* earn an AP exam score of 3 or higher or IB exam score of 4 or higher at any time during high school;
- Earn a WorkKeys exam score of 3 on each of three test sections;
- Earn a State Board-approved [industry-recognized credential](#) or credentials that equal at least three points;
- [Meet OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal requirements](#).

#### OPTION 2

Students must take and pass courses that constitute the curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. Students must finish a career-technical program that includes at least four courses in a single career pathway and complete at least *one* of the options below:

- Earn a total score of Proficient or better based on all career-technical exams or test modules;
- Earn an industry-recognized credential or credentials that equal 12 points;
- Complete a workplace experience totaling 250 hours with evidence of positive evaluations.

# School Board Recognition Month

Dear Patriots,

Tri-Village Local School District is celebrating School Board Recognition Month in January 2019 to build awareness and understanding of the vital function an elected board of education plays in our society.

School Board Recognition Month honors the members of Ohio's more than 700 city, exempted village, local and joint vocational boards of education and educational service centers governing boards for their commitment to providing quality public education to Ohio's children.

Being an effective school board member is no easy task, particularly in today's climate of change and challenge. School board members need to be knowledgeable about many complex education and social issues, and carry out initiatives and directives from both federal and state governments. To face these demands of governing our public schools, they give countless hours of personal time.

Ohioans benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 3,400 men and women across the state. These public servants are elected to serve by local citizens and they unselfishly contribute their time and talents toward the advancement of public education. They represent the commitment to local citizen control and decision making in education. Even though we are making a special effort by highlighting these individuals this month we recognize their contributions reflect a year-round commitment on their part.

The Tri-Village Local School District is joining with other districts throughout Ohio to recognize the important contributions school board members make to their communities. This month, you are invited to honor the contributions and dedication of our local board members, these locally elected citizens make decisions that affect, influence and direct the education of our youth in a positive way. Please join me in gratitude by saying "Thank You" to our local members who make a difference in our community, for every child, every day.



L-R: Mr. Josh Sagester, Superintendent, Mr. Tim Bevins, Mrs. Amy Farmer (Vice President), Mr. Shane Coby, Mrs. Tracy Frech, Mr. Tom Schlechty (Board President), Mrs. Kimberly Chowning, Treasurer.



**2018 DIVISION VII  
ALL-OHIO FOOTBALL  
FIRST TEAM DEFENSE  
MASON SULLENBARGER**



*Mason is the 1st "Tri-Village Patriot" to earn First Team Honors for football. Congratulations Mason!*

## After School Intervention Grades 3-6

Tri-Village offers a program for elementary students in grades 3-6 called the After-School Intervention Program. This program will focus on increasing skills in a variety of areas including Math and Reading. If you feel your child would benefit from this program, please contact his/her teacher to have them send a form home to sign up.

## Parent Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, February 19th & Thursday  
February 21st  
Grades K-12 (3:30 - 6:30 p.m.)

Please call the school office or email your student's teacher to schedule a conference time.