



Tri-Village Local Schools

School of Excellence

Regular Board News Release

The Tri-Village Board of Education met on Monday, March 17, 2014 at 6:00 in the board office.

Mr. Mead, Elementary Principal started off by congratulating Coach Sagester and the Boys Basketball Team.

Elementary Spring testing dates have changed.

Spring MAP testing dates:

- 2nd & 3rd Grade–April 14th –17th
- K-1 & 4th-6th Grade – May 12th – 16th

IOWA/CoGat Dates:

- 2nd Grade only – April 21st – 25th

OAA's:

- Reading – April 29th
- Math – May 1st
- Science – May 7th

Kindergarten Registration/Screening – Children being registered for Kindergarten must be five years of age by August 1, 2014 in order to be eligible for enrollment. Parents should bring the child's original birth certificate and custody papers (if that applies). All prospective students should be registered by now. If you have any questions regarding registration, please call 996-1511 and ask for Natalie Malott.

- June 9th-13th Screening Date

Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) "Focuses on the positive behaviors and recognize it instead of only recognizing the negative behaviors." Abbigale Lipps was the February Patriot of the Month. The following students participated in lunch with the principal on February 28th: Elijah baker, Auston Mendenhall, Samantha Skeens, Mason Willetts, Davin Stephens, Madison Taylor, Darci Miller and Abbigale Lipps. Mr. Mead invited the board to his next student lunch with the principal on March 28th.

Mr. Mead implemented a lunch Peanut Free Zone. Three tables have been designated for students with peanut allergies to sit there with a friend and eat lunch if they choose.

Mr. Jim Basketball Jones will once again be on campus to kick off OAA week with a powerful program offering test taking strategies. The Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA) team is working hard to prepare students for the upcoming assessments. The goal of the program is to encourage, promote, and advocate putting forth maximum efforts on the OAA tests is the team's goal.

The Math Family Fun Carnival Night will be held on Thursday, April 10th from 6:00 – 7:30 in the commons. Mrs. Lindsey Bergman along with the Title I Coaches are organizing the night promoting math through family activities.

On April 15th, Mr. Lee Morris, JH/HS Principal wished our four projects competing at the District 10 Science Fair good luck. This competition was held on Saturday, March 22nd at Central State University. Mr. Morris also congratulated Coach Sagester and his boys on winning the Regional Final game advancing them to the Final Four State Tournament.

OAA's:

- Reading – Grades 7-8, April 30th
- Math – Grades 7-8, May 5th
- Science – Grade 8, May 8th

Mr. Morris informed the board we are working on catching up from the winter season on our state mandated drills. On March 13th, Jim Haney, Darke County Office of Homeland Security was on campus to witness our tornado drill.

Congratulations to The Destination Imagination team for finishing first in the Regional competition on March 15th & 16th. The team advanced to the state in Reynoldsburg, Ohio on April 26th. The team consists of: Shelby Holzapfel, Emma Campbell, Kaylor Pearson, Mackenzie Stucky, they are coached by Mrs. Kathy Pearson.

Mr. Morris concluded that the Final Four open house was wonderful. The community came together to send off the boys to state. It is great to see all the community support behind our students and their extracurricular activities. Representative Mr. Jim Buchy, County Commissioner Mr. Mike Stegall and Sheriff Toby Spencer were all on hand to commend the boys and speak to the community. Their message was well received.

Mr. Josh Sagester, Superintendent discussed the vision, continuous improvement and focus of the districts work. The Race to the Top (RttT) progress monitoring report for our year four scope of work has been submitted. In May Mr. Sagester will complete the last progress-monitoring piece of the frame.

Mr. Sagester gave a brief BASA update. Thus, explaining the calamity day plan. The plan is to make up one day by adding 30-minute increments to the school day 10 days prior to OAA testing and we will make up the second day on May 30, 2014. The administration will release the exact dates we will be lengthening the school day shortly. Further information will be forthcoming.

The Ohio Board of Regents has implemented “new rules” for secondary teachers to teach dual credit. Mrs. Black, Guidance Counselor and Mr. Morris attended a meeting at IU East to discuss the new requirements. The Ohio Board of Regents has mandated IU to certify that all Ohio ACP teachers meet the new requirements to teach dual credits. This meeting discussed the new mandates and the potential options for teacher training to make sure we are compliant. Mrs. Black and Mr. Morris will also be attending a meeting at Edison Community College to gain more information regarding Ohio’s dual credit program.

Mr. Sagester thanked Mr. Morris and the wellness committee for organizing breakfast for all kids taking The Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). Students were served a hot breakfast everyday during testing.

Mr. Sagester publically thanked and congratulated Macie Simons a senior, for singing the National Anthem at UD Arena!

The Darke County Board of DD and Special Olympics are partnering to celebrate the Special Olympics Basketball Teams (Slammers/Warriors/Dawgs) success as well as to celebrate March being the Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Ohio. They are hosting a game with their teams and want to partner with people in the community to show this year’s theme “Ability @ Work.” They have invited Mr. Sagester to participate in a game and play in one quarter with the players. This event will be on Wednesday, March 26th at 6:30 at Versailles Middle School. Mr. Sagester is very honored to be a part of this event.

Congratulations to Rachel Laux and the entire cast on a phenomenal performance in Midsummer/Jersey last weekend.

Mr. Sagester also commended Mrs. Kathy Pearson and her Destination Imagination Team on placing 1st place at the Regional competition which advanced them to state.

Congratulations to the following athletes on their accomplishments this winter.

- Tyler Cook – 1st Team All Southwest Ohio
- Colton Linkous – 2nd Team All Southwest Ohio
- Damion Cook – 3rd Team All Southwest Ohio
- Krystal Falknor – 2nd Team All Southwest Ohio

- Raya Mikesell – Honorable Mention All Southwest Ohio

The FFA Banquet is scheduled for Sunday, March 30th at 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday March 25th at 6:00 p.m. is the Winter Athletic Banquet.

Other items of interest:

- A. Issued a five year (2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019) limited certified contracts to: Karen Bietry, Elementary 1-8/Reading K-12 Teacher, Mattie Brewer, Early Childhood P-3 Teacher, Angie Everman, Early Childhood P-3 & Reading (K-12) Teacher, Zac Graham, Health Education (P-12) and PE (P-12), Karen Lenhoff, Kindergarten-Elementary (K-8) / Early Education of the Handicapped Prekindergarten Teacher, Heidi Wooddell, Early Childhood P-3 / Reading P-3 Teacher, Sue Dill, Spanish/French (7-12) Teacher, and Kathy Harris, Adolescent – Young Adult (7-12) English/History Teacher.
- B. Issued a two year (2014-2015, 2015-2016) limited certified contracts to: Lindsay Bergman, Early Childhood P-3 / Reading P-3 / Early Childhood Generalist 4-5 / Reading K-12 Teacher, Amanda Pohl, Intervention Specialist (K-12) Mild/Moderate Teacher, and Elizabeth Roberts, Early Childhood (P-3), Gifted Intervention Specialist K-12 Teacher.
- C. Issued a three year (2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017) administrative contract to Lee Morris, 7-12 High School Principal.
- D. Issued a two year (2014-2015, 2015-2016) limited classified contract to Kevin Denlinger, Bus Driver.
- E. Issued a three year (2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017) limited classified contract to Chris Pearson, Facilities Operations Supervisor.
- F. Appointed Geneva Price, Volunteer “Friend to Friend (F2F)” Advisor for the 2013-2014 school year.
- G. Appointed Stephanie Benedict, Assistant Volunteer “Friend to Friend (F2F)” Advisor for the 2013-2014 school year.
- H. Approved Jim Foreman Sr., Volunteer Bus Aide, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- I. Approved Chris Pearson, site manager for FY2014 at a rate of \$50.00 per home baseball and softball games to be paid from the athletic fund.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Accepted \$92.41 from Kroger to benefit the Backpack Program.
- B. Approved an overnight field trip for MD Students to visit Cincinnati, Ohio, including Newport Aquarium, Duck Ride, and Great Wolf Lodge from May 22-23, 2014, under the direction of Mrs. Karyn Smith and Mrs. Christy Cassel.
- C. Approved an overnight field trip for select FFA members to attend the State FFA Camp in Columbus, OH from May 1-2, 2014 under the direction of Brian Pohlman.