



Tri-Village Local Schools
Regular Board News Release

Mr. Shane Mead, Elementary Principal, is pleased with all the good things the students and staff are doing in the Elementary. We had a very successful start to the school year. Several staff members are taking advantage of professional development this nine weeks. Staff in grades kindergarten through second grade will take IMPACT training in math at the Darke County ESC through February. The elementary monthly department meetings focus will be on test prep. April Wulber and Angie McMurry from the Darke County ESC were on campus for test prep professional development in science. Several staff members visited an area school for professional development observations in science, reading and social studies.

Mr. Mead and his staff are looking into Moby Max for grades kindergarten through sixth to possible replace Study Island. This could have potential costs savings to the district.

Mr. Mead shared the kindergarten readiness assessment results. We do have some gaps to close, which will be another topic of discussion during professional development and staff meetings. We are awaiting on county comparisons to see how well we fared against surrounding districts, the KRA2 is a different assessment than used in prior years.

We are currently servicing fifty-two students in the after school intervention classes Monday through Friday.

Congratulations to Macey Shelter for earning the title as Patriot of the Month.

We are excited that Bradford Special Education Department will be sending five staff members to observe our Intervention Specialists, Angie Thomas and Amanda Pohl. This will be a nice opportunity for them to collaborate with area educators.

Mr. Mead concluded by announcing the upcoming Christmas concerts:

- Grades 4-6 - December 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium
- Grades K-3 - December 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium
- Wee Patriot Preschool Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium

Mr. Lee Morris, JH/HS Principal was pleased to report first quarter honors. There was 47 students on the Principal's Roll (4.0 GPA), 85 on the Honor Roll (3.50-3.99 GPA), 86 on the Merit Roll (3.00-3.49 GPA).

Parents and Community Engagement, Mr. Morris was pleased to report on Tuesday, November 10th, we served and honored 47 Veterans with a Kindergarten students and teachers, MVCTC TVFFA, high school band and choir, Mr. Beard's Government students, the kitchen staff and Mr. Chris Pearson.

The junior high choir had the opportunity to travel to Memorial Hall where they worked for the day on performance pieces with other Darke County school choirs in the Darke County Junior Choral Festival.

The Adopt-A-Family Inaugural Quarter Auction held on November 12th raised \$2,650 towards the \$10,000 goal. If you would like to contribute to the Adopt-A-Family campaign please contact Mrs. Heather Stump at heather_stump@darke.k12.oh.us or Mrs. Beth Fisherback at beth_fisherback@darke.k12.oh.us or by calling 937-996-1511.

Mrs. Black along with Indiana University East assisting will be holding a FAFSA night on Wednesday, December 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the school commons.

Mr. Morris concluded by announcing the upcoming band and choir Christmas concert on December 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Mr. Josh Sagester, Superintendent briefed the board on the Ohio School Board Association Conference.

He commended Mr. Morris, Mrs. Brinkman, Mrs. Price, Mr. Judy, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Beard, Mrs. Wooddell, Mrs. Tobias and Mrs. Butcher for a job well done on Veterans Day.

Mr. Sagester is pleased with the professional development opportunities being facilitated by our administration.

We are excited to upgrade our primary elementary classrooms with chromebooks. We will be replacing and recycling our outdated ones. Each elementary classroom in the primary grade levels will be getting five new chromebooks.

Mr. Jerry Hollinger, Bus Mechanic, does a nice job of keeping the school bus fleet road ready. The district will be trading in two buses out of their fleet to go toward a used 75 passenger bus. This bus will be road ready soon and a nice addition to our fleet

Mr. Sagester along with area local responders met on November 17th to discuss the addition of Navigate Prepared to our safety features. Navigate Prepared was designed with schools in mind, provides eyes-on access to emergency protocol and facility information. School officials and emergency responders can use the up-to-date information to train, improve, and take action when needed.

Mrs. Joanie Hollinger and Mr. Sagester are pleased to announce the Wee Patriot Preschool was awarded a preschool grant in the amount of \$40,000 through ODE. These funds are to provide preschool services to economically disadvantage three and four year old children.

We are pleased to report Energy Optimizers did a great job with our energy savings project and will be onsite in November to finalize the project.

The "Patriot Way" Trophy Case is up and on public display with the 2015 Boys State Basketball Trophy. On November 28th during the conclusion of the junior varsity game we will be recognizing the 2015 State Championship Boys Basketball Team and unveil a new banner. The Junior Varsity game begins at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Sagester gave a brief update on the Field House. The goal is to have occupancy by January.

Mr. Sagester publically thanked The Great Darke County Fair board members for allowing us to use their bleachers.

Mr. Sagester concluded by distributing the 2017/2018 football CCC schedules.

Other Board Items:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Approve the following Title I Coaches to provide after school intervention services at a rate of \$9.60 / hour as recommended by the Superintendent.

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| Sarah Loxley (Through 11/27/2015) | Stephanie Baumgardner | Michelle Groff | Christina Wogoman |
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- B. Issue a one year (2015-2016) limited supplemental contract to Cindy Fraylick, JH Girls Track Coach, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- C. Accept the resignation of Sarah Loxley, Title I Teacher effective November 27, 2015 as recommended by the Superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Accept the following donations as presented by the Treasurer.

1. \$1,000.00 from Jim & Mary Buckley to the Varsity Baseball Account
 2. \$ 500.00 from Darke County ESC to the Elementary Principals fund to benefit the COSI Event
 3. \$200.00 from Abbottsville United Methodist Church to the PATS account to benefit the Backpack Program
 4. \$ 200.00 from Braund Pope Funeral Home to Chorus Fund
 5. \$ 50.00 from Kathy Kutter to PATS to benefit the Tri-Village Backpack Program.
- B. Accept with gratitude a donation of equipment and supplies from 3M (Brookeville, OH), donorschoose.org program, in the amount of \$1188.89 to support STEM initiatives as presented by the Treasurer.
- C. Accept with gratitude the following in-kind donations supporting the Outdoor Athletic Complex, as recommended by the Treasurer.
1. \$2820.00 from A Perfect Enterprise LLC.
- D. Accept the following donations to the Capital Projects Fund to benefit the Outdoor Athletic Complex, as presented by the Treasurer.
1. \$10,000 anonymous donor
- E. Accept the following donation to the Capital Improvement Fund to enhance and add to the Athletic program scoreboards, as presented by the Treasurer.
1. \$1800.00 from Kevin Flory Landscaping
- F. Recommends approval to participate in the FY2016 "Believe in Ohio Entrepreneurship" Grant program hosted by the Ohio Board of Regents and the Ohio Academy of Science to help develop young entrepreneurs in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, as recommended by the Superintendent.
- G. Adopt a memorandum of understanding between Tri-Village Local School District and the Darke County Department of Health regarding Emergency Preparedness Agreement, as recommended by the Superintendent.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 21, 2015.