



The Patriot Pulse



Tri-Village Local Schools

October 2020



Tri-Village Families,

The district is committed to the safety and health of our students and staff. As required by the Director of Health of the State of Ohio, the district will implement a notification/communications plan in order to communicate in a timely manner. The following guidelines will be in place for Tri-Village Families:

Reporting a Case: To report COVID-19 case, please contact Jodi Fritz, School Nurse at 937-996-1511. Mrs. Fritz will serve as the district's **COVID-19 coordinator** and will assist families with the process.

Notification of a Positive Test: Written notification of a positive test or case shall be sent to the parents/guardians of all students who share a classroom space or have participated in a school activity during the COVID-19 infectious period. The district will share as much information as possible without disclosing health information.

- A one call will be made to the class/grade/team indicating a letter is being sent home with the students.
See sample letter on our website.
- School wide notification will be made using the district website. The website will be updated each time a new case has been confirmed.

Report to the Health Department: Each time a case is confirmed the district will work with the Darke County Health Department to contact anyone identified as a close contact. The Health Department will notify all close contacts as part of the COVID-19 contract tracing protocol.

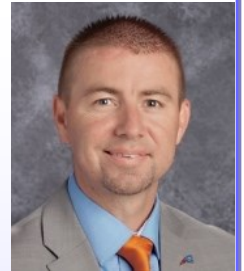
Instruction and Missed Days: For days missed due to COVID-19 positive tests (both symptomatic and asymptomatic) and or the purpose of quarantining due to close contact, the district will provide options for students to stay engaged in learning. Parents should contact the building principal to request access to class (Google Meets) and/or work. Students who are unable to participate will be provided time to make up assignments per the student handbook rules for absences.

Disinfecting: Additional cleaning and disinfecting of any exposed classrooms/locations will be completed prior to students returning the next day.

The safety of our students and staff is our top priority. Thank you for your continued patience, positivity and understanding.

Sincerely,

Josh Sagester
Superintendent



Mr. Sagester
Superintendent

Tri-Village Families,

Our district staff understands that our decision to open or close schools in bad weather has a big effect on families. We also understand that our students are better served both academically and socially by being in school. But as always, our top priority is the safety of our students.

Once a decision has been made to close school or delay the opening, the Superintendent will activate our One Call Now System, which means all parents will receive an automated phone call indicating that school has either been cancelled or will open late.

In addition to the automated call the information will also be sent to the following media, websites and social media outlets listed below.

www.tri-village.k12.oh.us	@TV_Schools	WDTN Channel 2	WKEF Channel 22	WHIO Channel 7	FOX Channel 45
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The decision to close or delay the opening of school is made by the Superintendent of Schools. This decision is based upon the most up to date information available from the various resources. The decision to close or delay school is usually made by 5:45 A.M. However, weather conditions do change sometimes and decisions may need to be altered after that for the safety our students and staff. If the announcement is not on the television or an automated call is not received the previous evening, the decision has not yet been made. Under typical circumstances the decision is not made until the early morning hours of the day in question.

We appreciate your support and cooperation in this matter. The safety of our children will always be our prime consideration.

Yours in Education,

Josh Sagester

Same Faces New Places Please welcome our new staff!

Stephanie Baumgardner - Intervention Specialist

I am the new, K-6 Intervention Specialist. I am starting year six at Tri-Village Elementary, and am very excited about my new position. I live in Greenville, Ohio with my husband and four children.



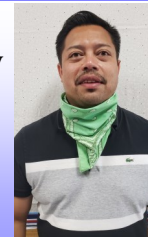
Jordan Renfro - Intervention Specialist

I am a graduate of Miami University with a degree in K-12 intervention and I bring a passion for fostering academic and social growth in individuals with disabilities. I will be teaching middle school multiple disabilities class. My husband Tommy and I have two daughters, Nora (4) and Ava (2).



Timothy Cundiff - Intervention Specialist

I am the new Intervention Specialist, I come to the district after my rookie year at Sidney City Schools. I am a graduate of Greenville High School & The Ohio State University. In my spare time I enjoy attending church and various community events, participating in outdoor activities, volunteering, and spending time with family and friends. I currently resides in Greenville.



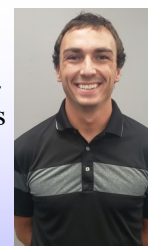
Michelle Groff - 1st Grade

My name is Michelle Groff I am a graduate from the University of Cincinnati in Early Childhood Education. I was the Title I teacher here for the last six years. I live in New Madison with my husband and three children. I love to be outside and to spend time with my family. I am very excited for this newest adventure!



Sean Ford - 7-12 Social Studies

Hello, my name is Mr. Sean Ford. I graduated from Tippecanoe High School in 2014. I graduated from Wright State University with a Bachelor of Arts in History in 2019 and completed the Ohio State University's Intensive Pedagogical Training Institute that same year. I am currently continuing my education at Grand Canyon University and I will be graduating with a Masters of Arts in History with an Emphasis in Education in the Spring of 2021. I love the rewards of teaching and I love history. I read a lot of books about history, politics, and philosophy. Outside of school, I love playing and coaching sports (I'm a varsity football assistant coach at Tri-Village), playing and listening to music, and being with the people I love. A cool thing about me is that in 2017 my wife (Kaitlyn), my dog (a Siberian Husky), and I did a two week cross-country road trip to visit and hike National Parks that covered 8,500 miles.



Jennifer Pierre - Title IIA

Hi! I am the new Title II teacher here at Tri-Village. I am a Wright State graduate with a ECE K-5 license and a Master's degree in technology. I live in Ansonia with my husband and three children.



Derek Miller - Title Coach

Hello, I am Mr. Miller. I have been teaching for seven years, and I am excited to be a part of the Tri-Village team! I am a graduate of The Ohio State University (Go Bucks!), and I love to read. I have a wonderful wife of 12+ years, and we spend almost all of our time looking after eight kids - four boys & four girls. I am looking forward to working with your kiddos this year!



Misty Brummett - HS Secretary

I grew up in West Manchester and I am a graduate from National Trail HS. I worked as a corrections officer at the Preble County Sheriff's office until my husband joined the US Coast Guard in 2001. I have been a military spouse for the last 18 years and I have three children.



Free Lunches

The United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services has extended the Seamless Summer Option Waiver program, this means ALL students will receive free breakfast and lunches from now up through December 31, All parents are still required to fill out the free and reduced lunch application on final forms. If you have any questions, please contact Sheryll Hedger at 937-996-1511 extension 1215.

Hydration

Students are encouraged to bring a bottle of water to school. Students can fill up their water bottles at water bottle fillers or in the classroom sinks.

