The Patriot Pulse



Tri-Village Local Schools

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Tri-Village Community,

As we celebrate the conclusion of another school year, I would like to thank each of you for your many contributions to Tri-Village Local Schools. The accomplishments and successes of the 2023-2024 school year are due the collective efforts of our Tri-Village Family.



Mr. Sagester Superintendent

I continue to enjoy working with all staff members, students, and stakeholders of the Tri-Village community. It seems like yesterday we began our journey together. I assure you preparations for another exciting school year are already in full swing as we find ourselves replacing personnel, improving our facilities, and updating our technology infrastructure for the 2024-2025 School Year.

On behalf of the Tri-Village Board of Education, I would specifically like to thank our community for their continued support including attendance at school events, volunteer efforts at our facility, and financial support through your local tax dollars. Thank you for making the connection between a strong, local school system and strong community. We are grateful that our community values an investment of both time and resources to positively impact our children.

Simply stated, a culture of success and high expectations is not possible without the support of everyone in our community. This concept only becomes a reality when each one of us is willing to grow and sustain a culture of excellence in education. We depend on all our stakeholder groups and community partners to strategically move our school system forward during challenging times.

As we take time in coming weeks to reflect and refresh, we do with confidence that the 2024-2025 school year will be even better. We will learn from failures and tweak our successes. We will grow stronger as a team and overcome any obstacles placed in our way. This is the Patriot Way...it starts and ends with the best team of educators, support staff, and families around!

With Gratitude.

Josh Sagester

2023-2024 Elementary Highlights

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September:

- All State Diagnostic Testing successfully completed by Sept. 30th. Much in part to 1:1 ratio of Chromebooks.
- Pink Laces running club started. Female students participated in running and related activities with a focus on empowering females. They ran once a week for six weeks and ended with a 1 mile fun run.
- All teachers completed the WEP training Professional Development towards their required Gifted Hours.
- > Intervention Specialist and Paraprofessionals completed CRT (Restraint) Training with Mrs. Fritz.
- Our PBIS efforts continued.
- > We kicked off our Fall Ketrings Meats Fundraiser, which was a success. Thank you to Ketrings Meats, students, parents and staff for making this event successful.
- Teach Like A Pirate Lessons were emphasized this year after a visit from Dave Burgess during our August PD. These were submitted to me and then shared with our Board of Education. Many lessons were displayed on our Televisions throughout the school.
- A new county SBU was opened on campus.
- > Sept. 21st grades 4-6 participated in the Art in Education assembly.
- > Our math department partnered with Kappel Consulting for the 23-24 school year for math professional development.
- > Sept. 30th we announced our first Patriot of the Month and held our first Lunch with the Principal. This continued every month throughout the school year.

October

- > Oct. 11th students participated in Fire Prevention Day.
- > TVE celebrated Bullying Prevention Month with a variety of classroom activities.
- > SRO Dan presented drug & violence prevention lessons at each grade level. These lessons continued throughout the year.
- > Oct. 17th & 19th We had nearly 100% attendance for our Fall Parent Teacher Conferences.
- > Oct. 25th KONA Ice made their first visit of the year to Tri-Village. This would happen monthly throughout the year.
- Cot. 23rd 27th Students participated in Red Ribbon Week led by our Youth and Family Advocate, Mrs. Dyson.
- > 3rd Grade successfully completed the Fall 3rd Grade State ELA Test
- Oct. 26th was our Watch D.O.G.S. kickoff.
- > Oct. 27th students participated in their first Patriot Buck Assembly of the year. We had an assembly at the end of every quarter with a chance for students to win a variety of prizes.

Nov.

- Nov. 2nd Value Added staff met with April Hoying from the ESC to discuss value added scores.
- Nov. 10th Veterans Day Breakfast
- Nov. 16th was the Tri-Village Spelling Bee.
- Nov. 21st 2nd Grade Grandparents Day was held.
- Nov. 21st students in the SBU participated in a Thanksgiving Feast at MV.

December:

- > Dec. 5th K-4 Winter Concert was held.
- Dec. 11th Emily Kappel from Kappel Consulting was on campus for math department observations.
- Dec. 14th 5-8 Winter Concert was held.
- Dec. 15th student in the SBU participated in a Christmas Party at McBo's bowling alley in Versailles.

Jan.:

- **▶** Winter MAP Testing was completed in just one week due to our 1:1 initiative.
- > Jan 11th Students were given the opportunity to visit our Mobile Dentist for a free teeth cleaning.
- ► Jan 18th TVE students participated in the county spelling bee.

February:

- Feb. 7th Emily Kappel from Kappel Consulting was back on campus providing professional development.
- Feb. 20th and 22nd Round two of Parent Teacher Conferences took place and again we had nearly 100% of students who were invited were represented.

March

- > Right to Read Month. Students raised roughly \$14,000 for PATS and the Principal Fund.
- March 18th Darke DD visited our K-2 classrooms.
- March 24th Our female students were invited by the HS Softball team to participate in their 3rd annual Father Daughter Dance.

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- > Students in grade 3-6 completed the ELA State Testing.
- April 16th Shoes for the Shoeless was on campus where they gave away over 100 pairs of shoes to our students.
- April 19th With the help of PATS students were given the opportunity to participate in the Patriot Carnival.



Mr. Mead Principal

2023-2024 Elementary Highlights Continued

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- > Students in Grades 3-6 completed the Math & Science State Testing.
- May 6th our Staff was recognized and served lunch for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- ➤ May 8th K-4 Spring Concert took place.
- May 9th We had our Read-A-Thon Assembly where Mr. Mead was taped to the wall and silly stringed by our top readers.
- ➤ May 14th 5-8 Spring Concert took place.
- > Spring MAP Testing was successfully completed.
- May 9th Kindergarten students hosted Muffins for Mom's.
- ➤ May 10th K-2 students participated in Field Day.
- May 13th Special Education students participated in the Darke County Field Day at Greenville High School.
- May 16th all student K-12 were given the opportunity to participate in the 2nd annual Senior Fest, which was held in the JH gym due to inclement weather.
- May 13th 17th 2nd grade successfully completed the CogAT assessment.
- May 17th grades 3-6 participated in Field Day.
- May 23rd Kindergarten students participated in Kindergarten Recognition.
- May 29th 6th grade students participated in the 1st annual Derby Day. Students made derby cars and then raced them for all students and staff to see.
- May 31st staff participated in our 3rd annual staff appreciation banquet.

Overall Successes:

- Lunch with the Principal was held monthly where students ate pizza as a reward for positive behavior.
- A Patriot of the Month was chosen monthly after being nominated by grade level staff for positive behavior.
- > Patriots of the Week were chosen weekly from each grade level for positive behavior.
- Each month every teacher awarded a gold coin to a deserving student to use the Book Vending Machine.
- **Each grade level participated in 2 Field Trips this year.**
- ➤ As a District we met 17/20 state indicators on the 2024 Spring State Tests.

2023-2024 Junior High/High School Highlights

- ◆ The Tri-Village District Leadership Team kicked off their school year with the annual conference of Darke County Administrators at the Second Street Market in Dayton on August 3, 2023.
- ◆ The Tri-Village Athletic Department hosted their inaugural Night at the Races fundraiser at Schlechty's Sports Bar and Grill on August 5, 2023.
- ◆ The Tri-Village Local Schools staff kicked off the school year for staff with guest speakers from the Tri-County Board of Mental Health, Mr. Eric Curts, artificial intelligence expert, and Tri-Village Teacher of the Year Roy Lowrie on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.
- ◆ The Tri-Village Cheer and Dance squads and coaches participated in the Great Darke County Fair Cheerleading Competition on Friday, August 18, 2023.
- ♦ Mr. Derek Bialowas and the Tri-Village Marching Band participated in the Great Darke County Fair Band Spectacular on Monday, August 21, 2023.
- ◆ Tri-Village Junior/Senior High School hosted open house for all students in grades 7-12 on Monday, August 28, 2023.
- Students were welcomed back to school on Tuesday, August 29, 2023.
- Guests from the Miami Valley Career Technology Center visited Tri-Village on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 to meet with all sophomores.
- Students smiled for the camera on Monday, September 18, 2023, with representatives from Lange Photography.
- Tri-Village Cheerleading hosted the annual Patriot All-American Cheer Competition on Sunday, September 24, 2023.
- Mr. Sean Ford, Mr. Roy Lowrie, and the Senior Seminar class traveled to Indiana University-East on Friday, September 29, 2023 for a college visit.
- ◆ Tri-Village celebrated Homecoming Spirit Week September 26 through 30, with food, games, and a victory over the Arcanum Trojans, 43-0.
- ♦ The Darke County Economic Development organization hosted National Manufacturing Day with all sophomore students touring Whirlpool Corporation in Greenville, Ohio on Friday, October 6.
- Representatives from Jostens visited campus on Monday, October 10, 2023 to meet with Seniors to order items for their graduation ceremonies.
- ◆ Tri-Village 7th and 8th graders traveled to St. Clair's Memorial Hall in Greenville on Thursday, October 19, as part of the Darke County Arts in Education program, where they saw a program titled "Artrageous!"
- Mr. David Anthony, magician extraordinaire, visited Tri-Village on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 to perform for students in grades 9 through 12.
- ♦ Mrs. Kara Burns, Mrs. Alexis Murray, and Mr. Lowrie traveled with students to Edison State Community College on Wednesday, October 25 for a theatrical performance of "The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."



Mr. Morris Principal

2023-2024 Junior High/High School Highlights Continued

- Mrs. Shaughn Bingham and Mrs. Christina Cook traveled with students to Ohio Caverns on Wednesday, October 25.
- Mr. Justin Slone and the Tri-Village MVCTC Chapter of the FFA traveled to Indianapolis Nov. 1 through 4 for the National FFA Convention.
- ◆ Mrs. Cook took a group of ladies to the "Women in STEM" conference at Edison State Community College on Friday, Nov. 3.
- Mr. Brad Gray and the Tri-Village Athletic Department hosted their annual Fall Sports Awards on Wednesday, Nov. 8.
- Tri-Village welcomed all local veterans for our annual Veteran's Day program on Friday, Nov. 10, 2023.
- ◆ Tri-Village (11-2) lost to Anna 56-51 in the OHSAA Football Regional Semifinals on Friday, Nov. 10, bringing a close to the second season under Head Coach Matt Hopkins. Week 14 on the horizon.
- ♦ Mr. Bialowas and Mr. Andrew Wirrig hosted their annual dinner theater, "The Music that Made Us," on Saturday and Sunday Nov. 10 and 11. Soloists included Levi Swank, Taylor Begoon, Casey Lewis, Haylee Potter, Jonathan Eyer, Raegan Hager, and Lydia Ayette, amongst others.
- ♦ The Tri-Village Chapter of the National Honor Society and advisor Mrs. Heather Stump inducted 6 members on Thursday, Nov. 15, 2023. Congratulations to Heidi Bell, Mekedes Butsch, Adalynn Hines, Leanna Metzcar, Wyatt Moore and Trey Sagester.
- ◆ Leah Lawrence was champion and Ryleigh Preddy the runner up in the Tri-Village Junior High Spelling Bee on Thursday, Nov. 18. Lawrence (artiface) and Preddy (acclaim) represented TVJH at the Darke
- ♦ Members of the Tri-Village Class of 2026 traveled to the Miami Valley Career Technology Center for their annual visit on Tuesday, Nov. 28.
- Mr. Bialowas and Mr. Wirrig hosted their annual Holiday Concerts on Tuesday and Thursday December 12 and 14. .
- Emily Kappel of Kappel Consulting spent multiple days on campus beginning December 14, 2023 observing, brainstorming and creating lessons under the guidance of first-year math teacher Miss Taylor Rawlings.
- ◆ The Mobile Dentist visited Tri-Village on Thursday Jan. 11, 2024.
- ♦ Lawrence (artiface) and Preddy (acclaim) represented TVJH at the Darke County Spelling Bee on Thursday, Jan. 18 at Romer's Catering in Greenville. Bradford's Nicholas Swiger was Darke County champion.
- The Tri-Village Hall of Fame committee inducted Tyler Cook, Krystal (Falknor) Wolf, and Jeremy Price on Friday, Jan. 19, 2024.
- ◆ Tri-Village's Night of Champions honored the Regional Finalist Baseball team on their 50 year anniversary dating back to 1974, and the State Semi-Finalists from 1979 the women's softball team on Saturday, Jan. 27, 2024.
- Mr. Todd Schilling of Darke County Economic Development spent three days on campus the week of Jan. 29 promoting a "YouScience" campaign for students in grades 10 and 12.
- Mr. Eric Everman of Medicine and More visited Tri-Village's campus on Friday, February 9 providing a biometric screening service for all staff.
- Mrs. Annette Black and representatives from Indiana University-East hosted College Credit Plus night for all 2024-25 students on Wednesday, February 14, 2024.
- Mr. J. Slone and students celebrated FFA Week February 20 through 23 by providing breakfast for staff, their members, visiting Skate Zone 805 for an after school activity, and by participating in the Ag. Olympics.
- Mr. J. Slone had Americus Hirsch, Alexis Finkbine and Brody Beisner represented Tri-Village at the Darke County FFA Public Speaking contest on Jan. 30, 2024.
- All members of the Class of 2025 took the ACT, sponsored by the State of Ohio, on Tuesday, February 27, 2024.
- Mrs. Beth Fisherback and Mrs. Stump traveled to National Trail High School with 25 student council members on Wednesday, February 28 for a "Renaissance" event promoting school unity.
- ♦ The Tri-Village Arts Foundation, in partnership with the Brian Munchel Youth Music Foundation and the Tri-Village Music Boosters, hosted their inaugural Arts Gala on Friday, March 1, 2024. Mr Bialowas, Mr. Shane Magill, and Mr. Wirrig orchestrated over 15 individual/small group performances along with a coffee shop style arts display to highlight the evening.
- ♦ The Junior High Student Council held their second annual Winner's Meats Fundraiser in March 202f4 and earned over \$1000 for their program.
- Mr. Bialowas and the band program visited Versailles High School on March 8, 2024 for a festival.
- Mr. Bialowas, Mr. Wirrig, and the Tri-Village Music Boosters hosted Bingo on Sunday, March 17, 2024.
- ♦ The Athletic Department had their official ribbon cutting ceremony for our refurbished baseball and softball complex on Monday, March 18, 2024 at 530pm. An American flag was raised on the centerpiece pole honoring Chase Spencer, TV Class of
- Mr. Gray and the Athletic Department hosted the Winter Sports Awards on Tuesday March 19, 2024.
- ◆ Tri-Village participated in the mandatory state-wide tornado drill on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 1000am at the request of the Department of Homeland Security.
- Patriot Senior "Isabella Bella" Black was Tri-Village's nominee for the Franklin B. Walter award and was recognized on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at a ceremony at Romer's Catering.
- ♦ Mr. Brian Honeycutt took students to the Miami County Courthouse for a Mock Trial on Thursday, March 21, 2024.
- Mr. J. Slone took a group of Ag. students to Piqua Intermediate School on Thursday, March 28 for a S4TS program.
- Mr. J. Slone and the TV FFA hosted their annual FFA Banquet on Wednesday, April 3, 2024

2023-2024 Junior High/High School Highlights Continued

- Tri-Village, along with all other schools in Darke County, were closed on Monday April 8, 2024 due to the full solar eclipse that visited our area. Go ahead and make parking plans for the next one to come to town; it will arrive starting at 1120am on Monday, September 14, 2099.
- ◆ Tri-Village hosted its first ever "Academic" Assembly to promote the upcoming state tests on Friday, April 12, 2024. This 30 minute event highlighted our start of the most important season at Tri-Village.
- Mr. J. Slone hosted a S4TS event at Tri-Village on Tuesday, April 16, 2024.
- ◆ Darke County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Stockslager, School Resource Officer, hosted a county-wide SRO meeting at Tri-Village on Wednesday, April 17, 2024.
- The Tri-Village Athletic Department hosted the 4th annual Clayton Murphy Invitational on Saturday, April 27, 2024.
- ♦ Lyla Brewer, Gavin Curtner, Selena Downey, Emma Hughey, Leah Lawrence, Samuel Prieto, Caleb Sachs, Garrett Sachs, Blake Stewart, and Katelyn Stewart participated in the Darke County Band Directors Association's 2024 Junior High Honors Band at Versailles High School on Sunday, April 28, 2024.
- ◆ April Hoying, Curriculum Director at the Darke County ESC, made several visits to campus this year, including one on Monday, April 29, 2024.
- The Tri-Village Athletic Department hosted the 5th annual Austin Bruner Memorial Invitational on Monday, April 29, 2024.
- Mrs. Bingham, Mr. Ryan Saba and their students traveled to the Cincinnati Zoo on Wednesday, May 1, 2024.
- Mr. J. Slone and his Ag students traveled to the Ohio FFA Convention on Thursday and Friday, May 2 and 3, 2024.
- Members of the Class of 2024 participated in Village Impact Program (VIP) Day at Tri-Village on Friday, May 3, 2024.
- ♦ Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Christina Volk and the junior class hosted Prom on the Ohio River in conjunction with B&B Riverboats and Buckeye Charters in Cincinnati, Ohio on Saturday May the 4th, 2024. The Reds lost to the Orioles 2-1 and robbed us of the fireworks show.
- ◆ All Patriot freshmen received advanced CPR training from Mr. Davies and Mrs. Fritz on Monday and Tuesday May 6&7, 2024.
- Tri-Village honored staff with a lunch on Monday, May 6 for Staff Appreciation Week.
- ◆ 31 eighth grade students traveled to Washington DC May 7 through May 10, 2024. Words of the week included "reverence" "silence" and "respect."
- Tri-Village Senior Carter Finkbine was honored at the Darke County IGNITE Awards program on Friday, May 10, 2024.
- Mr. Bialowas and Mr. Wirrig hosted their annual Spring Music and Choir concerts on Tuesday and Thursday May 14-16, 2024.
- Mr. Lowrie, Mr. Ford, Mrs. Stump, and Mr. Saba held a team building event for all sophomores on Friday, May 17, 2024 at Chenowith Trails in Greenville.
- ♦ The Miami Valley Career Technology Center held their annual Senior Recognition Ceremony on Friday, May 17, 2024 at the University of Dayton Arena. Amongst the honorees were thirteen graduating seniors from Tri-Village High School.
- ◆ The New Madison Tri-Village Alumni Committee hosted their annual banquet on Saturday, May 18, 2024.
- Members of the Class of 2023 celebrated their last formal day of classes on Thursday, May 16, 2024.
- The Council on Rural Services program celebrated the graduation of six Tri-Village Seniors from their program on Wednesday, May 22, 2024.
- ♦ Commencement exercises for the Tri-Village Class of 2024 took place on Sunday, May 19, 2024. 51 students received their diplomas, and the class was led by valedictorians Bella Black, Macy Howell, and Kiersten Wilcox.
- ◆ Thursday, May 31st was the last day of classes for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Logan Brubaker and the Junior High Staff hosted their annual awards banquet. 7th grader Lyla Brewer and 8th grader Cole Hiestand took home the Highest Honor Award.



Performance Levels for State Testing

Log into your parent grade viewer (https://pa.metasolutions.net/) progress book account and under assessments you will see your student's state performance testing score for each state test they have taken. Match that number with the numbers below to see how your child scored. Then scroll to the following pages for the descriptions of Limited, Basic, Proficient, Accomplished and Advanced on the specific tests.

Performance Score	Performance Score	Performance Score	Performance Score	Performance Score
1	2	3	4	5
=	=	=	=	=
Limited	Basic	Proficient	Accomplished	Advanced