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**TC BPA Serves Up Well ‘Rounded’ Treats**

Beginning September 4th, TC BPA once again began selling donuts to students and staff. Donuts are sold on Friday's in the cafeteria from 7:30-8:05 for \$2 each. The profit from the sales of donuts will be used to help offset BPA members' dues.

Donut sales continue to be popular among TC students and staff and sell out each week. The first Friday, the club sold three dozen donuts. The following week, the club sold four dozen and could have easily sold more as they had to turn away customers.

Donut sales will continue on Friday's through the month of September!



## **FROM THE DESK OF MS. HALL**

We have had a great, albeit eventful, start to the school year! Having storm damage during our first full week of school was definitely unexpected! I want to thank our families, students, and staff for being so understanding and positive through the challenges we have already faced this year. We are blessed with a dedicated staff and supportive families that will continue to make this year a success and keep our focus on what is best for our students.

Below are some announcements and dates for upcoming events as well as some reminders for this school year. We are excited to have our students back in the building! There are great things happening every day at TCP. I encourage you to reach out to see how you can be involved.

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/teacher conferences will be held on October 15th from 1-8 pm at the Jr/Sr High School. This will be a remote learning day for our students; students will not be at school this day. Parents will have the option of meeting with teachers in-person or having a virtual or phone conference. Information will be sent out to families to set a conference time.

### **TCP is Peanut Free**

TCP continues to be a peanut free school. All classroom snacks, birthday treats, and student lunches from home need to be peanut free. Before you send an item to school, please read any food labels to see if any peanut product is an ingredient. Food products with labels that say “may contain peanuts” or “manufactured in a facility that processes peanuts” should stay at home since we cannot be sure it does not contain peanuts. If there are any questions about a certain item, do not hesitate to call our office for clarification.

### **Masks and Water Bottles**

Two safety measures we are taking for our students are the water spout function of our drinking fountains and asking students to have a face mask. Our drinking fountains have a bottle filling station, so we ask that students bring a refillable bottle to school each day to use. Masks are necessary for times when social distancing is not possible and for riding the bus. While our students do not wear them all day, we do ask that each child bring a mask to school.

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## **DATES TO KNOW**

### **October**

6th- PTO Meeting, 7:00 pm at TCP

8th- end of 1st 9 weeks

12th- School Board meeting, 7:00 pm at the Corporation Office

13th- report cards sent home

15th- Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences (This is a remote learning day for students.)

21st-23rd- Fall Break

### **November**

3rd- PTO Meeting, 7:00 pm at TCP

9th- School Board meeting, 7:00 pm at the Corporation Office

25th-27th- Thanksgiving Break



## **FROM THE DESK OF MR. HAGAN**

Tri-County Intermediate School has had an amazing start to the school year! Students are working hard to surpass their goals and exceed expectations by REACHing HIGHER every day in all they do. They are engaged in STEM and demonstrating PRIDE (Persistence, Respectfulness, Initiative, Dependability, and Efficiency) to prepare them for college and career readiness.

Teachers and staff at TCI have been working hard in planning a year full of opportunities for students to engage in a STEM integrated curriculum for 21st Century Learning. All students are learning about butterflies by monitoring growth and preparing to track migration through tagging them. We are being creative maintaining a safe and healthy school due to COVID, while also providing our students with STEM opportunities. Being a STEM School makes us special and provides our students unique learning experiences. We will continue STEM the best we can!



I would like to thank all parents, teachers, staff, and community members for all of your collaborative efforts in making Tri-County Intermediate School such a great place for our students to grow and learn. Together, we hold each other to high standards for our students, create opportunities for them to grow, and we make learning fun. I truly appreciate all of your efforts to volunteer in the classrooms, on PTO, and work with us to support your children at home.

We will be having Remote Learning for students on Thursday, October 15 while we host fall parent/teacher conferences at TCJSHS from 1-8pm.

Mark Your Calendar

October 15 – Fall Parent/Teacher Conference (Remote Learning Day for students)  
October 21-25 – Fall Break

*Every Day Is What You Make It....Make It A Great Day!*

Mr. Hagan



## ***From The Desk of Mr. Haskins***

The school year continues to roll along! Little did we know a year ago that the term “social distancing” would be part of our regular vocabularies in 2020. I am so amazed by how our students and staff have handled our new policies that have been put in place during this time. To watch our students each day properly wear masks and follow our new lunch rules has been refreshing during this difficult period in our history. As I have mentioned to several people, the policy of putting a yellow line down our hallways to guide students is something that schools should have implemented 40 years ago. Overall, the commitment from our students and staff are the reason that we are still having in-person learning. Thanks to everyone that is involved.

Just a couple of quick updates at the beginning of the year:

- Congratulations to our new National Honor Society members that were formally inducted at the end of August. All of these students have worked hard in the classroom and are very deserving of this recognition.
- Great to see our marching band students play during the football games. Although this has been a difficult year for this group, their excitement to perform on Friday nights is very obvious to see.
- Our FFA students are still active and involved in many scheduled events that are helping to build leadership qualities within their group.
- Continued best wishes to all of our junior high and high school sports teams. It's great that these students can practice and participate in matches/games with local schools.
- Being part of a team or organization outside of the classroom is something that I highly encourage. The social interaction with others can benefit all ages of students.

Just a reminder that our students will be having their first remote learning day on Thursday, 9/24. This day will look different from our eLearning from last spring. Students will be using Google Classrooms to remote to each class at their regular time to receive instruction from teachers. Since teachers will be in a professional development session, the students receive their lessons through recordings made by teachers earlier in the week. Most lessons will be short but will be an extension of the materials being currently covered. A big thanks to our staff for making this a meaningful experience for our students.

As October approaches, our staff is preparing for parent-teacher conferences that will take place on Thursday, 10/15. Much like everything else during this time, our conferences are going to look a little different than in the past. The plan is for teachers to stay in their rooms for conferences with parents scheduling times to discuss student progress. Details will be coming to let parents know how to schedule times through the day of conferences. We look forward to seeing parents/guardians at conferences and thanks for being flexible with our new format.

Just want to encourage everyone in the community to come out and support all of our students involved in extracurricular activities. It is so enjoyable to watch our students participate in activities outside of the regular classroom. Anyone interested in getting schedules of events can download the EventLink app. Contact me with any questions on this service.

Lastly, as we continue to make adjustments to our new normal way of living, please keep in mind that your student's and our staff's safety will always be our focus here at Tri-County. Each week that we are able to continue our in-person learning is a benefit to our students. As I mentioned earlier, this doesn't happen without the willingness of students, staff and community. The administration appreciates everyone's help in making our student learning possible.

Thanks for being part of your student's educational experience! We are truly all in this together!

J.R. Haskins  
Principal  
Tri-County Junior/Senior High School



## ***From The Desk of Mr. Culp***

Have you ever been captured watching one YouTube video after another? YouTube has a feature that presents videos of similar content based on previous viewing habits. New videos appear and are just a click away for the viewer. This feature can make YouTube rather addictive.

Recently, I was sucked into binge-watching YouTube videos. For me, my vice is old basketball videos. Whether it's 1980s NBA videos featuring the Boston Celtics and the Los Angeles Lakers or videos of the 1990s Michael Jordan-led Chicago Bulls, I can get mesmerized by one video after another. I can simply keep watching one video after another, oblivious to the rest of the world.

While in my YouTube video coma, the 1993 speech from former basketball coach Jimmy Valvano appeared, and I just had to watch the video again. I have seen the famous speech literally dozens of times, yet I just had to watch it one more. During the 11-minute speech, Coach Valvano stated, *"If you laugh, if you think, and if you cry that's a full day. That's a heck of a day."*

This quote from Coach Valvano resonated with me. As I have both written and had conversations with people this past spring and summer, to me COVID-19 has reinforced the importance of public education. On several occasions, I have sat in amazement at how Tri-County balances so many aspects of public education on a daily basis.

Now that we are back in session, the importance of in-person public education is even more obvious. While public education may have its shortcomings, there is a multitude of positive events and encounters that happen daily within public schools, especially at Tri-County. Before COVID-19 many of these positives may have been unnoticed or taken for granted, but I think there are even more glaring now. As a teacher from the Tri-County Primary building so concisely stated, *"You cannot be in our building and seeing kids and not think this is the best place for students."*

**For some students and staff, Tri-County school(s) is their happy place, and they missed their happy place.**

When talking with students and staff (as well as some parents), I am continually amazed and surprised by how many truly missed school and have so appreciated being back in school again. People missed not just the interactions with their friends and extra-curricular activities, but the relationships with the people who both care for and challenge them. Even though they might not have realized it previously, students and staff are more appreciative of the relationships than ever before.

For some students, school is one of the most joy-filled places in their day. If we can keep this in mind and try to re-create that joy in learning, it is much easier to do the hard work of teaching and learning.





# OCTOBER ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 CANCELED-VB6- NW(A) 6:00 VB7A/8A- WC(A) 6:00 VBV&JV-NN(H) 6:00	2 FB(V) Fro (H) 7:00 <b>SENIOR NIGHT</b>  FFA SOAR Conference/Camp Trafalgar	3 CC(V)Coed MWC(WC) 11:00  FFA SOAR Conference/Camp Trafalgar
4 FFA SOAR Conference/Camp Trafalgar	5 FB(7&8) Fro (A) 6:00 CANCELED-FB(JV) Fro(H) 6:00 VB6-WC(A) 6:00 VB(7A&8A) Fro (A) 6:00 VB(JV&V) NW (A) 6:00	6 VB(JV&V) Covenant Christian (A) 6:30  TCP Picture Day	7   TCI Picture Day	8 VB(6) Rens (A) 6:00 VB(7A&8A) NW (H) 6:00 VB(JV&V) LaCrosse (H) 6:00  End of 1st Nine Weeks	9 FB(V) Covington (H) 7:00	10 CC(V) Sectional (A) 10:00
11	12 VB(8A) WCT (A) 6:00 VB(7A) WCT (H) 6:00  School Board Meeting 7:00	13 FB(7&8) BC (H) 6:00 VB(7A&8A) TL (H) 6:00	14	15 VB(JV&V) Sectional (A)  Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00 PM Remote Learning Day	16 FB(V) NN (H) 7:30 P.M.	17 VB(JV&V) Sectional (A)
18	19 FB(7&8) NN (A) 6:30 CANCELED-FB(JV) NN (A) 7:00	20	21   Fall Break NO SCHOOL	22   Fall Break NO SCHOOL	23 FB(V) Sectional—Round I (TBA) 7:00 P.M.  Fall Break NO SCHOOL	24
25	26	27	28	29 GB(V) Covenant Christian (A) 6:00  Picture RETAKES-JR/SR High School	30	31

# NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Election Day	ASVAB Testing 8:00AM	GB6(A&B) Rens (H) 6:00 P.M. BB6(A&B) Rens (H) 7:00 P.M.		GB(JV) Pioneer (H) 11:00 GB (V) Pioneer (H) 12:30
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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**Strack & Van Til**  
food market

**Apples**  
for the  
**Students**

# SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

**Collect register receipts  
from Strack & Van Til . . .**

**send them to school . . .**

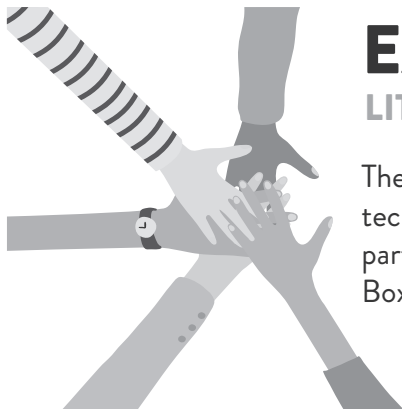
**our school redeems them  
for FREE educational  
awards!**

Receipts dated between Sep. 1 & Mar. 1 are valid.



Please send receipts to  
Tri County Primary School.





# EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

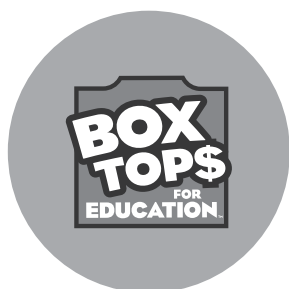
LITTLE BY LITTLE WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE.

The Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

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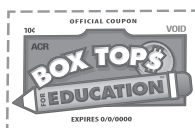
### EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL

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You may occasionally find an old Box Tops clip on packages in stores. **You can still clip them and send them to school**, as long as each clip has a valid expiration date.

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT  
THE BOX TOPS APP AT [BTFE.COM](https://btfe.com)

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# YOUR TRASH IS TRI-COUNTY PRIMARY'S TREASURE !

## **\*\*New Updated List\*\***

Help Tri-County Primary earn money by saving these items (that you would normally throw away) and bring them to Tri County Primary School in Remington. Different programs pay TCP for items sent in. Money is used to buy items for student use. In the past we have purchased new recess balls and games, library books, reading cubbies, school aquarium, Library Reading Treehouse, and much much more!

If you would like to see how items are recycled visit: [www.terracycle.net](http://www.terracycle.net) or search Terracycle on Youtube.com

\* **Any brand or size toothpaste tubes, floss containers or toothbrush & packaging.**

**New\*\* Gerber Recycling Program accepts:** All baby food packaging, including flexible plastic pouches, plastic lids, plastic shrink labels, plastic containers, and flexible plastic packaging (*Please rinse out food packaging*)

\***NEW\*\* Food Storage Containers:** All brands of food storage containers (plastic and glass) This includes plastic to go containers!

**\*\*New\*\* Bread & Buns Wrappers: From ANY brand.** *Please remove crumbs!!*

**\*\*New\*\* Writing Instruments:** All brands of empty pens, highlighters, mechanical pencils, glue sticks, watercolor dispensers, paint sets, and their packaging

\* **Any brand Personal Care Products.** This includes (but not limited to) Lipstick tubes, shampoo, conditioner, body wash bottles, pump hairspray bottles, makeup cases or bottles, mascara tubes, lotion bottles, toothbrushes, deodorant, makeup containers.

**New \*\*Wellness Recycling includes:** Vitamins, minerals, and supplements bottles, Cough, cold, flu, sore throat, and nasal care, Infant formula and child nutrition packaging, Personal care and foot care packaging



\* **Boxtops !** These are found on 100's of different products. [www.boxtopsforeducation.com](http://www.boxtopsforeducation.com) A new APP is available that will be taking the place of cutting the boxtops out. Download this APP and follow the easy directions on how send photo your receipt. See the website above for more information!

\* **Coke Products.** All Coke products bottle lids or rewards codes from INSIDE of 12, 20, 24, 36 pack cans

**Don't forget to ask your friends, co-workers, family, and neighbors to help you save!!**

If you have any questions email:  
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## ***From The Nurse's Office***

Wow! What a year 2020 has been. We are so glad to be back in the buildings to see our students in person! We would like to thank all of the parents for your continued understanding as we navigate through this unusual school year. We appreciate the phone calls making us aware of situations at home and keeping us informed with symptoms your child is having. We sincerely thank you for helping to keep our students, staff, and community healthy.

We strongly encourage you to have your child get the flu shot this year. We are working on setting up a flu clinic during the month of October. Be on the lookout for more information about that soon. You can also follow the Tri-County School Corporation School Nurse's page on Facebook for continued updates.



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Any Tri-County School Organization wishing to make an announcement in the Newsletter, please have articles in the Superintendent's Office by the fifteenth of the month. If you would like to receive the Tri-County Newsletter or know of someone who would like to receive the Newsletter, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 219-279-2418

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