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BPA

On March 11 and 12th, twenty-seven Tri-County BPA members competed at the state level in Indianapolis at SLC. Out of the twenty-seven students, nine will be competing at the National Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas. The Video Production Team of Luke Lehe, Kaden Price, Kale Lawson, and



Chase Kirby; Economic Research Individual Zach Gretencord; Presentation Management Individual Owen Getz; Human Resource Management Olivia Emond; Presentation Management Team of Holly Lehe and Sydney Rust; and Economic Research Team of Blayne Vandever and Micah Lehe all advanced to the finals round in their respective contest. The Presentation Management Team and Economic Research Team were state winners and will represent Indiana in Dallas, Texas at the national contest in May. Olivia Emond placed 8th and the Video Production team placed 7th. Not qualifying for nationals, but making it on to the stage were Zach Gretencord, 6th place, and Owen Getz, 4th place. Students that competed, but did not place were Erin Hickie in Graphic Design and Taylor Terwilliger in Prepared Public Speaking.

Many students also competed in tests at the State Leadership Conference. In Advanced Spreadsheet Drew Mosely placed 4th, Matthew Harrington 7th, and Zachery Gretencord 10th. In Database Applications Micah Lehe placed 3rd and Brittany Gonzales placed 4th. Erin Bahler placed 4th and Rustin Schambach placed 26th in Intermediate Word Processing. In Integrated Office, Matthew Harrington placed 4th. Andy Douglas placed 4th in SQL Database. In Fundamental Accounting, Holly Lehe placed 16th and Dalton Justice 43rd. Sydney Rust placed 7th and Hunter Musser 17th in Advanced Accounting. In Payroll Accounting, Erin Bahler placed 14th, Hunter Musser 16th, and Dalton Justice 31st. In Personal Finance, Seth Dyke placed 18th and Maddie Metzinger placed 52nd. Emma Blume placed 25th and Maddie Musser close behind at 28th in Fundamental Word Processing. Andy Douglas placed 7th in Computer Network. In Fundamental Spreadsheet, Maddie Musser placed 23rd and Emma Blume 36th. In Database, Raegan Wallace placed 10th and Rustin Schambach 15th. Sam Getz placed 55th in Business Law and Ethics. All competitors represented well and worked hard at the state contest, but those who placed in the top 5 of their contests qualify to compete at NLC. Those who qualified were Micah Lehe, Brittany Gonzales, Drew Moseley, Matthew Harrington, and Andy Douglas.

The cost is high. It will cost approximately \$8,000 to send these individuals. If you would like to donate to BPA, please send it to Tri-County High School, Attention Darla Harrington, 11298 W. 100 S., Wolcott, IN 47995. Checks can be made out to Tri-County BPA. We appreciate everyone's support.

From The Desk of Ms. Hall

Another school year is almost in the books, and I could not be happier with what a success it has been. We have witnessed many wonderful achievements from our students this year.

I love seeing how much our students grow as learners and as individuals. As always, we greatly appreciate the combined efforts of all as we support our students in successfully meeting the highest of standards set before them!

These last two months of school will be some of the busiest of our school year. Our wonderful PTO will be hosting the Daddy Daughter Dance and Mother/Son event. May will include end of the year field trips, field days for both schools, and Teacher Appreciation week. Those weeks are sure to fly by! Below are some other dates to add to your calendar:

April:

3rd- PTO meeting, 6:30 pm at TCP

7th- Young Authors Conference at North White

7th- Daddy Daughter Dance, 6:30-8pm at TCI

18th- Kindergarten Round-Up, 8-1, 2-6

May:

1st- PTO meeting, 6:30 pm at TCP

17th- TCP's Field Day

Since this is the last newsletter for the school year, I want to remind everyone that student learning does not have to stop once they leave these doors for the summer. Students leave school full of strategies for reading and making amazing progress. Sometimes with the change in schedules and less reading over the summer, we notice a decrease in student reading levels when they return to school in the fall. Help your child maintain his/her reading development by reading over the summer. Your local library is a great place to start for a program that provides incentives for student readers, encouraging them to read over the summer.

I wish each of you a wonderful and relaxing summer. Our students and staff work very hard during the school year, and they deserve some time off. I would like to thank each of you for your ongoing support for our students, teachers and staff, and our mission here at Tri-County. This year has been, and continues to be, a success due to the collective efforts of all in providing opportunities for our students to succeed and grow.

Ms. Hall



FROM THE DESK OF MR. HAGAN

TCI is very excited for the fourth quarter of the 2017-18 school year. We have many opportunities this quarter including Club Day, STEM Week, STEM Fair, Donuts with Dads, Muffins with Moms, STEM career experiences, and so much more.

At TCI, we are dedicated to continual improvement in our instruction and programming. I would like to congratulate our Math Bowl Team for winning 3rd place in the State. We have worked hard the past couple years developing a culture of STEM at TCI. All students are engaged in personalized learning experiences for STEM career exploration and developing skills that far exceed their expectations.



The week of April 9th begins TCI's first annual STEM week. Students will engage in many experiences throughout the week, and will take a trip to Fair Oaks Farms. They are also currently working on STEM Fair projects in small teams, and will present their projects to the public on April 19th. We also look forward to welcoming our parents to have breakfast with your children, and encourage anyone with availability to volunteer for our mentor program, enrichment, lead a club day for next year, or any other creative way we can involve you at TCI.

It has been amazing forming relationships with all of our students, parents, and staff at both TCP and TCI. We are truly blessed to have such outstanding families. I appreciate all of the parent support and communication, and TCP looks forward to continuing to provide your children with the best academic and social opportunities for them to reach their full potential. You can stay connected by following Tri-County School Corporation on Facebook and Twitter!

Mark Your Calendar

April 20 – Muffins for Moms

April 27 – Donuts for Dads

April 9 - Begins STEM Week

April 19 – TCI STEM Fair

TBD – Daddy/Daughter Dance

May 18 – Field Day TCI

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

Mr. Hagan



Nurse's Notes Spring 2018

We survived flu season and spring is finally coming!

On February 28th a new program with School Smiles was offered for TCP and TCI students. School Smiles is a traveling school dentistry program. We had 18 students take advantage of this offering. The School Smiles dentist and dental assistant evaluated and cleaned the student's teeth, took an x-ray, and provided a fluoride treatment. School Smiles will be returning for those students who were found to be in need of additional dental work, possibly a filling, etc. This is a wonderful program and we have invited School Smiles to return in September. We would encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity if you do not currently have a dentist for your children.

On April 19th from 5-7:30 , TCI will be hosting their first STEM and Health Fair . Students will be presenting STEM projects they have worked on, based on health related topics. We have invited many wonderful community partners to have a booth at our event. The response has been wonderful. Representatives from IU Arnett will be providing car seat safety checks and safe sleep for babies, the White County Health Department will provide education on head lice, the Wolcott Community Clinic will check blood pressures and White County REMC will address electrical safety, School Smiles for dentistry, Chiropractor Ara DeBrock and the White County Sheriff's department, are just a few of our vendors so far. Immunization information will be provided and Missi Tyler will be accepting swimming lesson forms. We are hopeful the Wolcott Ambulance and the Wolcott Fire Department will be available with their trucks, for the kids to tour and STAT Flight plans to land at the Wolcott Park at 5pm and allow students to tour their helicopter if they are not involved in a medical emergency. Plan to be at TCI on April 19th for a fun night centered around STEM and Health! We look forward to seeing all of you!!! The 4th grade boys and girls will be having their growth and development movie in the near future.

Parents/Guardians of 5th graders and 11th graders will be receiving a letter regarding the required immunizations that must be received before school starts next fall. The letter will explain what is needed and contain a copy of the current immunizations. Please take the immunization record with you when the shots are administered.

As the year draws to a close, you can see that much has been happening with your nurses. There hasn't been a dull moment! It has been a good year and we are already looking forward to a great next year.

Have a wonderful Summer!!!!

Sara Arvin, RN; BSN
Susan Good RN; BSN

Kindergarten Round-Up

Kindergarten Round-Up for the 2018-2019 school year will be April 18th, 8am-1pm & 2-6pm. Children who will be four years old by August 1, 2018 can register for our Preparatory Kindergarten program. Children who will be five years old by August 1, 2018 can register for our Traditional Kindergarten program.

Our teachers will conduct a short assessment during Round-Up so please bring your child with you. You will also need the child's birth certificate and updated shot records.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call TCP's main office at 219-261-2214.



New Food Service Point of Sale...Meals Plus

On March 7th, Tri-County School Corporation went live with a new Food Service Point of Sale program, Meals Plus.

The way our new Meal system works, students may purchase 1 reimbursable meal and anything else will be ala carte priced. We have additional main entree's that can be purchased along with State approved snacks, Juice & drinks. The prices are in accordance with our State regulations.

The system automatically keeps balances and will not allow participants to charge extra if they have a negative balance.

The computer generates negative balance letters when exceeding Tri-County's MEAL policy. Each household received a copy of the policy at the beginning of the year or at time of registration.

Going forward, Online Deposits can be made with Efunds, UNTIL **MAY 31, 2018**. As of **June 1, 2018** we will start the setup of the new online Deposit system K12paymentcenter.com. All current balances will stay with your child in Meals Plus at the end of the year during this transition.

Please be sure you turn off automatic deposits if you have them set up in EFunds prior to May 31, 2018. Current lunch balances are updated in PowerSchool each evening, however, there will be no more lunch transactions in PowerSchool Parent Access beyond March 6, 2018. If you have any meal transaction questions, you will need to contact your child's school and speak with someone from Food Services.

Information will be given out at [registration](#) for setting up your own account for K12paymentcenter.com. You will be able to see your student's lunch transactions as well as make online deposits via this website.

Benefit Consignment Auction

Tri-County FFA Parent Connections

Saturday April 7th at 10:00 AM EDST

Tri-County High School, Wolcott, Indiana

**CONSIGNMENTS ARE STILL WELCOME FOR SALE
TAKEN 8AM-8PM Thursday April 4th to Friday April 6th**

Located one mile south of Wolcott, Indiana and three miles west of US 231 on county road 100 South, or twenty miles north of Lafayette, Indiana on US 231.

View the complete sale bill at: www.auctionzip.com or www.tri-countyffa.weebly.com
and click on Auction tab.

A variety of trees, shrubs and perennials for sale along with mowers and farm equipment.

Questions contact Tri-County Ag Dept. 219-279-2105 x 3439



APRIL ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 EASTER	2 BA(V) Pioneer (H) 5:00 Tr(MS Coed) St. James Lutheran & Faith Christian (H) 4:30 P.M. SB(V) Washington Twp (H) 6:00	3 Tr(HS Coed) Attica (H) 5:00 BA(V) Pioneer (H) 5:00	4	5 Tr(HS Coed) NN, Fro (NN) 6:00 Tr(MS Coed) Pio, NW (NW) 5:00 SB(JV)V Seeger (H) 5:00 BA(V) Caston (T) 5:30	6 BA(JV) Attica (T) 5:00	7 BA(V) CP DH (T) 11:00 SB(V) Caston/LaCrosse (DH) (Caston) 11:00
8	9 SB(V) Covington (H) 5:30 Tr(MS Coed) WC (H) 4:30 BA(JV) Rens (T) 5:30 Tr(HS Coed) Pio (T) 5:00	10 BA(V) Rens (H) 5:30 P.M. BGolf(V) Carroll (Pine View) 4:30 P.M. SB(V) Faith Christian (H) 5:00 National Junior High Honor Society Induction 7:00 P.M.	11 FFA Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup	12 Tr(HS Coed) SN, Rens (Rens) 5:30 P.M. Tr(MS Coed) Ross (H) 5:00 BA(JV&V) BC (H) 5:00 SB(V) Rossville (H) 5:00	13 BGolf(V) Fro (H) 4:30 SB(JV) Rens (T) 5:30 BA(JV) NW (H) 5:00	14 BA(V) Rossville (DH) (H) 11:00 SB(V) CP Invite (T) 9:00 BGolf(V) Caston (Pond View) 9:00 ACT TEST (TBA) HS Band/Choir Contest (TBA)
15	16 SB(V) CP (H) 5:00 School Board Meeting - 7:00	17 Tr(MS Coed) SN, Rens (H) 5:30 SB(JV&V) NW (T) 5:00 P.M. Tr(HS Coed) WC, Cov Christian (WC) 5:00 P.M. BA(V) WC (H) 5:00	18 Kindergarten Round-Up @OTCP 8:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. & 2:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M.	19 BA(V) WC (T) 5:00 P.M. Tr(HS Coed) Fro (T) 4:30 P.M. Tr(MS Coed) KV/NN (H) 5:30 SB(V) Kouts (H) 6:00 FFA Awards Banquet (TCHS Cafeteria/Auditorium)	20 **SCHOOL WILL BE IN SESSION	21 BA(V) Fro (DH) (H) 11:00 Jr-Sr Prom 8:30 PM —11:30 PM
22	23 Tr(MS Coed) TL, Del, Laf CC (H) 4:30 P.M. BA(JV) Seeger (H) 5:00 P.M. **SCHOOL WILL BE IN SESSION	24 BGolf(V) Ross (H) 4:30 Tr(HS Coed) NW (H) 5:00 SB(V) Rens (T) 5:30 P.M. BA(V) NW (T) 5:00	25	26 Tr(HS Coed) Ath Relays (T) 6:00 SB(JV&V) WC (T) 5:00 Tr(MS Coed) Fro (T) 5:00 BA(V) NW (H) 5:00	27 BA(JV) Fro (T) 5:00 TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY DAY	28 SB(V) TC Inv (Rem/Wol) 10:00
29	30 BA(V) TL (T) 5:30 BGolf(V) Seeger (Har Hills) 4:30 SB(JV) Del (H) 5:00 Tr(MS Coed) Del, Car (H) 4:30					

MAY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 SB(JV&V) Fro (H) 5:00 P.M. Tr(V Coed) Bi-County (TL) 5:00 BA(JV) NW (T) 5:00	2	3 BA(JV&V) Del (T) 5:00 BGolf(V) Fro, McCut (Ravines) 4:30 SB(V) Carroll (T) 5:00	4 SB(JV) NN (H) 5:30 BA(JV) Caslon (H) 5:00	5 SB(JV) NJ (H) 11:00 A.M. BGolf(V) Pio Invit (Pond View) 8:30 BA(V) Carroll (DH) (T) 9:00 SAT TEST & *PSAT TEST HS Band & Choir Spring Concert 6:30 P.M.
6	7 Tr(MS Coed) SN & NN (H) 5:30 BA(JV) CI Prairie (H) 5:00 SB(V) Cov Christian (T) 6:00 BA(V) W Laf (H) 5:30	8 BGolf(V) Pio, Win (Moss Creek) 4:30 P.M. SB(V) NN (H) 6:00 P.M. BA(V) NN (H) 5:30 Tr(V) MWC-NN (NN) 6:00 BA(JV) NN (T) 5:30 6th Grade/Jr. High Spring Band & Choir Concert (TCHS Auditorium) 6:30 P.M.	9	10 BA(JV) NN (H) 5:30 BA(V) NN (T) 5:30 P.M. Tr(V) MWC-NN (T) 6:00 BGolf(V) Rens. NN (H) 5:15	11 Tr(MS) MWC (SN) 6:00	12 BA(V) SN (DH) (T) 11:00 SB(V) Clinton Central (T) (11:00)
13	14 BGolf(V) BC, SN (Pine View) 5:00 P.M. SB(V) Del (H) 5:00 School Board Meeting—7:00	15 BA(JV) Attica (T) 5:00 Tr(V) Sectional (BC) 5:30 P.M. BA(V) Cov Christian (T) 6:00 BGolf(V) NN, SN (Haz) 5:30	16	17	18	19
BPA Nationals			BPA Nationals	BPA Nationals	BPA Nationals	BPA Nationals
				SB(JV&V) SN (T) 5:30 Tr(V) Sectional (BC) 5:30 BA(V) Faith Christian (H) 5:00	BGolf(V) Del (T) 4:30 *FINALS HS Curricular Awards (TCHS Auditorium) 6:30 P.M.	BGolf(V) MWC SN (Haz) 9:00
20	21 SB(V) Sectional (Rossville) TBA *FINALS	22 SB(V) Sectional (Rossville) (TBA) BGolf(V) Faith (T) 5:00 Tr(V) Regional (Laf Jeff) 5:30 *FINALS	23 SB(V) Sectional (Rossville) (TBA) BA(V) Sectional (Rem) 5:30 *FINALS Last Day for Students End of Second Semester	24 BA(V) Sectional (Rem) 5:30 Tr(V) Regional (Laf Jeff) 5:30 TEACHER'S WORK DAY	25	26
					SENIOR AWARDS 7:00 P.M.	BA(V) Sectional (Rem) (TBA)
27	28 BA(V) Sectional (Rem) (TBA) Memorial Day	29	30	31		
Graduation 2:00 P.M.						

Swim Registration 2018

Students Name _____ Age: _____

Class Name _____ Time _____

Parents Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

Make Checks payable to:

Tri-county High School
11298 W 1100 S
Wolcott, IN 47995

**Or you can return this form and payment to your schools
office.**

ATTN: Missi Tyler- summer swimming



Tri-County Summer Swimming

Registration:
Thursday, April 19th
5-7:30 @ STEM Fair
TCHS- Swim Booth



Swim Lessons will only be held Monday- Thursday.

Class Hours

Session I June 4-7 June 11-14
 40 minute session 1 hr. 20 min. session

8:00-8:40	Advanced Beginner	8:00-9:20	Intermediate
8:40-9:20	Beginner		
9:20-10:00	Pre-Beginner	9:20-10:40	Advanced Beginner
10:00-10:40	Beginner		
10:40-11:20	Beginner	10:40-12:00	Swimmer- Adv. Swimmer
11:20-12:00	Advanced Beginner		

Session II June 18-21 June 25-28

8:00-8:40	Beginner	8:00-9:20	Advanced beginner
8:40-9:20	Advanced Beginner		
9:20-10:00	Pre-Beginner	9:20-10:40	Intermediate
10:00-10:40	Beginner		
10:40-11:20	Advanced Beginner	10:40-12:00	Swimmer — Advanced Swimmer
11:20-12:00	Beginner		

Classes Available

40 minute sessions

1. Level I- children less than 48 inches tall must be accompanied in the water by adult or sibling.
2. Level II- Beginner
3. Level III- Advanced Beginner

1 Hour 20 minute Sessions

1. Level III- Advanced beginner
2. Level IV- Intermediate
3. Level V- Swimmer
4. Level VI- Advanced Swimmer

Prices:

45 minute session-

- \$30.00 for TC patrons
- \$35.00 for non- patrons

1 hour 20 minute session-

- \$40.00 for T C patrons
- \$50.00 for non-patrons

Questions or to register by email
 contact Missi Tyler @
tylerml@trico.k12.in.us or 219-279-2105

Summer Recreational Swimming:

Children \$1.50 Adults \$2.00 Family Max \$5.00

Pool will close June 28th

Open Swim Hours:

Mondays & Wednesdays 1:00-3:00

How to register for swim lessons:

1. Email: tylerml@trico.k12.in.us
2. Return registration paper back your child's School office.
3. Mail to Missi Tyler 11298W 100 S Wolcott
4. Attend TC STEM fair and visit swim booth

CHILD CARE SURVEY

Indiana Law requires each school corporation in the state to conduct a survey every year to determine if there is a need for a before/after school child care program and to see if there is an organization in the community willing to sponsor such a program.

Please complete the survey and return it to the Principal's office at Tri-County Primary School or Tri-County Intermediate School.

1. Would you use an after school program during the 2018-2019 school year if such were available?

If held at TCP: YES NO

If held at TCI: YES NO

If you answered YES to question #1 please continue with the survey with question #2. If you answered NO to question 1 please skip to question #5.

2. How much would you be willing to pay per session of service?

\$3.00 \$4.00 \$5.00 \$6.00

3. How many evenings a week would you anticipate using the child care program?

1 2 3 4 5

4. How late should the after school program be made available?

5:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm

5. Would you use a before school program during the 2018-2019 school year if such were available?

If held at TCP: YES NO

If held at TCI: YES NO

If you answered YES to question #5 please continue with the survey with question #6. If you answered NO to question #5 please skip to question #9.

6. How early should the before school program be made available?

6:30am 6:45am 7:00am

7. How much would you be willing to contribute per session for this service?

\$3.00 \$4.00 \$5.00 \$6.00

8. How many mornings a week would you anticipate using the child care program?

1 2 3 4 5

9. Are you, or an organization that you belong to, interested in sponsoring the child Care program?

YES NO

Name of Organization

Contact Information

Sponsored by:

Tri-County School Corp.

Place: Tri-County Intermediate School

200 W North St, Wolcott

Date: Monday, April 16th

Time: 5:00 PM EST - 6:30 PM EST



Please bring a laundry basket or box to carry food home.

Typical Mobile Pantry items may include:

Fresh Produce	Breads & Baked Goods	Dry Goods & Pasta
Frozen Meat/Protein	Laundry Soap	Beverages

*Distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

The Mobile Pantry Program is available to those who meet the guidelines listed below.

Income Guidelines

185% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

HOUSEHOLD SIZE		HOUSEHOLD INCOME		HOUSEHOLD SIZE		HOUSEHOLD INCOME	
(Monthly)		(Annual)		(Monthly)		(Annual)	
1	\$1,860	\$22,311		4	\$3,793	\$45,510	
2	\$2,504	\$30,044		5	\$4,437	\$53,243	
3	\$3,149	\$37,777		6	\$5,082	\$60,976	

For each additional household member add \$645.00 per month

For more information, contact Alex Buckles: abuckles@food-finders.org

1204 Greenbush Street, Lafayette, IN 47904 • 765.471.0062 • www.food-finders.org



From The Desk of Dr. Cathy Rowe

This spring, there is no shortage of excitement at Tri-County Jr/Sr High School! We will welcome new 7th graders to the building on Tuesday, April 3rd. Not only will current 6th graders get to visit the building to learn where classes are located, they will be paired up with a current junior high school student and participate in a class lesson. Additionally, students will eat lunch at the Junior/Senior High School and find out more about their seventh grade year. The day culminates with a parent meeting held at 6:30pm in the auditorium. At this time, counselors, teachers and administrators will share information about block scheduling, student arrival and dismissal, critical class information. We hope that parents and students will be able to join us for the informative meeting.

Students starting their high school career as freshmen, incoming 9th graders will also have an informational meeting to learn more about credits, courses and high school academic offerings during a parent meeting on Tuesday, April 24th at 6:30pm in the high school auditorium. We hope that parents and students will join us to learn about the many ways students can start off their high school career on a positive note!

There will be many summer opportunities that will be offered this summer as planning is in the works for summer school, summer connection camps and High Ability classes. Please take note of Facebook postings and school communications as dates and times are released for these exciting opportunities. Students who have failed a high school course or need to retake a course for an improved grade are strongly encouraged to take a summer school course for credit recovery. Additionally we plan on offering sessions for junior high school math and English/Language arts and possibly high school social studies.

Student absences have been brisk and frequent this winter with flu-like symptoms, however our attendance rates are starting to bounce back! Thank you to parents for ensuring your students are home when contagious and for sending in doctor's notes. We encourage students to be in school every day since it is detrimental to their progress when they miss for several days. We additionally encourage students to be in attendance before and after breaks.

Thank you for all you do to support our students, teachers and our school! We are looking forward to our annual Tri-County Community Day on Friday, April 27th! We have lots of great things going on at our school and are happy to share the great news with the world!

Dr. Cathy Rowe

Principal, Tri-County Jr/Sr High School

Buddy Builders Program

Jr. High Honor Society members at TCP participating in the Buddy Builders program. Jr. High Honor Society members are paired up with TCP students to participate in a 3 week program to focus on skills to help students be successful. Each session includes a snack, a story, and group activities. The Jr. High students serve as positive role models for the primary students. Thanks to Miss Hall and Mrs. Luebcke for their assistance!



News from the Remington Library

To support STEM and STEAM education the Remington Carpenter Township Public Library (RCTPL) will be supplying a MakerSpace Cart which will hold items for children of all ages to tinker, make and learn. Items will be as simple as string, tape, cardboard, batteries and lightbulbs to more advanced kits such as LEGOs, Gears Gears Grears and electronic and robot kits.

The RCTPL will have several technology kits on loan from the Indiana State Library for everyone to use during April 10-28. Kits available are littleBits, Snap Circuits, Monkey Monkey, CreoPop 3d Pen, Discover Electronics and EVO VR headset. You may drop by the library anytime during April 10-28 to use these kits. Check out these kits and let the library know which ones you enjoy so we know what kind of kits we will purchase for our MakerSpace Cart.

Tech Tinkering will be offered on April 21 from 9-noon. Bring some friends and try a new technology toy! A staff member will be available to help you try out the kits borrowed from the Indiana State Library.

Before you leave for Spring Break, stop by the RCTPL for some audio books to listen to on your trip. We have lots of children's and adult books on CD. Spring Break is also a good time to catch up on your reading wish list. Stop by the library and see what new books we have.

In May the RCTPL will be celebrating Children Book Week, April 30-May 6. Don't forget to stop by the library and participate in the fun children's activities this week.

American Girl Tea party will be held May 12 at 10am. Felicity would like to invite girls and their dolls for a tea party at the RCTPL.

The RCTPL's Summer Reading Program, Libraries Rock, will be from June 1 – July 31. Activities and reading incentives will be offered to children ages 3 – teen. What better way to keep reading during the summer when you get rewarded for reading? Dates, times and activities will be posted on our website and on Facebook.



Breakfast & Lunch

Just a reminder, Breakfast & Lunch are available at each of our schools, TCP, TCI & Jr/ Sr High School.

Breakfast is served at 7:45 A.M.

Student Cost is \$1.00 \$.30 (Reduced) & Free Adult \$1.50 Extra milk \$.30

Lunch times vary in each building. Please contact each school to inquire.

Student Cost is DK-6 \$2.50 7-12 \$2.60 Reduced \$.40 Adult \$3.30 Extra milk \$.30

Studies show, students that eat breakfast have better attendance at school, perform better and exhibit fewer behavior problems.

Sources: Food Research and Action Center, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

From the Superintendent

Dear Tri-County Parents and Patrons,

The safety of your children, our students, is paramount in the daily functioning of each of our schools. The recent acts of school violence, witnessed in our nation, have heightened our awareness toward the continual process of ensuring a safe learning environment for all. At our latest monthly Leadership Team meeting we reviewed all of the safety measures and procedures we currently have in place. While the list is extensive, and we believe Tri-County Schools are safe, we asked ourselves “What more can we do?” The list below describes our current practices:

- **School Safety Officers** – Each school corporation in Indiana is required to have a trained School Safety Officer. Mr. McCracken serves in this official capacity for us. Mr. Hagan and Dr. Rowe are also trained and Ms. Hall has started the process. Administrators attend two trainings and/or seminars each year where they receive up-to-date information on the latest in school safety.
- **Safety Drills** – Indiana Code required schools to have the following drills:
 - 1 tornado preparedness drill each semester
 - 1 manmade occurrence disaster drill each semester
 - Periodic or monthly fire evacuation drills

Law enforcement has been invited to attend some of the disaster/emergency drills in order to monitor and evaluate their effectiveness. Our principals are annually required to file a certified statement that the drills have been conducted.

Our bus drivers are also required to perform one emergency preparedness drill each semester on their buses. One drill is with the driver conducting and the second drill is a mock situation with the driver incapacitated.

- **Active Shooter Simulation** – I, along with most of our administrators, have attended school shooting simulations. Last year we had the opportunity to send 14 staff members to participate in an enlightening and somber regional simulation.
- **White County School Safety Commission** – We are active members of the White County School Safety Commission which meets quarterly to discuss a variety of social, emotional and physical school safety issues. Members include administrators from all county schools, officers from White County Sheriff’s Department, officers from the Monticello Police Department, the White County prosecutor, the director of WC Red Cross and others.
- **Door Numbers and Maps** – All of the doors in the corporation have easy to see numbers. Maps are detailed and reviewed with law enforcement and the fire department so they can readily get to any place in the corporation upon alert of a crisis situation.
- **Visitor Buzz-In** – All building doors are kept locked during the school day. Visitors, including delivery personnel, must buzz-in and stop at the office before proceeding to their designated area.
- **Lock Downs** – Each of our schools have procedures for SOFT and HARD lockdowns. All schools are on soft lockdown at all times. This is when the building doors are all secured and there is buzz-in system for visitors at the front doors. Our loading dock area at the Jr/SrHS has a camera and buzz-in as does the cafeteria door at TCP. Classroom doors are locked and the educational activities continue within the classrooms.

A HARD lockdown is called when deemed necessary by school administration or law enforcement. Staff and students are behind locked doors and sheltered out of sight. Lights are turned out, students are quiet, and when done right it is like a ghost town in the buildings.

- **Closed Circuit Television** - There are currently 64 cameras integrated throughout the school district which allow us to monitor activity inside and out. This monitor system is loaded on the computer of every administrator as well as in a central location known only to our law enforcement.
- **Emergency Access to Buildings** -Law enforcement and fire departments have access to our buildings through Knox boxes.

- **Controlled Access**– Exterior building doors are remotely controlled and/or monitored. School staff have access to the building using assigned key fobs. Administration has the ability to remotely lock doors and shut down all key fobs during a crisis situation.
- **Parent Notification** – We have the ability through School Messenger and Facebook to notify parents immediately if there is a problem. After our recent rumor, we found that the only way to notify parents was to also notify students at the same time. We have since rectified this problem and have created a list of parents only.
- **24 Hour Security System** –Each of our buildings are armed with a security system through ADT. This program immediately notifies law enforcement and the fire department if there is a door breach or fire.
- **Updated Phone System** – This past summer we updated to a NEC phone system throughout the corporation. We are now connected across all four buildings and not just within individual schools. This allows for one touch dialing and immediate response to anywhere in the school corporation. When a 911 emergency call is placed from anywhere in the corporation an alarm is sounded on all administrators phones noting from where that emergency call was placed.
- **Classroom Door Locks** – We ask our teachers to keep their doors locked, however, this causes a disruption with students/staff going in and out. Last year we purchased a slide system for every classroom door called LOCK BLOK. The slide prevents the door from being able to close completely. By moving the slide away from the edge of the door, the door will close completely and engage the locked latch.
- **Teacher Bags** – All teachers have a classroom bag filled with items they may need if their class is evacuated. They take this bag with them on all HARD lockdowns and drills.
- **Red/Green Card System** – Teachers use a system where they show a green card if all of their students are accounted for or a red card if students are missing during drills and emergency situations. This allows administrators and law enforcement to focus on the red card missing students.
- **Safety Flip Charts** – All Tri-County safety procedures are outlined in a safety flip chart. All employees have a flipchart and can easily turn to the situation to follow the procedure.

When we asked the question “What more can we do?” the following are being considered for the future:

- **Secure Entry** – We are scheduled to add a second set of security doors at the main entrances of TCP and the Jr/SrHS this summer. These doors will provide a barrier between school visitors and direct access to student common areas. TCI currently has a door for this purpose and the mechanics and use of the door will be evaluated during the construction process.
- **Visitor Protocol** – We are evaluating our visitor, including parent, protocol to assure the safety of all students and staff. As new procedures are announced, there may be some inconvenience to visitors, which we are confident will be understood. We will work hard to keep a balance between being welcoming and keeping everyone safe.
- **Security Film** – We are investigating security film on the doors and windows around student common areas. This specific film is designed to increase the difficulty in gaining entrance to buildings and increase time we would have should an intruder try to gain access.
- **Additional Security Cameras** – As administrators find ‘blind spots’ in their buildings that our current cameras are not covering we will add units to our system.
- **School Resource Officer** – A School Resource Officer is a trained and certified retired or current officer of the law who is licensed to carry a weapon on school property. The SRO’s role is to build relationships with the students, be a presence to derail any unwanted student behaviors, be the first responder in any crisis situation, and be the liaison between the school and the law enforcement community.
- **Anonymous Reporting Apps** – We are looking at reporting apps which students and parents can download on their phone to make anonymous reports to the school about drugs, concealed weapons, suicide concerns, suspicious behavior, etc.

I trust you will agree we have the people, procedures, and infrastructure in place throughout our school corporation to help safeguard your children. You can be assured additional school safety measures are under consideration by our school leadership team. If and when an emergency situation arises, our staff is thoroughly trained to respond in an accurate and timely manner. Tri-County Schools are so very fortunate to have a community who believes the community children are our most precious resource. Together, we can continue to create safe schools and safe communities to protect our future. I thank you for your confidence in us and your continued support for Tri-County.

Dr. Kathy Good



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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Camp Cavalier 2018

Students that will be 7th graders next year need to plan on attending this jump start to the 2018-2019 school year.

Students will have a one day opportunity to meet their teachers, practice their locker combinations, learn the location of their classes, and so much more!

Postcards will be sent out with more information, but mark your calendars now for Wednesday, August 1, 2018 from 10:00am - 3:00pm.