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December 2019/January 2020 Newsletter

School Resource Officer

Greetings,

I hope the 2019-2020 school year is off to a great start for all Tri County staff, students and parents. With renewed enthusiasm for the rest of the school year, I would like to express my excitement to be with you as your new School Resource Officer (SRO). My name is Andrew Lanoue and I am a member of the Wolcott Police Department and have been a Police Officer for four years. I come to you from the Monon Police Department, and prior to that, I served as a Correctional Officer/Special Deputy with the Jasper County Sheriff's Department. I am a 2004 graduate of Rensselaer Central High School. After high school, I attended Indiana State University briefly before becoming a Correctional Officer. I am currently in my third year at the Indiana Institute of Technology pursuing my Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice Administration. I served as an SRO for North White School Corporation before coming to Tri County.

I look forward to the opportunity of interacting with you and your students in all capacities as I focus on maintaining a safe learning environment for everyone. As we move forward into the school year, I am excited to assist you with any challenges that may arise, and to help educate Tri County's staff, students and families on issues related to law enforcement and school safety.

As your SRO, I am committed to:

- Being visible within the school community to help deter criminal activity and student misconduct.
- Attending and participating in school functions.
- Building working relationships with the school's staff as well as with student and parent groups.
- Initiating interactions with students in the classroom.
- Promoting the profession of law enforcement while being a positive role model to students.
- Working with staff members to establish a safe and secure learning environment.
- Being an advocate on behalf of faculty members for emergency response training.

Please feel free to contact me anytime with your concerns and questions. I may be reached by e-mail at alanoue@wcsheriff-in.us or through the White County Dispatch Center, **574-583-7103**. My school office is located at Tri County High School.

Let's work together to have a safe school year. Together, we can make a BIG difference.

Andrew J. Lanoue
SRO-Deputy Marshal
Wolcott Police Department

What is BPA?

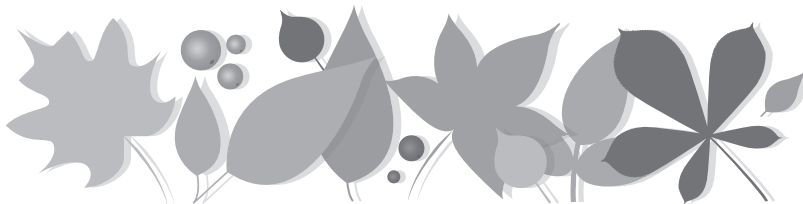
BPA is a co-curricular organization that supports business and information technology teachers and students. Business Professionals of America (BPA) has 45,000 members in over 1,800 chapters across 25 states and Puerto Rico. Students in BPA are provided with opportunities to enhance their education, participate in contests and give back to their communities while developing leadership skills.

Tri-County BPA currently has 34 members. Members are expected to pay dues which go toward participating in contests. In an effort to increase enrollment this year, we held a doughnut sale fundraiser to reduce the cost to student members.

TC BPA members have the opportunity to participate in individual contests. These contests coordinate with the topics the students are being taught in business classes such as: excel, word, business ethics, law, and accounting. There is a cost to participate and students can earn money for these by signing up to clean up trash from the bleachers after TC football and basketball games. We also have helped our community by stuffing envelopes for the Tri-County Education fund's annual fundraising drive and have helped the Bank of Wolcott by setting up for their anniversary celebration and handing out candy at the 4th of July parade.

For several years, the Tri-County BPA has taken a trip to an Indiana Pacer's game. The intent of this trip is to show students behind the scenes of the professional and business work that goes into putting on an event in Banker's Life Fieldhouse. Students meet with employees in advertising and marketing and other areas of the business that coordinate entertainment. BPA is a great program that builds leadership and communication skills. We encourage many more students to join each year!





From the Desk of Ms. Hall

It seems impossible that Christmas is almost here and soon we will be starting a new semester, but there is something very special about the Primary building in winter time. Our young learners revel in the magic of the holidays and eagerly anticipate those first snowflakes, reminding us to take time to enjoy the season. Although it seems our first snowflakes have fallen a little sooner than we would like!

The highlight of the winter season for our elementaries is our Christmas program. This year, the program will be at 1:00pm on December 11th at the Jr/Sr High School. Doors will open at 12:45. Mrs. Legler is hard at work, making sure every detail is in place, and our students have been practicing for weeks. I want to thank in advance all of the volunteers that help make this event happen. These volunteers set up chairs, decorate the gym, and help students during the performance. It takes everyone to make this wonderful community event happen!

As we are nearing the halfway point of our school year, December is also a time for some school reminders.

- If your child is ill and will not be attending school, please call the main office to let us know. Please make sure your child is dressed for the cold weather. If the temperature (including windchill) is twenty degrees or more, students do go outside for recess.
- We often have many items in our lost and found, so if your child is missing a jacket, gloves, or any other item, please have them check our lost and found area.
- It is always a good idea to do a mid-year check on your child's school supplies and see if any items need replenished for our second semester.
- In the event of a two-hour delay, bus pick-up times should run exactly two hours later than they do on a normal school day. Our PK classes will run on an alternate schedule. The AM class goes 10am-12pm and the PM class 1-3pm.

Mark Your Calendar

December

- 9th- School Board Meeting, 7:00 at the Corporation Office
- 11th- Elementary Christmas Program, 1:00 at the HS Gym
- 23rd-Jan 3rd- Christmas Break

January

- 6th- Students return from break
- 7th- PTO Meeting, 7:00 at TCP
- 13th- School Board Meeting, 7:00 at the Corporation Office

I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season and hope you are able to spend quality time with your loved ones!

Miss Hall



From the Desk of Mr. Haskins

The school year marches on at Tri-County Jr/Sr High School. The first grading period has concluded with eLearning, parent-teacher conferences and fall break being just a memory for our students and staff. As we prepare for the second quarter, it is important for us to reflect on many of the great accomplishments by our student during the months of August through October. Some of the things to celebrate include:

- Our marching band competing at the state finals in their class at Lawrence Central High School in Indianapolis.
- The FFA sending a four student team to represent Indiana in the National Meats Judging Contest in Kansas City.
- The junior high girls cross country team winning the Midwest Conference held at the Monon Park
- The 7th grade girls volleyball team winning the White County Tourney at North White.
- The high school cross country team sending five runners to the regional at Benton Central.
- Three high school students being finalists for the Lilly scholarship.
- High school students taking the PSAT to gauge performance on the SAT exam.

Congratulations to all of the students, coaches and staff members who were part of these accomplishments.

As I mentioned earlier, the first quarter of school ended with a planned eLearning Day and our annual parent-teacher conferences. The intention of the eLearning Day was to continue educating our students through lessons assigned by our staff using Google Classroom. Teachers were available the morning of conferences to answer any questions of the students. Slightly over 96% of our students participated in eLearning, which shows their true interest in learning.

In regards to conferences, this is always an excellent time for both parents and teachers to interact on the progress of our students. This year's attendance for the junior/senior high seemed steady throughout the entire day, which is refreshing to observe. As I walked around the gymnasium, I heard many meaningful conversations taking place with students, parents and staff. Keeping these lines of communication open with parents/guardians is a key to our students' academic successes.

As we look ahead to the months of November through January, our students will be involved in many activities both in and outside of the classroom. I am looking forward to watching our students participate in the following events:

- Drama department's fall play
- ASVAB testing
- Girls and boys basketball seasons

- Wrestling season
- Cheerleading
- Pep band
- FFA competitions and other activities
- BPA competitions
- Robotics
- Swim club
- Junior high robotics
- Music department's Christmas programs
- Semester finals

It is really exciting to see so many of our students involved in extracurricular activities. Studies show that students involvement outside of the classroom helps to improve time management and social interaction skills. Most importantly, I want our students to have fun being involved and representing our school, while making new acquaintances along the way. These teams, clubs, and organizations help to round our students and better prepare them for real world experiences. I look forward to our community supporting our students throughout the winter months.

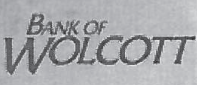

Lastly, as we approach the holiday season I hope everyone is able to take some time with their families to reflect back on the year and cherish the memories made. As the new year approaches, our staff and administration looks forward to the challenges of finding new and exciting ways to educate our students. Our students' best interests are always a top priority!


Thanks for being part of the educational experience!

J.R. Haskins

Principal

Tri-County Junior/Senior High School







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Hot Lunch News

Congratulations to our head cooks Cheryl Scriptor- Jr/ Sr High school, Lou Blanchette- Tri-Co Intermediate & Tinika Whitcomb- Tri-County Primary. All 3 are Servsafe qualified. Thank you ladies!

We have added a new student employee in the High School Kitchen. Ericka Cox Helps us over the noon hour with dishes, floors & clean up. She is getting some on the job food service experience while completing her high school education.

The High School has formed a panel for taste testing & student feedback in food service e area. In October we ran a contest for menu favorites. Oivia Ross is our winner. Her menu choice will be served Monday Nov 18. Thank you Olivia !

TCP head cook Mrs. Tinika Whitcomb gave tours through our primary school kitchen to show our students where & how their food is prepared, how it is stored once it's delivered to us. How the dishwasher works and they got to color "Chef's hats" to take home and we asked the children what they would like to see on their menus. To highlight the National School Lunch Week.

TCI held a Salad Bar Kick Off day on Oct 30 with the help of our kitchen ladies Miss Lou & Miss Nora, the Dairy Council, Prairie Farms, Rebecca Dooley- State field consultant, our nurse Sara Arvin, students , Aimee Brooks & Dr. Amy Woods, Our Principal Mr. Hagan – "Buttercup" and many others. A huge thank you to ALL that helped make this a special day for TCI.

Christmas Programs

December 6 will be a fun day for the Intermediate Students! They will be attending the Purdue Christmas Show Matinee to see 2 of their classmates performing with the Kids Choir. Mariah Anstett and Lauren Bledsoe are having lots of fun and we can hardly wait to see them! Thank you so much to our wonderful PTO members who assist with the cost of the tickets!!!

On Thursday, December 12, the Junior High Choir & Band will be performing their Christmas Concert. ***Please note that this concert will begin at 7PM so that the 6th grade choir members who play basketball can perform AFTER the 7th and 8th grade Students.*** Due to other conflicts, we had to split the 6th graders to 2 different nights of the week. ***6th grade band members will be performing their concert on Wednesday, December 11, at 6:30, with the High School Band and Choir.***

"A Lively Christmas" is the theme for the Tri-County Elementary Students Christmas Program this year. The show is **Wednesday, December 11 at 1PM, at the Tri-County Junior/Senior High School Gym.** Be prepared for anything in this exciting & lively show! Students in Kindergarten through 5th grade have been rehearsing well and are excited to show each other and the community what they've been learning.

Tri-County FFA attends National FFA Convention

Several members attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis from October 30th to November 1st. Members that attended for the week to participate in sessions, student workshops, and the career and college expo were Abigail Arvin, Blake Pilotte, Verania Del Real, Leah Schneider, Avery Dawson and Bailey Kyle. Twenty-five chapter members from grades seven to twelve attended the college and career expo on October 31st and were able to visit with several colleges and agriculture industries from across the nation. Tyler Kilmer and Blake Peterson competed as national finalists in the national agriscience fair. Their project was evaluating the biological and chemical water quality of Carpenter Creek. After submitting a report and presenting to judges, they finished seventh in the nation. On Saturday, recipients of the American FFA Degree were recognized. Only one percent of the entire membership receives this highest degree. Tri-County had ten percent of the recipients from the state of Indiana. Receiving their degree were Holly Lehe, Courtney Lehe, Micah Lehe, Brittany Gonzales, Taylor Pinkerton, Savahana Williams, Brock Langley, Matthew Harrington, Sydney Rust, Sam Rance, and Ashley Peterson.



Fall Play

This year's Fall play production of, "You Can't Take It With You" by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, was successfully presented on Nov 8th and 10th. In addition to the 10 high school students we had 8 up and coming junior high actors and actresses. It is really wonderful to welcome all of the new students to the stage. We look forward to seeing them in the Spring Musical.

Cast Photo

Front Row

- Zach Brouhard, Kamron Gorney, Brockton Williamson, Aricka Batley

Back Row

- Kaiden Schini, Casey Foster, Noah Johnson, Xavier Terwilliger, Braylon Gretencord, Brooklynn Miller, Xander Terwilliger, Lucas Misch, Marisa Schini, Murphy Misch, McKenzee Miller, Nick Schemerhorn

**Not Pictured Elisabeth Turza



Dear Tri County Patrons,

Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, our school is participating in our local supermarket's Apples For The Students Program.

The Strack & VanTil Apples For The Students Program enables our school to earn Apple Computers and iPads, recess toys and games, audio visual equipment, science supplies, hundreds of other items to choose from, and they're all **FREE**.....

To earn these FREE awards we simply have to collect as many Strack & VanTil register receipts as possible from September 1st, 2019 through March 2nd, 2020. Ask your friends and relatives to shop at Strack & VanTil and save every receipt.

Send the receipts to **TRI COUNTY PRIMARY** as often as possible. Here at school we will count the value of the register tapes collected and redeem them for great items that benefit your child. Thank you in advance for your participation.



YOUR TRASH IS TRI-COUNTY PRIMARY'S TREASURE!

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 each item 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 or search Terracycle on Youtube.com

* **Any brand or size of chip bags.** This includes single size!

* **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

* **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.

New **Wellness Recycling includes: Vitamins, minerals, and supplements packaging: blister packs, tubes, bottles, caps, lids, cans, boxes, Cough, cold, flu, sore throat, and nasal care packaging: blister packs, tubes, bottles, spray bottles, caps, lids, Infant formula and child nutrition packaging: tubs, bottles, caps, lids, cans, boxes, Personal care and foot care packaging: tubes, bottles, caps, lids, plastic packaging



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* **Aunt Millies and Sunbeam bread** wrappers. Please save UPC code or send the whole wrapper

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

* **Tyson Chicken Products:** Look for the black or white square on the back of the bags, or the end flap on boxes that says "Support Your School" Tyson A+ School Program.



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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DECEMBER ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 BB6(A&B) Rens (H) 6:00 P.M. GB6(A&B) Rens (H) 6:00 P.M. BB7(A&B) SN (T) 6:00 P.M. BB8(A&B) SN (T) 6:00 P.M.	3 BB(JV&V) Carroll (H) 6:00 P.M. GB(JV&V) NW (T) 6:00 P.M. BB6(A&B) WC (H) 6:00 P.M. GB6(A&B) WC (H) 6:00 P.M. WR(V) NW (H) 6:00 P.M.	4 Elementary Christmas Program 1:00 P.M. JR/SR HS Gym HS Band & Choir Christmas Concert (TCHS Auditorium) 6:30 P.M.	5 BB6(A&B) Fro (T) 6:00 P.M. GB6(A&B) Fro (T) 6:00 P.M. BB7(A&B) BC (H) 6:00 P.M. BB8(A&B) BC (T) 6:00 P.M.	6 BB(JV&V) Rossville (H) 6:00	7 GB(JV&V) Ross (H) 11:00 WR(V) Covington Invite 9:00 SAT Test FFA State Crops, Entomology & Forestry (Purdue University)
8	9 GB6(A&B) SN (H) 6:00 P.M. BB6(A&B) SN (H) 6:00 P.M. BB7(A&B) TL (T) 6:00 P.M. BB8(A&B) TL (T) 6:00 P.M. School Board Meeting 7:00	10 BB7(A&B) NW (H) 6:00 BB8(A&B) NW (H) 6:00 BB9(A&B) NW (T) 6:00 GB(JV&V) Carroll (T) 6:00	11 Elementary Christmas Program 1:00 P.M. JR/SR HS Gym HS Band & Choir Christmas Concert (TCHS Auditorium) 6:30 P.M.	12 GB(JV&V) Fro (H) 6:00 P.M. GB6(A&B) St. Boniface (H) 6:00 BB6(A&B) St. Boniface (H) 7:30 P.M. BB9(A&B) Rens (T) 6:30 MS & 6th Grade Band & Choir Christmas Concert 6:30 P.M. (TCHS Auditorium)	13 BB(JV&V) TL (T) 6:00 P.M.	14 WR(V) Caston (T) 9:30 BB(JV&V) Seeger (T) 6:00 BB7(A&B) WCT (TBA) 9:00 BB8(A&B) WCT (TBA) 9:00
15	16 GB6(A) St. Lawrence (T) 6:00 BB6(A) St. Lawrence (T) 7:00 BB9(A&B) CP (H) 6:00 P.M. GB(JV&V) Covenant Christian (H) 6:30 P.M.	17 WR(V) Rens (T) 6:00 P.M.	18 FINAL EXAMS	19 GB(V) WC (T) 6:00 P.M. WR(V) SN (H) 6:00 P.M.	20 BB(JV&V) NW (H) 6:30 P.M. FINAL EXAMS End of 1st Semester	21 BB(JV&V) Cov Christian (H) 6:00 WR(V) Seeger (T) 9:00
22	23 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	24 FINAL EXAMS	25 FINAL EXAMS	26 FINAL EXAMS	27 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	28
29	30 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	31 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	

JANUARY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	2 BB(JV) River Forest Tourney (T) 9:30 A.M. Christmas Vacation NO SCHOOL	3 BB(V) Hebron Holiday Tourney (T) Teacher Work Day (No School for Students)	4 BB(V) Hebron Holiday Tourney (T)
5	6 Students Return to School 1st Day of 2nd Semester	7 BB9(A&B) TL (H) 6:00 P.M. WR(V) Faith Christian (T) 6:00	8	9 GB(JV&V) NN (T) 6:30	10 BB(JV&V) CP (T) 6:00	11 BB(JV&V) Attica (T) 6:00
12	13 BB7(A&B) Pio (H) 6:00 BB8(A&B) Pio (H) 7:00 School Board Meeting 7:00	14 GB(JV&V) Seeger (T) 6:00 BB9(A&B) Laf CC (H) 6:00 BB7(A&B) St. James (H) 6:00 BB8(A&B) St. James (H) 7:00	15	16 BB8(A&B) Rosville (T) 6:00 WR(V) Pioneer (H) 6:00 BB9(A&B) Rosville (T) 7:15	17 BB(JV&V) WC (T) 6:00	18 BB(JV&V) LaCrosse (H) 6:00 Gymnastics—Valparaiso (T) 12:00
19	20 BB7(A&B) Ross (T) 6:00 BB9(A&B) KV (T) 6:30 School Board Meeting 7:00	21 BB7(A&B) WC (H) 6:00 BB8(A&B) WC (H) 6:00 GB(JV&V) Cl. Central (T) 6:00 GB7(A&B) BC (T) 6:00 P.M. GB8(A&B) BC (T) 6:00 P.M. FFA Parents Connections Meeting TCHS Ag Rooms	22 Gymnastics Laf Jeff (T) 6:00	23 BB9(A&B) Fro (T) 6:00 WR(V) Attica (T) 6:00 GB7(A&B) SN (H) 6:00 GB8(A&B) SN (H) 6:00	24 BB(JV&V) Fro (H) 6:00	25 GBB(JV&V) Covington (H) 12:00 P.M. WR(V) MWC (T) 10:00 Gymnastics—McCutcheon (T) 10:00 FFA State Chapter Meeting Contest Lebanon HS
26	27 GB8(A&B) Rens (H) 6:30 GB7(A&B) Rens (H) 6:30 WR(JH) Wea Ridge/Klondike (H) 5:45	28 GB(JV) Delphi (H) 6:00 GB(V) Delphi (H) 6:00 GB7(A&B) Seeger (H) 6:00 GB8(A&B) Seeger (H) 6:00 BB9(A&B) Del (T) 6:00 BB7(A&B) Rens (T) 6:30 BB8(A&B) Rens (T) 6:30	29	30 BB9 (A&B) Carroll (H) 6:00 GB(JV&V) Faith Ch. (H) 6:00 BB7(A&B) Faith Ch. (T) 6:00 BB8(A&B) Faith Ch. (T) 6:00 GB7(A&B) Klondike (T) 5:45 GB8(A&B) Klondike (T) 6:45 WR(JH) Faith Ch. (T) 6:00	31 BB(JV&V) SN (T) 6:30	

Nurse's Notes

Your nurses have been quite busy since our last newsletter. We now have three nurses in the Tri-County family. We have welcomed Teresa Earney RN. She is working two days a week at TCP with Mrs. Good who is working at TCP three days a week. Mrs. Arvin is working full time at TCI and the MSHS. This has provided a much needed expansion in nursing care for our students.

Mrs. Arvin & Mrs. Good attended the Indiana State Nursing Conference in Indianapolis, and received a lot of great information to bring back into our school setting.

We have provided for vision screenings and dental care at TCP & TCI, with good response. They will be re-checked in 6 months.

Mrs. Arvin helped facilitate the use of a salad/fresh food salad bar at TCI, to promote healthy eating. It was well received by the students, and it was good to see them try foods some of them don't normally eat.

Mrs. Arvin has started an educational program for the 6th graders at TCI called CATCH my Breath. It is about the dangers of vaping. It consists of 4 one hour sessions discussing several topics. It will cover the health hazards of e-cigarettes, and discuss why people begin using them. It will also cover some positive alternatives and ways the advertising industry make e-cigarettes seem harmless. They will learn about ways to resist peer pressure and will make their own slogan and warning label.

It is important to begin working with students at a young age, so we can try to combat vaping. Early intervention will help teach them the terrible and often fatal outcomes that can occur with the use of this product. The news just posted a story about the first double lung transplant related to vaping, on a very young individual. The White County Health Nurse will be here and give Flu Shots at all three schools.

We are looking ahead to a potentially harsh winter, and we are encouraging everyone to practice good hand washing to help prevent the spread of illnesses.

Happy Healthy Holidays To All!!

Susan Good, RN
Sara Arvin, RN
Teresa Earney, RN



School Messenger - Alert Messages

Tri-County School Corporation uses School Messenger to send out important information to our families throughout the school year. Please be sure, that you keep your phone numbers and email addresses current with your child's school. If you should need to change any of your contact information, please contact your child's school and make necessary updates with the main office.

SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS & MAKE-UP DAYS

Due to School being canceled on 11/12/19 and 11/19/19, please note the make-up days for the following:

- 11/12/19 – school will be made up on April 13, 2020
- 11/19/19 – school will be made up on February 14, 2020

From the Desk of Mr. Culp

At the recent Veteran's Day program at Tri-County, the high school band wonderfully performed a series of songs. A high school band is a terrific example of the notion of unity. Each individual performer must sound their absolute best in order for the entire group to sound good. One person, not in tune or not in rhythm, will negatively affect the overall sound of the group. Within each musical section (whether the brass, woodwinds, or percussion, etc.) each person must sacrifice individual glory for the betterment of the entire band sounding harmonious. While a casual person listening to the band may not know if an individual is performing badly, rest assured, the casual person can recognize poorly played music from the entire band. Similar to the band, teachers within an individual classroom, department, and whole staff, must be unified in order to perform and achieve at the very best level.

Throughout the course of history, there are examples of unity (or dissension) to illustrate the importance of unity. Starting in 1861, the southern states seceded from the United States to create the Confederate State of America, essentially starting the Civil War. In 1858, before the start of the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln referenced scripture when he said,

"A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe this government cannot endure, permanently, half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved — I do not expect the house to fall — but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing or all the other. Either the opponents of slavery will arrest the further spread of it, and place it where the public mind shall rest in the belief that it is in the course of ultimate extinction; or its advocates will push it forward, till it shall become lawful in all the States, old as well as new — North as well as South."

Nearly 100 years later during the Civil Rights movement, the country was divided among racial lines. In the late 1960s, the Vietnam War divided the country. During the Civil War, the Civil Rights Movement, or the war in Vietnam, the country was crippled by the lack of unity. Many people suffered gravely when the United States was not unified.

On the other hand, the terrorist attacks on September 11 unified the country and reminded Americans why we are fortunate to live in the greatest country in the world. An attack meant to cripple the country only served to unify the United States. For years, Americans used the attack on our country to help support one another financially, spiritually, and/or emotionally.

In the profession of education, there are constant attempts to create dissension among teachers, administrators, parents and students. In my opinion, the Indiana State Legislature has introduced potential bills, policies, or ideas to create dissension among educational professionals in an attempt to divide our house. On numerous occasions, I have dealt with students in the middle of strife because of something said or actions taken by another person. No matter the circumstance, professional educators and surrounding communities need to stay unified in order to be successful.

While there are things in education that are frustrating, confusing, aggravating, and perplexing, we cannot afford to be anything but unified. While there are enough people working to create dissension within education, we cannot afford cracks within to damage our Tri-County unity.

From renowned leadership author John Maxwell, experienced animal trainers take a stool with them when they step into a cage with a lion. Why a stool of all things? The stool tames the lion better than anything, except maybe a tranquilizer gun. When the trainer holds the stool with the legs extended towards the lion's face, the animal tries to focus on all four legs at once, and that paralyzes him. Divided focus or effort always work against you.

Patrick Culp
Superintendent

Tri-County Jr/Sr Honor Roll

2019-2020 Quarter 1 All A's

12th Grade

Doty, Taylor Irene
Keliheleua-Zussman, Keahi Christian
Michal, Emma Rose
Vandever, Blayne Michael

11th Grade

Balchunas, Shay Alan
Foster, Casey Michelle
Kilmer, Tyler Steven
Kirby, Alyssa Colleen
Musser, Maddie Jo
Nabors, Magdalena Grace
Poindexter, Bryce Ellis
Sainz Pruja, Miguel

10th Grade

Del Real Perez, Verania
Douglas, Anna Rose
Ford, Ashley Renee
Kyle, Bailey Lynn
Lawson, Korbin Lee
Schambach, Shelby Jo
Schneider, Leah M
Stark, Payton Edward
Terwilliger, Xavier Grant
Walder, Justin Ray
Wamsley, Willa June

9th Grade

Blume, Levi Lynn
Del Real Perez, Berenize
Oilar, Noah Patrick
Schultz, Connor Ruiz
Voors, Emma Nicole

8th Grade

Bahler, Koby Richard
Douglas, Addison Kay
Durando, Jasmine Marcelo
Gretencord, Braylon Andrew
Hagan, Lily Grace
Jeffries, Drake A
McMorrow, Aidan Tucker
Metzinger, Ryleigh Hope
Miller, Trinity Lynne
Misch, Lucas Edward
Oliver, Noah Lee
Province, Jasmine Jewel
Scheitlin, Amalee Rose
Wallace, Christian Ray
Zarse, Eric Reinhart

7th Grade

Bahler, Elyzabeth Elaine
Clark, Laurel Isabel
Comer, Jackson Flynt
Culp, Ella Claire
Fields, Samantha Allison
Greeno, Kayden Lee
Taulman, Morgan Jeanne
Zarse, Sara Anne

Tri-County Jr/Sr Honor Roll

2019-2020 Quarter 1 All A-B's

12th Grade

Bahler, Nanci Elizabeth
Bunjan, Stephen John
Coleman, Kasey Thomas
Cree, Justin Ray
Darrall, Ski-Lei May
Douglas, Andrew Michael
Fowler, Elysia Skylar
Getz, Chloe Grace
Gretencord, Zachary Chad
LaCosse, Bailee Sunshine
McAdams, Dru Michael
Pilotte, Anna Elizabeth
Randolph, Layton Robert
Reynolds, Devin Christopher
Schultz, Nolan Oscar
Siegle, Bryce Jacob
Spikes, Howard Joseph
Turza, Joshua Emmanuel
Waibel, Elijah Andrew
Walder, Sarah Jane

11th Grade

Alberts, Myah Elizabeth
Blume, Emma Rose
Brouhard, Zackery Dean
Ewen, Reece John
Foster, Kylie Nicole
Layton, Isaac Mathew
Martin, Mackensie Anastasia
McDannel, Allyssa Michelle
Miller, Brooklynn Dawn
Miller, McKenzie Elaine
Peterson, Blake Richard
Pinkerton, Darian Michelle
Pirlot, Harmony Ann
Roudebush, Jimmy Arthur
Schemerhorn, Nicholas Daniel
Stearns, Chase Lawrence
Wilson, Carter Dean

10th Grade

Anderson, Caleb Willard
Bahler, Bryce Allen
Cantrell, Xavier Michael
Doty, Logan Michael
Miller, Sarah Marie
Pritts, Avery Nathan
Reynolds, Alexis Marie
Rodehan, Grace Ann
Roudebush, Courtney Jean
Sargent, Bradley Rae
Stearns, Rory S
Stokes, Destiny Rose
Stoller, Autumn Nicole
Turza, Elisabeth Anne
Warren, Brynn Nicole

9th Grade

Arvin, Abigail Grace
Boyd, Julia Estelle
Brooks, Becca Renee
Bunjan, Samuel Scott
Cleefman, Landon Christopher
Cooper, Heather Irene Nichole
Culp, Jasmine Nicole
Dreblow, James Wyatt
Garing, Adrianna Rose
Getz, Will Jacob
Haberland, Gracie Ann
Kilmer, Justin Delos
Lanoue, Brayden Grant
Lawson, Draco Sullivan
Lopez Sibrian, Helen Raquel
Melchi, Peyton Kennedy
Miller, Isaac Daniel
Sanders, Aidan Tyler
Scheitlin, Ellie Jo
Schemerhorn, James Paul
Scott, Raelyn Bella
Sterk, Lilly Ann
Wilken, Ana-Lynn Marie

8th Grade

Alberts, Jacob Wesley
Anderson, Hannah Diane
Blume, Marie Tianne
Ross, Connor Mason
Williamson, Brockton Edward

7th Grade

Alberts, Benjamin Seth
Alberts, Hannah Aurelia
Arvin, Hannah Elaine
Dominguez, Isabella Mackenzie
Dreblow, Ethan Andrew
Hughes, Riley Justen
Letson, Camden John
McMorrow, Bryce Adam
Misch, Murphy Lee
Oilar, Emma Rae
Porter, Chezney Rebecca
Scherer, Noah Douglas
Sheldon, Rylee Anne Nichole
Stoller, Sydney Breeze
Turza, Anya Mirielle
VanMeter, Taylor Irene
Wamsley, Clara Jean

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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FROM THE DESK OF MR. HAGAN

All of us at TCI would like to thank our parents and community supporters for all you do to help provide our students with the best 21st century learning opportunities. We appreciate our many parents who dedicate their time to work with students weekly during Enrichment, and our community and business partners who mentor students and provide weekly opportunities for students to explore interests in club day.

We have many great opportunities lined up for students this semester at TCI. Tri-County Schools understand the great benefits and outcomes STEM education brings to our students, and we are working together to enhance our STEM programming across all of our schools.

All students are immersed in STEM within each subject in the classrooms and attend our STEM Academy weekly. Thanks to Mrs. Ewen, students utilized our butterfly gardens provided by Bayer (formerly Monsanto) to observe the life cycle and tag butterflies for monitoring migration to Mexico. Our robotics teams are off to a great start in competitions at Klondike Middle School. All students are involved in one of twenty different clubs this year to explore their interests and be provided real-world experiences. Purdue University is working with our students in growing hydroponics at school. Students are growing fruits and vegetables and eating their harvest on our salad bar.

Thank you to everyone involved in making all of these experiences possible for our students, and we welcome you to come see for yourself!

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, December 11 - Christmas Program 1:00pm at CCJSHS

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

Mr. Hagan

