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February/March Newsletter

TRI-COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Tri-County School Corporation Expands Opportunities with the Indiana College Core

Tri-County School Corporation is proud to announce an exciting new academic opportunity for our students: the Indiana College Core (ICC). The ICC reflects the Tri-County School Corporation's ongoing commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and preparing every student for success—no matter their post-graduation path.

The ICC is a statewide, transferable block of 30 college credits that can be earned while students are still in high school. These credits are guaranteed to transfer to all Indiana public colleges and universities, and many private institutions, giving students a jumpstart on their college journey. Completing the ICC can save families thousands of dollars in tuition and help students enter college with confidence and momentum.

At Tri-County, we believe opportunity should never be one-size-fits-all. That's why offering the ICC alongside our Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs is such a powerful combination. Together, these pathways ensure that every Tri-County student has access to a future that fits their goals, whether that means heading straight to college, enrolling in a technical program, or entering the workforce with in-demand skills.

College-bound students can accelerate their academic progress, while students planning to enter the workforce benefit from the same high expectations, rigorous coursework, and real-world readiness that define a Tri-County education.

We are incredibly proud of this next step and excited about what it means for our students, families, and community. The future is bright at Tri-County, and with the Indiana College Core, our students are already on their way.

GO CAVS!

Staying Positive & Celebrating Success in 2026

A Message from Mr. Haskins:

As we wrap up the first three months of 2026, I am incredibly proud of how our students and staff have navigated the winter season. On our first day back from Christmas break, we discussed the importance of maintaining a positive outlook despite the physical and mental challenges that winter can bring. I am happy to report that everyone has done a fantastic job focusing on learning and their well-being.

Student Achievements: We have so much to celebrate! Our students are making positive strides in and out of the classroom, thanks to their hard work and the dedication of our teachers, coaches, and advisers.

- 🏆 **National Recognition:** Our FFA group placed **9th in the nation** at the National Meat Judging Contest in Denver, Colorado.
- 🚀 **Tech Skills:** Three students officially earned their Drone Certification.
- 🎶 **The Arts:** Two students represented our school in the State Band.
- 💼 **Career Ready:** Four seniors began work-based learning internships at Chief Building in Rensselaer.
- 🏀 **Athletics:** Continued success for our winter sports teams.
- 📚 **Academics:** Junior High students showed positive growth in Math and ELA ILEARN checkpoint scores.

Looking Ahead: As we head into the final quarter of the school year, our staff remains dedicated to the safety and well-being of every student.

Please remember to follow the corporation **Facebook Page** for the latest updates. We want the whole community to celebrate these accomplishments with us. Thank you for your continued support—let's keep this positive momentum going!

Mr. Haskins **#Positive2026**

TC LIBRARY NEWS

Feb/Mar 2026

TRI-COUNTY INTERMEDIATE LIBRARY NEWS:

Mrs. Williams is gearing up for the TCI book fair February 2-6. Join us on Grandparent's Night on Tuesday, February 3rd from 5-7 PM to visit the book fair in the library. Family and friends can also add money to students' e-wallets by scanning the QR code below or going to the following link: **https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/tricountyintermediateschool**

A note from Mrs. Oilar:

February is Love Your Library Month, a time to celebrate the important role libraries play in supporting learning, imagination, and a love of reading. Libraries provide students with access to books, resources, and programs that help build strong literacy skills and encourage curiosity beyond the classroom.

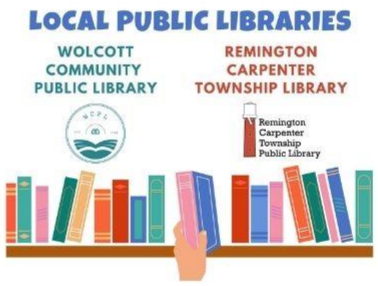
All Tri-County students, from every building, are eligible for a free library card at both the Wolcott and Remington Public Libraries—regardless of where you live. With colder weather upon us, this is the perfect time to sign up for a public library card and enjoy some wonderful books during the winter months. Both libraries are proud supporters of our Tri-County families and are passionate about putting books into the hands of our students while fostering a lifelong love of reading.

MOST POPULAR BOOKS!!

TCP:	TCI:
1. Dog Man	1. Dog Man
2. Taylor Swift	2. Wings of Fire
3. Cookbooks	3. Big Nate

TC JR/SR HIGH:

1. The Summer I Turned Pretty by Jenny Han
2. Two Degress by Alan Gratz
3. Better Than the Movies by Lynn Painter



Wolcott Community Public Library:
www.mywcpl.com
219-279-2695

Remington Carpenter Township Library
www.rctpl.lib.in.us
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Tri-County Library Department

WOLCOTT COMMUNITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

FEBRUARY/MARCH PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 2/3 - DSF LEGO Club : After school - 5pm
Thursday 2/5 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 2/6 - Toddler Time: 10am
Saturday 2/7 - DSF Kids Lab: 10am-12pm
Tuesday 2/10 - Storytime: 10am
Thursday 2/12 -Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 2/13 - Stay & Play: 10am
Friday 2/13 - Crafternoon: Afterschool-4:30pm
Tuesday 2/17 - DSF LEGO Club: After school - 4:30pm
Thursday 2/19 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 2/20 - Storytime: 10am
Saturday 2/21 - Saturday Morning Cartoons: 10am
Monday 2/23 - Teens & Tweens (Tiny Canvases Project) : After School - 5pm
Thursday 2/26 - Movie Theater Thursday : 3:30pm
Friday 2/27 - Wiggle & Bounce: 10am
Friday 2/27 - Crafternoon: Afterschool - 4:30pm

MARCH

Tuesday 3/3 - DSF LEGO Club: After school - 5pm
Thursday 3/5 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 3/6 - Toddler Time: 10am
Tuesday 3/10 - Storytime: 10am
Thursday 3/12 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 3/13 - Stay & Play: 10am
Friday 3/13 - Crafternoon: Afterschool - 4:30pm
Saturday 3/14 - DSF Kids Lab: 10am-12pm
Tuesday 3/17 - DSF LEGO Club: After school - 5pm
Thursday 3/19 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 3/20 - Storytime: 10am
Saturday 3/21 - Saturday Morning Cartoons: 10am
Thursday 3/26 - Movie Theater Thursday: 3:30pm
Friday 3/27 - Wiggle & Bounce: 10am
Friday 3/27 - Crafternoon: Afterschool - 4:30pm
Monday 3/30 - Teens & Tweens: After School - 5pm
Tuesday 3/31 - DSF LEGO Club: After school - 4:30pm

NEW PROGRAMS!

Crafternoon will be on every other Friday after school. It is a craft time for school aged kids and we will have snacks. Miss Megan will have a new craft for each meeting!
Saturday Morning Cartoons is just that. We plan on having cereal out and playing some Cartoons on the projector.

Tri-County
Activity Calendar

February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Groundhog Day BB (9A&B) S.Newton (H) 6PM WR JH N.Newton (H) 6PM Gymnastics- Southmont (A) 6:30PM	3	4	5 GB(7/8 A&B) DeMotte (H) 6PM BB(JV/V) N.Newton (H) 6:30PM	6	7 GB(7/8 A&B) WCT (A) 9AM Gymnastics Jeff Invite (A) 12:30PM
8	9 BB (9A&B) Faith Chr. (H) 6PM GB(7/8 A&B) T.L. (H) 6PM WR JH S.Newton (A) 6PM Board Meeting 7PM	10 WR JH Pioneer 6PM BB(JV/V) Washington Twp. (A) 6:30P	11	12 GB(7/8 A&B) Rossville (A) 6PM	13 BB (JV/V) B.C. (H) 6PM	14 Valentine's Day WR JH East Tipp Invite (A) 8AM BB(JV/V) W.L. (H) 6PM
15	16 Presidents' Day GB(7/8 A&B) Carroll (A) 6PM	17 Mardi Gras Chinese New Year GB(7/8 A&B) N. White (A) 6PM WR JH N.W./ S.N. (A) 6PM	18 Ash Wednesday	19 WR JH Frontier 6PM	20 BB(JV/V) Faith Chr. (A) 6PM	21 BB(JV/V) C.I Prairie (A) 6PM
22	23 WR JH Rossvile/Cl.Prairie (H) 6PM	24 GB(7/8 A&B) W. Central (A) 6PM	25	26 GB(7/8 A&B) Frontier (H) 6PM WR JH N.W./B.C. (H) 6PM	27 BB(JV/V) Pioneer (A) 6PM	28 WR JH W.Central Invite (A) 9AM

Notes:

School is in session Friday, February 13th and Monday, February 16th

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 GB(7/8 A/B) Pioneer (H) 6PM	3	4	5 WR JH Frontier/T.L. (H) 6PM GB (7/8 A&B) N.Newton (H) 6:30PM	6	7 WR JH Resnsselaer Invite (A) 9:30 AM Jazz Band Contest
8	9 School Board Meeting 7PM	10	11	12 WR JH Rensselar/S.N. (A) 6PM	13 WR JH MWC (A) 6 PM Spring Musical 7PM	14
15 Spring Musical 4:30PM	16	17 St. Patrick's Day NHS Induction Ceremony 7PM	18	19	20 March equinox (GMT) Spring Break	21 Spring Break
22 Spring Break	23 Spring Break	24 Spring Break	25 Spring Break	26 Spring Break	27 Spring Break	28 Spring Break
29	30	31	Notes Student's first day back from Spring Break is March 30th.			

TCP NEWS

February & March

Preschool & Kindergarten Round-Up

Our Preschool & Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on Friday, April 17th from 8:45am-5:00pm. Information on signing up to attend this event will be shared closer to time. Our current preschool and kindergarten students will NOT have school that day. Kindergarten students will have some remote learning activities for the day.

Calendar Update

Since we have used all of our built-in snow days, below is a reminder of the days that school will now be in session:

February 13th
February 16th
May 26th

Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences

This spring, the Primary School teachers will have parent-teacher conferences. Staying connected to our students' families is important to us, and we do not want to miss out on this opportunity to share the progress our students have made throughout the school year. More information about conferences will be sent home at a later date.

Reminders from the Main Office

-If your phone number or address has changed during the school year, please call the office to share that with us. It is extremely important for the school to have current contact information for our students' families.

-If your child will be absent from school for any reason, their absence should be reported to the office by 9:30am that day.

Mark Your Calendar!

<u>February</u>

9th- School Board Meeting, 7:00, Corporation Office
13th- Weather Make-Up Day, School In Session
16th- Weather Make-Up Day, School In Session

<u>March</u>

9th- School Board Meeting, 7:00 Corporation Office
11th- End of 3rd 9 weeks
11th- PTO Meeting, 7:00 @ TCI
12th- School Tours with Mr. Culp
20th-29th- Spring Break

News from the Remington Library!

The Remington Library invites everyone of all ages to check out our "Wild About Books" winter reading program. Come to the library to sign up, get a ticket to keep track of your reading and to check out the prizes. Participants can read a book or listen to an audiobook to win a prize. Read for 6 hours and win a prize. Win up to 2 prizes. The Wild About Books program ends February 28, 2026.

Did you know this year is the Unites States 250th birthday!? In honor of our country, we are kicking off a 6-month Patriotic Reading Challenge. Read one book a month to correspond with that month's category. January's category is "Becoming the United States". Visit the library for a book suggestion. Win a prize after completing the challenge. The challenge runs from January-June with a prize at the end.

"Kids Art Club", our monthly children's program, meets the second Monday at 4pm. A different artist is chosen for each class. Come enjoy a snack while listening about the life and work of the artist followed by making a craft in the style of the artist. Available to grades 1-6.

Stop by the library or call 219-261-2543 for more information and to sign up!

What's Happening at TCI?

February–March Newsletter

As we move into February, it's hard to believe how quickly this school year has flown by. We are now over halfway through the year, and our students continue to learn, grow, and achieve great things each day.

With winter temperatures upon us, we kindly ask that families ensure students come to school dressed appropriately for the cold weather. Please be sure your child has a coat, hat, and gloves, especially on days when students are returning from swimming during the winter months. Staying warm helps keep everyone healthy and ready to learn.

Robotics Team
Our Robotics Team has had some wonderful learning opportunities this season. Students have demonstrated teamwork, problem-solving, and creativity throughout their competitions. Their final competition will take place in February, and we are very proud of their hard work and dedication.

Science Club
The Science Club wrapped up their competition at the end of January, focusing on the Water Cycle. Students did a fantastic job applying their knowledge and showcasing their scientific thinking. We appreciate their enthusiasm and commitment to learning beyond the classroom.

IREAD Testing Reminder

As we move into IREAD testing in March, please be sure your student is getting a good night's rest and eating a healthy breakfast each morning. These simple steps help students feel confident and prepared to perform their best.

Important Dates
February

- **February 2–6:** Scholastic Book Fair
- **February 3:** Grandparents Night, 5:00–7:00 PM
- **February 3:** 6th Grade Field Trip to the Challenger Center
- **February 13:** Snow Make-Up Day

March

- **March 2–13:** IREAD Testing for 3rd Grade Students
- **March 11:** End of the 3rd Nine Weeks
- **March 20–27:** Spring Break

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to a productive and exciting remainder of the school year!

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Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "**Y**" or "**Yes**" to our school's short code number, **68453**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "**Stop**".

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

Opt-In from your mobile phone now!

Just send "Y" or "Yes" to 68453

Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:
SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

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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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TRI-COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Tri-County School Corporation has a policy which is currently being practiced. All courses are open to all students regardless of age, race, color, national origin, sex, and handicapped condition.

Educational services, programs, instruction and facilities will not be denied to anyone in the Tri-County School Corporation as the result of his or her age, race, color, national origin, sex, or handicapped condition.

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