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Just A Reminder!

If you're not receiving One Call messages or you would like to revise your contact numbers, please contact Noelle Warner at the TCN District Office at 937-962-2671.



When our students return to school this fall they will notice the new sidewalks and main entryway that we have been working on most of the summer. The decision was made last school year to replace our twenty-six year old cracked and damaged sidewalks and improve the drainage problem that we have always had around the front of our facility. As many of you know, there was often two to three inches of water pooled over the sidewalks leading into the building after heavy storms. We have added additional catch basins and have excavated all areas in front of the school to eliminate this problem. We have also added a new entryway into the main entrance of the building so that all of our visitors will know where they should enter during the course of the school day. The decision was also made to add a sidewalk between the current high school doors and the main entrance doors to make our building handicap compliant. Anyone who in the past had purchased a brick with their name engraved on it will still have a brick, but all of the engraved bricks have been relocated into one central "courtyard" area in front of the main entryway. The Valedictorian and Salutatorian bricks have been relocated into the courtyard area as well and we have added an additional area for school employees who retire. Next year we will be holding a "buy a brick" fundraiser for anyone who would like to purchase a brick to be placed into the courtyard in the future. I think that many people will be interested in this option once they see how nice the project has turned out.

An additional project that we are currently working on is the crack sealing, coating and restriping of all of our parking lots. It has been over five years since we replaced many of the lots and we wanted to preserve and protect them by making this decision. I believe that this improvement is going to greatly increase the appearance of our entire facility as well as extend the amount of years that we will get out of the asphalt.

I do want to add that the projects mentioned above are only possible because our community has supported our permanent improvement fund. The dollars generated through this fund can only be spent on things that are expected to last five years or longer concerning our school. In the past, we have utilized these funds to replace our roof, to install new heat pumps, to replace floors, as well as just repair things in our school that wear out over time.

There have been many smaller projects that we have been working on both inside and outside of the building this summer. I would like to invite each of you to our annual open house on August 15 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. where you can stop in and see how nice the building looks as our students start back to school. I hope that you enjoy the rest of the summer and that you have the opportunity to spend some time with family and friends. As always, if you have questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact me at the district office.

Class of 2016



The Tri-County North Class of 2016 graduated on Thursday, May 26, 2016, at Salem Church of God. There were 90 graduates overall, 44 of which attended MVCTC. The TCN Class of 2016 Valedictorians were: Macey Dennison, Aidan Tomlin and Sean Tomlin. The TCN Class of 2016 Salutatorian was Taylor Tucker.

The Tri-County North Board of Education, Administration and staff would like to wish each graduating senior the very best in all of their future endeavors. It has been a pleasure having you represent TCN! Congratulations and best of luck to you in your futures!





K-5 School News

Joe Finkbine

Tri-County North Elementary has once again selected a theme to inspire our students. "TCNES: Your Passport to Discovery" will be the theme to drive our students and staff throughout the 2016-17 school year. Last year our theme helped bring excitement, focus, and a sense of community to our school and we are expecting the same this year. Our teachers have developed "places to go" each month to enhance students' learning of the different places in the world. You will notice the theme as you pull up and see the entrance to the elementary and as you enter the hallways you will be know we are ready to discover all types of different things all year long. Please plan to attend our open house on Monday, August 15th from 5:00 – 6:30PM and see what the excitement is all about!



6-12 School News

Doug Dunham

On Thursday May 26, 2016 the members of the Class of 2016 walked out of the Salem Church of God and tossed their caps into the air celebrating their accomplishment of graduating from Tri-County North. Each class member left their mark on Tri-County North and they are now part of the Tri-County North alumni, and we wish each one of them the best in their future endeavors.

The excitement of the new school year is now upon us as we start the 2016-2017 school year. We once again will offer students the opportunity to enroll in college courses taught by Tri-County North teachers who are adjunct professors for Indiana University and Sinclair College. Some Tri-County North students will be enrolled in college courses where they are either attending courses taught on campus, or completing them on-line at TCN during the school day.

Last school year, Tri-County North started the Online Learning Lab where students were able to complete high and middle school classes using an online program. Students were able to take advantage at proceeding at their own pace, recovering credits, enrolling in courses we do not offer, or they could not fit in their schedule. The program was very successful and Tri-County North was able to offer an alternative education for our students.

Tri-County North students are now in the process of obtaining points on the End-of-Course Exams which they take in 7 classes in order to fulfill graduation requirements. The Class of 2017 is the last class which had to pass all 5 parts of the Ohio Graduation Test. The end of course exams are offered in English I (9th), English II (10th), Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, American History, and Government. Students must accumulate 18 total points on the tests, and obtain 4 points in English, 4 points in Math, and 6 points in Science and Social Studies combined. Students may retake End-of-Course exams.

I write this final newsletter as I end my career at Tri-County North. For the 2016-17 school year, I will be starting a new position as the Superintendent at Mississinawa Valley Local Schools. I want to thank all of the students, parents, and community members for working with me to educate the students of Tri-County North. I have enjoyed working with each staff member of Tri-County North, and I had the opportunity to observe every staff member give 100% each day for the students of TCN. I especially want to thank Mr. Derringer and the Tri-County North School Board Members for giving me the opportunity to be part of Tri-County North Schools. I wish everyone a great 2016-2017 school year!

Curriculum Corner

Beth Manor

As I enter my third year leading the curriculum, instruction, and professional development initiatives at Tri-County North, I believe it is a good time to reflect on the changes that we have seen here regarding our growth in the academic arena. As the new school year begins, let me highlight a few of the good things that have been going on and give a preview of what will continue to evolve as this year unfolds in the Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Development world at TCN.

Our spring State of Ohio Assessment window went very smoothly. Our students and teachers all worked very hard to make these assessments a true reflection of the teaching and learning that occurred and we look forward to the State of Ohio's return to the traditional September release of the report card. Our administrative and teaching staff will be analyzing this data to see what's working and how we can continue to strive for excellence.

Our teachers are dedicated to having a growth mindset, which means they're always looking to grow, learn more, and achieve for themselves, and most importantly, our students.

Our students entering ninth grade will now be better equipped to handle the financial realities of the real world as they leave high school, as this year we raised our graduation requirements to include a half credit in Personal Finance and another semester of technology credit.

As always, please feel free to contact me at beth.manor@tcnschools.org or via phone at 937-603-1328 with any questions.

Tri-County North Athletics



* Schedules are subject to change

August

- 8: Varsity Golf @ TVS (Preble County Meet) - 9:00 am
- 9: Varsity FB vs. Anna (scrimmage)—10:00 am
- 11: Varsity Golf @ Brookville (@ Beechwood)—8:00 am
- 12: Varsity Golf CCC Preview @ Stillwater—8:30 am
- 13: Varsity FB @ Dixie (scrimmage) - 10:00 am
Girls Soccer @ Greeneview (scrimmage) - 11:00 am
- 16: Varsity Golf @ Mississinawa—4:30 pm
- 18: Varsity Golf @ Bradford—4:30 pm
- 19: Varsity FB vs. Northridge (**Jamboree**) - 7:00 pm
- 20: Girls Soccer @ Greenon—10:00 am
Boys Soccer @ Greenon—12:00 pm
- 22: Varsity Golf vs. National Trail—4:00 pm
JHVB vs. Brookville—5:00 pm
- 23: Varsity Golf vs. Franklin Monroe—4:00 pm
HS Cross Country @ Eaton—4:30 pm
JHFB @ National Trail—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Troy Christian—5:30 pm
- 25: JHVB @ Ansonia—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Brookville—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ Dixie—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Dixie—7:15 pm
- 26: Varsity FB vs. Brookville—7:30 pm
- 27: HS Cross Country @ Milton Union—9:00 am
HSVB @ Mississinawa (Darke County Tourney) - 9:00 am
JVFB @ Brookville—10:00 am
- 29: Varsity Golf @ Newton—4:30 pm
JHVB @ Newton—5:00 pm
- 30: Varsity Golf vs. Bethel—4:00 pm
JHFB vs. Ansonia—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Newton—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Miami Valley—5:30 pm

September

- 1: Varsity Golf @ Covington—4:00 pm
JHVB vs. Mississinawa—5:00 pm
HSVB @ Mississinawa—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Franklin Monroe—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ Franklin Monroe—7:00 pm
- 2: Varsity FB vs. Ansonia—7:30 pm
- 3: HS Cross Country @ Greenville—8:00 am
JVFB @ Ansonia—10:00 am
HSVB @ Milton Union—11:30 am
- 6: Varsity Golf vs. Arcanum—4:00 pm
JHVB @ Franklin Monroe—5:00 pm
JHFB @ Arcanum—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Franklin Monroe—5:30 pm

- 6: Girls Soccer vs. Stivers—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. Stivers—7:15 pm
- 8: Varsity Golf vs. Miami East—4:00 pm
JHVB vs. Bradford—5:00 pm
HSVB @ Bradford—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer vs. TVS—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. TVS—7:00 pm
- 9: Varsity FB @ Arcanum—7:30 pm
- 10: Varsity Golf @ Franklin Monroe—8:30 am
HS Cross Country @ Brookville—9:00 am
JVFB vs. Arcanum—10:00 am
HSVB @ Carlisle—10:00 am
Girls Soccer @ Northeastern—10:00 am
Boys Soccer @ Northeastern—12:00 pm
- 12: Varsity Golf @ Ansonia—4:00 pm
JHVB @ Arcanum—5:00 pm
- 13: Varsity Golf vs. TVS—4:00 pm
HS Cross Country @ Valley View—4:30 pm
JHFB vs. Mississinawa—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Arcanum—5:30 pm
- 15: Varsity Golf @ Tri-Village—4:00 pm
JHVB vs. TVS—5:00 pm
Girls Soccer vs. Bethel—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ Bethel—7:00 pm
- 16: Varsity FB vs. Mississinawa (**Lil Panthers**)—7:30 pm
- 17: HS Cross Country @ Northmont—8:30 am
JVFB @ Mississinawa—10:00 am
JHVB vs. Tri-Village—10:00 am
HSVB @ Dixie—10:00 am
Girls Soccer vs. Greenville—10:00 am
- 19: Varsity Golf vs. Milton Union—4:00 pm
JHVB @ Dixie—5:00 pm
JHFB @ Bethel—5:00 pm
- 20: Varsity Golf @ Preble Shawnee—4:00 pm
JH & HS Cross Country @ National Trail—4:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. Madison—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer vs. Madison—7:15 pm
- 22: Varsity Golf @ Stillwater (CCC Match) - 8:30 am
JHVB @ National Trail—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. National Trail—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. Preble Shawnee—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Richmond—6:30 pm
- 23: Varsity FB @ Bethel—7:30 pm
- 24: HS Cross Country @ Bellbrook—9:00 am
JVFB vs. Bethel—10:00 am

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2016-2017 TCN SCHOOL CALENDAR

Start –Finish

(August 16 - May 25)

Summary of Calendar

Days in classroom:

First Semester 86
 Second Semester 94
TOTAL CALENDAR DAYS = 180
 + 3 TEACHER DAYS = **183**

days in 1st Quarter = 42
 ES – 241 hr 30 min MS/HS – 259 hr 41 min

days in 2nd Quarter = 44
 ES – 253 hr MS/HS – 272 hr 03 min

days in 3rd Quarter = 47
 ES – 270 hr 15 min MS/HS – 290 hr 36 min

days in 4th Quarter = 47
 ES – 270 hr 15 min MS/HS – 290 hr 36 min
1035 hrs 1112 hrs 56 mins

CALENDAR LEGEND

- Start/End
- Quarter
- P/T Conf/Breaks
- Prof. Dev.*
- Holidays
- Recess Days

HOLIDAYS:

- Labor Day (9/5)
- Columbus Day (10/10)
- Thanksgiving Day (11/24)
- Christmas Day (12/25)
- New Year's Day Observed (1/2)
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/16)
- President's Day (2/20)
- Good Friday (4/14)
- Memorial Day (5/29)

MAKE-UP DAYS:

- (in no particular order, if needed)
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 - President's Day
 - March 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
 - April 14, 17
 - May 26, 30, 31
 - Additional Days as Needed*

***Professional Development**

Dates (Contracted Days):

Aug. 15, Sept. 6, May 26

Full-Day State Waiver Days

Oct. 11, 2016 & Feb. 21, 2017

August 2016					Student Days
M	T	W	Th	F	
8	9	10	11	12	
15	16	17	18	19	4
22	23	24	25	26	9
29	30	31			12
September					
			1	2	14
5	6	7	8	9	17
12	13	14	15	16	22
19	20	21	22	23	27
26	27	28	29	30	32
October					
3	4	5	6	7	37
10	11	12	13	14	41
17	18	19	20	21	46
24	25	26	27	28	51
31					52
November					
	1	2	3	4	56
7	8	9	10	11	61
14	15	16	17	18	66
21	22	23	24	25	69
28	29	30			72
December					
			1	2	74
5	6	7	8	9	79
12	13	14	15	16	84
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	
January 2017					
2	3	4	5	6	89
9	10	11	12	13	94
16	17	18	19	20	98
23	24	25	26	27	103
30	31				105
February					
		1	2	3	108
6	7	8	9	10	113
13	14	15	16	17	118
20	21	22	23	24	122
27	28				124
March					
		1	2	3	127
6	7	8	9	10	132
13	14	15	16	17	137
20	21	22	23	24	142
27	28	29	30	31	
April					
3	4	5	6	7	147
10	11	12	13	14	151
17	18	19	20	21	156
24	25	26	27	28	161
May					
1	2	3	4	5	166
8	9	10	11	12	171
15	16	17	18	19	176
22	23	24	25	26	180
29	30	31			

183 Day Calendar
Date Events

- Aug. 15** **Teacher Prof. Dev. Day**
- Aug. 16** **Classes begin for students**
- Sept. 5** **Labor Day (No School)**
- Sept. 6** **Teacher Prof. Dev. Day**
- Oct. 10** **Columbus Day (No School)**
- Oct. 11** **Waiver Day (No School)**
- Oct. 14** **End of First Quarter**
- Nov. 23** **No School in lieu of Conferences**
- Nov. 24** **Thanksgiving (No School)**
- Nov. 25** **Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)**
- Dec. 20** **End of Second Quarter and First Semester**
- Dec. 21-Jan. 3** **Winter Break (No School)**
- Jan. 2** **New Year's Day Observed (No School)**
- Jan. 4** **Classes Resume**
- Jan. 16** **Martin Luther King Day (No School)**
- Feb. 17** **No School in lieu of Conferences**
- Feb. 20** **President's Day (No School)**
- Feb. 21** **Waiver Day (No School)**
- Mar. 10** **End of Third Quarter**
- Mar. 27-31** **Spring Break (No School)**
- April 14** **Good Friday (No School)**
- May 25** **Last Day for Students and End of Fourth Quarter**
- May 26** **Teacher Prof. Dev. Day**
- May 29** **Memorial Day**



Tri-County North Athletics Continued

September

- 26: JHVB @ Miami East—5:00 pm
Boys Soccer vs. Milton Union—5:30 pm
- 27: HS Cross Country @ Tri-Village—4:45 pm
JHFB vs. Covington—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Miami East—5:30 pm
- 29: JHVB vs. Covington—5:00 pm
HSVB @ Covington—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Miami East—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ Miami East—7:15 pm
- 30: Varsity FB vs. Covington (**Homecoming**)—7:30 pm

October

- 1: JH & HS Cross Country @ National Trail—10:00 am
JVFB @ Covington—10:00 am
JHVB @ Eaton—10:00 am
Boys Soccer vs. Brookville—10:00 am
- 3: JHVB vs. Bethel—5:00 pm
HSVB @ Madison—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer vs. Carlisle—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. Carlisle—7:15 pm
- 4: JHFB @ Bradford—5:00 pm
JHVB @ Preble Shawnee—5:00 pm
HSVB @ Bethel—5:30 pm
- 6: HSVB @ TVS—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ Newton—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ Newton—7:00 pm
- 7: Varsity FB @ Troy Christian—7:30 pm
- 8: HS Cross Country @ Eaton—8:30 am
JVFB vs. Ft. Loramie—10:00 am
JHVB tourney at Covington—TBA
- 10: HSVB vs. Preble Shawnee—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer @ TVS—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer @ TVS—7:30 pm
- 11: JHFB @ Miami East—5:00 pm
HSVB vs. Ansonia—5:30 pm
- 13: HSVB @ Tri-Village—5:30 pm
Girls Soccer vs. National Trail—5:30 pm
Boys Soccer vs. National Trail—7:00 pm
- 14: Varsity FB @ Miami East—7:30 pm
- 15: HS Cross Country @ Covington (CCC Meet) - 10:00 am
JVFB vs. Miami East—10:00 am
- 18: JHFB vs. TVS—5:00 pm
- 21: Varsity FB vs. TVS (**Senior Night**) - 7:30 pm
- 22: JVFB @ TVS—10:00 am
- 28: Varsity FB @ National Trail—7:30 pm

November

- 25: HSGB @ Carlisle (Tip Off Classic) - 4:30 & 7:30 pm
- 26: HSGB @ Carlisle (Tip Off Classic) - 6:00 pm
- 28: JHGB @ Preble Shawnee—5:00 pm
- 29: JHGB vs. Eaton—5:00 pm
HSGB @ Brookville—6:00 pm

December

- 1: JHBB vs. Eaton—5:00 pm
HSGB @ Miami East—5:30 pm
- 3: JHGB @ Newton—10:00 am
Freshman BB vs. Madison—4:00 pm
HSBB vs. Madison—5:30 pm
- 5: JHBB vs. Miami East—5:00 pm
HSGB @ Northeastern—6:00 pm
- 6: JHGB vs. Tri-Village—5:00 pm
HSBB @ Franklin—6:00 pm
- 8: JHBB vs. National Trail—5:00 pm
HSGB @ Milton Union—6:00 pm
- 9: HSBB @ TVS—6:30 pm
- 10: JHGB @ Ansonia—10:00 am
JHBB vs. Preble Shawnee—10:00 am
HSBB vs. New Miami—6:00 pm
- 12: HSGB vs. Eaton—5:30 pm
- 13: JHGB vs. Bethel—5:00 pm
- 15: JHGB vs. TVS—5:00 pm
- 16: HSBB @ Brookville—6:00 pm
- 17: Varsity Wrestling @ Versailles—10:00 am
JHGB vs. Mississinawa—10:00 am
JHBB @ TVS—10:00 am
HSGB vs. TVS—2:00 pm
- 19: JHGB vs. Covington—5:00 pm
HSGB @ Dixie—6:00 pm

2016-2017 Staffing Changes

With the close of the 2015-2016 school year, TCN had several employees leave our employment and move on to other things. At this time, we'd like to introduce our new staff:

Joe Hoelzle, who will be replacing Doug Dunham

Andrea Fleischman, who will be replacing Cathy Norris

Kristen Mills, who will be replacing Travis Miller

Elyn Shellhaas, who will be replacing Charles Platt

Stephanie Schieltz, who will be replacing Alexandra Waite

Christine Mason, who will be replacing Emily Hamblin

Mindy Jones, who will be replacing Cheryl Ross

We would like to welcome all of our new hires and wish them a very successful year here at TCN!

Upcoming Italy And Spain Trip

During the 2018 spring break week, TCN students in grades 9-12 will have an awesome opportunity to go on a trip to Italy and Spain! The trip will be completely self-funded by the student. The trip is still in the early planning stages but will last approximately nine days. There will be a parent meeting held on September 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. in the HS lecture room. If interested, students and parents should contact Mindy Jones, TCN Spanish Teacher, at mindy.iones@tcnschools.org.



School Payments Made Easy!



Attention, parents! Beginning this year, credit/debit cards may now be used at Tri-County North to pay for school fees, school meals, yearbooks, field trips, athletic fees, latchkey fees and more! You may also continue to pay online at www.myschoolbucks.com.

Payments can be made in the Elementary and High School offices, as well as the Treasurer's office in the District Office. To use this service, MySchoolBucks charges a processing fee of 3.95%.

Please contact Brenda Lawson in the District Office with any questions at 937-962-2671 or 937-833-2974.

MS Students Participate In District 7 History Day

Twenty-three Tri-County North Middle School students competed at District 7 History Day at Piqua Junior High School on Saturday, March 5th, 2016. They competed against students from Auglaize, Champaign, Clark, Darke, Greene, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, and Shelby Counties. Several students repeated attending districts, Lillian Davis, Abigail Smeltzer, Ashley Jean, Emily Shafer, Isaac Johnson, Kaimee Knisley, and Levi VanGordon competed at district level last year. Qualifying for state competition this year are Lillian Davis, Hannah Lilly, Hunter Harry, and Landon Phelps. State competition will be April 28th at Ohio Wesleyan College in Delaware, Ohio. Lillian Davis is a repeat qualifier for state competition. This years entries were:

Levi Vangorden Entry (Exploring the Constitution: A New Hope: Junior Individual Website), Abigail Smeltzer (Starbucks Around the World: Junior Individual Website), Lillian Davis (The Life of Harriet Adams: Junior Individual Website), Kaimee Knisley (The life and travels of Ferdinand Magellan: Junior Individual Website), Ethan Fitch (Francisco Vasquez De Coronado: Junior Individual Website), Hannah Lilly (The end of polio as we know it: Junior Individual Website), Chase Reed (Band of Brothers: Junior Group Exhibit), Reagan Hasenjager ((Band of Brothers: Junior Group Exhibit), Paul Pahl (John Glenn- The Oldest Man to Go Into Space: Junior Group Exhibit), Walker McPeck (Leif Eriksson- First European Explorer in North America: Junior Group Exhibit), Bodie McKinney (Leif Eriksson- First European Explorer in North America: Junior Group Exhibit), Landon Phelps (Neil Armstrong- The First Man on the Moon: Junior Group Website), Hunter Harry (Neil Armstrong- The First Man on the Moon: Junior Group Website), Mackenzie Bacher (Sylvia Earle- Her Deepness and the Ocean: Junior Group Exhibit), Jenna Klingenberger (Sylvia Earle- Her Deepness and the Ocean: Junior Group Exhibit), Conner Evans (Ernest Shakleton: Junior Group Exhibit), Alex Meyer (Crazy Horse: Junior Group Exhibit), Joe Warnecke (John Glenn- The Oldest Man to Go Into Space: Junior Group Exhibit), Jaden Irwin (The life of Erik the Red: Junior Group Website), Kelli Cooke (Gertrude Bell- Queen of the Desert: Junior Group Exhibit), Kylie Cooper (Gertrude Bell- Queen of the Desert: Junior Group Exhibit), Emily Shafer (Richard E. Byrd: Junior Group Exhibit), Ashley Jean (Richard E. Byrd: Junior Group Exhibit). Abbie Garner (Gertrude Bell- Queen of the Desert: Junior Group Exhibit), Isaac Johnson (The life of Erik the Red: Junior Group Website), Owen Oliver (Crazy Horse: Junior Group Exhibit), and Chris Waddle (Ernest Shakleton: Junior Group Exhibit).



6th Grade Dearborn, MI Trip

On May 12th and 13th fifty TCN sixth graders made the journey to Dearborn, Michigan. They toured the Rouge Truck Plant and saw a working assembly line. They experienced history in the Henry Ford Museum and saw



George Washington's army cot, Lincoln's chair from Ford Theater, and Rosa Parks Bus along with other historical items. After Chuck E. Cheese and a great nights rest at the Sheraton they were rejuvenated and ready to enjoy the day at Greenfield Village where they rode in Model T antique cars, a steam locomotive, saw the reenactment of the Wright Brothers and Thomas Edison, They saw glassblowers and a printing press. The students were complimented on their behavior at every stop during the two day trip. The comment was made they wished all student groups were as good as these students. The students wished they could stay longer and see more and did not want the trip to end. They created a lifelong memory to share at many future reunions. Thanks to the parents who made it possible for Mrs. Finnigan, Mr. Love, Mrs. Tipton, Mrs. Clift, and Ms. Pierson to share this great educational experience.

2015-2016 FFA Recap

During the 2015-2016 school year, the Tri-County North MVCTC FFA chapter was involved in many events.

We participated in many CDE contests. We had five members compete in public speaking, two in job interviews, thirteen in Rural soils, seven in general livestock, two in wildlife, and one in equine. And we took thirty members to farm science review this year.

We had fun this past year spending time with and giving back to our supportive community. We participated in derby days helping load the cars. Members also worked the 2015 pork festival, volunteered at the community dinner in honor of Paje Heindl, helped at peewee football by running concessions, held a reception after the Veterans Day assembly, and served at the Senior Citizens Holiday Luncheon.

This year, due to the amount of funds we were able to raise, we donated \$200 to Children's Hospital of Dayton. We also raised \$5,900 in the annual fall fruit sale.

This year we had 190 attendees at our annual FFA Banquet. We would like to thank all the people who donated scholarships, door prizes, time and support to help make the banquet a success. We could not have done it without you and are very thankful for the continued support.

Thirteen students attended the National FFA Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky. Twenty-five students also attended the Ohio FFA State Convention.

We recently took nine students to FFA Camp Muskingum. The students worked directly with the Ohio FFA State Officers building their leadership skills and, of course, having a lot of fun on the lake.

Thank you, again, to everyone who has helped in any way this past year. Without the support of our community, TCN FFA could not accomplish the things that we have.

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Wax Museum

On Thursday, May 19th, the sixth and seventh grade social studies students held a wax museum. The students prepared displays of people famous in world history and acted out their characters when elementary students pushed the start buttons. The students brought costumes and props to really get into the act. They were judged on their presentations by volunteer middle school teachers. A good time was had by all who experienced this wax come to life encounter.



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Upcoming Events



August

- 11: First Day for Juniors at MVCTC
- 12: First Day for Seniors at MVCTC
- 15: K-12 Open House/Meet The Teacher—5:00-6:30 pm
Freshman Orientation—5:30 pm in the HS Gym
School Board Meeting—7:30 pm
- 16: First Student Day
- 22-Sept. 2: MAP Assessments
- 23: 8th Grade Washington DC—2nd Payment Due

September

- 5: Labor Day—NO SCHOOL
- 6: Teacher In-Service Day—NO SCHOOL
- 8: 6-12 Picture Day
- 9: ES Picture Day
- 14: Parent Meeting for Italy Trip—5:30-8:00 pm
- 16: MVCTC—no school
Interims Sent Home With Students
- 19: PTO Meeting
School Board Meeting—7:30 pm

October

- 4: 8th Grade Washington DC—Final Payment Due
- 10: Columbus Day—NO SCHOOL
- 11: Waiver Day—NO SCHOOL
- 13: 6-12 Picture Retakes
- 14: End of 1st Quarter
MVCTC—no school
- 17: PTO Meeting
School Board Meeting—7:30 pm

- 21: ES Picture Retakes
Report Cards Sent Home With Students

November

- 2: College Fair at National Trail for Seniors
- 6: Daylight Savings Time Ends—Fall BACK One Hour!
- 7: MS/HS Parent Teacher Conferences
ES Parent Teacher Conferences—3:30-6:30 pm
- 10: MS/HS Parent Teacher Conferences
ES Parent Teacher Conferences—3:30-6:30 pm
- 11: Veterans Day Program
- 14: 3rd Grade ELA Assessment
- 15: 3rd Grade ELA Assessment
8th Grade Departs for Washington DC—9:00 pm
- 18: 8th Grade Returns from Washington DC
- 21: PTO Meeting
School Board Meeting—7:30 pm
- 22: Interims Sent Home With Students
- 23-25: Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL

December

- 16: MVCTC Students Released at 1:00 pm
- 19: PTO Meeting
School Board Meeting—7:30 pm
- 20: End of 2nd Quarter / 1st Semester
- 21-Jan. 3: Winter Break—NO SCHOOL

January

- 4: Classes Resume
- 10: Report Cards Sent Home With Students
- 16: Martin Luther King Day—NO SCHOOL