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Dear Tiger Family:

Here is this week's news:

# Thank you, Tiger Families

Thank you, one and all, for your participation in last Wednesday's ParentSquare Urgent Alert Test. I am pleased to inform you that very few of our families, five (5) to be exact, did not receive the message as expected. Our staff reached out to these families to assist them. I hope we do not have the need to frequently use the Urgent Alert, but it is good to know that we are ready to do so if necessary. Thanks, again.

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# Know the Facts Regarding the Tiger Legacy Project

In an effort to provide clarity and transparency regarding the *Tiger Legacy Project*, the Twinsburg Board of Education authorized the "Know the Facts" document during their meeting on Wednesday, August 21st. This document provides a summary of important information about the *Tiger Legacy Project*. A copy of the "Know the Facts" document is attached to this week's TCSD Weekly Update. For more information about the *Tiger Legacy Project*, visit: <u>https://www.twinsburg.k12.oh.us/TigerLegacyProject.aspx</u>



# **KNOW THE FACTS**

## Twinsburg Schools Today Features More Information About the Tiger Legacy Project

The September edition of *Twinsburg Schools Today* features information about our Tiger Legacy Project, which is the proposed construction project which includes a new Preschool - Grade 6 elementary school to replace Wilcox Primary School, Samuel Bissell Elementary School, and George G. Dodge Intermediate School. Additionally, the construction project includes the relocation of Tiger Stadium to the campus of Twinsburg High School, and the rejuvenation of the athletic fields at the George G. Dodge Intermediate School campus. You can view the September edition of *Twinsburg Schools Today* at:

https://mycommunityfocus.app/programs/tstsept24 With special thanks to our friends at Community Focus.





#### A Great Big Tiger Welcome to our Educators!

On Wednesday, August 21st, the Twinsburg Board of Education formally welcomed our newest educators. Mr. Michael Sedlak, our District's new Director of Human Resources, emceed the introduction of each new educator. We wish one and all much happiness and success! Welcome to our Tiger Family!



## Congratulations to THS Art Teacher Dan Lunde

During the Twinsburg Board of Education Meeting on Wednesday, August 21st, Staff Sergeant Daron Reed from the US Marine Corps presented a special recognition to Twinsburg High School Art educator Mr. Dan Lunde. During April 2024, Mr. Lunde participated in the US Marine Corps' Educator Workshop in South Carolina. This unique opportunity provided Mr. Lunde with a chance to experience Boot Camp for seventy-two (72) hours and to learn a little bit about life in the US Marine Corps. We congratulate Mr. Lunde upon this special recognition and we thank Staff Sergeant Reed for his service to our nation.



#### Way to Go, Mr. Harris!

A recent article published by KnowledgeWorks features RB Chamberlin Middle School English teacher Joshua Harris. While new to the staff at RBC, for the past several years, Mr. Harris was an English teacher at Twinsburg High School. Over the past two (2) school years, Mr. Harris worked with a cohort of THS educators to research the possibility of bringing Personalized Learning to Twinsburg High School. Following this research, the Twinsburg Board of Education authorized the Personalized Learning Pathway which began this school year for a group of sophomores. You can read more about Personalized Learning in the KnowledgeWorks article that can be found by clicking here.

We sincerely appreciate Mr. Harris and his THS colleagues for their collaborative spirit which brings this new learning initiative to our Tigers. Way to go, Mr. Harris!





## Great Things Happening On the Links!

We were delighted to learn that our Twinsburg High School Boys' Golf Team and their Head Coach Mark Annichine are featured in a segment produced by our friends at Community Focus. You can view this segment at: <a href="https://mycommunityfocus.app/programs/twinsboysgolf24">https://mycommunityfocus.app/programs/twinsboysgolf24</a> Let's go, Tigers!

# **Dodge Art Teachers Chosen to Present**

The Ohio Art Education Association (OAEA) is the leading professional membership organization exclusively for visual arts educators in Ohio. Members include elementary, middle, and high school visual arts educators, college and university professors, researchers and scholars, teaching artists, administrators and supervisors, and art museum educators. Each year, the OAEA hosts its annual conference where unique and innovative instructional practices in the visual arts are shared by educators. We are excited to share that George G. Dodge Intermediate School art educators Mrs. Dawn Luette and Mrs. Emily Yambor will be presenting "Magical Art Making Maggots" during the OAEA's 2024 Professional Development Conference in November. We are Tiger Proud of Mrs. Luette and Mrs. Yambor and we congratulate them upon this recognition by their state association!



## It's Time To "Fill the Bus"!

This year marks the tenth (10th) anniversary of "Fill the Bus"! "Fill the Bus" is a non-perishable food drive in partnership with the Nordonia City School District with donations given to The Emergency Assistance Center (TEAC). This year's "Fill the Bus" drive is scheduled for Monday, August 26th - Friday, September 6th.

Please consider donating unexpired, non-perishable food items. Donations can be placed in the designated bins near the main office of each school and the Twinsburg Board of Education Office. Donations can also be dropped off at the Welcome Center of each of our schools. The Twinsburg Public Library and the Twinsburg Goddard School are also participating in this effort. Thanks, in advance, for helping our neighbors in need.





# It's Not Too Late to Purchase Your "Tigers Care 50/50 Raffle" Ticket!

The Twinsburg Schools Foundation proudly announces its annual "*Tigers Care 50/50 Raffle*". This annual fundraiser supports the mission of the Twinsburg Schools Foundation. The deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, August 30th at 9:00 a.m. with the winner announced at that evening's home football game at Tiger Stadium. The winner could be you!

Tickets are \$20 each or six (6) tickets for \$100. Information and tickets can be found on the Twinsburg Schools Foundation website: <u>https://twinsburgschoolsfoundation.org/tigers-care-raffle/</u>

The Twinsburg Schools Foundation is a non-profit organization that funds classroom initiatives to enhance the educational environment of the Twinsburg City School District. It has provided classroom grants that will benefit many Twinsburg Tigers for years to come. Thank you for supporting the Twinsburg Schools Foundation and their "*Tigers Care 50/50 Raffle*"!



#### Ward 1 Resource Fair

Business Manager Matt Strickland, Director of Human Resources Michael Sedlak, and I were invited by Twinsburg City Council member Chuck Bonacci to participate in the Ward 1 Resource Fair at Moraine Park Pavilion on Saturday morning. It was a fantastic event with many residents in attendance. We appreciate Mr. Bonacci's warm invitation and we thank him for including the TCSD!





#### Congratulations, RBC Class of 1974

On Saturday afternoon, I was delighted to host our RB Chamberlin High School alums in the Class of 1974 for their 50th Class Reunion. The alums gathered at their high school and had a chance to tour the building. It was a wonderful nostalgic afternoon for our alums and it was great learning a little bit about our community's history from them. Welcome home, Class of 1974!



#### A Few Reminders...

Just a reminder that Friday, August 30th is a Data Day and students do not report. Monday, September 2nd is Labor Day. We hope everyone has a wonderful extended weekend!

Sincerely, Kathi Powers, Superintendent

