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Dear Tiger family,

As we near the end of the first quarter of the school year and as the fall sports season begins to wind down, I thought it would be a great idea to provide an update from our Athletic Director/Coordinator of K-12 Student Activities Mr. Brian Fantone, regarding some of our Tiger athletes:

## THS Boys' Soccer Team:

The Boys' Soccer Team is presently 11-3-2. Our Tigers have been ranked as high as #9 in the State of Ohio. They are 5th seed out of 36 teams in the OHSAA Super District. The Tigers defeated St. Ignatius earlier in the year and handed the Wildcats their first loss in 77 matches. Presently the Tigers are ranked 3rd in Greater Cleveland and 15th in Division 1 in the State of Ohio.

# **RBC Cross Country Team:**

In Middle School Cross Country, we had some fantastic performances from our runners. Oliver Edelheit and Dominic Enie battled for our 1 & 2 spots for our boys each race they ran and also made some of our overall top 20 times ever.

Our "Notable Newcomer" for the girls was 7th grader Quinn Krajewski who usually led the girls in fastest time. Also, showing some real team spirit and leadership were our recipients of our team Leadership Awards, Oliver Edelheit and Lucy Hopp.

## THS Girls' Soccer Team:

The Girls' Soccer Team ended the regular season with an overall record of 11-1-4. The team is currently ranked #15 in the State of Ohio and went undefeated in the Suburban League with a 7-0 record, capturing an outright Conference Championship. The girls' team earned a first round bye in the playoffs and face the winner of Warren Harding/Akron Ellet on Thursday, Oct. 19th in the Sectional Final.

# THS Football Team:

The Tiger Football Team has had an outstanding season to date. The Tigers are currently 5-4 with an exciting win over the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Bees on Friday night. Our Tigers head to Stow-Munroe Falls High School on Friday night and a win would all but clinch the Tigers first OHSAA playoff berth in 13 years! In 4 losses this season, all to perennial OHSAA playoff teams, the Tigers have lost by a combined 37 points!

# **THS Cross Country Team:**

The Girls' Cross Country Team is young with half our team being first-year runners. We've made big improvements since August and the future is bright. The team is consistently led by sophomore Autumn Besett, who is currently ranked 18th in school history. Senior Lauren McClung and junior Sarah Miller are solidly consistent. Freshman Madi Munsey and Kara Honaker have made huge improvements and are contributing to the varsity team.

The Boys' Cross Country Team is led by sophomore Sam Hopp, currently ranked 11th in school history. Sam has recorded four top-10 finishes so far this year. Senior Koren Goss has been a solid number two for us. Seniors Devan Perera, Jos Jenyk and Jude Ouma round out our scoring five.

#### THS Volleyball Team:

The Lady Tiger Volleyball Team is currently 16-4 on the season. Season highlights include beating Wadsworth for the first time in school history at home and winning the Mayfield Invitational,



defeating Aurora in the Championship Match. The Tigers earned the overall 4-seed in the upcoming OHSAA District Tournament and will take on the winner of Cleveland Heights and Stow on Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm at THS.

#### THS Girls' Tennis Team:

The Girls' Tennis Team had a great rebuilding year this past season! There are a lot of reasons to be excited about the future of the program with a strong group of juniors and lots of underclass players making progress during the season. Also, a huge congratulations to senior varsity player, Julia Bazarov! Julia had a great career with the tennis team, including winning the conference championship in 1st Doubles in 2022. She is also the first 4-year letter winner for Coach Chris Kuzas. We wish Julia the best of luck in the future. She will be missed!

### THS Boys' Golf:

The Boys' Varsity Golf Team had a solid season, finishing 5th overall in the Suburban League. The Tigers took 3rd place in the final Suburban League Tournament at GoodPark Golf Course, capping off their season. Individually, sophomore Mica Thirion shot a 77 at the OHSAA Sectional Tournament at Windmill Lakes Golf Club to advance to the District Tournament at Pine Hills Golf Club where he finished his season shooting an 81. Congratulations to the Tigers and Coach Levey on a great season!

Please come out and support our Tigers! Tickets can be purchased online at https://www.twinsburg.k12.oh.us/HometownTicketingPage.aspx or with cash at the gate. Let's go Tigers!

#### Key Financial Facts: Information about Issue 12, the 5.9 Mill Emergency Levy on the November 7<sup>th</sup> Ballot and Information about Our Next Community Conversation

The Twinsburg Board of Education has taken action to place a 5.9 mill levy on the November 7, 2023, ballot. Despite implementing the \$2.9 million Expenditure Reduction Plan, the District still faces an operating deficit. To maintain current staffing levels and student services, the District is seeking additional funding. Please see the attached flyer for details and plan to join us at our next Community Conversation, "Twinsburg CSD Update: Important Developments and the Path Ahead" on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Large Group Instruction Room at Twinsburg High School.

#### Unity Day is This Wednesday!

The month of October is *National Bullying Prevention Month*. Unity Day is October's signature event in our District and this year, Unity Day is sponsored by the Twinsburg City School District's Equity Steering Committee. Unity Day is October 18<sup>th</sup> and it is meant to promote kindness, acceptance, and inclusion to prevent bullying. The TCSD Equity Steering Committee is asking all Tigers to wear orange on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> as we unite as a Tiger family.

#### We are Looking for Your Feedback Regarding School on the Solar Eclipse Day, Monday, April 8, 2024

As you may know, a total solar eclipse is set to occur on Monday, April 8, 2024. The geographic region between Cleveland and Akron lies within the path of totality. According to astronomers at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the path of totality promises nearly four (4) minutes of darkness in the middle of the afternoon as the moon moves between the Earth and the sun. Our region will not be in the path of totality again until the year 2444.

Please offer your feedback regarding the school day scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2024 via the following survey: <u>https://forms.gle/ps2vf9e4YHZ3epjD8</u>

The feedback we receive from this survey as well as from the survey completed by our staff members will be considered as we make a decision regarding April 8th. Please submit your survey by Monday, October 22nd by noon. Thanks, in advance, for your assistance.

Please see the attached flyers from our community partners, the Twinsburg Garden Club and Beech Brook.

The first quarter ends this Friday. Report cards will be issued on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Have a great week! Kathi Powers, Superintendent

