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Dear Tiger family,

Here are this week's updates:

Congratulations to Our Schools!

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) is an approach used by our schools to promote school safety and good behavior. With PBIS, staff members teach our students about behavior expectations and strategies. The focus of PBIS is prevention, not punishment. Ohio's PBIS Recognition System provides an opportunity to celebrate schools which implement stellar PBIS initiatives in support of students. Each year, the Ohio Department of Education and the PBIS Network recognize schools and Districts for their quality and fidelity of PBIS implementation. Schools are eligible to receive awards at the bronze, silver, and gold levels of distinction. I am delighted to share that all five (5) of our schools received awards of distinction:

- Wilcox Primary School – Bronze Award
- Samuel Bissell Elementary School – Silver Award
- George G. Dodge Intermediate School – Silver Award
- RB Chamberlin Middle School – Gold Award (3rd straight year)
- Twinsburg High School – Bronze Award

Each school's PBIS Team will be formally recognized by the Ohio Department of Education and the PBIS Network at the Ohio PBIS Showcase in January 2024. We are Tiger Proud of this recognition!

Three More Reasons to Celebrate!

On Thursday, October 5th, Summit County Educational Service Center (ESC) held the annual Education Celebration. Our District's nominees for the Rookie of the Year, Teacher of the Year, and Lifetime Achievement Award are:

- Rookie of the Year: David Ockuly, Art Educator at Wilcox Primary School and Samuel Bissell Elementary School
- Teacher of the Year: Sophie Engler, 3rd grade educator at Samuel Bissell Elementary School
- Lifetime Achievement Award: Daryl Troy, retired Kindergarten educator at Wilcox Primary School

It is a pleasure to share that Mrs. Troy was selected as Summit County's Lifetime Achievement Award recipient!

Mr. Ockuly, Mrs. Engler, and Mrs. Troy are amazing educators who are dedicated to our students and continue to strive and grow in the profession of teaching. We congratulate them for this recognition and we thank them for their support of our Tigers!

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Twinsburg Council PTA Is Excited to Kick-Off the National Reflections Program

The Twinsburg Council PTA is excited to kick off the 5th year of the National PTA Reflections Program. Reflections is an arts recognition and achievement program for students. The Reflections Program provides opportunities for students to express themselves creatively and to receive positive recognition for original works of art inspired by a pre-selected theme while increasing community awareness of the importance of the arts in education. The theme for 2023-2024 is: *"I am Hopeful Because..."*

All Twinsburg City School District students in Kindergarten through the 12th grade are welcome to participate. In addition, there is a category for Special Artists (All grades welcome). Students who identify as having a disability and may receive services under IDEA or ADA: Section 504 may enter in the Special Artist Division or grade division most closely aligned to their functional abilities may participate by entering an original piece of art inspired by the selected theme.

The six arts areas are as follows: Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts, Dance Choreography and Film Production. Only original works of art are accepted.

To participate please have your child read and fill out the [Student Entry Form](#) completely. Rules can be found here [Guidelines](#). The deadline for final, completed projects is Friday, November 17, 2023. Please contact Lauren Wallace-Enriquez, District Reflections Chair, with any questions by email: twinsburgreflections@gmail.com or call or text: 216-326-6614.

Brownie Troop #90762 Is Making a Difference!

Our Tigers make a difference for members of our community, both inside and outside of the school day. This was recently demonstrated by Brownie Troop #90762 who sponsored a "Fall Food Drive" for The Emergency Assistance Center. The Brownies collected multiple donations of high demand products and delivered them to the food pantry on October 3rd. The girls took turns weighing and sorting the donations. They also toured the facility, learning about food insecurity, primarily in our community. Brownie Troop Leader Mrs. Katie Honeck reported how proud she was of the Brownies and how happy they were to perform this service project. She believes the Brownies went home that night knowing that they made a difference! Check out the attached photos of these amazing Tigers: Isabella Naoum, Addisyn Hudson, Aubree Mehl, Stella Honeck, Savannah Evans, Averie Anthony, Blakelynn Stuczynski, Madalyn Pfeifer, Kira Lanci, Hannah Capriotti, and Chelsea Allen. We are very Tiger Proud of each and every one of you!

A few reminders about the coming week...

- Wednesday, October 11th is National Assessment Day at Twinsburg High School.
- Preschool students do not have school on Thursday, October 12th. All other students have school on Thursday, October 12th.
- Friday, October 13th is NEOEA Day. Our students in Preschool – Grade 12 do not have school on Friday as our staff members participate in professional development.

Have a great week!
Kathi Powers, Superintendent





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