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Dear Tiger family,

Here are this week's updates:

Outstanding News From Our THS Orchestra!

Congratulations to the following Twinsburg High School Orchestra students for being selected for the OMEA Northeast Region Orchestra. The OMEA Northeast Region Orchestra represents the top Orchestra students from Northeast Ohio. Students are selected through a difficult audition process. Our THS Orchestra students will perform with the OMEA Northeast Region Orchestra at the University of Akron's E. J. Thomas Hall on Sunday, November 5th at 2:00 p.m. Bravo, Tigers! See the attached photo...

OMEA Northeast Region Orchestra:

- Sarah Horvath, violin – daughter of Richard Horvath & Ki Im Kong of Twinsburg Township
- Deshna Naruka, violin – daughter of Ajaypal Naruka & Kavita Chandrawat of Twinsburg
- Rhea Ballani, viola (1st in Region) – daughter of Manoj Lakhmichand Ballani of Twinsburg
- Joseph Jenyk, viola – son of Joe & Amy Jenyk of Twinsburg Township
- Kaiden Honaker, cello (4th in Region) – son of Jeremy & Jennifer Honaker of Twinsburg
- Imaya Perera, cello – daughter of Indika & Dhanuja Perera of Twinsburg
- Jaren Jenyk, string bass (1st in Region) – son of Joe & Amy Jenyk of Twinsburg Township

More Great News From Our THS Orchestra!

Congratulations to Twinsburg High School violist Rhea Ballani and bassist Jaren Jenyk for being accepted into the OMEA All-State Orchestra. Rhea was selected as the top violist in the Northeast Region. Rhea is a member of the THS Orchestra and Chamber Orchestra. Jaren was selected as the top bassist in the Northeast Region. Jaren is a member of the THS Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra and Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra. The OMEA All-State Orchestra represents the top Orchestra students in the state of Ohio. Also, we congratulate Kaiden Honaker (4th in Region), who was chosen as an All-State Alternate. Finally, congratulations and special thanks to our THS Orchestra Director Damon Conn, Assistant Orchestra Director Claire Jarmusik, as well as Mr. Tom Resnick for their support of our Orchestra Program. Way to go, Tigers! See the attached photo...

Congratulations to our Community's Newest Eagle Scout!

Congratulations to Twinsburg High School sophomore Brighton Stoddard Dare who earned the rank of Eagle Scout on September 6th! Brighton, son of James & Patricia Stoddard Dare of Twinsburg, helped to restore two community pollinator gardens. Check out the

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Twinsburg Public Library's Pollinator Garden and relax under the two freshly stained pergolas and bench which Brighton built for his Eagle Scout Project. Our friends at the Twinsburg Garden Club are especially appreciative of Brighton's efforts! Nice job, Brighton! See the attached photo...

Bravo, Mrs. Petitte!

Did you know that our very own Samuel Bissell Elementary School music educator and Twinsburg High School Head Varsity Softball Coach Mrs. Sally Petitte is also an Assistant Director for the Singing Angels? The Singing Angels, "engages youth from all communities in quality music and performing arts education while teaching discipline, building confidence, and providing a foundation for life". We congratulate Mrs. Petitte for her work with this internationally known performing arts organization!

9th Annual Fill the Bus in Partnership With The Emergency Assistance Center & Nordonia Hills City School District

Help us stop hunger in our community by participating in the *9th Annual Fill the Bus Campaign*, in partnership with The Emergency Assistance Center and the Nordonia Hills City School District. This year's campaign runs from September 11th through September 22nd. Bins are located in our school lobbies and at the Board of Education Office in which you can place unexpired non-perishable food items. Thanks, in advance, for helping us help our neighbors in need.

COVID-19 Test Kits

The Ohio Department of Health is once again offering COVID-19 test kits to schools in Ohio. We submitted our order last Friday. As in the past, these test kits will be offered, free of charge, to our Tiger staff members and families. We will provide directions for securing test kits once they arrive in our District.

Remembering 9/11 – The TCSD Will Stand United in Red, White, & Blue

Per Presidential Proclamation, Monday, September 11th is Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance, a day to "remember all the heroes who were forged in the hours, days, and years that followed that terrible morning of September 11, 2001, now 22 years ago— ordinary Americans who, amidst the terror, smoke, and flames, demonstrated extraordinary courage and selflessness. Together, their bravery helped prove to our Nation and the world that what those terrorists most hoped to wound could never be broken: the character of our Nation".

Once again this year, members of our Twinsburg High School Boys' Soccer Team, under the leadership of senior Tyler Seegert, placed American Flags on the front lawn at Twinsburg High School. Each flag represents a person who died on 9/11/01 in the terrorist attacks. We are very grateful to our students for continuing this memorial which started in 2018 by THS Alum, Class of 2021, Nate Wagner. The American Flags on display were donated by VFW Post 4929.

On Monday, we ask all staff members, students, and visitors to our school campuses to wear red, white, and blue as a sign of patriotism and unity, sending the message that we will never forget.

Military & First Responders Night, September 14th

The Twinsburg City School District will partner with the Rotary Club of Twinsburg and our friends at VFW Post 4929 as we pay tribute to first responders and those who serve in the military during a special pre-game ceremony before the Varsity football game on Thursday, September 14th at Tiger Stadium. Our Tigers will wear special military jerseys as they play the Hudson Explorers that evening. Please join us.

It's hard to believe that Friday, September 15th is the midpoint of the first grading period! We hope the year has launched in a very positive way for your family.

Proud to be an American – Proud to be a Tiger,
Kathi Powers, Superintendent



