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Dear Tiger Family,

We are preparing for a very cold week ahead. Summit County Public Health Department asked school districts to distribute information about precautions to take in the extreme cold. Please refer to the attached media release for more information.

New Board of Education Leadership Elected

During the Twinsburg Board of Education's Organizational Meeting on Sunday, January 12th, Mrs. Rhonda Crawford was elected as the BOE President and Mrs. Tina Davis was elected as the BOE Vice-President for the 2025 calendar year. We congratulate Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Davis and we look forward to working with them, as well as with the full Board, in support of our Tigers.



Congratulations, Coach Riley!

Congratulations to Coach Ken Riley who was formally approved as our Twinsburg High School Varsity Head Softball Coach at Wednesday's Board of Education Meeting. We look forward to an exciting Spring sports season.





Way to Go, Students of the Month!

Also during Wednesday's Board of Education Meeting, *Students of the Month* from Samuel Bissell Elementary School and RB Chamberlin Middle School were recognized and celebrated. We are Tiger Proud of these wonderful students!









Eagle Scout Siyona Karishma Vora Recognized

Congratulations to Twinsburg High School junior Siyona Karishma Vora upon her recent designation as an Eagle Scout, the highest honor in Scouting America, formerly known as Boy Scouts of America. Siyona was recognized and honored during Wednesday's Board of Education Meeting during which she received a special Proclamation from Twinsburg Board of Education President Mrs. Rhonda Crawford. Siyona is the daughter of Nirav and Rinky Vora of Twinsburg. We thank Siyona for her focus on service to our community and we congratulate her for attaining this prestigious honor.









Artificial Food Dyes and High Fructose Corn Syrup Are Eliminated in the TCSD

Twinsburg Food Service Department, under the leadership of Mr. Mark Bindus, and with the help of our Food Services Staff, have worked to eliminate all artificial food dyes and high fructose corn syrup. We are Tiger Proud to say that all menued food items and snacks sold in the Twinsburg City School District are now free from harmful artificial food dyes and high fructose corn syrup. You can learn all about this important healthy initiative at: https://fox8.com/news/twinsburg-city-school-district-stops-using-food-dyes-high-fructose-corn-syrup/ With special thanks to our friends at Fox8 for covering this story and to Mr. Bindus and Mrs. Melissa Capriotti for fantastic interviews!



Golf, Anyone?

First Tee Greater Akron spent most of this week in Physical Education classes at Wilcox Primary School, teaching students the sport of Golf. Students learned that Golf is sport for all ages, meaning, you can play the sport at any age. Our Tigers learned and practiced putting by playing a fun Golf version of *Hungry Hungry Hippos!* They also learned about long shots and enjoyed hitting into an inflatable bullseye. With special thanks to our fabulous Wilcox Primary School PE educators Mrs. Lauren Wilson and Mrs. Rachael Miller for always seeking new and innovative ways for our youngest Tigers to foster healthy lifestyles!













Blue Diamonds Featured at THS Basketball Game

On Friday, January 10th, our Blue Diamonds took center court during halftime at the Tiger Varsity Basketball Game vs. the Nordonia Knights to demonstrate their beautiful dance moves. Blue Diamonds, under the direction of Ms. Tania Johnson, Mrs. Alyce Jones, and Ms. Melony Spencer replicate the style of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) dance teams which includes jazz, hip hop, ballet, and more. We are very Tiger Proud of our Blue Diamonds and we look forward to seeing them perform, once again, at half-time on Friday, January 24th.









Congratulations to Our Show Choirs

On Friday and Saturday, January 17th and 18th, our Show Choirs, the RBC Singers, Blue Harmony, and Great Expectations, presented their premiere performances. The themes of our musically talented Tigers' competitions shows for the 2025 season are: "It's About Time" (RBC Singers), "Heart of Stone" (Blue Harmony), and "When You Wish" (Great Expectations). Great Expectations and Blue Harmony are under the direction of Mr. Peter Hampton and our RBC Singers are under the direction of Mr. Matt Szekely. We wish our Tigers all the best as they begin the 2025 competition season!













The Twinsburg City School District Seeks Candidates for Several Positions

The Twinsburg City School District is hiring! We have several position available including openings for three (3) Instructional Assistants. If you love working with children, please consider applying at: https://www.twinsburg.k12.oh.us/HumanResourcesDepartment Community.aspx



Twinsburg Council PTA Co-Sponsors Special Black History Program

Twinsburg Council PTA is proud to co-sponsor a performance by the Kent State University African Ensemble and Ase' Xpressions. The event will be held at the Twinsburg Public Library on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. The program will be an interactive 90 minute performance with audience activities and participation. It is open for all ages, but registration is required. Don't miss out on this wonderful family event. See the attached flyer for more details.





Monday, January 20th is MLK Day and More!

Monday, January 20th is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and the Twinsburg City School District will be closed in honor of Dr. King. This holiday will mark the 30th anniversary as a National Day of Service which was established to honor the life and legacy of Dr. King and to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities. Monday, is also Inauguration Day. And of course, Monday evening brings the 2025 College Football Playoff National Championship Game. If you have not already heard, I am delighted to tell you that one of our Twinsburg High School alums, Class of 2019, Michael Sterling, will be dotting the "i" during the game as an honored member of The Ohio State University Marching Band! We could not be more Tiger Proud of Michael! Let's go Buckeyes - O-H-I-O!





I hope you have a fantastic holiday weekend, Kathi Powers, Superintendent

