


Strategic Plan Presentation Quarter 3

Board of Education
March 19, 2025



Culture and Climate

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Spanish Partnership:
THS and Bissell Elementary
2024-2025

Background about the Partnership

Last year my daughter, Mia Potkalitsky, one of Mr. Santiago's 2nd year Spanish Learners, came to my third grade classroom to present a children's book she wrote in Spanish. She also brought two related activities to do with my students. Those activities included making a book with common everyday Spanish words used in a child's home or school. My students were fully engaged and offered feedback throughout the lesson. I later found out just how impactful this Spanish lesson was with my students when other students from other 3rd grade classes came up to me and were speaking Spanish. Come to find out, my students were teaching other students how to speak Spanish at recess. My class was later exposed to Spanish traditions and holidays because of their interest in learning. Mia Potkalitsky, who taught this lesson, did a wonderful job teaching. She was very proud of her book and the young students who loved it.

How the Program Works

It was our proposal, Mr. Santiago, Mrs. Grady, and myself, that we build a partnership with the Spanish department and Samuel Bissell Elementary. We have connected with Mr. Santiago's first block of Spanish 2 students from THS who use the opportunity to showcase their work in our 2nd and 3rd grade classrooms. We feel this is a great opportunity for our older Tigers and younger Tigers to work together all while celebrating and learning about language and culture. Our Tigers are collaborating once a quarter. We would love to see how the program evolves over the years.

This proposal provides an opportunity for our High School students to showcase their work, reinforcing their learning and also their presentational skills. Our younger Tigers will get the benefit of learning another language and culture preparing them for future learning at RBC.

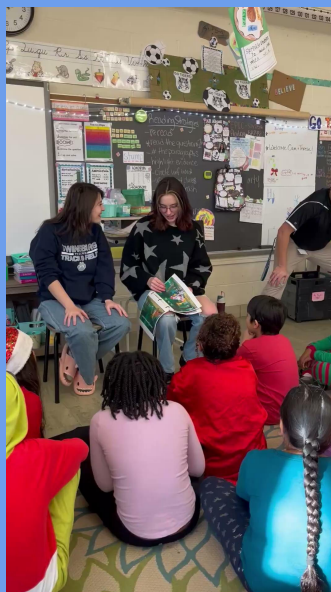
Señorita Mia Potkalitsky



Señorita Cameron and Señorita Teresa



Señor Santiago in Action





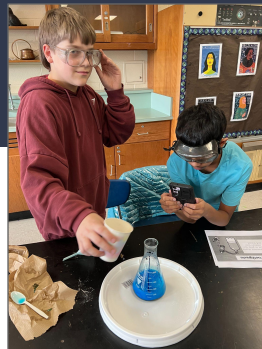
RBC Student Groups

Being involved in school activities and events is crucial for students, **fostering academic success, developing essential skills, and contributing to a positive school environment and community.**



STEM Club

- Group of 7th and 8th graders who have a love for STEM (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Math*)
- Lego building, virtual escape room, winter science stations, design challenges, and elephant toothpaste
- Plans for hydroponics, robots, and more!



Student Government (28)



Crayola Crew



Celebration Club

The Celebration Club recognizes various cultural celebrations monthly and celebrates the cultures represented in the Twinsburg City School District.

Activities have included: career speakers, motivational speakers, Kahoot lunch time games, dancing, morning announcements and musical performances.



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Girls Group

We have a small group of 7th and 8th graders that meet once a week with Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Richards. We will have six sessions for this group.

This group is designed to help group members define and develop empathy, teach healthy conflict resolution, explore feelings, and promote a positive change in their self-esteem and relationships.

Stronger Together



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Why our students love Power of the Pen



- It helps you get better at writing
- It helps you make friends and connect to people with the same interests
- It grows our creative thinking
- Students experience a college campus
- Students connect with others outside of our school



Spelling Bee

17 Spellers practiced and competed to be the RBC champion!

Top 2 Spellers: Ben Heim & Sophie Nana

RBC Champion: Sophie Nana
Sophie represented RBC and the TCSD at the Akron Regional Spelling Bee on March 15th!



Performing Arts

Band 94 students

Choir 85 students

Orchestra 76 students

Drama TBA



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Athletics

Cross Country - 43

Football - 65

Volleyball - 28

Girls' Basketball - 24

Wrestling - 28

Boys' Basketball - 25

Cheerleaders - 23

Baseball - 24

Track - 137

Softball - 9



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Art Club (31)

Tinkers Creek

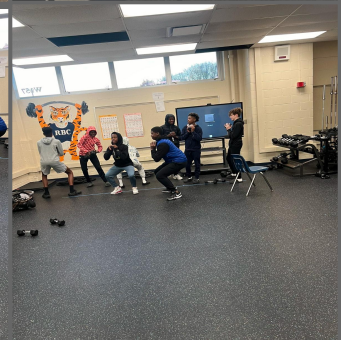
Watershed Project



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Fit Club

1. Morning workouts improve focus
 - Monday/Wednesday/Friday
2. Elevate Mood
3. Improves concentration in class
4. Establishes/builds relationships
5. Reduces stress
6. Establishes a healthy routine
7. Sets a positive tone for the day



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Tiger Men on a Mission

The Tiger Men on a Mission Club is a community of diverse students that come together, build relationships and learn the soft skills needed to be successful. Students will step up to assist others around school and allow others to feel welcome. They learn important skills to allow them to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. A weekly school group for male students that centers on building relationships as each meeting will begin with a word of the day that includes a life-skills lesson like how to tie a tie or how to change a tire. Afterwards, the students participate in a group activity.

What do students get out of Boys' Club? Friendship with some of their fellow classmates they may not meet otherwise; life lessons and skills; conversation; and fun! The objective is to all be together and learn how to become better men and better people. Being a part of our Tiger Club will allow students to build relationships with others, have fun playing games and doing other activities, while feeling a part of the community here at Twinsburg.

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Tiger Men on a Mission

Daily Habits of Highly Effective People!

1. Be Proactive
2. Begin with the end in mind
3. Put First things First
4. Think Win-Win
5. Seek first to understand, then to be understood
6. Synergize (Leadership)
7. Sharpen the Saw: Taking care of your mental!



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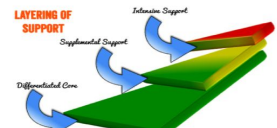


Empowering Student Success Through MTSS

Twinsburg City School District
Wednesday, March 19, 2025

Presented by: Julianne Walker, MTSS District Coordinator

What is MTSS?



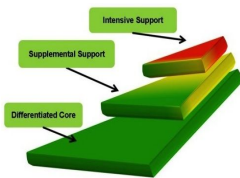
MTSS is a proactive framework for students, that provides multiple tiers of instruction and support, by using integrated data collection and assessment system to inform decisions. MTSS involves academic, behavior, attendance, and social-emotional well-being.



Multiple tiers of instruction and layers of support

Tier I/Differentiated Core

All students receive high quality, differentiated core academic and behavioral classroom instruction.



Tier II A and B/Supplemental Support

Small group targeted instruction is layered in addition to core instruction. Parents are contacted that additional supports are needed and the student's progress is monitored.

Tier III/Intensive Intervention

When the student is not making adequate progress with the Tier II supports, the support is intensified. Parents are contacted again and student's progress is monitored more frequently.

What is a Multi-Tiered System of Supports?

What a MTSS is...	What a MTSS is not...
❖ A framework for effective problem solving to improve student outcomes	❖ A program with a scope and sequence..We don't DO MTSS. We implement a MTSS! It's a framework.
❖ For ALL students, not just those that struggle	❖ An avenue for students to receive specially designed instruction
❖ Flexible to meet the needs of the district and its students	❖ A one size fits all program. What works in one district/school, may not work for us.
❖ Involves collaborative/team data-based decision making	❖ Teachers working in silos or isolated work
❖ Responsibility of all staff to implement	❖ Responsibility of one team to implement



Why MTSS?

"Prevention is better than a cure"

Desiderius Erasmus



TCSD Goals for MTSS . . .

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The (2) goals for the TCSD's MTSS process during 2024-2025 are:

- Develop and use **common terms/vocabulary** across the District
- **Implement a consistent MTSS process and guidebook** to be used across all buildings (including Tiers of Support, referrals for academic/behavioral concerns; and data collection - beginning with administrators)



MTSS Progress UPDATE . . .

- 2024-2025 School Year
 - MTSS School visits and process reviews
 - MTSS Needs assessment survey given to all certified staff October 2024
 - 140 Responses
 - 35.1% of respondents believe the MTSS is effectively implemented
 - Challenges noted in the survey:
 - Universal expectations, terms, and processes related to MTSS
 - Collaboration time
 - Knowledge of successful evidence-based interventions



Current MTSS Action Steps...

- Quarterly MTSS Meetings with District Principals
- Meetings with MTSS school team leaders
 - Assistant Principals
 - School Psychologists
 - School Counselors
 - Reading and Math Specialists
 - Related Services
- MTSS Common Vocabulary
 - Feedback Survey
- Draft Guidebook - in process



MTSS Future Goals . . .

- Approve MTSS Vocabulary for the Twinsburg City School District - 2024-2025
- Approve MTSS Guidebook - 2024-2025
- Provide Professional Development to staff **August 2025**
- Create a MTSS Parent Guidebook **early 2025-2026**



Facilities

During the 2024-2025 school year, the Twinsburg City School District will update the 5-year Facilities Master Plan with detailed budgets to ensure that 80% of proposed strategic annual expenditures are allocated and expended as planned.

During the 2024-2025 school year, the Twinsburg City School District will complete the preparation phase of the Tiger Legacy Project by initializing design plans, conducting engineering assessments, and determining pilot bus routes to effectively merge three (3) elementary schools into a Preschool - Grade 6 elementary school building.

Take a Field Trip With Us...

A student's perspective of what a new school could look like

Dodge Principal's Stripe Committee
Sixth Grade Students
Student Advisory



Classrooms

- Brighter and vibrant colors for student to engage learning
- Bigger classrooms to easily move around
- Better desks and stronger desks
- Soundproof walls for less noise



Heating and Cooling

- Quieter heating and cooling
- Ceiling Fans
- Windows with screens to get air but keep bugs out
- Teachers can control the temperature in rooms

Playgrounds & Recess

- New and improved basketball hoops
- More field space for soccer and football
- Playground and blacktop not affected by weather

Hallways and Lunch

- Bigger lockers and better storage
- Hallway directions for new students
- Garden for fresh veggies or fruit for healthy lunches
- More choices for kids' well-being

Bissell Nature Park

Samuel Bissell Nature Park

- Multiple access points for community
- Field trip accessible
- Trails
- Meadows
- Native plants/flowers
- Insect studies (insect hotels)
- Tree studies
- Bird watching (overlook tower)
- Trail cams
- Weather station
- Agricultural raised gardens
- Exploratory station
- Activity area
- Pavilion -class seating
- Picnic area
- Art area
- Storage
- Ampitheatre
- Pop up ice rink
- Amenities - porta potty, water, electricity



It promotes:

- Mental alertness
- Lowers stress and anxiety
- Boosts self discipline
- Positive effects on mood and motivation
- Physical activity, fitness, and wellness
- Cooperation
- Attention, focus and engagement
- A sense of calm
- Creativity
- Critical thinking
- Problem solving
- An improved academic performance
- A reduction in anger and disruptive behavior
- Positive relationship skills
- Cognitive development
- Reduction in impulsivity
- Independence
- A life long appreciation for our connection to the natural world and its conservation

Thank you!

Questions?

