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Dear Tiger Family:

Here is this week's news...

## **Twinsburg Board of Education Meeting News**

On Wednesday, March 5, 2025, the Twinsburg Board of Education met and as usual, celebrated outstanding staff members and students.

BOE President Mrs. Rhonda Crawford presented a special Proclamation to Twinsburg High School Orchestra Director Mr. Damon Conn and the Twinsburg High School Orchestra for achieving the rating of "Superior" at the Ohio Music Education Association's State Orchestra Adjudicated Event. This is the 13th consecutive year that our musically talented Tigers, under the direction of Mr. Conn, with assistance from Mrs. Claire Jarmusik, have attained this prestigious honor.



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The Board of Education was presented with a banner from Director Stephen Dackin of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce for our Tigers earning the *Overall 5-Star Award* for the 2023/2024 Ohio School Report Card. In the letter received from Director Dackin, he wrote, "This remarkable accomplishment highlights your District's commitment to advancing academic achievement and supporting students' success."



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Dear Kathryn Powers,

On behalf of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, I'm pleased to congratulate Twinsburg City School District for earning the Overall 5-Star Award for the 2023-2024 Ohio School Report Cards. This remarkable accomplishment highlights your district's commitment to advancing academic achievement and supporting students' success.

The Overall 5-Star Award recognizes those who consistently give their all to creating an engaging learning environment that fosters growth, collaboration, and success. I commend you and your team for your dedication to providing students with the tools they need to excel academically and personally. Your work will have a lasting impact on the lives of your students.

Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved recognition. I hope this award serves as a source of pride and accomplishment for your community and will continue to inspire success in the years ahead.

If you have questions about your banner, please contact Brianna Thomas in the Office of Accountability at (614) 466-5853 or [Brianna.Thomas@education.ohio.gov](mailto:Brianna.Thomas@education.ohio.gov).

Warm regards,

Stephen D. Dackin  
Director  
Department of Education and Workforce



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Students of the Month from Wilcox Primary School, George G. Dodge Intermediate School, and Twinsburg High School were also recognized and honored at the Board of Education meeting on Wednesday.



We are Tiger Proud of one and all!

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### **Saturday's Community Event A Success!**

On Saturday morning, March 8th, Twinsburg High School was buzzing with activity as we hosted the annual Twinsburg Chamber of Commerce Community Expo, Pancake Breakfast, & Carnival. I hope you had a chance to stop by to learn about our local businesses and all they offer our residents. Hopefully you also had a chance to visit the PTA Carnival and enjoy some delicious pancakes! With special thanks to Mr. Mike Jamison and our friends at the Hudson Perkins for donating the pancake batter. They sure were great! The most amazing part of the morning was the gathering of our community which included so many of our students, some shared their musical talents and others offered a hand serving our guests. Thank you, one and all!













### **Great Expectations Ends Competition Season On a High Note**

On Saturday, March 8, 2025, our *Great Expectations* Show Choir traveled to compete in the Marysville Showcase. Here are the highlights:

- \* Senior Gabbie Neal was named *Great Expectations'* Best Performer. Gabbie is the daughter of Karen Neal of Twinsburg.
- \* Junior Abby Becker was named *Outstanding Vocalist* for her participation in the solo competition. Abby was also named the *Best Vocalist* in the Tier 2 (medium) Division. Abby is the daughter of Marcie Becker of Reminderville and Jeff Becker of Aurora.
- \* Our *Great Expectations* won 1st Place in the Tier 2 (medium) Division!
- \* Our *Great Expectations* won 6th Place Overall across the Tier 1 (large) and Tier 2 (medium) Divisions, just missing Finals by one placement (this competition only had five (5) Finalists), and placing higher than one of the Tier one groups.

Congratulations, *Great Expectations*, on a fantastic competition season! You make us all very Tiger Proud! With special thanks to Director Mr. Peter Hampton, Assistant Director Mr. Matt Szekely, and to our Twinsburg Vocal Music Boosters (TVMB) for their support.





### **THS “E” Fair A Huge Hit!**

Twinsburg High School was the site of the annual “E”xploration Fair on March 5, 2025. Around 800 students were able to “E”xplore the various “E” categories of: Enroll, Enlist, Employ, and Entrepreneurship.

Over thirty-five (35) local organizations had tables at the event, representing a variety of options for students in grades 9 – 12 for the present and for their future.

Many students were able to get their “E” passports stamped by visiting a variety of tables and having conversations with those in attendance. Thank you to Mr. Todd Courtney of Crown Composites Tooling for donating the gift cards for raffle winners and to Mrs. Melissa Mertes of Mad About Marketing and to CVCC for designing/printing the passports, table signs, and “E” Fair flyers for this year’s event.

A special thank you goes out to the members of the TCSD Business Advisory Council who served on the planning committee and to TCSD Curriculum Supervisor Mr. Alex Popovich and Mrs. Toni Cluse, our CVCC Career Specialist, for organizing an enjoyable event for all the students, staff, and organizations in attendance. This event provides an amazing opportunity for students and community members to connect. We look forward to next year’s event in March 2026!





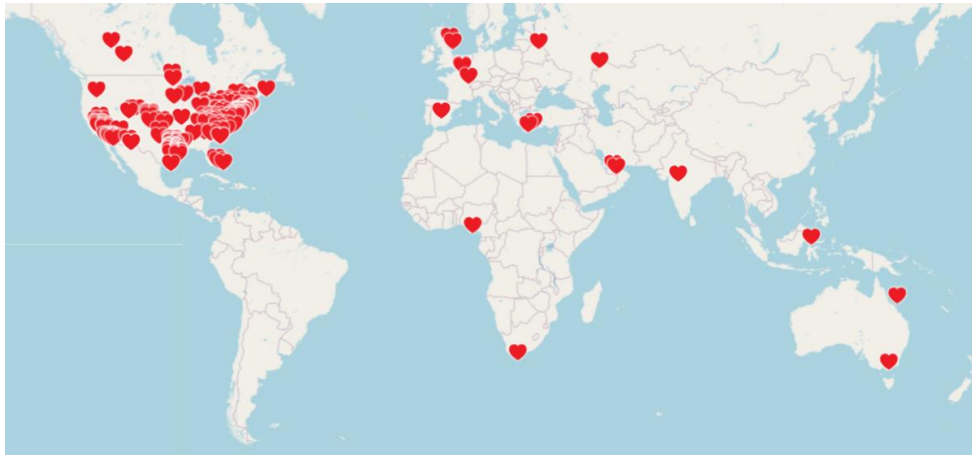


### **Dodge Recognized as a "Certified Kindness School"**

Throughout *Random Acts of Kindness Week*, George G. Dodge Intermediate School students learned about kindness and had discussions in their classrooms about what kindness means to them. Facilitated by School Counselors Mr. Jake Moauro and Mrs. Cheryl Lyndon, each homeroom signed a "Make Kindness the Norm" pledge which was collected and made into a poster collage, which is displayed in the cafeteria. For completing the lessons, activities and commitments to kindness, Dodge is now on the global map for receiving the "Certified Kindness School" recognition from The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation! Thank you, Tigers, for your kind and caring ways! You make a difference!







### **Congrats To Our THS Drama Club**

On March 6 - 8, 2025, our Twinsburg High School Drama Club, under the direction of Mr. Erik Kneisel, performed their Spring play, "Clue". The actors and actresses had the audience laughing out loud with their very witty rendition of this classic play. I hope you had a chance to catch one of the performances. Way to go, Mr. Kneisel and Cast & Crew!







### **THS Junior Nicole Nisenbaum Featured in CVCC's *Student Connection***

Twinsburg High School junior Nicole Nisenbaum is the featured student in the February edition of *Student Connection*, published by the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center (CVCC). Nicole is enrolled in CVCC's Digital Design program. With a passion for art and a desire to turn creativity into a viable career, Nicole felt that enrolling at CVCC was the next step after taking all the related courses at Twinsburg High School. Nicole loves art and aspires to make a career pursuing her talents in this area. Nicole is the daughter of Robert & Natasha Nisenbaum of Twinsburg. You can read more about Nicole and her experiences at CVCC in the attached February edition of the *Student Connection*. Way to go, Nicole!



### **Twinsburg High School Junior Teresa Gladish a *Stop the Hate* Poetry Finalist**

The Maltz Museum proudly announces the 2025 *Stop the Hate Youth Speak Out and Youth Sing Out Awards* finalists. Winners will be named on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at an awards ceremony at the Tri-C Cuyahoga Community College Eastern Campus, Simon and Rose Mandel Theatre at the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Humanities Center.

This year, 4,419 students at more than 160 Northeast Ohio schools participated in the *Stop the Hate* contest and workshops, writing individual essays, poems, or group songs for a chance to win academic scholarships, educational grants, and prizes for themselves and their schools. *Stop the Hate*, the Maltz Museum's signature educational program, serves Northeast Ohio students and school communities by encouraging personal storytelling that builds bridges and creates empathy. Through this program, students gain awareness of hate-related issues, discrimination, bullying, etc., while being inspired to courageously create positive change when facing these challenges. The program celebrates Northeast Ohio students committed to creating a more accepting and inclusive society.

Through the generosity of Milton and Tamar Maltz, the Maltz Museum's [Stop the Hate](#) contest annually awards \$100,000 to Northeast Ohio middle and high school students, teachers, and schools who are committed to create a more accepting and inclusive society.



We are very Tiger Proud of Twinsburg High School junior Teresa Gladish who recently learned that she is a *Youth Speak Out* Poetry Finalist! We are so excited for Teresa and we wish her the best of luck as she moves forward through this competition. Teresa is the daughter of Elisabeth & Christopher Lang of Twinsburg. With special thanks to THS English educator Mrs. Maggie Chernick for her encouragement of Teresa's amazing writing skills. Way to go, Teresa!



**March Edition of *Twinsburg Schools Today***

The March edition of *Twinsburg Schools Today* features a conversation between Superintendent Kathi Powers and Business Manager Matt Strickland about the updated *Tiger Legacy Project*. You can view this edition at: [https://mycommunityfocus.app/programs/tst\\_march25](https://mycommunityfocus.app/programs/tst_march25)

With special thanks to our friends at Community Focus for producing our *Twinsburg Schools Today* show.





## **Summit County Public Health Department Released Information About Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)**

Due to the Measles outbreak in Texas, the Summit County Public Health Department asked Summit County public school districts to provide the attached information about the Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) vaccine



## **Time to Register for Twinsburg Youth Football & Cheer**

Our friends at Twinsburg Youth Football & Cheer asked me to let you know that it is time to register for their Youth Tackle Football and Cheer programs. An early bird discount is available for the month of March. Attached is a flyer with more details.



TYFC is a youth tackle football and cheer program developed to promote the game of tackle football to young players of various age, weight and ability levels while also celebrating the artistry and athleticism of cheerleading. The game play is implemented in a manner that assures safe and enjoyable experience for all participants. All players will get the opportunity to learn all aspects of tackle football, including the basic fundamentals, from USA Football certified coaches! Cheerleaders will have the opportunity to develop their skills and build confidence through their performances!

- ✓ Registration is **NOW OPEN** for Twinsburg youth tackle football and cheer program!
- ✓ For the month of March we will be offering an Early Bird discounted rate!
- ✓ The month of March Football will be \$200 Cheer will be \$125
- ✓ From April 1st - May 31st Football will be \$225 Cheer will be \$150
- ✓ After June 1st there will be a **LATE FEE** applied Football will be \$275 Cheer will be \$200
- ✓ Open for grades incoming 2nd-6th graders
- ✓ All football coaches are background checked and USA Football/Concussion certified
- ✓ Fully certified equipment, including pants, shoulder pads and helmets are supplied
- ✓ 7 v 7 (2nd) and 9 v 9 (3rd) formations on smaller fields provide less contact for safe gameplay
- ✓ Play/Cheer on the same field as the high school varsity team
- ✓ Learn valuable lessons!
- ✓ And most importantly, HAVE FUN!!!

To register, please visit our website: [www.twinsburgfootball.com](http://www.twinsburgfootball.com) or scan the QR code



## **Third Quarter Ending Soon...**

The third quarter of this school year ends on Friday, March 14th. Report cards will be posted on Friday, March 21st.

Have a great week,  
Kathi Powers, Superintendent

