

PRINCIPAL'S





January 2017

UPDATE

Winter is officially here as is the end of 2nd quarter and 1st semester! I hope everyone had a great holiday season and enjoyed the nice long break. We had a busy 2nd quarter with fall sports wrapping up and winter sports starting up right behind them. We had several amazing concerts by our choir and band, and a very well put together K-12 performance of The Lion King. I was one proud momma, as my 5 month old made his stage debut as baby Simba! The final half of the year is going to be much of the same. There is going to be a lot going on around campus and our students' talents will be celebrated and displayed in every possible way! Spring always comes with lots of testing; please see the dates listed below, and more information will be coming to you as we get closer. As always, please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns. I along with you, want each of your students to be successful!

~Megan Rivet

SPRING TESTING SEASON

AIR

AIR Assessments apply to any student taking: Eng 9, Eng 10, Alg I, Geometry, Biology, US History, and US Government **ELA: March 21st** MATH: April 12th **SCIENCE:** April 25th **SOCIAL STUDIES: April** 27th *schedules for these days will be

communicated closer to testing. but plan for late arrival for those not testing.

SENIOR EXAM EXEMPTIONS

Seniors may be exempt from 2nd semester exams for any course if they meet the following requirements:

-3rd and 4th quarter grades are a B or better:

-no suspensions or BIC during 2nd semester:

-no disciplinary action for tardies to school during 2nd semester;

-no more than 5 absences in a semester class and no more than 10 in a year long.

ACT

All 11th graders will be taking the ACT on campus March 21st free of charge. Students will be getting registered through their counselors over the next month. Students are able to send these scores to potential colleges.

AP

AP Testing will begin on May 1st and conclude on May 11th. Students taking AP courses will be told the exact time and date of their exam. All AP exams will be administered at CT Young. Contact Katie Ryan with any questionskryan@trlsd.org

UNDERCLASSMEN EXAM EXEMPTIONS

Students in a course that takes an AIR Assessment (Eng 9, Eng 10, Alg I, Geometry, Biology, US History, US Gov't) will be eligi-

ble to be exempt from their exam if they meet the following requirements:

-90% or higher in the course for 3rd and 4th quarter;

-miss no more than 5 days during 2nd semester (excused & unexcused absences); -subject by subject basis (can be exempt from alg I, but must take Eng 9).

SPORTS UPDATES **Boys Basketball**

The boys basketball team has hit the midway point of the season. Junior, Jacob Haussler, is averaging 15 pts per game.

Girls Basketball

The girls basketball team has completed outstanding community service projects. Once a month Head Coach, John Schablein, and members of the girls' basketball team serve a community meal at the BLOC House. The team recently played in the annual Taylor for Teal basketball game. All proceeds from the game went to fight Ovarian Cancer. Junior, Katie Godar, is averaging 10.2 points per game Swimming

The girls swim team has the most girls participating in the history of the program. Seniors, Isabelle Murray and Abigail Rapien, continue their storied careers at Taylor. Murray looks to win the State Championship in the 100 Fly after finishing as State Runner Up. Both ladies made the podium in 2 events last year. They are joined by Lydia Wasserbauer, Rachel Hardtke and new comer, Emma Neiheisel, as potential State Qualifiers.

Bowling

The bowling team has been ranked number 1 in the Cincinnati Enquirer Coaches' Poll most of the season. Shawn Ward leads the Yellow Jackets with a 173.1 averaged followed by Noah Heller's 162 average. The numbers continue to grow for the program with 11 bowlers. The Yellow Jackets are poised for another State Tournament run this season.

Wrestling

Senior, Kevin Barkley, is currently 13-6 with 9 pins to his credit. At 170 pounds, the senior is the heavy favorite to win a CHL Championship. Ricky Hammond continues to improve and stands at 13-7 with 6 pins. Hammond has positioned himself to capture a CHL Championship in February. Robbie Martini has the best record in the CHL in the 126 pound class at 10-8 with 7 pins. Martini looks to be the third CHL Champion this year for Taylor.



Taylor High School Drama's production of Sister Act will be held on February 17-February 19th. Tickets will be available closer to the show. Come see our award winning program and students showcase their amazing talents!!!



Congrats to Mrs. Nancy Flickinger, our Teaching Professions teacher, for receiving the 2017 Excellence in Education Award for being an Outstanding Public School Teacher!! Well deserved!

Prom: Some Enchanted Evening!



Taylor's Junior/Senior Prom will be held on Friday May 5th, 2017 7 to 11pm at the Coney Island Moonlite Pavilion Ticket Sales will be March 27th-31st **No ticket sales after March 31st -- No Exceptions**

Congrats to our Senior Athletes on their signings

Abigail Rapien has signed to swim at Eastern Michigan Isabelle Murray has signed to swim at Nebraska Jodie Weimer has signed to play soccer at Mount St. Joe University Maria Hessling has signed to play soccer at Cincinnati State Kylee Draughn has signed to throw shot and disc at Georgetown College Alli Draughn has signed to throw shot and disc at Georgetown College

Taylor Football Academic All Ohio

David Scheurer was named to the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association Academic All Ohio Football Team. David has the 19th highest GPA for football players in the Buckeye state out of 716 teams and their



CAP & GOWN ORDERS

Have you ordered your senior's cap & gown yet? Herff-Jones will be on campus on February 2 from 3:30-7:00.

Contact Kimmi Litteral if you have any questions or need assistance.

GRADUATION TICKETS

Similar to last year, seniors will be give NINE graduation tickets for the ceremony on June 1st. If seniors achieve perfect attendance during the 2nd semester, they will be awarded TWO additional tickets! Reminder: Graduation is Thursday June 1st in Taylor's Gymnasium.

The general scholarship form was passed out to students during English classes on Thursday, January 5. It was also emailed home to parents and students, and it can be found on Naviance. This form is used to apply to many of the local scholarships. These scholarships, totaling over \$40,000, are presented to students during Senior Awards on May 16 at 6:30pm. All forms are due back to the guidance department by **Tuesday, January 24**. Please encourage all 12th grade students to apply for these, as there are many scholarships that all different types of students are eligible for!

Senior graduation booklets will be sent home in March. Please be on the lookout for this important document, outlining all you need to know during this busy spring!

SENIOR NIGHT PICTURES

The PTO is working hard on organizing a special night for the Seniors on Saturday April 29– "Life is a Beach... Enjoy the Waves!" As part of this evening, a DVD of pictures is compiled for students. Please send these pictures electronically to Amy Scheurer at ascheurer@roadrunner.com—it is preferred that they are sent as a jpeg or in a ZIP file. You can also send them with your child in an envelope labeled: Senior Night, Attention Holly Simms. Even if your child is not attending Senior Night, we would like all seniors included in the DVD. Please be sure to write you child's • name on any photos turned in. Any questions, contact Holly Simms at hsimms@trlsd.org

Counseling Corner

2017 THS SCHEDULING FAIR

Thursday, February 2nd, 2017 3:30-7:30 PM

We are inviting all parents for students who will be in grades 9-12 for the 2017-2018 school year to join us for the second annual Scheduling Fair to finalize their student's schedule selections and explore educational opportunities available to your student!



Your student's advisor should be contacting you soon for an appointment for this evening!

available to all students. Please call 467-3200 with any questions.

We look forward to seeing you!!

♦ 4:30 PM - College Credit Plus Fair

Colleges and Universities on site to describe CCP opportunities and answer questions. Cincinnati State, UC, UC Blue Ash, Sinclair College, and Cincinnati Christian University will be here. ◆ 5:00 PM - College Credit Plus Presentation Presentation about College Credit Plus opportunity 6:00 PM - Mandatory Parent AP Meeting Mandatory parent meeting for parents of any students taking AP for the 2017-2018 school year. 7:00 PM - Financial Aid Presentation

Presentation on Financial Aid process for post-secondary education. Great for all grade levels to start preparing!!

SPRING CONFERENCES: Thursday March 23 12pm to 7:30pm

Are your students in new 2nd semester classes and you would like to meet their teachers? Would you like an update on how your student did 3rd quarter? Please schedule a SPRING conference with your child's teachers!

We will be sending directions for how to sign up using Pick A Time closer to the date. Contact Kimmi Litteral with any questions.

APPLYING TO THE GREAT OAKS?

Priority deadline to apply to the Great Oaks is **February 6.** All other applications will still be considered after the deadline if there are openings in the program. If a student applies and has been accepted, the student is obligated to attend Great Oaks for a minimum of two weeks. After the two week period is over, the student may return to Taylor if they no longer wish to attend Great Oaks.

TACKLING THE RUNAWAY COST OF COLLEGE

Thursday February 2 @ 7pm in the Cafeteria

Meant for all grade levels to help prepare for the cost of college

The cost of college has out-paced inflation by more than double for over three decades, prompting parents to ask... HOW ARE WE GOING TO PAY FOR THIS?!

Our goal is to educate you about the paying-for-college process, so you can build a successful college solution for your children without going broke. You will learn:

The cost of college and how families pay, Who, What, Why, When and Where of FAFSA, Important FAFSA Changes, Expected Family Contribution, SS Profile Form, Myths about aid qualification, What happens if you don't qualify? Filling out the FAFSA, After FAFSA, Loan Options

ACT & SAT DATES

ACT DATE	Registration Deadline	
Feb 11	Jan 6	
April 8	March 3	
June 10	May 5	

SAT	Registration	
DATE	Deadline	
March 11	Feb 10	
May 6	April 7	
June 3	May 5	



ACT Prep on Campus!

All juniors took an ACT practice test in December. TorchPrep came back the next week and gave each student their results, along with a powerful presentation about how to BEAT the ACT. They are offering a Boot Camp on our campus beginning February 16. Visit their website for more information about specific dates and cost.

www.torchprep.com

WESTERN HILLS EXCHANGE **CLUB SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:** SAMANTHA SIMMS



Congrats Sammy!

News from Nurse Rogers

With flu season approaching, please remember to remind your child(ren) to wash their hands frequently and effectively. Wash hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub. If your child has been ill, please ensure that they are fever free, vomit free and diarrhea free for 24 hours before returning to school. This will help prevent the spread of germs throughout the school(s). Over-the-counter forms are available on the district's Health Services page (under Resources) or via the following link:

http://www.threeriversschools.org/media/healthservices/ Over the counter medication administration.pdf

Please remind your student that if he/she is not feeling well during the school day they need to be seen in the nurse's office in order for the dismissal to be excused. Students are not permitted to text or call their parents prior to being seen in the nurse's office. The nurse or a health aide will contact the parent/guardian if deemed necessary.

Well wishes,

Jen Rogers, RN

If you have any questions or concerns please free to contact please feel free to contact Nurse Rogers at 513-824-7500 or email to jrogers@trlsd.org

YEARBOOKS AVAILABLE

Class of 2016 and Class of 2017 books are available for purchase. Please contact Mrs. Baumaster at jbaumaster@trsld.org for more information.

Present sophomores and juniors are invited to tour Panama in June of 2018. If you would like your student to have this opportunity contact Señor Kohrs for more information.

Mrs. Baumaster is attending the Tech Olympics. TechOlympics 2017 is here, the largest tech expo for high school students in the nation. Gain a competitive edge on your peers by developing your resume, interview skills, and personal brand with city-wide experts. Network with professionals from top local companies and colleges to discover internship and educational opportunities. Learn about hot topics in technology and use your skills to compete in a wide range of competitions. TechOlympics is designed to help you develop the crucial skills required to be successful, and is an enormous opportunity that you shouldn't miss. It takes place at the Millennium Hotel in downtown Cincinnati, February 24-I

26. Register by January 27th before the price goes up. Find more information and sign up at TechOlympics.org. Don't miss out on this huge step

TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL

6th Annual Mattress Sale Fundraiser!!

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, February 26

Brand new, name brand, top quality mattress sets with full manufacturer warranties. Much higher quality for price than a retail store! All sizes, price ranges, delivery and free layaway will be available. Floor models will be on display at Taylor High School from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, February 26.

Panama Tour 2018



Silver Key Winners 2017 Kavlie Rattie Mitch Sauerwein Lucy Osborne Brianna Cummins











Eden Craiq Morgan Childs Kylie Whittor Becker

2017

Congratulations to our Scholastic Award Winners!!



Gold Key Winners 2017

> Anna Becker Lucy Osborne





Notes from Choir Director, Mr. Albright

The 3rd Quarter is a very busy time for the Choir Department at Taylor. On January 28, 13 high school singers will be performing at Elder HS in the Solo and Ensemble Competition as soloists; some for the first time ever! On February 4, Arvel Hawkins (senior), Hallie Menkhaus (junior), and Grace Kelley (junior) will be performing with the Ohio All State Choir in Cleveland, OH for the Music Educators annual Professional Development Conference! Over 500 of the best singers auditioned to be a part of this choir and these 3 girls made it! March 10-11 is District Competition for the High School Choirs. We will be hosting this competition at our wonderful facilities for the 4th year in a row! Over 32 visiting choirs will perform on our stage! We hope that each choir receives the scores to advance them to the State Competition again this year! We will lead into competition weekend with an evening concert on March 9 at 7:00pm. This will be our first chance to sing our competition music under some pressure!



GREAT PAGE TO PRINT & PUT SOMEWHERE VISIBLE!

~	Impor	tant Dates		
()	Friday Jan 20	10th grade visit Diamond Oaks		
	Tuesday Jan 24	Course Selection Day		
(Saturday Jan 28	OMEA Solo and Ensemble Comp.		
	Jan 30-Feb 3	Winter Homecoming Spirit Week		
	Thurs Feb 2	Scheduling Fair		
	Fri Feb 3	Homecoming Pep Rally & Basketball Game		
	Sat Feb 4	Winter Homecoming Dance		
	Feb 6-9	Key Club Food Drive		
	Sat Feb 11	Hall of Fame Induction		
	Feb 13-16	Students enter courses online		
	Feb 17-19	HS Drama Performance		
	Fri Feb 17	Teacher PD Day—No School		
	Mon Feb 20	President's Day–No School		
	Sat Feb 25	HS Talent Show		
	Sun Feb 26	BPA/TPA Mattress Sale		
	Tues March 7	HS Band Concert		
\cap	Thursday March	9 HS Choir Concert		
\cup	March 10-11	OMEA Choir Competition		
	March 13-17	OGT Week (12th grade)		
	Tues March 21	ELA AIR Assessments (9th & 10th grade)		
	Tues March 21	ACT given to all 11th graders		
	Tues March 21	End of the 3rd quarter		
	Wed March 22	Key Club Blood Drive		
_	Thurs March 23	Conference Day—No School		
	Fri March 24	PD Day—No School		
	Fri March 24	Key Club MORP Dance		
	Thurs March 30	3rd quarter Report Cards LIVE		
	Thurs April 4 French Quarter Auction			
	Sat April 8	Relay for Life		
	Wed April 12	Math AIR Testing		
	April 14—23	Spring Break		
	Tues April 25	AIR Science Testing		
	Thurs April 27	AIR Social Studies Testing		
0	Sat April 29	Spring Craft Fair		
U	Sat April 29	PTO Senior Night		
	KEY May Dates: May 2: NHS Induction Ceremony, May 5: Prom, May 16: 9-11 Awards 1pm, May 16: Senior Awards 6:30pm, May 31: Baccalaureate, June 1: Graduation 7pm			

TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY & STAFF

Main Office	467-3200	
Attendance Line	824-7356	
Fax Number	467-0053	

When calling the main line, enter the extension you need below right away to talk to who you want, sooner!

Last	<u>First</u>	Dept.	<u>Ext.</u>
Albright	Bret	Choir	5103
Baumaster	Jennifer	Tech.	4200
Bingle	Dave	SRO	1134
Blazer	Chelsea	Intv. Spec.	4322
Buschelmann	Frank	Science	4212
Crofford	Sarah	Math	4201
Dickman	Megan	Intv. Spec.	4211
Diemer	Sue	Art	4218
Fitzpatric	Erin	Band	5107
Flickinger	Nancy	Teach. Prof.	4312
Grenier	David	Science	4204
Haws	Matt	Asst. Prin.	1103
Heckman	Marla	Couns. A-K	1202
Heisel	Allison	Art	4216
Helfer	Chris	Math	4205
Heller	Katy	Business	4314
Herges	Larry	Ath. Dir.	6109
Jodrey	Justin	Math	4210
Johnson	Lindsay	English	4320
Kinnett	Kyle	Intv. Spec.	4116
Kohrs	David	For. Lang.	4213
Kurzhals	Kim	Guid. Sec.	1251
Lakamp	Linda	Speech	4209
Lanham	Bruce	Science	4214
Litteral	Kimmi	Secretary	1136
Metz	Erin	For. Lang.	4219
Moore	Andrea	Math	4207
Perlman	Dan	Soc. Studies	4302
Perry	Andrea	English	4318
Ridley	Jeremy	PE/Health	6101
Rivet	Megan	Principal	1138
Rogers	Jennifer	Nurse	1107
Ross	Kathy	Intv. Spec.	4122
Rudisell	Caitlin	Soc. Studies	4306
Ryan	Katie	Couns. L-Z	4299
Sampson	Jennifer	For. Lang.	4215
Schaefer	Nicholas	Soc. Studies	4308
Smith	Amy	Math/Scien.	4203
Smith	Jeff	English	4324
Staley	Heather	English	4316
Tenhundfeld	James	Soc. Studies	4217
Thorman	Rachel	Soc. Studies	4304
Weikert	Laura	Intv. Spec.	4122
Voisard	Terri	Psychologist	1130
VonEye	Diana	Science	4206
Voss	Lisa	Stud. Serv.	1132