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**TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL** 

# JACKET DISPATCH

OCTOBER 2017

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of the 2nd quarter. We have had a successful start to the 2017-2018 school year and therefore have a lot to celebrate and look forward to in the weeks to come. Thanks to the Taylor School staff, students and parents for making the start of the school year smooth, energized and focused.

I am honored and thankful for the warm welcome I received from students, staff and the community. Thank you for all your support and for making Three Rivers a truly inclusive community. I am here to work alongside each of you to make sure all of our students are successful now and in the future.

Our partnership is important, so please feel free to reach to me if

you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Principal Ceair Baggett

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## At Taylor High School, We Promise to...

#### Cultivate Excellence

We believe in the relentless pursuit of our very best in everything we set our hands, hearts and minds toward. We commit to challenging one another to be better as we strive to give our staff, students, and families the highest quality educational experience possible.

#### **Inspire Innovation**

We believe in the creative spark that lives in all of our staff and students. We will constantly create ways in which that creativity can be used to solve problems for our school, community and our world. It is our job to construct experiences and environments where this creativity can be unearthed and fostered to make the world a better place.

#### **Nurture Inclusion**

We believe that every life we touch possesses incredible value and worth. It is our job to enthusiastically cultivate the diversity of strengths, talents and gifts that every individual in our care possesses no matter what their background, gender, race or belief system. Everyone is welcome and embraced.



TRLSD - CORE VALUES

# Counseling Department

#### **COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER**

We have a brand new College & Career Center located in the Gold Room in the THS Media Center. This center is open to all students and is filled with resources to utilize to get prepared for life's next steps. A counselor is almost always available for student's questions & concerns. We encourage every THS to visit and use this awesome resource!

# WSD Q

#### **CAREER EDUCATION**

Students are exposed to career education using Naviance in their classrooms. This year, we are hosting a series of Lunch with the Pros luncheons that expose students to various careers. Students can sign up for these events in homeroom. All grades are welcome.

### COLLEGE VISIT DAYS

Every junior and senior receives 2 excused College Visit days each year. Forms are available in the counseling office and must be completed and turned into the main office at least 48 hours in advance.

#### JOB SHADOWING

Every student in grades 9 - 12 receive one excused day per year to gain direct exposure to area careers and professions by participating in a Job Shadowing Day. Forms are available in the counseling office and must be turned in 48 hours in advance. If a student needs help finding a professional in a chosen career, they should contact their counselor today!

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#### **NAVIANCE**

Every student in grades 9 - 12 have access to Naviance, a career & college readiness tool provided by the district. Instructions for how to access Naviance can be found on the school's website, Counseling Department, Naviance section. We encourage every student and parent to use this resource early and often.

https://www.threeriversschools.org/taylorhigh-school/counseling-department-4/

### **Important THS 2nd Quarter Dates**

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Oct 24 Choir Concert

Oct 24 Picture Retake Day

Oct 25 Swim Team Parent Meeting

Oct 28 Fall Craft Show

Nov 7 District PD/No School

Nov 9 Veterans Day Program

Nov 10 Veterans Day/No School

Nov 17-19 K-12 Drama Performance

Nov 20-24 Fall Break

Nov 29 Juniors - Torch Prep Practice ACT

Dec 11 Choir Concert

Dec 14 Band Concert

Dec 12-15 1st Semester Exams

Dec 18-Jan 1 Winter Break

Jan 11 End of 2nd quarter/1st Semester

Jan 12 Teacher Records Day/No School

Jan 15 MLK Jr Day/No School

\*Please note that all PTO meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

#### 1st Semester Exam Schedule

First semester exams will be given to students the week before winter break. When students return to school on January 2nd, there will be a week left in the second quarter. We felt as though giving exams a week before break is more beneficial for our students.

12/12/17 Exam Bells 1 & 2

12/13/17 Fxam Bells 3 & 4

12/14/17 Exam Bells 5 & 6

12/15 Exam Bells 7 and makeup Exams

\*For all THS events and times, visit our Google calendar: https://www.threeriversschools.org/taylor-high-school/





November 18 & 19 - 7:30 p.m. November 20 - 2:00 p.m.

# STUDENT LIFE

#### **Food Drive**

October 23-27. Key Club will be hosting their annual food drive for TRAM. This is a homeroom competition and whichever homeroom raises the most items will get a catered lunch. Every homeroom that collects 100 items will get donuts! The last day for the drive is October 27th. During this event, Student Council will also be collecting new pairs of socks for those in need in the winter months approaching.



Homecoming
King: Danny Pessler
Queen: Lucy Osbourne



Rachel Hardtke gets personal invite from Thomas More College
President, David Armstrong.

# TAYLOR

Faylor's first female footbal player, Delaney Day.

#### **Operation Shoebox**

Each homeroom will receive a shoebox and it is that homeroom's responsibility to fill the box with toys, school supplies, etc. Students will then be given wrapping paper to wrap their box and these will be sent to children in Africa as their Christmas presents. This will run November 13-17.



Taylor singers who have been selected for the All-State Choir, from left: Ben Wessel, Hallie Menkhaus, Kayla Haas and Allie Huston

# SOCIAL SERVICES

Cathy Glatt cglatt@trlsd.org 513.467.3200 ext. 1128 Dear Parents.

Welcome back to another school year! As the Social Services Specialist at Three Rivers, I am working every day to provide a home, school and community collaboration. There are many stressors that arise in families that can affect a child's ability to concentrate, attend school daily and be successful. I can assist in homeless situations, foster care situations, hunger, mental health/grief referrals, obtaining basic needs, or in crisis situations to name a few. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me.

# A Note from the Nurse

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Dear Parents.

With the cold and 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).

If your child needs to have access to certain over-the-counter or prescription medications, forms are available on the District's Health Services page (under Resources) or via the following link.

http://www.threeriversschools.org/resources/forms-%2B-handbooks-3/health-forms-34/.

Parent and doctor signatures are required for us to give anything to your child in the health clinic (yes, even cough drops).

Please remind your child 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.

the team went 7-7-2 during the regular season. Earlier in the season Wyoming Head Coach Steve Thomas had this to say about Taylor Boys Soccer. "I was especially impressed with the skill level, organization and understanding of the game by your players. You and your staff have done a tremendous job developing the program at Taylor. Keep it up." "I was shocked, they did not even vote, they put my name on the board and all agreed," said Oser reflecting on being named Coach of the Year. "Cindy is an outstanding role model for our boys," said Athletic Director Larry Herges. Oser becomes the first female coach to win Coach of the Year for a male sport in the history of Taylor. The All CHL Team will be released after the tournament is completed.

(Content submitted by Athletic Director, Larry Herges)

Taylor Varsity Boys Soccer Head Coach, Cindy Oser, was named the CHL Coach of the Year by her CHL coaching peers. Coach Oser took over a program 4 years ago that had a roster of 13 and no JV team. During her time as Taylor Head Coach, Oser has built a program that now includes 2 JV teams and a JH team to go with a muchimproved varsity squad. Taylor finished the regular season 8-6-2 overall and 2-4-1 in the CHL including a tie with Wyoming who finished tied for first in the CHL. The last time Taylor finished with a winning record was 2008 when

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TAYLOR VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER COACH NAMED CHL COACH OF THE YEAR
Danielle Dabbs, in her second year as Head Varsity Girls Soccer Coach, was named Co-Coach of the Year by her
CHL Peers. In two years, Dabbs has a 17-13-4 coaching record. This year Taylor ended the regular season 8-5-3
overall and 4-2-1 in the CHL. A win over Wyoming and a tie against Mariemont has pushed the Yellow Jackets into
the upper standings of the CHL and the respect of her competitors. Dabbs has brought an entirely different style of
play to Taylor. A standout at Oak Hills High School and Ohio State University, Dabbs makes conditioning a priority.
The Yellow Jackets finish games ready to go longer. Team bonding has been a huge reason this year's squad has
improved. The girls know each other and know what to expect on the field together. Taylor Athletic Director, Larry
Herges, said "Dabbs has been a perfect match for the program. Her passion for soccer is contagious. The team

has bought into her system and it shows every day they are together." Earlier in the season, Dabbs challenged her team to look outside of the box and comfort zones. She challenged the girls to go a day without makeup and not worry about their outward appearance. "I have not seen some of these kids confidently smile without some sort of makeup on their faces since I have known them! They were all brave in their own way," said Dabbs. "The girls know their ability comes from what is inside, not what is on the outside." "Knowing Coach Dabbs, she will give all the credit to her team for this award. This world needs more coaches like Dabbs. She is a role model and positive figure in the lives of our student-athletes," Herges said. The All CHL Team will be announced after tournament play is completed.

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