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Check It Out

A newsletter for and about the staff of the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District

June 1, 2018

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June 6 - Adult Education Graduation
Milliken Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

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Last full day for students/full day staff

June 12
Last full day for staff

June 19
Board of Education Meeting
8:00 a.m. Arnell Admin. Building

June 26-28 - Cool Tech Camp
Career-Tech Center

August 29 - Staff Opening Day
Grand Traverse Resort, 7:30 a.m.

Outstanding Educators Julia Barresi & Penney Gavigan

Watching the Future Unfold

This is my final contribution to Check It Out and although June 29 may be the end of my official time at TBAISD, it is definitely not the end of my interest in and admiration of all of you. I look forward to watching the future unfold for the betterment of the organization, the schools and the students we serve across the region.

The transition of TBAISD leadership has created a "neutral zone" (noted in April 6, 2018 Check it Out from the work of W. Bridges, 1980, 1991) – moving from where we were to where we want and need to be. Although change is rarely easy, we are working toward a place of growth and opportunities for new ideas and new solutions.

The future depends on three things…a compelling vision, a set of values, and agreement on guiding principles that provide alignment and stability for an organization. There is no doubt, under Dr. Ceglarek's leadership, there will be meaning, clarity and direction in all of these areas which helps create an environment for talented people of good will – focused on the best interest of students, with common goals – to work together. I believe TBAISD's brightest and most innovative days are ahead and I am inspired to continue watching and supporting this new beginning from a different perspective.

The work of TBAISD is essential to many. My hope is you will continue to be open to new ideas from every source, inside and outside of the organization, and to identify ways to be even more connected to (and with) those we serve.

I can't tell you how much I've enjoyed my time here. I deeply appreciate the opportunity to meet and work alongside a group of truly outstanding people who are clear in the knowledge that the collective goal here, regardless of your role, job title or assignment, is to pursue and support the best interests and outcomes for every child in our five-county region.

Thank you for your support and for your commitment and willingness to move forward. It is hard to have imagined being anywhere else the past six months. It has been a privilege.

Respectfully,

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Jann Jencka, Ed.D.
Interim Superintendent

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Opening Day
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Arnell Building Safety

The Arnell Administration main office, conference center and Arnell East facilities are currently receiving updates to enhance building security features and to increase safety measures for entry access points and office work spaces. The following points are helpful for all TBAISD staff to be aware of:

- A buzz-in system is being installed at the main entrance of Admin Offices and Arnell East points of entry. This will be monitored by mulitple authorized people to make buzz-in requests effective and efficient.
- New technology may require a security disc to be added to your ID badge. See Renee Childers if you experience problems with your key fob and/or magnetic stripe card.
- Arnell Admin building currently has 8 exterior cameras, Arnell East has 3 exterior cameras and 1 interior camera on an exit wing. Additional cameras are being considered to enhance security for these buildings.
- The Boot door locking device will be utilized for interior work space locations and cubicles without a door. Blast Shields will be installed on larger window areas.
- Enhanced 911 telephone features are in effect on the TBAISD phone system. Phones are cataloged for their location and cannot be moved from one office space to another. Contact Tech Services for assistance with your designated phone number and hardware.
- TBAISD administration, PREPaRE Trainers and Traverse City Police Department have worked collaboratively to review building needs and continue to work to get new security features in place.
- Additional information will be forthcoming and emergency drills will become a routine starting fall 2018.

In the News

Special Report: Faster to a Fortune

"The culture we live in today says you have to go to college," Jim Isenhart of Isenhart Electric states. "But the opportunities are limitless for someone that wants to go into the trades." Learn more in the report by 7&4 UpNorthLive reporter Kristen Lowe.

LINK: http://upnorthlive.com/news/local/special-report-faster-to-a-fortune-05-22-2018

Board Of Education

TBAISD Board of Education agendas, meeting minutes, and meeting videos can be found on our website on the Board of Education web page.

LINKS: Board Meeting Videos
Board Meeting Agendas & Minutes

Welcome the new arrival!

Laney Quinn Richards
Born May 25, 2018 – 8 lbs. 11 oz., 21" long
to Ashley Richards, New Campus Teacher

Unclassified

For Sale: MacBook Pro laptop, 13" Retina display, OS X El Capitan, 8 GB memory, 2.6 GHz Intel core i5 processor, Graphics Intel Iris 1536 MB. Purchased September 2014. Excellent condition, AppleCare until Sept. 2018 with buyer option to reinstate. $700. Contact Heather at hjewell@tbaisd.org or 946-7284.

Life Skills Center Team members Molly Houser and Becky Westphal.

***Front row** L-R: Julia Barresi, Brenda Meindertsma, Diana Schaefer, Tara DenHerder, Sue Vance. **Back row:** Rick Mathis, Dave Collins, Joe Esper, Angela Stricker, Penney Gavigan.*

2018 Outstanding Educators

On May 30, the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District, in partnership with the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce and TBA Credit Union celebrated ten education professionals who have demonstrated outstanding contributions and dedication to their schools, students, peers, and communities. Congratulations to:

Julia Barresi
TBAISD Physical Therapist
Dave Collins
TBAISD Special Education Teacher
Tara Denherder
TCAPS West Middle School Science Teacher
Joe Esper
TCAPS West Senior High School Principal
Penney Gavigan
TBAISD Special Education Teacher Assistant
Rick Mathis
TBAISD Career-Tech Center Welding Instructor
Brenda Meindertsma
TCAPS Central High School English Teacher
Diana Schaefer
Elk Rapids Cherryland Middle School Paraprofessional
Angela Stricker
TCAPS Glenn Loomis Lower Elementary Teacher
Sue Vance
TCAPS Willow Hill Kindergarten Teacher

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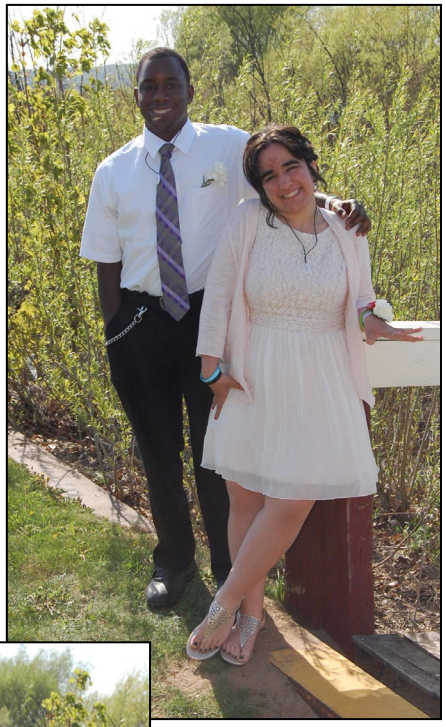
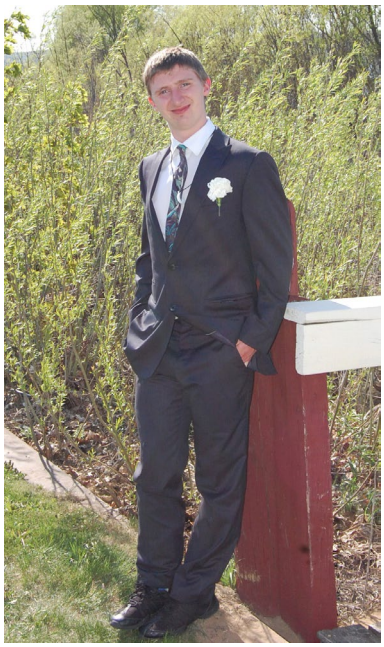
Transition Campus Graduates

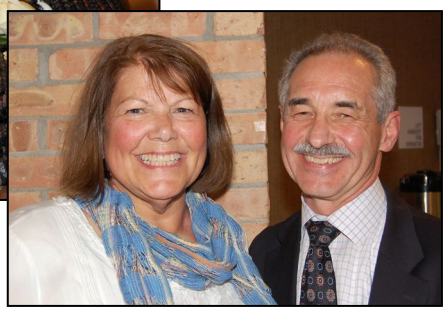
Transition Campus Prom

On Friday, May 18, the students from the Life Skills Center attended their 2018 prom after months of great anticipation. Students participate in various committees to learn from the planning process and all aspects of coordinating this gala event. Life Skills Center staff also use prom as a backdrop for social skill development. The 2018 theme was Outer Space and students had a BLAST throughout the evening.

King Joshua Shelton and Queen Emily Kibble-Hassenbank







TBA ISD ACE
Adult Community Experience

Class of 2018

Seven young adults who are students from the Adult Community Experience (ACE) center-based program celebrated their transition toward independence at a ceremony June 1 at Bijou by the Bay. The event is the culmination of successfully meeting personal goals and student achievement in the program. Congratulations!

Support New Campus Food Pantry

Now through Father's Day is your chance to support the New Campus Food Pantry and Northwest Food Coalition by participating in the Meijer ***Simply Give*** hunger relief program.

HOW TO GIVE:

Between Mother's Day and Father's Day, Meijer customers are encouraged to purchase a $10 *Simply Give* donation card upon checkout. Once purchased, the donation is matched by Meijer and given to the Northwest Food Coalition based in Traverse City.

HOW TO HELP NEW CAMPUS SPIRIT PANTRY:

Bring your Simply Give card and cash register receipt to Kristen Ryder at our New Campus School to directly support the Spirit Pantry.

Double Match Day - June 1

Double the support by purchasing your Simply Give gift card on June 1!

REMEMBER - Bring your Meijer receipt indicating your *Simply Give* purchase to New Campus School.

For more information contact Kristen at Kryder@tbaisd.org.

TECHNOLOGY MATTERS

Windows 7 Upgrade to Windows 10

Over the summer, Technology Services is looking to move the last of the Windows 7 computers to Windows 10. If your computer is affected, the desktop wallpaper will have likely changed to a message to put in a service request to schedule the update. Laptop users will be encouraged to drop off their computers for summer maintenance to complete this upgrade. Once updated, the modified wallpaper will not be shown.

Chrome PDF Change

Users of Chrome may have noticed a change in how it responds to PDF files. The aggressive way in which Chrome was claiming ownership of PDFs has caused issues with loss of data, incorrect calculations and loss of productivity. For this reason we have followed the lead of other ISDs and school districts and disabled Chrome's inbuilt PDF function. If opening a PDF online, it will download and be able to be opened in Adobe Acrobat. This will likely change some users' workflows and a screen cast can be viewed here to demonstrate the differences. Microsoft Edge will still open PDFs within the browser for now.

iPads

Technology Services is still seeking all older iPads. If an iPad has the older charge cable with the wide connector and not a lightning cable, please submit a service request.

TBA ISD CTC CAREER-TECH CENTER

2018 Awards Night

Mary Savage Memorial Scholarship

Breanna Mackey (left), standing beside two of Mary's daughters, was the first recipient of the Mary Savage Memorial Scholarship Award. Breanna is recognized for her talents in Web and Game Programming and plans to continue her studies following graduation.

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