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

May 18, 2018

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Standard School Award

Jennifer Morgenstern



Dates to Remember May 18 - Life Skills Center Prom

West Bay Beach Resort, 5:30 p.m.

May 29 - CTC Scholarship Awards Grand Traverse Resort, 6:30 p.m.

May 30 - Outstanding Educator Awards Ceremony City Opera House, 6:15 Reception, 7 p.m. Presentation

May 29 - Life Skills Center Graduation Milliken Auditorium, 10:00 a.m.

June 1 - Ace II Transition Ceremony Bijou by the Bay, 10:00 a.m.

The Importance of Mentors

I recently had the pleasure to attend a professional development day for students (and their mentors) enrolled in our Teacher Academy program, and later that day attended the MTA honors ceremony at the Career-Tech Center. Each encounter presented an amazing collection of young people...focused, engaged and ready to make a difference as they step into the next chapter in their lives. At the same time, I was inspired by the wonderful staff and mentors who are dedicated to the development and implementation of rigorous, relevant programs that enhance student learning and growth.

While sitting among present and future educators, and the mentors from a variety of schools and industry, I couldn't help but reflect on things I know now that I didn't know when I began pursuing a career in education. What I want to emphasize with you is the critical role of mentors in our lives. My younger self did not understand the importance of such a person.

"Service is the rent we pay for living..."

~Marian Wright Edelman

A mentor is typically an experienced and positive individual offering professional coaching and advice — not as a supervisor but in a more personal manner. Great mentors share stories and experiences about their education, career path, successes and challenges. The most successful mentorships are those that produce

a two-way experience where both sides benefit from the relationship. Studies have shown that individuals who have been mentored are more likely to eventually become a mentor.

If you already serve as a mentor to someone, thank you. If not, think about how you might? Many times mentors are accidental and may not even be aware they are viewed in this way. Sometimes the arrangement is formal and sometimes informal. Whatever this looks like for you, know that serving in this capacity can result in a lifechanging experience for both parties.

Respectfully,

and

Jann Jencka, Ed.D. Interim Superintendent



In the News

Stroke Awareness Public Service Announcement: A lesson for all of us to BE FAST.



CTC Film & New Media students took first, second and third place in the 2018 Munson Medical Center video contest to support stroke awareness month. Click on the video above to learn more. (https://youtube.com/-tY5ruz7O1c)

Collaboration Within



Problem solving frequently occurs when colleagues connect to find efficient solutions. Earlier this year, TBAISD physical therapist Amy Powell was in need of platform steps in various sizes to help her students work on coordination, balance and posture exercises. In her search for nested foot stools she found what she

was looking for, but felt the retail price was extremely high. Amy decided to reach out to a TBAISD colleague for an alternative source. Career-Tech Center instructor Thomas Sensabaugh and his students filled the need and provided multiple sets of exactly what Amy was seeking for free through the use of donated materials and the time, talent and labor from CTC Construction Trades students. The end result — students helping students practice their skills.



Board Of Education

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

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Service to Students & Community

The Traverse City Dream Team is in need of additional volunteers for the 2018 season. Remaining games are Saturday, May 19 and 26, and June 9 and 16. All games are held at the Grand Traverse Civic Center between 9:30-11:45 a.m. Field locations and weather alerts will be posted on Facebook at dreamteamtraversecity. No experience required, just a desire to help. Please reach out to Dayna Ryan at daynaryan@sbcglobal.net.



2018 Outstanding Educators

The Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District, in partnership with the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce and the TBA Credit Union are proud to announce the ten education professionals who have demonstrated outstanding contributions and dedication to their schools, students, peers, and communities. Nominated by colleagues, principals, students, and parents, these individuals have made valuable contributions to the academic success of students, have demonstrated their ability to work collaboratively with educators throughout the region, and are in relentless pursuit of their own professional development.

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 These educators will be honored at the annual Outstanding Educator Award ceremony on Wednesday, May 30 at the City Opera House in Traverse City. A reception begins at 6:15 p.m. with awards presentation

starting at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. Please RSVP to Heather Jewell at hjewell@tbaisd.org or 922.6222.



Unclassified

For Sale: Fiberglass canoe, 16' Yankee Rebel. \$125 Contact Renee at 922-6212.

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. Comes with power charger, Speck clear protective case and JanSport soft storage case. Excellent condition, AppleCare until September 2018 with buyer option to reinstate. \$700 Firm. Contact Heather at hjewell@tbaisd.org or call 946-7284.

Collaborative Outreach



Special Education Partnering with Local Districts From Start to Finish

Serving as an educator with TBAISD can be especially rewarding because of the positive interaction with teachers and students in local school districts. Teacher consultants in TBAISD's Special Education Curriculum and Instruction department have seen particular gains using the reading program, Start to Finish with some students with Individualized Education Programs (IEP). The program has been in use in the Benzie school district for three years.

Using Start to Finish curriculum, teacher training, and instructional coaching, TBAISD Teacher Consultant Margie Peacock, TBAISD Curriculum Department, and Benzie Central Special Education Teacher Colleen Swartz have been collaborating to address special education literacy needs at the secondary level. The team uses the Start to Finish tools to assist some students with IEPs to improve their reading skills, and to equip Benzie's special education staff for optimal student growth.

The goal of the team is to provide the students the chance to experience and learn from important works of literature while building core reading skills. On one hand, the students are building comprehension, phonics, vocabulary and fluency --- which are critical educational building blocks. And at the same time, the kids are also enjoying success, engagement and pride in accomplishment.

Margie Peacock and Colleen Swartz work closely together to map how the Start to Finish curriculum is rolled out in the year-round literacy class. Colleen provides students intensive focus time for reading skills and understanding. The instructional routines and support allow them to connect with literary characters and plots in meaningful and effective ways.

Working together to maximize TBAISD and Benzie Central resources, Margie and Colleen use the Start to Finish materials to benefit student achievement. The partnership is a source of great pride, and a model for continued effort and improvement.

TBAISD Special Education Curriculum and Instruction department provides local districts with targeted services and student supports to increase student achievement and prepare students with special needs for college, career, and community citizenship. The department supports the improvements of special education programming, instructional delivery, research-based intervention implementation, and the use of assessments to drive instruction and intervention.



Students Shine at State Competitions

2018 State Competition Results

CTC was well represented in recent career-focused state competitions this spring. Congratulations to the following students:

FCCLA

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Illustrated Talk Competition Gold Medalists: Lindsey Ostrowski, Traverse City West Tori Ingleright, Traverse City West Lenni McMahan, Traverse City Central Haley Hastings, Traverse City High School Lizzy Hoffman, Kingsley High School Amber Humphrey, Kalkaska High School Abby Campeau, Traverse City Central Focus on Children Competition Gold Medalist: Sierrah Rhode, Kingsley High School Job Interview Competition Gold Medalists: Abigail Grant, Kalkaska High School Jack Bancroft, Mancelona High School Lisa Hankins, Mancelona High School Owen Averill, Kingsley High School Michaela Rogers, Traverse City West Miranda Korn, Forest Area High School Justin Long, Grand Traverse Academy Silver Medalists: Aaron Hart, Traverse City Central

Kyle Luton, Kalkaska Ben Rasho, Traverse City Central Hilary Sanchez, Traverse City West Hailey Williams, Traverse City Central

HOSA

Health Occupation Students of America Prepared Speech Bronze Medal: Carly Boerema, home schooled Top Ten Finalists: Aariyanna Koernke, Nurse Assisting Skills Savannah Stepke & Lexie Mathews, Community Awareness

Skills USA

A technical, skilled trade and service occupation club

Film & New Media

TV Production Gold Medal (pictured): Courtney Ockert, Kingsley & Quentin Elam, Buckley** Digital Cinema Production Silver Medal: McAylan Minder, Forest Area & Henri Gage, GTA Power Equipment Technology Gold Medal: Carter Stewart, Traverse City Central **

Marine Service Technology Silver Medal: Cameron Wilson, Bellaire

Motorcycle Service Technician Bronze Medal: Logan Mayfield, Traverse City Central Related Technical Math Silver Medal:

Mason Thompson Evens (Electrical Occupations), Traverse City Central Bronze Medal: Haley McCaffrey (Construction Trades), Kingsley

Allied Health Job Interview Gold Medal: Carly Boerema, Home Schooled ** Leadership Test (top ten of 3000): Keira Crow, Kalkaska High School Carly Boerema, Home Schooled **Electrical Occupations** *I*ndustrial Motor Control Bronze Medal: Caleb Fink, Kingsley High School **Graphic Arts Program** Pin Design Gold Medal (pictured): McKinley Kreiter, Grand Traverse Academy ** **Promotional Bulletin Board Bronze Medal:** Lauren Kores, Forest Area Alyssa Martin and Julissa Martin of Kingsley

**Qualifies for Nationals







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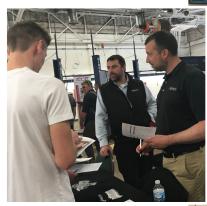
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Career Fair

On May 16, the Career-Tech Center held its annual career fair for students to network and apply for jobs with over 50 local businesses and industry partners in attendance. The day was a win-win for all involved!













Let's all do the Barbecue!

The NMC BBQ is a community tradition and continues to draw families and friends from the region to explore the NMC campus, enjoy live entertainment, children's activities, classroom displays and the famous juicy buffalo burger meal. JOIN THE FUN Sunday, May 20, between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Order your BBQ tickets TODAY online at <u>https://mynorthtickets.com/events/nmc-bbq-2018</u>. Advance ticket price is \$6 per person (available from Heather Jewell or at any Oleson's Market), \$7.25 online, or \$8 the day of the event. BBQ proceeds benefit special NMC projects that enhance the learning environment for NMC students.

Sunday, May 20 Order your tickets Here>>



Pam Alfieri, Kim Urbanski and Judy Miller







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 <u>and cash register</u> 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.



Karrie Gaudette, Marcia Hickey, Barb Beauregard, & Monique Mansfield



BIRTHDAYS

Friday 1

Monique Mansfield, Occupational Therapist, Admin **Sunday 3**

Kimberly Grabowski, TA ASD, Life Skills Center Jonathan Vande Kopple, Speech Pathologist, Mancelona **Monday 4**

Monday 4

Kat Antrim, Technical Coordinator, Admin Bldg **Tuesday 5**

Johanna Resseguie, Speech Pathologist, Admin Bldg Cary Walter, Teacher Assistant, Oak Park

Wednesday 6

Mark Fink, Technology Support Specialist, Kingsley HS Jahna Fritz, Accounts Payable Clerk, Admin Bldg Karolyn Gannon, School Psychologist, Admin Bldg Kay Muller, School Social Worker, CTC Craig Sweeney, Paraprofessional, CTC

Thursday 7

Jennifer Bourdo, Early Childhood SE Teacher, CTC Donna Gonder, Custodian, Life Skills Center Kayli Sheehan, School Social Worker, TC Central

Friday 8

Yvonne Donohoe-McCool, Early Childhood Supervisor Sandra Thenikl, LPN, Traverse Heights Floyd Valentine, Custodian, Oak Park

Saturday 9

Romona Danczyk, Brailling, Admin Bldg Deb Oliver, Teacher, MTA

Sunday 10

Kathie Begin, Secretary, Admin Bldg Amy Gagnon, School Psychologist, TC West Middle Tracy Huhn, Behavior Support Assistant, Admin East Rachel Jones, School Psychologist, Admin Bldg

Monday 11

Rebecca Kinnee, Graphic Arts Teacher, CTC April Pagarigan-Stoltz, Teacher Consultant IT, CTC **Tuesday 12**

Christine Breithaupt, Speech Pathologist, Kingsley Elem Wednesday 13

Stephanie Black, Payroll Clerk, Admin Bldg Daryl Collins, Culinary Arts Teacher, CTC Jody Harkert, Secretary, CTC

Thursday 14

Andrea Hinsenkamp, TA SXI, Traverse Heights Friday 15

Connie Gallegos, Teacher Consultant ASD, Oak Park Natalie Gawlik, TA SXI, Traverse Heights Justin Vogler, ASD Teacher, TC East Middle

Saturday 16

Brent Boerema, Assistant Principal, CTC

Sunday 17

Lori McMullen, Speech Pathologist, Admin East **Monday 18**

Sarah Hobart, TA VI, VIAT

Tara Zimmerman, Occupational Therapist, Admin Bldg

Tuesday 19

Tami Gauthier, TA SXI, TC Courtade Elem Jessica Rames-LaPointe, School Psychologist, Admin East Kelsey Walukonis, Occupational Therapist, Life Skills Center

Wednesday 20

Ann Blight, Agriscience/Nat Res Teacher, CTC

Thursday 21

Robert Kornexl, Construction Trades Parapro, CTC Amy Trumbull, Teacher Consultant VI, VIAT

Carrie VanLandschoot, Progress Mon/Lit Facilitator, Admin Bldg Friday 22

Sally Lobb, TA ASD, Oak Park

Deb Nelson, Supervisor, Oak Park

Saturday 23

Donna Kukla, TA MOCI, TC Central High Marv Nordeen, School Psychologist, New Campus

Tuesday 26

Barb Allard, Job Coach, Life Skills Center Barb Hoxsie, Interpreter, Glen Lake Elem Shellee Wilson, Teacher Consultant LD, Admin East

Thursday 28

Susan Arthur, Physical Therapist, Admin Bldg Kellie Kuhlman, TA CI, TC East Middle Paula Rivas, Migrant Recruiter

Theresa Thybault-Knecht, School Social Worker, New Campus **Friday 29**

Amber Venchenko, Secretary, Admin East Lori Westman, Speech Pathologist, VIAT Megan Woolcott, Secretary, Oak Park Elem

Saturday 30

Ashley Harma, Migrant Teacher



31st Annual TBAISD End-of-the-Year Golf Outing

Join fellow staff members for some **Fun in the Sun** at the annual end-of-year golf outing on **Friday**, **June 8**, at Elmbrook Golf Course off Hammond Road in Traverse City. 4:00 semi-shotgun start.

Format: 9-hole, 4-person scramble. After golf, enjoy a barbecue at Elmbrook including hamburgers, brats, beans, potato salad, and prizes for best dressed, best team name and more!

Cost: \$35 per person

Get your 4-person team together or just preregister as an individual and you will be assigned a team. The outing is open to ALL TBAISD employees who wish to participate. **Please register by June 1.** For more information or to register contact Matt Nausadis at mnausadis@tbaisd.org or call 922-6414.