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KNIGHT INSIGHT







2019 ES All-County Band

Four sixth grade band students were selected to represent Tully Elementary School at the 2019 OCMEA All-County Music Festival.

Nathan Reid (trumpet), Allison Cooter (clarinet), Amy Dziok (alto saxophone), and Wesley Chambala (flute) were recommended by Mrs. Dardaris and selected to perform in a band comprised of the finest young musicians in Onondaga County. The festival consisted of two days of intense rehearsals, culminating in a wonderful concert on April 6th at Cicero-North Syracuse Junior High School.

Congratulations to Nathan, Allison, Amy, and Wesley on your selection and for representing our school district so well!



Summer Office Hours

The District Office, the Business Office, the Elementary Office, and the Junior-Senior High School Office will be open to the public from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. from July 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019.

Senior High Drama Club

On May 17th and 18th, the Senior High Drama Club put on a production of Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple* (Female Version). This version, updated by the playwright 20 years after the original version, gender swaps all of the roles in the play.

Olive Madison (Moira McAninch), a recently divorced woman, takes in her friend Florence Unger (Marypearl Echard), after she also becomes recently separated. Their two personalities quickly come into conflict as Florence's obsessive need for cleanliness and order threatens Olive's carefree and messy lifestyle. Additional cast members include the girls' group of friends: Sylvie (Tiernan Tobin), Mickey (Carly Bastedo) Renee (Anna Moss), and Vera (Marissa Scalza); and the Costazuela brothers Manolo (James Locke) and Jesus (Flynn Bruhn).





ES Principal's Message: Another Great School Year

I thought that it would be appropriate to share my yearbook message to students with you. There is more information about the Yearbook Club in this issue: There was so much to celebrate at Tully Elementary School in 2018-2019! Each of you learned so much from your teachers this year; make sure to thank them for giving you an education that prepares you for future success.

The Positivity Project (P2) taught us about the 24 character strengths that we all possess. We had a visit from a Paralympic Medalist and World Champion in cycling. New round tables in the cafeteria helped to foster a greater sense of community during lunch and our annual hoop shoot also brought the whole school together. PTO brought the Harlem Wizards to town to play against some of our teachers for the first time in several years. Shrek Jr., our drama production, was an amazing show. As usual, it was a highlight for both students and the



Edward Kupiec

We also said goodbye to some of our beloved staff members, this year's 6th grade students, and the wooden playground. If there is one thing I hope you all take away from this year, is that I hope each day you try to live the P2 philosophy - that Other People Matter.

> Mr. Edward Kupiec, ES Principal

First Grade Habitat Study

Our first graders are learning about animal habitats and adaptations. Our students have been hard at work researching and learning about arctic, rainforest, and the freshwater habitats.

In their research, students are expected to identify important features that help animals to survive. As a part of this process, they gather information about an animal from an online source, and then work together to label animal features, color the animal based on illustrations, and write a fact about the animal that they learned from a nonfiction story.

ES Butterfly Garden



The ES Butterfly Garden is "buzzing" with action. It has been, and continues to be, a tradition for our second graders to be the caretakers. This year, after conducting some research, they learned that there are ways our garden could be improved.

They discovered it needs more orange and red flowers, parsley plants, watering bowls, and a butterfly house. So, this work is under-

Thank you to two of our second graders and a parent for volunteering their time to work in the butterfly garden. The entire group of second graders have been a wonderful help.

We look forward to setting their butterflies free in the garden after they emerge from the chrysalis stage in late May or early June.

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Kindergarten Farm Unit



The kindergarten classes just finished up a unit on farms. They learned all about the different types of crops, animals, and the kinds of farms there can be. They became very knowledgeable about all the different machines that are used on a farm. We learned that animals have more than one job on some farms; they may be raised for their meat, wool, milk, or eggs too. The kindergarteners got to make all kinds of crafts to go along with this unit! It was a lot of fun learning and investigating all about different farms!

Second Grade Authors



The students in Mrs. Fallon's second grade class are published authors! Over a period of two months, they worked diligently writing and illustrating a book entitled Our Perfect Pets. As a class, they chose the topic, then each student wrote a story about a pet. In the art room, students worked with Mrs. Martin to create beautiful pictures. The pages were then sent to Studentreasures Publishing Company and within a short time the beautiful bound books were delivered to a very excited class. The students were very proud of their accomplishment.



ES Yearbook Club Collaborates

Sixth grade students discovered how much is involved in the creation of a yearbook. Seven students and two advisors meet throughout the year to collaborate on the 2018-19 Tully Elementary School yearbook. Members of the club learn the importance of agendas, minutes, decision-making through consensus, and deadlines. As Addi said, "I needed to be counted on for finishing my page on my own time." Meeting after-school, during Activity Period, allows the opportunity to develop sales and advertising plans, use software to design the pages, and discuss the progress of the yearbook. Ally learned "how to use computers to design something that many people will appreciate." The club members choose the yearbook cover early in the year, which sets a theme for the book." The yearbook captures the uniqueness of the school year while setting tone for the story the year will tell," said Kristina. Many agree the goal of the yearbook is to capture memories." The yearbook is a tool to look back on and remember all the good times that year," according to Kylie. Haley agrees that the yearbook is a way to "look back on friendships."

The elementary school yearbook is distributed in June. It is a tradition that continues to provide fond memories and teach students many skills.

Safety Patrol Recognized

This group of students have worked hard this year to provide safety throughout the school and have shown that they are leaders. Day after day, through rain, snow, or shine, they have assisted our fellow students during the most critical times of the day during arrival and dismissal. They have shown that they possess the qualities of leadership, purpose, teamwork, perseverance, kindness, integrity, and open-mindedness. Our Safety Patrol Officers are examples of how the little things can make a big impact on our school.



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Class of 2019 Salutatorian



Dante Bertolo

Dante Bertolo, Salutatorian, has established himself in the Tully Junior-Senior High School community and has been a tremendous asset to our school.

Academically, Dante has taken honors and accelerated courses in every core area offered at Tully High School. This year he is juggling four AP courses (in addition to an OCC and his other Regents courses). Dante's hard work has not gone unnoticed; he is a member of both the National

and Spanish Honor Societies, has won numerous awards at our annual academic achievement nights, and was also just awarded with the Seal of Biliteracy in Spanish.

When Dante is not in the classroom, he is a contributing and active member of Varsity Soccer, Model UN, and Student Council. His dynamic leadership skills are on full display as the president of his senior class.

Dante plans on attending University of Notre Dame and majoring in biology.

Congratulations Dante on all of your accomplishments and good luck with all your future endeavors!

Class of 2019 Valedictorian



Rachel Berry

It is with great pleasure to recognize Tully Junior-Senior High School's Class of 2019 valedictorian, Rachel Berry.

Rachel has not shied away from taking academically challenging courses. Her senior year finds her taking AP Calculus, AP Chemistry, AP English/OCC Literature, OCC Business/Finance, and Spanish IV. Rachel puts so much dedication into her academics and this commitment has paid off. Last spring she was inducted into the

Spanish and National Honor Societies and earned the Cornell Book Award. She just earned her Seal of Biliteracy in Spanish and was also recognized as a National Merit Scholar through the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Although a large portion of Rachel's day is devoted to academics, she is also an active member of Interact Club, Mock Trial, and athletically participates in cross-country and track. She also contributes time outside of school volunteering for different organizations. On top of her commitment to academics and the Tully JSHS community, Rachel also finds the time to work towards getting her pilot's license.

Rachel plans on attending Lehigh University and majoring in engineering.

Congratulations Rachel and best wishes for your future!

Ag Mechanics



The PE department is appreciative of Mrs. Jordan's Ag Mechanics class that designed and built cornhole boards to be used in PE this spring. Each group worked very hard on their designs and they came out great! From left to right: Jonah Shay, Nate Zook, Stephen Coffin, Andrew Schaber, Skyler Shute, Sam Smid, Garrett Pierpoint, Ethan Walowsky, Meghan Weaver & Katie Edinger.

JSHS International Club



The Junior High International Club hosted guest speaker Nathaniel Cattell in April. Nathan participated in an intense application and audition process before he was accepted into a very unique musical and travel opportunity during the summer of 2018. He shared his stories and photos of this trip to six different countries. His experience began stateside with two days of 14-hour rehearsals and meeting his fellow musicians. His first formal concert was in Lake Lucerne, Switzerland, and then on to Italy for another concert, and of course, pizza and gelato. In Venice he visited all the famous sights including the beautiful St. Mark's Basilica. A gondola ride took their group past Marco Polo's house! They traveled to three cities in Croatia and watched World Cup soccer there. Slovenia was his favorite country, just because it was so beautiful; specifically, Lake Bled. On to Austria for hiking and visiting Mozart's house, then to Germany for more sightseeing including Dachau, the concentration camp. He showed us all the languages he experienced, pronouncing many common phrases, and passed around coins and monetary bills. In addition to all the concerts and travels, the students kept busy playing a lot of soccer!

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TULLY JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

JSHS Principal's Message

As we come to the close of another school year, I'd like to thank all of our students, teachers, and families for making Tully a great place to learn and grow. Our students have enjoyed successes in the classroom, on stage, on the athletic fields, and in their extra-curricular activities.

Tiernan Tobin was the first Tully student to win the Regional Shakespeare Recitation Competition where she represented the region in the national competition in New York City. Our Girls Cross Country team took home the state title and Brooke Rauber was yet again a state champion. Our Senior FFA group earned the title New York State Chapter of the Year.

Graduation is on Friday, June 28th when we will celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2019 and wish them well in their career and college choices. On behalf of the Junior Senior High School staff, we wish the class nothing but the best as they take what they have learned over the years and put it to use in other aspects of their lives.



Mary Ann Murphy

We also say thank you for the years of dedication and service, as well as goodbye, to two long time Tully teachers, Susan Reilly and Dale Neuman. Over the summer, teachers will spend time welcoming new staff and working on curriculum in preparation for the new school year. Please have a happy and healthy summer!

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National Shakespeare Competition



April 29th may have been a normal Monday for most high school students, but for Tiernan Tobin from Tully Jr. Sr. High School it will be a day to remember forever. Tiernan, student of Alissa Elmer and Erika Rossman, placed as a semifinalist at the 36th Annual National

Shakespeare Competition celebrating William Shakespeare's birthday while competing against 50 students from around the US on stage at the Mitzi E. Newhouse Theater at Lincoln Center Theater. The event is the culmination of a year-long competition hosted by the English-Speaking Union (ESU). To qualify for the National Shakespeare Competition semi-finals, Tiernan won the regional ESU Syracuse Branch Shakespeare Competition earlier this year. Each year, more than 20,000 high school students participate in the English-Speaking Union National Shakespeare Competition at the school, regional, and national levels through the help of more than 2,500 teachers and 53 ESU branches nationwide. As part of the competition, students perform a monologue and recite a sonnet from Shakespeare and are judged on their understanding of their selected texts and on their ability to communicate their interpretation to the audience. Through this school-based program, students in grades 9-12 develop critical thinking and speaking skills and increase their self-confidence through the performance of Shakespeare's work.

Important - Students Who Have Taken OCC Courses:

Students must request transcripts to be sent from OCC to their prospective college to be awarded college credit.

Any questions, please contact the Counseling & Career Center.

State Seal of Biliteracy



The New York State Seal of Biliteracy is a formal recognition of a student's high level of proficiency in reading, writing, listening, and speaking in English and in an additional World Language. The Seal of Biliteracy distinction is placed on the student's high school transcript and diploma. Here at Tully High School, we recognize the importance of world languages in our interconnected culture, and are proud that New York State is granting the Seal of Biliteracy to three seniors who have demonstrated cultural and linguistic proficiency and competency in English and Spanish or French. Rachel Berry (Spanish), Dante Bertolo (Spanish), and Caleb Erno (French) are the first recipients of this honor at Tully Senior High School. We are very proud of their accomplishment!

LECNY Poster Contest



The Language Educators of Central New York (LECNY) hold a poster contest every year for students in the CNY area. This year the theme was "Languages are the Key to the World".

Marissa Scalza's poster was chosen as the winning entry for grades 9-12. She received an award and a \$50 gift certificate at the LECNY May Celebration. Her poster will be shared on the LECNY website and may be used on LECNY promotional materials throughout the year.

Congratulations Marissa!!

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From the Superintendent



Thank you to all who voted on May 21st during the Tully CSD Annual Meeting and Budget Vote. The Tully Community approved the 2019-20 school budget and the 2019-20 library budget. Additionally, the Tully Community elected Denise Cardamone and Michael Dziok to serve three-year terms on the Tully Board of Education, beginning in July 2019. Mrs. Cardamone will be serving in her fourth term, and Mr. Dziok will be serving in his first term. Congratulations to each of them. Finally, thank you to Bill Ralbovsky for his service as a board member these past two years. Mr. Ralbovsky will be stepping down from his seat on the school board at the conclusion of this

school year.

As we look forward to the summer of 2019, I would like to remind everyone that construction related to our current Capital Project will pick up again during the last week in June. Much of the work to be done this summer will occur in the 1930s portion of the Elementary School. Because of this, the Business Office and District Office will be relocated during the summer to another part of the Elementary School.

Based upon our current construction schedule, I anticipate that contractors will complete most of the construction work on campus by the end of August. Below is a list of some of the bigger items they will be completing:

- Installation of new a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system in the 1930s portion of the ES.
- Installation of a new playground at the ES.
- Conversion to the new electrical service at the ES.
- Installation of new fire alarm system at the JSHS.
- Installation of new lockers at the JSHS.
- Installation of a new bus lift at the bus garage.

Please note, for safety reasons, certain areas of the campus that are under construction during the summer months will be closed off to members of the public. These areas include the 1930s portion of the Elementary School and the Elementary School playground area.

Finally, a quick "save the date" note. The District will be holding two public forums next fall. One on September 9th and the other on October 21st. The purpose of these two public forums will be threefold. First, members of our Facilities Committee would like to highlight work completed during our current Capital Project. Second, we would like to give members of the public an opportunity to ask Capital Project related questions or share Capital Project related concerns. Third, we would like to share information regarding a proposed 2022 Capital Project. Additional details regarding these two public forums and the proposed 2022 Capital Project will be forthcoming over the next couple of months.

I hope you are able to enjoy the remainder of the 2018-19 school year and the upcoming summer. As always, feel free to contact me with questions or concerns (rhughes@tullyschools.org or 315-696-6204).

Mr. Robert Hughes, Superintendent of Schools

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Upcoming Board Meetings

Location: Junior Senior High School, Conference Room #2 – 109; Time: 6:00 p.m. Dates, time, and location subject to change and additional special meetings to be scheduled on an as needed basis. Check the school website for updates: www.tullyschools.org.

June 17, 2019

2019-2020 School YearJuly 1, 2019
August 26, 2019
September 24, 2019

October 7, 2019 October 28, 2019 November 25, 2019 December 16, 2019

January 21, 2020 February 10, 2020 March 9, 2020 March 23, 2020 April 20, 2020 May 11, 2020 May 19, 2020 June 22, 2020

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We have Summer Reading starting up in June. We open with Dan the Snakeman on June 28th at 6:00 p.m. Besides that, there's just a reminder that **Tykes Times** has been **moved to Thursdays** from 10:30-11:30 a.m. until further notice.

Tully Parks and Recreation

2019 Fall Youth Soccer Registration

GRADES: K – 6th (Register using grade level for 2019-2020 school year)

YOUTH SOCCER SCHEDULE: (subject to slight change if needed) Games on Saturday mornings (September 14th – October 19th) Practice (1st-6th Grades) starts the week of August 26th Kindergarten practice starts on Sat. Sept. 7th

Kindergarten: 9:00-9:50 a.m. - Saturdays only 1st & 2nd Grade: Saturday games at 9:00 or 10:00 a.m. (1 practice per week) 3rd & 4th Grade: Saturday games 10:00 or 11:00 a.m. (1-2 practices per week) 5th & 6th Grade: Saturday games 11:00 a.m. or 12:00 p.m. (1-2 practices per week)

ALL PLAYERS MUST HAVE SHIN GUARDS & A MOUTH GUARD

- KINDERGARTEN \$15.00 Tully Resident \$20.00 Non-Tully Residents
- 1st & 2nd GRADE \$25.00 Tully Resident \$30.00 Non-Tully Residents
- 3rd & 4th GRADE \$25.00 Tully Resident \$30.00 Non-Tully Residents
- 5th & 6th GRADE \$25.00 Tully Resident \$30.00 Non-Tully Residents

REGISTER - AFTER JULY 1ST 2019

Register at: www.active.com (search Tully)

Article Submission Guidelines

To submit an article, email articles to Mary Fisher at mfisher@tullyschools.org. If you have any questions, please contact Mary at

Please email articles in Word format whenever possible. Do not capitalize all the words in the article. Do not insert or embed a picture within the actual Word article. Pictures should be emailed in JPG format at 300 dpi.

Material is subject to editing.

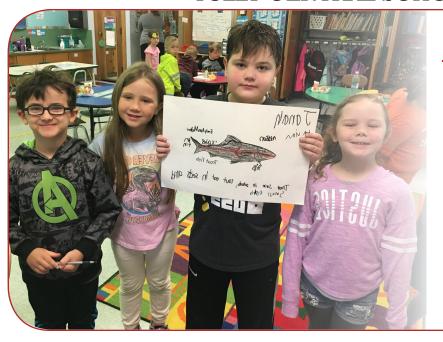
The district has the final decision whether or not to publish an article.

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TO: LOCAL POST OFFICE BOXHOLDER OR RURAL ROUTE PATRON

TULLY CENTRAL SCHOOL EVENTS



JUNE	
3	Concert on the Lawn 6 p.m.
4	JSHS Music Awards 6:30 p.m.
6	Block T Awards, 6 p.m.
12	Kindergarten Parent Night 6 p.m.
25	ES Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.
26	ES Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.
28	HS Graduation, 7 p.m.