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KNIGHT INSIGHT



Scholastic Art Competition Winners



Congratulations to our 2019 Central New York Scholastic Art Award winners! Several Tully art students submitted work to be reviewed in this yearly art competition. From over 5500 submissions, the following students received awards: Sam Stoogenke – Silver Key in ceramics, Sierra Yonko – Honorable Mention in ceramics, Jessica Bizub – Honorable Mention in photography, Ally Gero – Honorable Mention in photography, Margaret Picciano – Honorable Mention and Silver Key in photography, and Ethan Wilson – Silver Key in Mixed Media. Our students' work and many other wonderful works of art from across the region will be on public display in the Whitney Applied Technology Center on the Onondaga Community College campus from January 22 – March 1. Also, please note, we now have a Tully Art Student of the Month display in the Tully Art Works Gallery, which is located right next to the Elm Street Diner.

Quebec 2019



Despite record low temperatures, the JH International Club had a fantastic adventure this year in Quebec City. Dogsledding was our first activity, followed by the Sugar Shack dinner and dancing, then making maple butter and taffy on snow. Saturday morning we went on a frigid fact-finding mission in Old Quebec, exchanged our money, took a tour of the Ste. Anne de Beaupre Basilica, and then went back to town for shopping and poutine. We visited the Remparts Hockey Game and an Improv Show with a very steep, cold trek back to the Concorde Hotel. We then escaped the winds off the St. Lawrence River by heading out to Valcartiers for tubing and skating. "The Military" interactive history lesson was rescheduled for Monday, due to the severe weather, and afterwards we went to the Galleries Mall.

Laurence, our awesome Jumpstreet Tour Guide, (and lifeguard) kept us on the move and informed. Also thanks to Yvonne, our Wade Tours bus driver for safe passage! Many thanks to all those who made this trip possible, especially our chaperones, Mr. Bert Haier, Mr. Jeff Ledbetter, Mrs. Kathy Selmser, and Mrs. Colleen Usherwood! They went above and beyond the call of duty as usual!

Thirty-seven eighth graders experienced a foreign language, customs and culture (of history and present), while practicing social skills, responsibility, and helping each other, plus challenging themselves to do new things! Travel helps you learn about yourself, and your world - Happy memories!



ES Principal's Message



The time between February break and April break is one of the longest stretches of the school year without a scheduled break. This allows for students and faculty to really get into a teaching and learning groove with limited interruptions.

Our faculty are busy getting familiar with the new standards in ELA, Math, and Science. This will also result in some tweaks to the Social Studies Frameworks which are intricately connected to ELA. Our teacher leaders in each content area attend quarterly regional workshops held at OCM BOCES. At these meetings, our staff receives the most up-todate information from New York State. They also have the opportunity to collaborate with faculty from other districts to determine best practices in assessment and instruction. They then bring this learning back to campus and share it with our staff for the benefit of students.

Edward Kupiec

This month's Positivity Project strengths are Love of Learning, Forgiveness, and Fairness. Parents or family members who wish to learn more about their own character strengths can take a free survey at viacharacter.org. According to this survey, fairness is my top character strength.

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What's New? Lots, in the Library and Maker Lab!

The Tully Elementary School Library has been hopping with great learning opportunities! Second graders are learning how to use the online library catalog to search for materials. Third graders have used Flipgrid to share how countries around the world access books and other library materials. Fifth grade is inquiring about and researching



The Tully Elementary Maker Lab has also been active with lots of great opportunity. Currently, we have a group of girls coding the Spheros, and excited to paint a mural using these robotic devices. Now that is STEAM!

PTO Updates

Hello Tully families! We hope you are all staying warm this winter season. The TES PTO would like to thank everyone who participated in the Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser!

There are a few upcoming events that we would like to announce. As many know, we have been very busy planning for the Harlem Wizards who are coming to our community on Wednesday, March 20th. The event will be held in the Tully High School Gymnasium. Advance sale tickets are available now and can be purchased online or in person at the Bloomin' Cup or the Tully Free Library. You may also send a check made payable to the TES PTO to purchase tickets. Please note that RESERVED & COURTSIDE PLUS tickets are ONLY available online. This event is expected to be a fun one, featuring Mr. Kupiec, Mr. Dando, and many other teachers and coaches. Don't miss out! Tickets can be purchased at the following links:

https://harlemwizards.thundertix.com/events/143259?fbclid=lwAR3k_K9kEK-e-d8lwZeasBUYgns8vheoaGRMrvaH0Ntd b3G101B i3WXNM

OR

http://www.harlemwizards.com/schedule-tickets/?fbclid=IwAR3uuxg8AEP1ZUoxmD1xLKHShGXY0ghIXnAYz2oBRXzRvI tjC6zWSQG1LzY

Future Events- Mark your calendars for the Father/Daughter dance & Mother/Son night which will both be held in May. More details to come at a later date!

The TES PTO meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month and we welcome you to join us. Our next meeting is March 13th @ 7 p.m. in the Elementary School Teacher's break room.

TULLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

P2 Assembly

In January, TES held their monthly P2 Assembly in the gym. It was a much better venue than the auditorium for creating a sense of community in the school; everyone



was on the same level and seated in the same general space.

During the assembly we reviewed the P2 character strengths that we have learned about to this point and the students really show how much they have learned and retained about each trait.

Special thanks to the P2 team of Miss Lancer, Mrs. Dardaris, Mrs. Drumm, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Hathaway, and Mrs. Scully-Smith for organizing this month's program.

ATHLETIC NEWS

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Tully Girls XC- 2018 NYS Class D Champions



The 2018 Tully Varsity Girls Cross Country team had a tremendous season behind the leadership and coaching of Michelle Rauber by winning the OHSL Patriot League Championship, the Patriot League Meet Championship, the Class D Sectional Championship, then finishing off their undefeated season by winning the NYS Class D State Championship!! The State race was won by a narrow margin (45-50) over perennial cross country power Maple Grove, who was the heavy favorite heading into the race.

The team was led by 10th grade sensation Brooke Rauber, who won her 3rd consecutive Class D Sectional title and 3rd consecutive NYS Class D State Championship. Brooke was surrounded by several other very talented runners who have proven annually to run at a high level come Sectional and State race time. Senior Alison Carr finished in 13th place in the Class D Sectional race and 19th place in the State Championship race. Senior Rachel Berry finished in 14th place in the Sectional race and 26th place in the State Championship race. Sophomore, Lilly Fowler-Conner finished in 11th place in the Sectional race and in 36nd place in the State Championship race. Eighth grader Katie Edinger finished in 12th place in the Sectional race and 22nd place in the State Championship race. 10th grader, Katie Haier finished in 64th place in the State race and Junior, Chelsea Phillips finished the State race in 80th place.

Several of the Tully athletes received accolades for their impressive season. Brooke Rauber was named the NYS Sophomore Runner of the Year, 1st Team All State, ALL CNY, and 1st Team All League! Alison Carr was named 1st Team All League and 3rd Team All State. Rachel Berry was named 1st Team All League and Honorable Mention All State. Katie Edinger was named 1st Team All League and Honorable Mention All State. Lilly Fowler-Conner was 1st Team All League and Katie Haier was named 2nd Team All League.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Black Knights

JSHS Principal's Message



This year, schools across the nation have experienced an uptick in student discipline related to students who are vaping in school, or who are in possession of vaping paraphernalia. Schools in Central New York, including Tully, are no exception. More important than disciplinary consequences, however, are the health risks related to vaping that teenagers appear to be ignoring. When people vape, they are inhaling a vapor that is created from a liguid, which is heated up inside a device. Many vaping liquids contain nicotine, which is highly addictive. It is also possible to vape marijuana through these devices. In Mrs. Pforter's health classes, vaping is a topic that is taught and discussed. During these lessons, she uses a video, which can be found by following this link: https://med.stanford.edu/tobaccopreventiontoolkit/E-Cigs/ECigUnit6.html. This video is helpful in teaching students about the perils of using vaping devices. Parents may want to watch this video with their children, and use it as a way to start a conversation about the dangers of vaping. This video may also be helpful in learning how to identify vaping devices, which often are hard to identify as they resemble

Mary Ann Murphy

USB devices. Parents should talk with their pediatrician or with one of our school counselors for more information.

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Tully FFA Update

Tully FFA has been busy as usual this winter! Beginning in December, members have spent the first Sunday of each month serving the local community at the Otisco Fire Department Pancake Breakfasts. So far, this has been one of our favorite community service projects.

The last weekend in January, 20 FFA members attended the 212/360 Leadership Conferences at the OnCenter in Syracuse where they learned how to set goals and achieve them.

FFA members have also been busy gearing up for their Leadership Development Events. Twenty-four FFA members in grades 7-12 have been practicing and competing at the District (February 9) and Substate (March 16) levels in a variety of contests including the following: Employment Skills; Prepared, Extemporaneous, and Creed Speaking; Conduct of Chapter Meetings; and People in Agriculture and Agricultural Issues. Students compete against FFA chapters across all of Central New York, from Binghamton to Canton. Only the top two students/teams in each event will be eligible to advance from the Substate competition to the State-level event in May.

Upcoming Tully FFA events include our Annual FFA Banquet (March 21) and the State FFA Convention (May 2-4). For up-to-date progress of our chapter success, check out our Facebook page, "Tully Ag & FFA."

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The Junior High International Club had the pleasure of learning about Mrs. Murphy's journey through Ireland on December 19.

She visited many places big and small with her family, and shared photos and stories with us. We liked seeing The Cliffs of Moher, castles, and Trinity College, which was very impressive. Also, the churches and flowers that decorate the country.

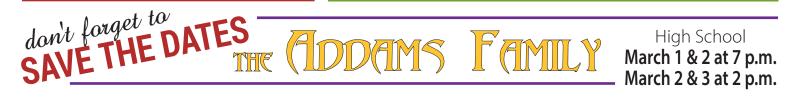
Mrs. Murphy made a very generous pile of her special recipe Irish Soda Bread. (Yum!) We wish we could have had the "Full Irish Breakfast!" (kidding)

An overall impression of Ireland is the stone – stone walls, stone buildings, and stone roads. We even saw the Rogers Family cemetery gravestones on which people leave personal mementos.

Do you know what "hurling" is? It's like lacrosse (for men) and the women's game is camogie.

Cars are small, roads are narrow, and fun fact - they drive on the left, exit on the left, and traffic can be crazy!

Ireland is full of historical places but also has the familiar; for example, Circle K and Papa John's! Thank you Mrs. Murphy for kissing the Blarney Stone so that you could "eloquently" share your travels (and Irish Soda Bread) with us!



MARCH 2019

Senior Spotlight - TYLER EDINGER



Family: Heather (Mom), Todd (Dad), Lane (Brother)

What has been the best part of your high school career and why? The best part of my high school career was being a part of a basketball team that made it to NYS Final Four last year. The season was a reflection of the hard work we put in as a team; it was a great feeling.

What have you learned by the activities you have participated in outside of school? Being a three sport athlete taught me how to manage my time effectively.

What is your proudest moment in high school so far? Maintaining a 90 or above average throughout my high school career.

What are your plans after high school? I will be attending St. John Fisher College to continue my academic and athletic career.

If you could invite two or three people to dinner, who would they be and what would you talk about? I would invite my grandpa, who passed away before I was born, and ask him about his life. I would also invite Rachael Ray, and ask her what her favorite meal is, and then I would have her cook it for me.

Who's your hero and why? My heroes are the men and women in the military. They put their own lives on the line in order to allow us to have our freedom.

Senior Spotlight - ANABELLA MORGAN



Family: Joe, Rae, Justin, Joey, Jesse, Sammy What has been the best part of your high school career and why? Growing up, the best part of high school is socializing with friends and family who are very supportive. The socializing has brought me out of my shell and helped me make friends.

What have you learned by the activities you have participated in outside of school? I have learned sportsmanship, leadership, and teamwork, which are some of the most important skills you must have for life after school.

What is your proudest moment in high school so far? My proudest moment was when I got accepted into All State for chorus because it will look really good on my transcript for college.

What are your plans after high school? My plans are to go to college for 6 years and major in music education to become a chorus teacher.

What do you hope to achieve by the time you're 30 years old? I hope to have earned my masters in music education, obtained a job as a chorus teacher, and be settled with a family.

What challenges have you faced and how have you overcome them? I have faced the challenge of working hard. I have overcome this by learning that you will take away as much as you put in, so the bigger the effort, the more satisfying the outcome.

Who's your hero and why? My hero is my mother, Rae. She is a stay at home mom, but I feel she works just as hard as everyone else. She balances the job of having 5 kids, going to games and school events, and taking care of the home, all while still finding time to help out the community. She has a great sense of organization and always has good advice.

ATHLETIC NEWS



National Coaching Honor

Each year the NFHS (National Federation of High Schools) seeks nominations for highly effective and successful HS coaches for each HS sport offered within the 50 States of our Nation. A coach receives a nomination by their Athletic Director then a local panel from their state selects a Coach of the Year in each of the sports offered at the HS level. At that point, a coach has become their state's Coach of the Year in their specific sport, which is an enormous accomplishment!

The next step of the process is for a National panel to look at each coach that has become their state's respective Coach of the Year and select one of those coaches as the NFHS National HS Coach of the Year of their respective sport.

Long time Tully Track & Field Coach, Jim Paccia, has won this award!! Coach Paccia was awarded the 2017-2018 NFHS National Coach of the Year for Boys Track & Field!! Coach Paccia was also named the 2017-2018 NYS Coach of the Year in Boys Track & Field. Jim has been coaching and impacting the young men in the Tully community for 35+ years. He has a unique way of making an athlete feel as though they are part of something relevant and worthwhile. His teaching within track and field extends beyond simple training and technique. Jim teaches societal values, work ethic, commitment, life skills, integrity, and character to his athletes under the heading of track and field. His impact on a student/athletes life stretches well beyond the competitive arena. Jim teaches young men how to become successful in many aspects of life. Congratulations to Jim Paccia, the 2017-2018 NFHS National Coach of the Year!!!

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From the Superintendent



Currently, we are in the second year of our three-year 1:1 computer initiative. The goal of this initiative is to use technology to enhance our students' learning experiences. This 1:1 initiative entails phasing out most of our computer labs and issuing Chromebooks (i.e.: laptop computers) to each of our students in grades 1-12. To date, we have phased out three computer labs and we have issued Chromebooks to more than half of our students. By the end of the next school year, we anticipate all of our students in grades 1-12 will be using Chromebooks on a regular basis. Over the past two years, we have also built out our wireless network

and enhanced our internet security measures. A stable, robust, and safe wireless network is essential if our students and teachers are relying on Chromebooks for day-to-day classroom learning. So far this school year, our wireless network has held up well and proven to be reliable.

Beginning this school year, we were also able to hire an additional part-time local area network technician and a part-time technology integration specialist. Our new LAN technician (Doug Fischi) works to address software and hardware issues when they arise. Our new technology integration specialist (Jason Clark) works with students and teachers to explore ways to more effectively use Chromebooks to facilite learning.

Finally, we have Technology Committees in both of our schools. Each of these Technology Committees is comprised of several members of our faculty and staff. These two committees provide oversight of our 1:1 initiative. They problem solve, coordinate professional development, and make recommendations regarding how to best allocate software and hardware funds. Our Director of Technology (Lee Duvall) provides leadership for these two groups.

As we enter the second half of our 1:1 initiative, I would like to say thank you to all of those who have been involved in the planning an implementation process so far. I know our students are benefiting from the work you have done.

Mr. Robert Hughes, Superintendent of Schools Phone: 315.696.6204 Email: rhughes@tullyschools.org

Nominating Petitions for Board of Education Positions

Two terms of office on the Tully Central School District Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2019. Each winner will be elected for three year terms from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022 at the annual school district election to be held on May 21, 2019.

Board of Education vacancies are not considered to be separate specific offices. This nominating petition does not describe a specific vacancy. Each candidate is considered for a vacant seat on the Board of Education as a whole and not as only to a specific office presently held by an individual.

Candidates may be nominated only by petition. Each nominating petition must be filed with the School District Clerk, Tully Central School District Offices, 20 State St, Tully, NY 13159 no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2019. Each nominating petition must state the name and residence of the candidate and be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the school district. Each person signing must also state his or her residence. It is good practice to obtain more than 25 signatures.

Under the law a qualified voter is one who is entitled to vote at a school district election. To be entitled to vote a person must meet these three qualifications:

- A citizen of the United States
- At least 18 years of age
- A resident of the school district for a period of at least 30 days prior to the election.

Nominating petitions will be available February 20, 2019. If you would like a nominating petition, please contact the district office at (315) 696-6204 or email mfisher@tullyschools.org

2018-2019 Board Members

*Term expires June 30 of year listed

2020 Mrs. Elaine (Fay) Burt Cell: 315-440-6149

2020 Mrs. Jane Byrne-Panzarella, Vice President Home: 315-696-8540

2019 Mrs. Denise Cardamone, President Home: 315-696-5599

> 2021 **Mr. Donald Cole** Home: 315-238-7068

2019 **Mr. William Ralbovsky** Phone: 315-696-0018

2021 **Mr. Matthew VanBeveren** Home: 315-696-5745

2021 Mr. Edward Wortley, II Home: 315-696-8609

Upcoming Board Meetings

Location: Jr/Sr High School. Time: 6 p.m. Dates, time, and location subject to change and additional special meetings to be scheduled on an as-needed basis.

2018-2019 School Year

Monday, March 4, 2019 Monday, March 18, 2019 Monday, April 1, 2019 Monday, April 22, 2019 Monday, May 13, 2019 Tuesday, May 21, 2019 Monday, June 17, 2019

Check the school website for updates: www.tullyschools.org

COMMUNITY NEWS



*The Library is located near Tully Elementary and across from the Tully Masonic Lodge

 Tully Free Library
 12 State Street • tullyfreelibrary.org
 315-696-8606

Open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. • Saturdays 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. • Closed Sundays

March is focused on Full STEAM Ahead! Grades K-1: Mondays @ 2:30 p.m.

Grades 2-4: Thursdays @ 2:35 p.m.

Grades 5-8: Fridays @ 3:30 p.m.

This spring, Full STEAM Ahead is focused on learning about different styles of art and famous artists, as well as creating art in those styles.

We are holding the Science Fair on Saturday, March 9th at 2:30 p.m.

We are hosting a Tully BOE Candidates' Night on Monday, April 29, from 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Tully Parks and Recreation

TULLY REC BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Tee-Ball – Kindergarten Boys/Girls Coach Pitch – 1st/2nd Boys/Girls Minors Softball & Baseball – 3rd/4th Majors Softball & Baseball – 5th/6th

Register using the link below: https://campscui.active.com/orgs/TullyParksandRecreation



TRANSPORTATION NEWS

Private Transportation Requests Due By April 1st NYS Education Law Section 3635(2) requires that a written

NYS Education Law Section 3635(2) requires that a written request be made to the Board of Education of a School District when transportation of a student to a non-public, private, or parochial school is required.

This written request must be made annually and received by the school district no later than April 1st for transportation for the next school year.

Most non-public schools have a form available to make this request and can be contacted for assistance.

Please have these written requests sent to Attn: Theresa Flaherty, Tully Central School District, Business Office, 20 State St, Tully, NY 13159 no later than April 1, 2019.



TO: LOCAL POST OFFICE BOXHOLDER OR RURAL ROUTE PATRON

TULLY CENTRAL SCHOOL EVENTS

MARCH 2019			
1-3	High School Drama Musical, 2 p.m., 7 p.m.		
4	JV/V Spring Sports begin		
	BOE Meeting, HS, 6 p.m.		
8	Trivia Night, HS, 7 p.m.		
13	Cabaret Night, 6:30 p.m.		
18	Superintendent's Conference Day – No Students		1 aller
	BOE Meeting, HS, 6 p.m.		
20	Harlem Wizard Basketball Game, HS,		X
	5:30 p.m. doors open, 6:45 p.m. start time		111
21	FFA Banquet		1112
27	Senior High Concert, 7 p.m.		See.
28	Junior High Concert, 7 p.m.		
APRIL 2019			
1	JH Spring Sports begin		
	BOE Meeting, HS, 6 p.m.		
15-19	Spring Recess, No Classes		
19	Good Friday – Schools Closed		
22	BOE Meeting, HS, 6 p.m.		