

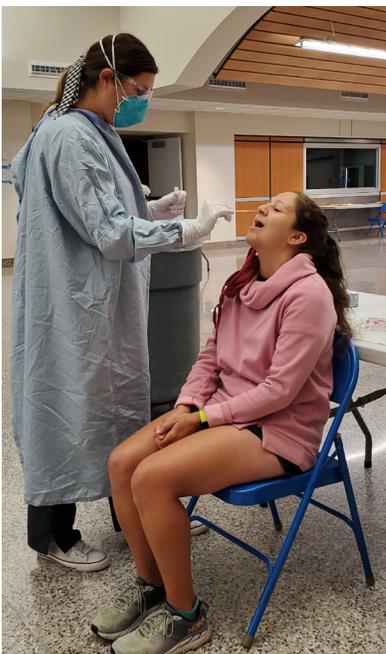
JSHS Conference Room Unveiled



Mrs. Mulondo's and Mrs. Rossman's 2020 Humanities class got started on a project in the spring semester, painting and decorating one of the JSHS conference rooms, and it has been unveiled! This task was tied into a lesson on budgeting with Mrs. Murphy teaching the students how to keep a ledger. Students had to design, confer with others, budget, and present their ideas before a final design was approved.

The walls were freshly painted, a red stripe was placed along the ceiling, the base trim was replaced, and even the bulletin boards received a fresh coat. Students also worked with the FFA teacher in the greenhouse to grow plants especially for the room. At the head of the room, clocks display the time for San Francisco, New York, Calcutta, and Tokyo, which were donated by Lew VanWagenen. Displayed throughout the room is nature-themed student artwork, which will be rotated out each year. The conference room is very inviting and we hope that everyone who uses it will enjoy it. Pictured above is some of the artwork currently displayed in JSHS Conference Room.

Teachers/Staff Get Tested



Prior to starting the 2020 school year, teachers and staff had the opportunity to get COVID tested for peace of mind that they would not be bringing anything to campus with them. The Onondaga County Health Department set up in the JSHS cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. where teachers and staff from Tully and Fabius-Pompey were tested. All tests came back negative, giving our district personnel a clean bill of health. Many other precautions have also taken place and are maintained daily to keep all staff and students healthy for in-person instruction. Picture shows Miss Emily Paccia getting tested.

Emergency School Closings

During the school year, there may arise emergency situations when school may close, be delayed, or dismiss early. Local radio stations and local news channels provide school related closing information. This information is also posted on our website (www.tullyschools.org) Additionally, Tully Schools uses SchoolMessenger to send out emergency notifications. This notification system allows school administrators to contact all parents/guardians and staff by phone, email, and text, in order to communicate information about emergencies, school closings, delays, early dismissals, important school events, and reminders. This notification system uses the parent and staff contact information that we have on file in our main offices. Parents or guardians who are not already receiving SchoolMessenger notices should contact Mrs. Sherry Huggins (315-696-6236 or sherry.huggins@tullyschools.org).

ES Principal's Message



Edward Kupiec

We are off and running! All students have settled into routines and I have begun live streaming morning announcements so all students, in-person or remote, can get them at the same time. The first few days of school went as smoothly as could be expected. In-person students did a fantastic job of wearing masks, getting their temperatures taken, and social distancing. It was invigorating to see how excited students and teachers were to get back to school! It felt great to get back to something resembling "normal," even with the new COVID procedures in place. On the remote learning front, students were able to meet their teachers who rode around the district to stop at homes for a short visit and deliver Chromebooks.

We held virtual "Back to School Night" events throughout September. Depending on the teacher and subject, teachers held live sessions, pre-recorded sessions, or a combination of both. The other major event last month was school pictures. In-person students had their pictures taken during the school day while remote learners were able to come to the elementary school during the evening for their photographs.

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PTO News

Welcome back to school, TES students! Whether you are in-person or distance learning, we hope that your first few weeks back have been enjoyable! Thank you to all of the students that participated in the Summer Reading Challenge. Just a reminder, Box Tops are still being collected for our school and can be submitted digitally via the app. Looking ahead, TES PTO will once again be offering Spirit Wear items for purchase this year. More details to come at a later date. To stay current with what is going on with the PTO, please visit our Facebook group (Tully Elementary PTO) or visit the PTO page on the school's website. The next virtual meeting will be the second Wednesday in October at 7 p.m. All parents of TES students are welcome to attend. We are a 501(c)(3) organization and gladly accept tax exempt donations. Please inquire if you wish to make a donation. Thank you for supporting the TES PTO!

TULLY JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

JSHS Principal's Message



Mary Ann Murphy

We are so happy to have our students back in the building!! It's amazing how much some of them have grown or changed in the last six months. In general, things are going well with all of our new building procedures and the students seem to be catching on rather quickly. We welcomed four new staff members and 14 new students. There are countless people to thank for all of the thoughts, ideas, and incredibly hard work that have been put into making our reopening go so smoothly - clerical and cafeteria staff; custodial, grounds, and transportation crews; instructional technology staff; teachers and TAs; the nurses and Ray Herrick; the TTA Executive Committee; reopening steering committees; parents and students; and the Administrative Cabinet. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way! We appreciate your efforts!

*Mrs. Mary Ann Murphy, JSHS Principal • Phone: 315.696.6235
Twitter: @tullyjshsprinc • Email: mmurphy@tullyschools.org*

Tully Gets Social

New to the district are our social media accounts! Our Facebook page was created just before the Class of 2020 graduated so we could celebrate those leaving in a fun and new way. Our Twitter account was created at a later date towards the end of July and Instagram followed shortly after. Tully CSD has officially gotten social!

Feel free to not only use the website to find pertinent information on what is going on at the schools, but follow our Facebook page (Tully Central School District), our Twitter feed (@tully_csd), or Instagram account (tully_csd).

We'll see you in the media!



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2020 Fall Home Sporting Events

Much thought and deliberation has gone into constructing the most safe, productive, and beneficial fall athletic season possible for our student athletes. Some decisions were easy to make while others were not.

We are going to permit **2 spectators per athlete** this fall at Tully home athletic events, which corresponds to the regulations set by NYS. We understand your desire to watch your son/daughter play since it has been many months since you have watched a game with our kids competing wearing the Black & Red, and as a district, we share that same desire. Please follow the following guidelines set forth:

Masks will be mandated by all spectators that come onto campus to watch a game and social distancing will be mandatory. When you pull onto the Tully campus, we will move traffic around the bus loop so we can approve entry to those who are on the gate list. A gate list is necessary in the event of an issue that would require contact tracing by the Department of Health.

Thank you to all parents and community members for adhering to the guidelines and for your continuous support of the students of our district!

Fall Coaching Staff

Varsity Boys' Golf:	Don McClure
Head Varsity Boys' Soccer:	Bill Donald
JV Boys' Soccer:	No JV Boys' Team in 2020
Modified Boys' Soccer:	Charlie Locke (7/8/9 grade)
Head Girls' Varsity Soccer:	Ashley Brunelle
JV Girls' Soccer:	Kaitlyn Mahns
JH Girls' Soccer:	Tim Villhauer
Boys' Cross-Country:	Jim Paccia
Girls' Cross-Country:	Michelle Rauber

TRANSPORTATION

Safety Requests

Please help us ensure your child's safety by following these simple but important procedures:

- 1.) Provide your child with a backpack or book-bag. Loose papers or other items are dangerous as children get off the bus.
- 2.) Check your children's clothing for the presence of long drawstrings or other dangling items as they could become snagged in the bus door as the child gets off the bus, and should be removed from clothing.
- 3.) Make sure your child arrives at the designated bus stop five minutes early each day. Children who are late for the bus may panic and chase it, or run into the road.
- 4.) Insist that your child wait for the bus safely in an orderly fashion, back from the roadway at least 15 feet. Behavior problems at the bus stop can create hazardous conditions for children.
- 5.) When the bus arrives, your child should wait for the bus driver's signal before boarding. Children should board in single file.
- 6.) Teach your child to sit quietly on the ride to and from school. Behavior problems could distract the bus driver and result in an accident.

It is important that our drivers are able to concentrate on driving the route safely. We are deeply committed to the safety of your child as well as all our community's children.

New York State law requires motorists to stop for school buses that are receiving or discharging passengers. The driver of the vehicle must stop when they encounter a school bus in the process of loading or unloading students:

on a public highway; on multiple lane roads; on opposite sides of divided highways; on a public street; on a private road; in a parking lot or on school property.

The driver of the vehicle must stop from either direction. The driver must also stop if the school bus has another bus in front of it to receive or discharge passengers.

Rules for Sharing the Road with School Buses:

- Remember, buses make frequent stops. Be prepared to stop for them.
- Never pass a stopped school bus with its red lights flashing on the right or left.
- Watch for children who cross in front of the bus when the bus is stopped.
- Look for children at bus stops and those running to bus stops.
- By law, school buses are required to stop at railroad crossings.

Welcome



Tammy Foti

I am very excited to start my new position as Keyboard Specialist at my alma mater, Tully Junior/Senior High School this fall! I have worked in the Tully cafeteria for the past nine years and prior to that, I was a legal secretary for several years. I have been married to my husband, Mike, for 15 years and happily convinced him to move back to my hometown 12 years ago. We have one son, Anthony, who entered 9th grade this fall. In my free time I like to read, watch Netflix, travel (especially to New England), and spend time with my family. I'm looking forward to a great school year!



Shawna Morasco

I am delighted to be joining the Tully family as the Tully Junior/Senior High School Social Worker! Previous to this, I was a social worker at Madison County Mental Health for 11 years. I also have experience as a substance abuse counselor and a day treatment therapist for individuals with eating disorders. I graduated from SUNY Buffalo in 2007 with my Master's in Social Work and earned an undergraduate degree in Psychology from Syracuse University. When I'm not counseling, I love to spend time with my family, exercise, go to concerts or the theater, read books, cook, travel, and explore new places. I cannot wait to start the next chapter of my career and life here at Tully!



Kat Krumbach

I am very excited to be joining Tully as the new Junior/Senior High Vocal Music Teacher! I recently received my Bachelor's and Master's in Music Education from the Setnor School of Music at Syracuse University. I am an avid musical theatre lover and performer, having music directed in a variety of settings, including teaching at Syracuse Children's Theatre. Aside from teaching and performing, I love discovering new music and podcasts, reading, and yoga. I cannot wait to start this next chapter and join the Tully community!



Kyle Taranto

I am very excited to join the Tully Central School District this year! I am the new behavioral specialist at the elementary level. I graduated from Buffalo State College in 2011 with my BA in Political Science. While attending Buffalo State, I competed in cross-country and both indoor and outdoor track. In 2013 I received my MSW from Syracuse University. Prior to coming to Tully, I have worked in various school programs as well as outpatient mental health clinics. I most recently worked for the Cincinnatus Central School District for the past two years as a school social worker working primarily at the elementary level. I live in Syracuse with my husband Matthew and have two Australian shepherds Lina and Sydney. In my free time, I enjoy running, hiking, and watching the Buffalo Bills and Syracuse Basketball.



Brett Stephenson

I grew up in Iowa on a small chicken farm. I graduated from Winterset High School in Winterset, IA. I moved to New York about 10 years ago with my girlfriend. I've worked a number of jobs, from fast food to truck driving to driving a school bus. Even when I first started driving a truck, I always wanted to try driving a school bus as I still remember my school bus driver from 30 years ago. I hope that maybe 30 years from now, one of the kids I transport will remember me.



Emily Paccia

I am very excited to be joining Tully High School as the new English 11, English 11 Accelerated, and English 10 Accelerated teacher! I was born and raised in Tully, but I have spread my wings the last eight years to discover new places in this world as close as Fabius Pompey and as far as Washington, DC where my teaching career has led me, as well as all places in between (including Western NY, CNS, and CBA). I have taught every grade from 7-12 during my teaching career, and I have coached for just as long. I received two Associate's degrees from OCC, a Bachelor's degree from SUNY Fredonia, and a Master's degree from SUNY Cortland. Outside of school, I love to run, hike, cook, read, do puzzles, and spend time with my nephew (two years old) and my niece (eight months old). I look forward to the opportunity to be back in my home once again!



Megan Morrison

I am very eager to begin working with the Tully School staff and families this year! Growing up in a small town similar to Tully, I know all about small town pride and consider myself lucky to be part of it. For the majority of the last 14 years, I have worked in the clerical field and in doing so, have complete confidence that is where I belong. I also ran for Town Clerk of my hometown and won three years ago, and I enjoyed it very much! In my spare time I love doing anything outdoors. My favorite thing to do, however, is travel and go to the beach with my family. It's going to be a wonderful year and I cannot wait to see what is in store for all of us!



Sierra Haas

Hey Knights, want to hear some awesome news? I am joining the Tully School Community as a school nurse and am ecstatic to be doing so! I have experience with all ages and abilities and look forward to working in both the Elementary and Jr/Sr High schools. I have been a registered nurse for nine years and have worked in the hospital, behavioral health, and family practice settings. I currently live in Canastota with my three kiddos; oh, and can't forget the cat too! I grew up in E. Pharsalia and graduated from Norwich High School. From there I received my degree in nursing at Morrisville State University. When I am not working, you can find me constructing some DIY project, outside, or participating in one of the kids' millions but joyous activities. I look forward to meeting all the staff, students, and their families as we face all these new challenges together. It's going to be a GREAT year, Tully!



Mike Bednarek

I have lived in Jamesville, NY for 18 years. I grew up and lived in the Buffalo, NY area before that. I have 14 years of bus driving experience from Akron and Fabius. I have been married for 43 years to my wife, Suzanne, and we have a son, Todd, who is 30. I also own a horse farm where I train and show Quarter Horses. I am excited to drive for Tully Central School!



Jeremy Randall

I am looking forward to starting a new position with transportation, driving a school bus for Tully Central Schools. I grew up in Syracuse and returned to Tully in 2005 with my wife, who was raised here, in order to be closer to family and to begin my art career after finishing my degree. I now have three kids in the school district here, and since 2015 have owned and operated Rusty Wheel Pottery located in the middle of the village. It is a ceramics studio that offers classes for adults and kids, an apprentice program for aspiring ceramic artists, and a personal studio where I make my own artwork. It has been great getting to know many people in the community by having the studio, and it will be a great opportunity to get to know many more by being a driver. When I'm not at the studio, I enjoy cycling our beautiful CNY roads, fly fishing for trout, and traveling with family.



From the Superintendent



As we begin the school year, I wanted to make the Tully Community aware of our Board of Education's committee structure. Listed below are 2020-21 BOE sub-committees, along with a short description of the purpose for each.

Audit Committee: The Audit Committee advises the full Board on the external audit activities of the school district. The audit committee helps the Board provide fiscal oversight of the school district and may provide comments or recommendations regarding proposed financial decisions.

Policy Committee: The Policy Committee discusses current and proposed policies, considers revisions to policies as suggested by the Erie1BOCES policy service or by district legal counsel, considers new policies as appropriate, and makes recommendations to the full Board regarding new policies, revisions to existing policies, and elimination of extraneous policies.

Academic Advisory Committee: The Academic Advisory Committee discusses current academic/instructional programs, considers priorities for refining, improving, and/or expanding academic opportunities for students, and makes recommendations to the full Board regarding matters related to the district's academic program.

Athletic Advisory Committee: The Athletic Advisory Committee discusses current athletic programs, considers priorities for refining, improving, and/or expanding athletic opportunities, and makes recommendations to the Board regarding matters related to the district's current and future athletic program.

Facilities Committee: The Facilities Committee discusses current conditions of the school facility, considers priorities for improvement provided through the Building Condition Survey (BCS), and makes recommendations to the full Board regarding short-term capital improvements.

Health & Safety Committee: The School Safety Committee coordinates current safety and security processes, programs, and protocols, considers priorities for refining, improving school safety, and makes recommendations to the Board regarding the district's school safety and security program. Additionally, this committee investigates and addresses any Capital Project related safety complaints.

Wellness Committee: The Wellness Committee meets at least four times per year to establish goals for, and oversee the development of the District's wellness policy. The Committee makes policy recommendations for review and adoption by the Board, and is responsible for assessing current wellness activities, programs, and policies available in the District.

Currently, community representatives serve as members of the Audit Committee, the Facilities Committee, and the Health & Safety Committee. If you are interested in serving on one of these three committees at some point in the future, please notify our District Clerk, Mrs. Mary Fisher, by email or phone (mfisher@tullyschools.org or 315-696-6204).

Robert Hughes, Superintendent of Schools
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2020-2021 Board Members

**Term expires June 30 of year listed*

2023	Mrs. E. (Fay) Burt 5335 Nichols Road, Tully, NY 13159 315-440-6149
2023	Mrs. Jane Byrne-Panzarella 1135 Sky High Road, Tully, NY 13159 315-696-8540
2022	Mrs. Denise Cardamone 6368 Route 80, Tully, NY 13159 315-696-5599
2021	Mr. Donald Cole 64 State St, Tully, NY 13159 315-238-7068
2022	Mr. Michael Dziok 4938 Vesper Hill Road, Tully, NY 13159 315-796-9177
2021	Mr. Matthew VanBeveren 5461 Lake Road, Tully, NY 13159 315-696-5745
2021	Mr. Edward Wortley, II 982 Dutch Hill Road, Tully, NY 13159 315-696-8609

Board Meetings

Location: Junior Senior High School, 6:00 p.m.

Subject to change and additional special meetings to be scheduled on an as-needed basis.

2020-2021

July 1, 2020
August 24, 2020
September 21, 2020
October 26, 2020
November 23, 2020
December 21, 2020
January 25, 2021
February 8, 2021
March 1, 2021
March 22, 2021
April 19, 2021
May 10, 2021
May 18, 2021
June 21, 2021

**Check the school
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www.tullyschools.org**



Tully Free Library

12 State Street • tullyfreelibrary.org 315-696-8606

We are currently open **by appointment only** Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

While we are sad that we are unable to offer our Full Steam Ahead, Terrific Tuesdays, and other in-person programs right now, please know that we are still available to connect with parents and students. Whether you're learning at home or at school, we are here to help! Let us know if you need assistance in finding resources related to home schooling, online learning, tutoring, and more. If you need to work on a paper or homework, you can call ahead and reserve a time slot to use one of our computers, or sit at one of our tables and work on your own laptop. Space is limited; call us at 315-696-8606 for more information.

While September was "Library Card Sign-Up Month," it's never too late (or too early) to get one! Kids as young as five years old can request a card (as long as they have a parent or guardian with them). If you're 13 or older, you can order one online! Get access to downloadable books, e-books, webinars, and more when you sign up online on our website.

We're starting something new on October 1st: Book Bundles! Call us and order a bundle based on whatever topic you like. Want to read about race cars? Legos? Famous people? We'll pick out a few books for you to enjoy.

Stay tuned for new online programming for adults, kids, and teens. Book talks, story times, presentations, and more are in the works! Check our website or Facebook page for more information.

INTERACT News

We are a group of 7-12 grade students who meet outside of the school day to give back to our local community, the Syracuse area, as well as the world, through our annual *Pennies for Polio* drive to help end Polio.

Our group is sponsored by the Tully Rotary Club. We meet monthly (right now through Google Meets) in addition to performing community service in and around Tully.

We are always looking for new members, and we encourage family members to be part of our community service projects as well.

This summer we cleared the South Meadows trails and painted the sign for TAG (Tully Action Group). We also helped to distribute milk and produce at the food drives in LaFayette and Pompey.

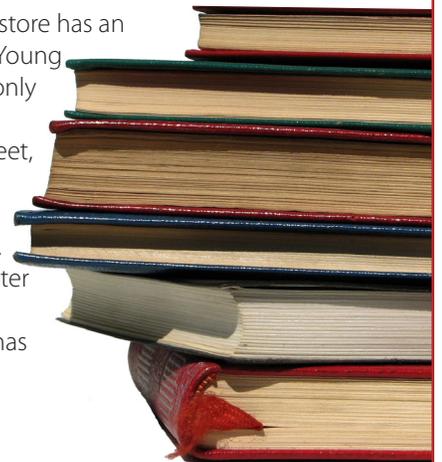
Please send an email to Debora.mcox@gmail.com if interested in joining.

The Twice Read Bookstore

The Twice Read Bookstore has an abundance of very good Young Reader Books on sale for only \$.25 ea.

Stop in at 24 State Street, not only for these books, but to look through all other categories of books.

Stock up for your winter reading. And remember, books make great Christmas gifts!



Article Submission Guidelines

To submit an article, email articles to Sherry Huggins at sherry.huggins@tullyschools.org. If you have any questions, please call (315) 696-6236.

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 a picture or article.

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TULLY CENTRAL SCHOOL EVENTS



OCTOBER

- 12** **Columbus Day –
School Closed**
- 14-16** **PSAT @ HS**
- 26** **BOE Meeting, 6 PM**

*Dates are subject to change. Please check
our website for the most up-to-date
information.*

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