

HILLER HIGHLIGHTS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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MAY 2021 - 2022

As the 2021-2022 school year closes

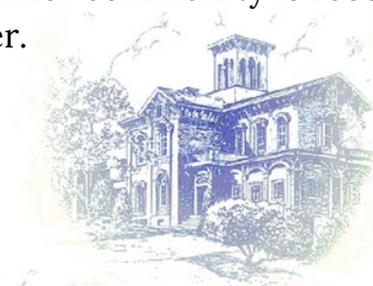
Dear Parents/Guardians,

As this challenging school year ends, I want to thank you sincerely for helping our students as they reacclimated to the school environment after two years of uncertainty. The 2021-2022 school year at Trinity Area was most successful, largely due to your support, encouragement, and kindness. As students and staff reunited in person and learned how to interact, think, and work in a world forever changed, you remained optimistic and patient. You trusted the District to bridge students' learning gaps, build their resiliency, and set them on a path towards achievement. You knew in August that this year would prove difficult, and, when life and school became especially challenging, you continually reminded your children that growth is worth the struggle.

Together, we kept our students safe, engaged, and learning. This year, we minimized the spread of COVID-19 by adhering to recommended guidelines, cleaning and sanitizing effectively, and remaining socially distant as much as possible. We successfully implemented new math and reading curricula, K-5, and continued to offer a premier online learning experience to students enrolled in Trinity Cyber School, K-12. We organized an Esports team and mapped a comprehensive curriculum for Esports classes. We exponentially increased students' participation in our music programs and hosted numerous live performances to showcase students' work. We planned for a state-of-the-art intermediate school to be built as an extension of Trinity Middle School, also scheduled to be renovated in 2024. To address mental health concerns, we employed an additional school counselor and social worker, and ensured that therapeutic support services are readily available for struggling students.

Due to our community members' collective efforts, Trinity Area was once again honored at the national level by US World News for offering an outstanding education. We could not have reached our goals without your help. Your commitment to our Hiller community is recognized and deeply appreciated. Have a wonderful, relaxing, safe summer.

Dr. Michael P. Lucas
Superintendent



CERTIFIED SCHOOL Nurse Day!

Thank you!



These Trinity Area SD Certified School Nurses have a vital role in bridging healthcare and education. Thank you for keeping our kids healthy and in the classroom!

Thank you to all CSNs and everyone in the nursing profession!

Thank you Senator Bartolotta for coming and celebrating our school nurses!



Mrs. Drezewski



Mrs. Frazier



Mrs. Sutherin



Ms. Miller

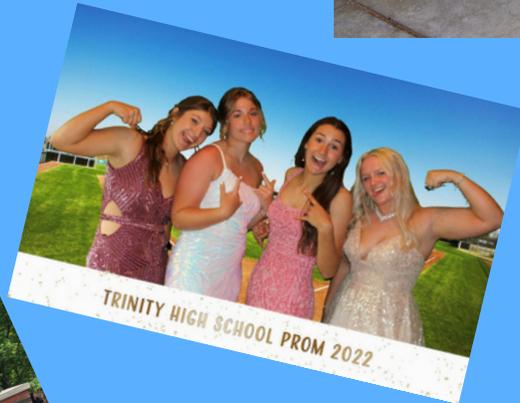


Mrs. Bebout



Mrs. Gaiser

PROM 2022!!





Senior Celebration 2022!!



CONGRATULATIONS!

April

Students of the Month



Courtney Boardley
HIGH SCHOOL



Lexi Daniels



MIDDLE SCHOOL



Alex Berry

2nd Place Goes To....



Vittoria Emerich and Ella Sammel came in 2nd place with their diorama in the annual Law Day contest. They were recognized at the Law Day ceremony on May 10th. Congratulations, girls!



Trinity's Pride!



Collegiate Student -Athlete Panel

Outstanding 2nd Annual Collegiate Student-Athlete Experience panel presentation with some of our alumni! Thank you Jade, Michael, Austin, Cameron and Emma!



Congratulations!

WACTC

Western Area Career & Technology Center



Congratulations to Owen Breide, Rylee Sallisbury, and Elizabeth Starr for representing Trinity as Western Area Career & Technology Center National Tech Honor Society Members.

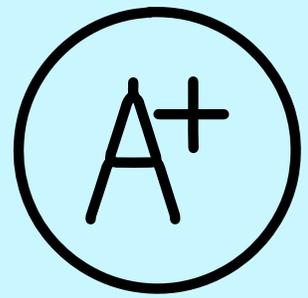


Congratulations



4th grader, Lauren Nickel, wins the Studio Seven Mother's Day Writing Contest, earning a special day at the spa for her mom. Congratulations, Lauren, and thank you, Studio Seven, for sponsoring the writing competition.

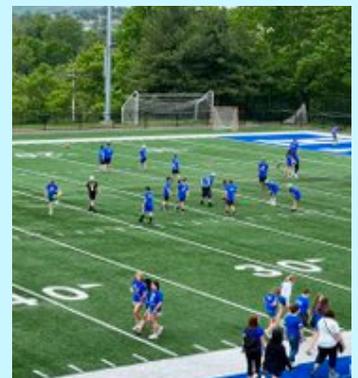
Congratulations to these 4 Trinity wrestlers who have made the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Association All Academic Team.



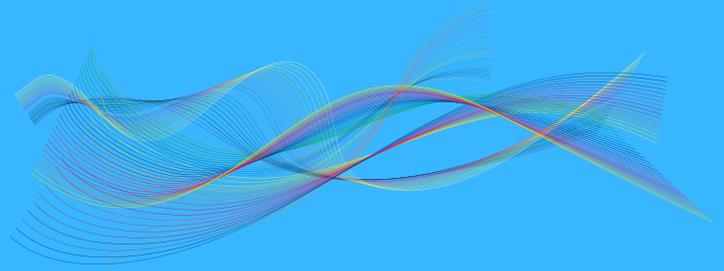
Trinity Celebrates All Music



CLASS OF 2029



Seniors Leaving their "Print" at Trinity



Congratulations!

**Observer-Reporter
Athlete of the
Week...**

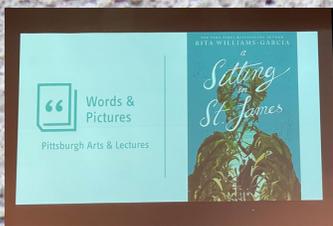
Ryleigh Hoy



Congratulations to our DAR award winners, Cicely and Miranda. We are so proud of you!

Trinity's Art Show!





On Thursday, May 26th, sophomore and junior students had an opportunity to have a conversation with award-winning author Rita Williams-Garcia at the Carnegie Lecture Hall in Oakland through the generosity of a grant from Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures. Williams-Garcia is the author of the Newbery Honor-winning novel *One Crazy Summer*, which was also a winner of the Coretta Scott King Award, a National Book Award finalist, and winner of the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction. Her latest book is *A Sitting in St. James*. This astonishing novel about the interwoven lives of those bound to a plantation in antebellum America has been named an epic masterwork—empathetic and entirely human—and essential reading for teens grappling with the long history of American racism. Juniors Riley Dunn and Emily Wickham represented Trinity High School by asking poignant questions of the author. Our students also toured the Carnegie Library and were stunned by the building's architecture, impressive history, and many services. Ms. Denman and Ms. Shaw are grateful to Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures for this amazing opportunity to attend the Words & Pictures Author Series with their high school students.



Trinity Area High School has once again received National Recognition by the U.S. News World Report as being one of the best high schools in the nation.

Congratulations



Congratulations to our WPIAL Track & Field Championship medalists! Rylee Elling finished 8th in Girls AAA Javelin & Eden Williamson finished 4th in Girls AAA High Jump. Eden will move on to the PIAA Championships next weekend at Shippensburg University.

Congrats to our Girls Softball team! With the win over Upper St Clair, the Hillers wrapped up the Section Championship.



1st Place



Congratulations
Alyssa Clutter
&
Kaylee Foringer
Girls Track
Big South invitational
MVP

Celebrating School Lunch Hero Day!



Congratulations to Senior Sofia Polito for scoring her 100th career goal in our lacrosse win over Ambridge!

Trinity High School senior, Connor Roberts, signed a Letter of Commitment on May 23, 2022, to continue his academic and athletic career at Westminster College. Roberts is a multi-sport athlete and will be competing in football and basketball for the Titans.





Trinity High School Senior, Jack Krivanek, signed a National Letter of Intent for football on May 6th, 2022, to continue his academic and athletic career at Clarion University. He plans to major in business.



Trinity High School Senior, Nate Thomas, signed a Letter of Commitment for track on May 6th, 2022, to continue his academic and athletic career at Carlow University, during a morning ceremony at Trinity High School.

Trinity High School Senior, Megan Marling, signed a Letter of Commitment for softball on May 6th, 2022, to continue her academic and athletic career at Saint Vincent College, during a morning ceremony at Trinity High School. She plans to major in chemistry.



Trinity High School Senior, Margaret Garcia, signed a Letter of Commitment for lacrosse on May 6th, 2022, to continue her academic and athletic career at Capitol University, during a morning ceremony at Trinity High School. She plans to major in Sports medicine.

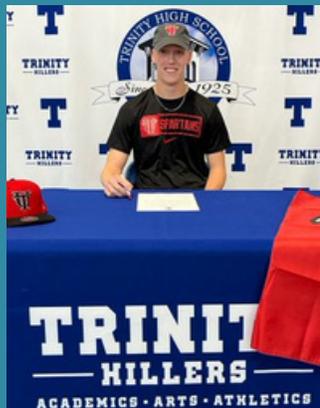


Trinity High School Senior, Isabella Naddeo, signed a Letter of Commitment for tennis & swimming on May 6th, 2022, to continue her academic and athletic career at Washington and Jefferson College, during a morning ceremony at Trinity High School. She plans to major in biology.

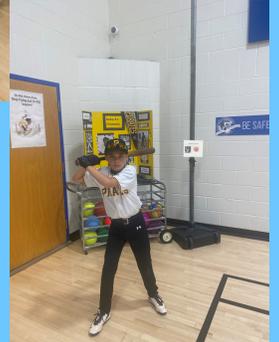
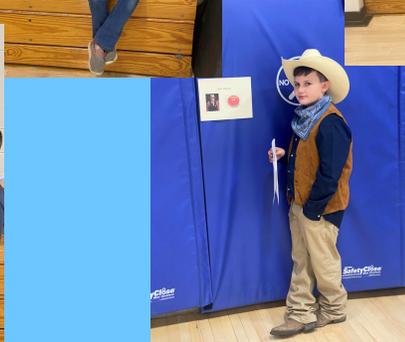
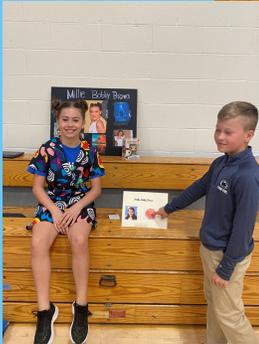
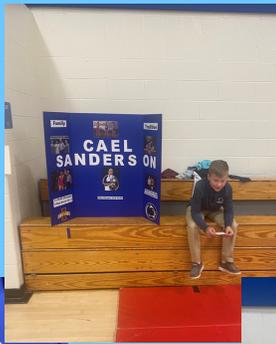


Trinity High School Senior, Alyssa Rager, signed a Letter of Commitment for softball on May 6th, 2022, to continue her academic and athletic career at Waynesburg University, during a ceremony at Trinity High School. She plans to major in pre-pharmacy.

Trinity High School Senior, Braydon May, signed a National Letter of Intent for baseball on May 6th, 2022, to continue his academic and athletic career at The University of Tampa. He plans to major in finance.

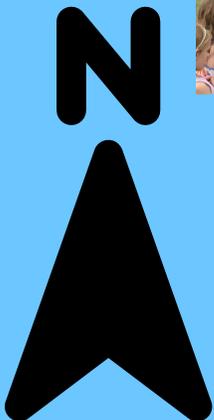


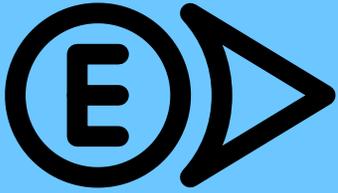
Aiden Belcastro | Garden City Community College | Soccer Trinity High School Senior Aiden Belcastro signed a National Letter of Intent on May 23, 2022, to continue his academic and athletic career at Garden City Community College. He plans to major in business.



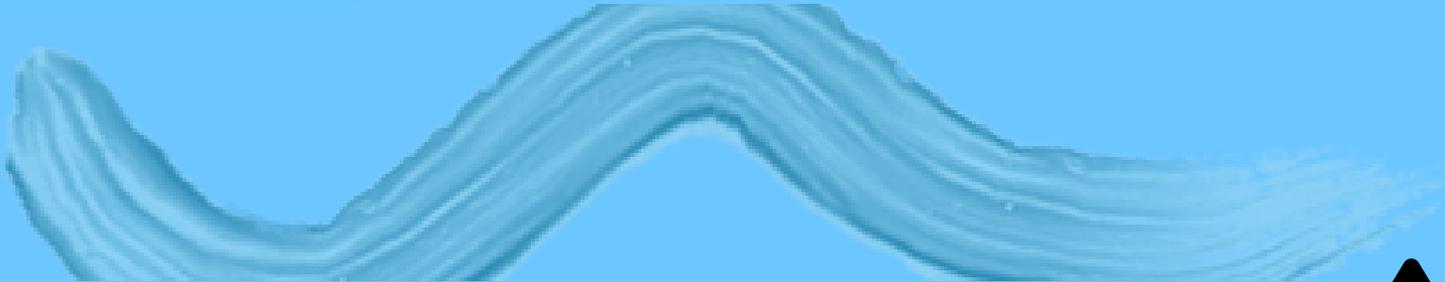
Trinity South did a wonderful wax museum project. Each student picked a person and researched them. Then they were “frozen” like wax figures. When you came by and pushed the “button” they came to life and told you their story. We saw John Wayne, Roberto Clemente, Johnny Cash, Taylor Swift, Ben Roethlisberger. The students were amazing! It was a fun way for everyone to learn about people they may have admired or found interesting.

Over 50 Trinity North Elementary students participated in the Wild Things' opening ceremony during the May 20th game for Trinity North Night. The Reading Club students were able to walk the bases and go out on the field with the players during the National Anthem. It was a great game with the Wild Things' win and a fireworks night. Congratulations, students!





In honor of National Police Week and to show our appreciation, we had Sergeant McClay from South Strabane and Officer Thomas from Trinity East visit our East Life Skills classroom. They read a book, answered questions, and received thank yous from the students.



The students from Trinity North Elementary received a 400 book donation from The United Way of Pittsburgh. Each student was able to choose an awesome book to take home. The students enjoyed looking through the books to find the perfect one to keep. Trinity North appreciates the generosity of The United Way with providing this wonderful opportunity for the students!



Americanism



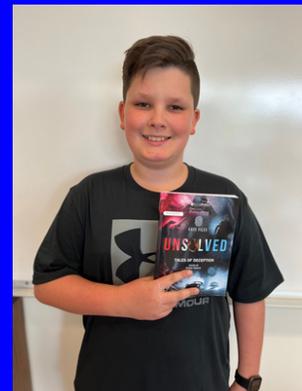
The American Legion awarded the following with the Americanism Award:
Noah Adams, Jack Finley, Xzavier Kahkonen, Dylan Leonard, Jonathan Thomas, Abigail Bodart Bayleigh Lowe, Ryan Walther, Riley Pegram



Arwen Hefner (middle right), placed first in the 25th American Legion Oratorical contest at Post 175 in Washington, and advanced. Hefner's sister, Melody (middle left), placed second in the contest. Melody is a member of the THS Odyssey World Finals Qualifier Team. Arwen is a member of the THS JROTC, National Honor Society, and Speech Team. In March, Arwen won the PA American Legion State Oratorical Contest and was a national semi finalist.

Young Writer's Unsolved Contest

Isaac Copechal, a student in Mrs. Schilling's seventh-grade honors English class, entered the Young Writer's Unsolved writing contest for which he had to write only the introduction to an unsolved mystery. His gripping introduction to a murder mystery, titled "The Real Nightmare," was selected for publication. Way to go, Isaac!



Summer Hours

Trinity Area will operate on a summer schedule beginning Monday, June 6 through Thursday, August 18.

The district will be closed on Fridays.

Regular office hours will resume on Monday, August 22.

Dates to Remember

June 1 - Last Student Day - Early Release

June 2 - Teacher Clerical Day

June 3 - Graduation/Teacher In-Service Day

INFORMATIONAL FLYERS:

All flyers are available on the district [website under About](#)

<https://www.trinitypride.org/Content2/district-flyers>

To request that a flyer be posted on the website, email: tkrieger@trinityhillers.net



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HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR
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724-223-2000 EXT. 7121 OR 7114

Coming to Trinity This Fall...

Power Motorsports

Talk with your School Counselor if interested!



SUMMARY

The purpose of a Power Motorsports Technology Program would be to prepare students to apply technical knowledge and skills to repair, service, maintain and diagnose problems on a variety of small internal combustion gasoline engines and related systems used on portable power equipment such as lawn and garden equipment, chain saws, outboard motors, rototillers, snowmobiles, lawn mowers, motorcycles, personal watercraft and pumps and generators. This program includes instruction in the principles of the internal combustion engine and all systems related to the powered unit. Instruction also includes the use of technical and service manuals, state inspection code, care and use of tools and test equipment, engine tune up and maintenance, engine overhaul, troubleshooting and diagnostic techniques, drive lines and propulsion systems, electrical and electronic systems, suspension and steering systems, service operations and parts management. The program would have a solid educational base on which to build a post-secondary degree or advanced certifications.

Offering a program of this nature provides opportunities to many Career Pathways within this industry. Potential occupations include: Outdoor Power equipment Mechanic (Tractor and Lawn mowers), Shop Mechanic, Motorcycle Mechanic, Boat Mechanic, Personal Watercraft Mechanic, Pump and Generator Mechanic.

MARKET ANALYSIS

The Power Motorsports Technology program (PDE CIP Code 47.0699) will prepare students to work in a variety of entry-level positions within the Power Motor Sports pathway. Students will also have a solid educational base on which to build a post-secondary degree, if they chose to do so.

Employment of Power Motorsports mechanics is projected to grow 5 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations. Candidates familiar with computers and electronics and those with good troubleshooting skills will have the best job opportunities as employers continue to have difficulty finding qualified technicians.

Labor Market Data

National and State Labor Market Outlook:

United States	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings
	2019	2029		
Power Motor Sports Mechanic	35,000	36,300	+4%	3,500
Pennsylvania	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings
	2018	2028		
Power Motor Sports Mechanic	1,520	1,590	+5%	160

BENEFITS

The primary benefit of offering a Power Motorsports Technology Program is that it would provide an option for students with a specific identified interest in following a career pathway in Power Motor Sports occupations. This specific pathway would be difficult for individual school districts because of the exclusiveness of the content and cost. The pathway would include but not be limited to the following: Outdoor Power Equipment Mechanic (Tractor and Lawn mowers), Shop Mechanic, Motorcycle Mechanic, Boat Mechanic, Personal Watercraft Mechanic, Pump and Generator Mechanic.

Employment Growth Forecast

According to O-net (www.onetonline.org) the forecast for this career field or job outlook is bright. Bright Outlook occupations are expected to grow rapidly in the next several years, will have large numbers of job openings, or are new and emerging occupations.

At a time when many jobs are being lost to foreign competition and technology, those same conditions are creating many high paying career opportunities for Power Motorsport Technicians. Employment of Power Motorsport Technicians is projected to grow 5% from 2018 – 2028, faster than the average of most occupations.



Power Motorsports Technology

Trinity Area Career Pathway

Coming This Fall...

Power Motorsports Technology teaches students to diagnose, maintain, and repair all-terrain vehicles, utility vehicles, and lawn/garden equipment. Students will learn the principles of engine operation, understand basic electricity, and service and maintain fuel and carburetor systems, transmissions, and powertrain systems. Students will work with motorcycles, water crafts, and outdoor machines.



INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

PA Emissions Certification, S/P2, OSHA 10

PA Safety Inspector Category 2

Category 2 Motorcycles (must hold a valid Motorcycle license)



Courses of Study

- Shop & Work Safety
- Shop Management & Operation
- Preventative Maintenance
- Steering, Suspension & Alignment
- Engine Performance
- PA Emissions & Safety Inspection
- Tires & Brakes
- Electrical Systems
- MIG Welding
- Intro to Hybrid Technology



Career Potential

- Power Motorsports Technician
- Parts Clerk
- Shop Foreman
- Service Manager
- Truck Repair
- Welding Technician
- Automotive Restoration
- Inspection Technician
- Alignment Specialist



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Trinity Cross Country



"HILLER MILE"

The Trinity Cross Country Booster Club is proud to present the inaugural "Hiller Mile" elementary races. The event will take place on Sunday evening, June 26th at the Trinity High School track. Races will start no earlier than 6:30 pm. (Exact times to be determined based on the number of participants).

Competition will be between elementary students of the same grades (2021-22 school year). Engraved medals will be presented to the top five girls and top five boys in EACH grade for grades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. To be eligible to participate, the child had to be a 1st thru 5th grade student at Trinity West, Trinity South, Trinity North or Trinity East during the 2021-22 school year or a 1st thru 5th grade home or Cyber schooled resident of the Trinity Area School District.

As all Trinity Middle and High School students are timed in the mile each year, this will be a good opportunity to prepare them for the future and to see if they have that "special ability" to be talented distance runners in cross country or track.

There is NO COST to participate, but we ask that your child pre-registers by June 15th. To do so, please E-mail the following information to Jim at thsgcc@gmail.com.

- (1) Name and sex of Student
- (2) Grade and School for 2021-22 year
- (3) Contact phone number

For those of you unsure, a mile is 4 complete laps around the track (plus an extra 9.34 meters).

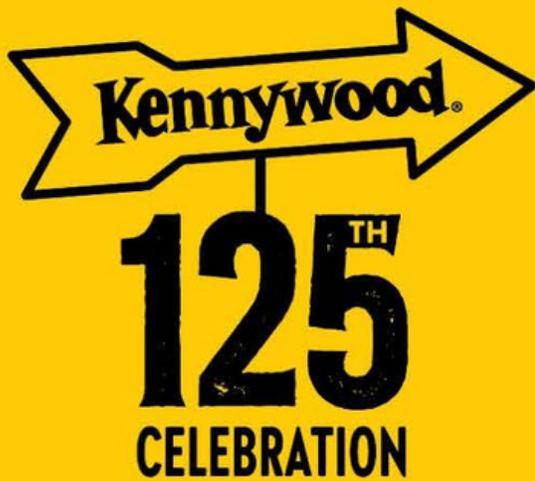
If your child would like to get some supervised practices in prior to the event, Trinity coaches will be at the track at 7:15 pm on the following Sundays: June 5th, June 12th and June 19th.

Please contact Jim at thsgcc@gmail.com or 724-747-0916 with any questions.

Happy Running and we hope to see you on June 26th.

CROSS COUNTRY TRINITY HILLERS





TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL PICNIC DAY AT KENNYWOOD

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022

VISIT: www.kennywood.com

Click on the **BUY TICKETS** Tab on the home page, and select **TICKETS** from the dropdown.

Click on the orange **BUY NOW** button.

In the top left corner, select **PROMO CODE**, enter **TRINITY** then, select **SUBMIT**.

Select the # of tickets to purchase & click **NEXT**. You *must* select a date to visit.

Tickets are \$29.99 + processing fees.

Surcharges may apply if tickets are used on a different date other than selected.

The Promo Code will expire on June 16, 2022. School picnic tickets are not valid after June 30, 2022.



What's New
IN '22

To celebrate 125 years, we are throwing a massive party! So get ready for exciting new experiences, including the return of the Kangaroo, an enhanced in-park atmosphere and a spectacular lineup of special events.