

TRIAD

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



FALL 2019 QUARTERLY LEARNING REPORT

Dear Community,

Welcome back to the 2019 - 2020 school year. We are excited to have our building filled with excitement, learning and laughter. We have many exciting things happening to start the year out.

- To begin with, our middle school and high school students each have a Chromebook to use during class and on work at home. This will help our teachers bring updated and relevant content to our students and help students work with tools that they will see in future jobs and careers.
- Next, you will see a new elementary playground that has just been finished. I have no doubt that this will be a hit for each and every elementary student.
- You will also see many different faces around the district. We have nine new staff members in the district. You can learn more about each one in this edition of the Quarterly Learning Report.

One of the district focuses this year will be to do anti-bullying education with all three buildings and the parents/community. We want all students to be respectful of each other's differences and focus on kindness. As parents and community members it is always helpful to model this desired behavior. Students learn significantly more from what we do than what we say. Please join us on Tuesday, September 17th (6pm at Triad High School) for Bully-Proofing Youth by guest speaker Jim Bisenius.

Another focus this year is our Triad Portrait of a Graduate. You will hear more about this throughout the school year. We are looking for input from staff, students, parents and community members. We want to know what qualities/assets you think are important. Throughout the year you will see us narrow that list down until we end up with a set of goals tied to what we want our students to look like after 14 years with us.

Triad will have a levy on the ballot on Tuesday, November 5th. This levy will help to increase safety, security and build/renovate our athletic complex. If you have questions, please plan to attend one of our 30 community events or contact me with questions. Email = hoffmanv@triadk12.org, Call = 937-826-4961.

Have a wonderful year!

Sincerely,

Vickie Hoffman

Superintendent, Triad Local Schools



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NEW STAFF



Mr. Kyle Rose,
HS Science

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Denison University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? I am excited about teaching the next generation skills to help students succeed.



Ms. Marissa
Osborn, HS Spanish

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Indiana Wesleyan University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? This is my first full-time teaching job - something I have been dreaming about since I was about five years old. I'm also excited to join a community so committed to excellence and caring for their students.



Ms. Kelsie Dailey, ES
School Counselor

Where did you earn your school counseling degree? Heidelberg University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? I already feel so welcomed and supported by the staff here at Triad. I am excited to begin my career as a school counselor and am looking forward to creating life-long relationships and connections with everyone here!



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NEW STAFF



Mrs. Stacie Dundon,
MS Art

Where did you earn your teaching degree? The University of Kansas

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? I am excited to return to such a supportive staff and a district that values the arts. I look forward to teaching middle school art and building connections with my students. I can't wait to teach students who are eager to explore their creativity and develop their skills.



Ms. Allie Berger, 6th
Grade English-Language
Arts

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Otterbein University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? I'm excited to get to know the students and staff at this amazing district. I can already tell that I'm joining a family and I can't wait to learn from the experienced teachers. I love the small school atmosphere, coming from a smaller district myself, and I can't wait to get to know the community.



Ms. Mackenzie
Swary, 5th Grade
Mathematics

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Otterbein University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? Triad reminds me a lot of where I grew up and went to school!



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NEW STAFF



Mr. Seth Collier, MS
Physical Education

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Urbana University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? Being a graduate of Triad, it is exciting to come back and teach at the school that gave me so much growing up.



Mrs. Michelle Hoffman, ES Aide

What is one interesting fact our staff should know about you? I attended Triad K-12 and now my children attend Triad, as well.

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? The amazing staff and students.

**WELCOME
ABOARD!**



Ms. Katelyne Ackley,
ES Intervention Specialist

Where did you earn your teaching degree? Wittenberg University

What makes you excited about joining Triad Local Schools? I am excited about joining Triad because of the small town community.



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NEW ASSESSMENTS

During the 2018-2019 school year, two committees analyzed multiple vendors in hopes of finding an assessment platform that would better fit the needs of Triad Local Schools and our students. After many months, Triad Elementary and Triad Middle have chosen to adopt iReady, by Curriculum Associates.

According to Curriculum Associates, iReady makes the promise of differentiated instruction a practical reality for teachers and students. It was designed to get students excited about learning, and to support teachers in the challenge of meeting the needs of all learners. Through the power of one intuitive system whose pieces were built from the group up to work together, teachers have the tools they need to ensure students are on the road to proficiency.

In a single platform, iReady:

- Integrates powerful assessments and rich insights with effective and engaging instruction in reading and mathematics to address students' individual needs.
- Empowers teachers every day to make more informed instructional decisions.
- Motivates students with access to their own personalized path to growth.



Triad High School will also be utilizing a new assessment vendor this school year. Core area teachers will use Pro-Core to administer online assessments three times throughout the year.

Pro Core Provides:

- Diagnostic pre-tests on individual learning standards in all four content areas.
- Learning standards-based student and teacher class grouping reports.



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Portrait of a Graduate

Now more than ever, the educational experience must not only provide for the acquisition of rigorous academic content, but it must also be more intentional about fostering critical thinking, communication, collaboration, creativity, and other 21st century skills our young people need to thrive in this complex, rapidly changing world.

Many school systems across the county have engaged their larger community in developing a Portrait of a Graduate, a collective vision that articulates the community's aspirations for all students.

Locally developed, but globally positioned, the Portrait of a Graduate serves as a North Star for system transformation. Providing strategic direction for the redesign of the overall educational experience for students, this collective vision reinvigorates and re-engages students, teachers, and community stakeholders.

We are so excited to spend the 2019-2020 school year working with our community to develop a Portrait of a Graduate that is unique to our needs.



Help us design our Portrait of a Graduate by joining us for informational sessions.

November 7th

- 6:30pm, Triad High School Library

November 18th

- 8am, Triad Middle School Library
- 6pm, Triad Middle School Library



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[Portrait of a Graduate Survey](#)



LEE CLAYPOOL

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Summer Professional Development

Meredith Ford, ES Instructional Coach

Professional Development: Assessment & Instruction for School Improvement

"We talked a lot about goal setting through data collection/analyzing, building school culture/climate through professional learning communities, how to plan and execute the best professional development, and how to involve the community. I think those are areas that will be extremely beneficial in my current role!"



Michele Peters, Director of Special Education & Gifted

Professional Development: Gifted Academy

"This PD was highly valuable in helping me develop a plan to improve our gifted services district-wide. I also connected with educators around the country on Twitter and learned so much, especially in the realm of instructional coaching."



Leslie Bradley, HS Science

Professional Development:

- Global Environmental Issues: Problems, Solutions, Potential Outcomes
- AG Biotech Academy (Grow Next Gen)
- Advancing Differentiation Book Study

"I hope to incorporate carbon foot printing, Project-Based Learning for environmental issues around the world, DNA gel electrophoresis using soybean DNA, and graphic organizers and techniques for differentiation."



Christie Tukesbrey-Kilbride, MS Mathematics

Professional Development: Resident Educator Mentor Training

"I will be able to mentor our new 5th grade mathematics teacher... I am excited to help new teachers and provide support where needed."



Courtney Turner, HS Mathematics

Professional Development: Computer Science Principles through Code.org

"I am excited to teach computer science in general this year! One of the strategies that I'm most excited to implement in my computer science class, as well as my other classes, is Activity Before Concept (ABC), Concept Before Vocabulary (CBV), because I think it will really help students gain an understanding of the content."



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TESTING DATES & INFORMATION

2019-2020 Test Dates

Elementary

- *October 22-23: Grade 3 ELA
- *April 14-15: Grade 4 ELA
- *April 16-17: Grade 3 ELA
- *April 28-29: Grade 4 Math
- *April 30-May-1: Grade 3 Math

Middle

- *April 7-8: Grades 5 & 6 ELA
- *April 14-15: Grades 7 & 8 ELA
- *April 21-22: Grades 5 & 8 Science
- *April 28-29: Grades 5 & 6 Math
Grades 7 & 8 Math + 8th Algebra 1
- *May 5-6: Grades 7 & 8 Math +
8th Algebra 1

High

- *December 2-13: EOC Retakes
- *March 10: ACT
- *April 14-15: ELA 2
- *April 21-22: American History &
American Government
- *April 28-29: Math, Algebra 1 &
Geometry
- *May 5-6: Biology
- *May 13: AP English
- *May 15: AP Computer Science,

COMMUNITY NIGHT WITH MR. JIM BISENIUS!

Join us for a parent anti-bullying training to teach children how to respond to verbal bullying, physical bullying, social bullying, and group manipulation. Parents will walk away with concrete tools that they can immediately implement and help their child master in order to eliminate bullying from his or her life.

The community session will be held on September 17th from 6:00-7:30 pm in the High School Library. Childcare will be provided from our National Honor Society Students. Additionally, dinner will be provided by Triad PTA for parents and children.



September 17th, 6:00-7:30 pm



BULLY-PROOFING YOUTH



Community Night
With Jim Bisenius