

HILLER HIGHLIGHTS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
HOME OF THE HILLERS!



MARCH 2022-2023

Congrats!

FCCLA

Eight of Trinity High School's FCCLA members attended the State Leadership Conference and Competition on March 20-22, 2023 at Seven Springs Resort and Conference Center. Led by officers **Jayden Engle** and **Chloe Prowitt**, Trinity students worked incredibly hard to prepare and present their projects, preside in meetings, and plan workshops and activities for fellow FCCLA members. Members earned many chapter awards for their efforts. Congratulations to the following students and educators on their accomplishments

- 5 Years of Service - FCCLA Advisor - **Mrs. Brittany Aliveto**
- Chapter Member of the Year - **Kelsey Bishop**
- FCCLA Community Service Award- **Trinity High School Chapter**
- Power of One Award- **Trinity High School**
- PA FCCLA State Outreach Project Award- **Trinity High School**
- PA FCCLA State Membership Campaign Award- **Trinity High School**
- PA FCCLA Caring Chapter Award- **Trinity High School**
- PA FCCLA Social Media Award- **Trinity High School**
- Local Administrator Service Award- **Mr. Zack Zebrasky**
- 1st Place FCCLA Video Contest- **Trinity High School**

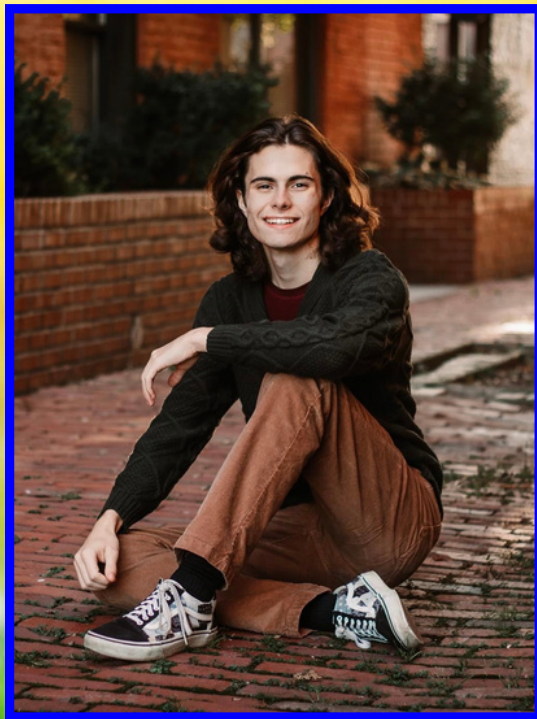


- Power of One Individual Awards-
Kelsey Bishop, Finley Hohn, Chloe Prowitt, Jayden Engle, Emma Renne, Emily Winters, Ryan Slagle, Cassidy Borchert, Franco Canali, Rebecca Cox, Max Dotson, Jannah Berecky, Annabel Gottschall, Natalie Hartmann, Olivia Hernberger, Victoria Jacobs, Cael Nicolella, Lauren Lukas, Olivia Mauro, Caroline Quedenfeld, Melina Vitale, Payton Wright

- Outstanding Gold Chapter Award- **Trinity High School**
- State Competition Individual Awards
- Focus On Children Bronze- **Emily Winters, Emma Renne, and Ryan Slagle**
- Chapter Review in Display Silver and Making National Team- **Kelsey Bishop and Finley Hahn**
- Early Childhood Education Bronze- **Chloe Prowitt**
- Repurpose and Redesign Bronze- **Quinn Kumpfmiller**



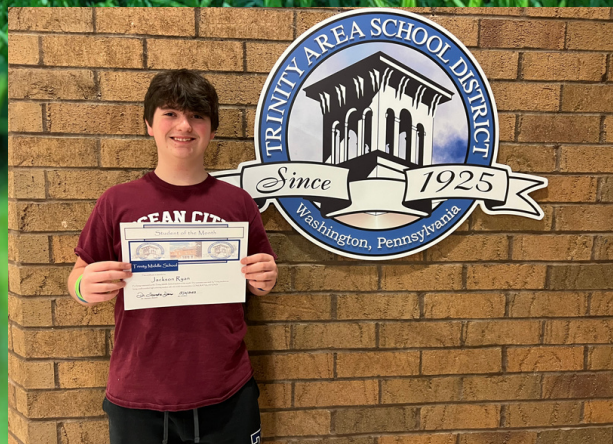
Congratulations!
March
Students of the Month



Silvio Corso
HIGH SCHOOL



Erin Dunn



Jackson Ryan

MIDDLE SCHOOL

A Big Trinity Welcome to Mr. Ryan Rizor!



Trinity Area School District is proud to introduce the Sports Performance Program with the construction of a new indoor athletic complex and fitness center. We will be launching the program with the hiring of our Sports Performance Coach, Mr. Ryan Rizor. Coach Rizor will oversee the Strength & Conditioning, Sports Nutrition and Sports Psychology programs for 600+ student-athletes in grades 7-12.

With 22 years worth of industry experience, coaching at the Olympic, collegiate, private and professional levels, along with working in over 40 high schools, Coach Rizor has been fortunate to work with many different sports performance programs. Most recently, Coach Rizor worked at West Allegheny and Mt. Lebanon High Schools where he was an integral part of 7 WPIAL and PIAA Championship teams. Prior to working in high school athletics, Coach Rizor was the Director of Sports Performance for UPMC.

Coach Rizor graduated from Slippery Rock University with a degree in Exercise Science. He currently holds Certified Strength and Condition Specialist (CSCS) and Certified Physical Preparation Specialist (CPPS Level I and II) certifications.

Coach Rizor lives in the Trinity School District with his wife, Kelly, and two children, Chase and Charlie. As a family, they are excited to be involved with the district where they reside and work with our community and student population. Outside of coaching and spending time with his family, Coach Rizor enjoys staying active and working outside.



Congratulations to senior, Brett Phillips, on successfully auditioning to play in the PMEA All-State Orchestra 3 years in a row! Brett will be representing Trinity at the PMEA State Conference in the Poconos with a concert on April 22, 2023.



CONGRATULATIONS

to Trinity's Food Service Director, Nicolle Pleil, and the Food Service Department for earning the Child Hunger Hero Award for the second year in a row.

Trinity's Arts!

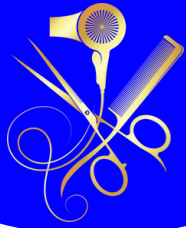


Congratulations to the cast and crew of the Addams Family!





Congratulations Maddie Bright on becoming a licensed cosmetologist!



TY BANCO

Congratulations Ty for finishing in 6th place at States!



WACTC
Western Area Career & Technology Center

Chaz Norris is a Trinity junior and is employed at PA Transformer in Canonsburg through the WACTC Co-Op Program.



BLAKE REINNER

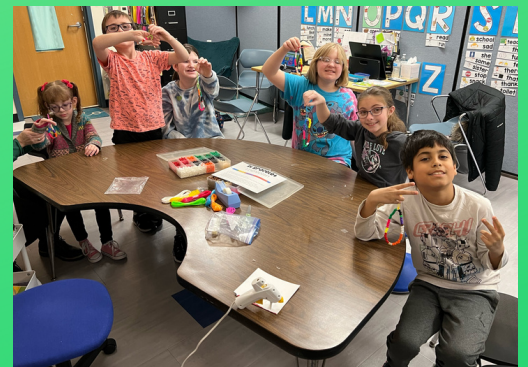
Congratulations Blake for finishing in 5th place at States!

Congratulations Dakota Briggs! Dakota is a senior and in the Auto Mechanics program at WACTC. He is employed by Principle Enterprises at the fleet maintenance and repair shop in West Alexander through the Co-Op program.



Congratulations to our 5 Hiller wrestlers who medaled at the WPIAL tournament: Dominick Canali 5th, TJ Allison 7th, Blake Reihner 3rd, Bodie Morgan 6th, and WPIAL Champion Ty Banco.

Pie = Pi Day With Mrs. Guariglia's Class at East



The class performed many "Pi" activities:

- Made pies
- Measured pizza and found "Pi" on calculators before enjoying a pizza party
- Made "Pi Day" beaded bracelets by adding a colored bead for each of the first 10 numbers represented in Pi



Mrs. Gojmerac's 4th and 5th grade students traveled to the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium to participate in the Wild Investigations program. At the event, they were challenged to collaborate to identify and develop real-world solutions to complex scientific issues. In addition, students learned about conservation efforts that the zoo is putting into place and identified actionable steps they can take in their daily lives to live more sustainably. Finally, students participated in an engaging zoo tour featuring a scavenger hunt. Congratulations to Sofia, Charlotte, Emery, and Makayla for coming in 3rd place!



Trinity is Making Music!



Trinity senior's Melena Maglietta and Abby Drezewski participated in PMEA Region 1 Choir.



Max, Abigail, Parker, Alivia, John and Maria participated in the PMEA String Fest for 5th and 6th grade.



Mrs. Lowden's and Miss Kubatka's classes from Trinity West went on a field trip to the Stepping Stones Art Festival in Morgantown, WV on March 23, 2023. The students had a full day of fun, which included face painting, tie dye, beads, bow making, bounce house, music demonstrations, dancing and much more. A BLAST was had by all!!



Trinity ... Serving With Their Heart - Take 3!



Shown with Principal Uram, junior, Natalie Ewbank applied for the Ving grant through the Archewell Foundation for a female who shows courage, strength and positivity while being a role model to her family and others in trying times. A check for \$1000 was awarded to the unsuspecting nominee.

MathCounts!



Several TMS students competed during exploratory time for the chance to represent Trinity at the the annual MathCounts Competition. Paige Schott (Captain), Kaylee Fortney, Maddie Nickel, and Bianca Sunseri earned a spot in the top four and competed as a team. Ms. Kovacicek and Mrs. Davis coached 1 of the 6 days of the competition!



Congratulations to the following middle school gifted students for coming in 1st place in the regional PA Media & Design Competition! They will advance on to the state competition at Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA in May.

**Website - Ryan Lukas, Evan Klick, & Zach Cholock
Programming - Nolan Elliott**

Graphic Design - Alex Plesko

Digital Movie - Vittoria Emerich & Ella Sammel



Trinity High School Student Council Hosted the PASLC Conference



Our Trinity students planned and executed simultaneous breakout sessions that included kickball, team building, mental health, school spirit, formal dance ideas and line dancing. We could not be more proud of the effort our students put into the event. The event was attended by Bethel Park, Jefferson Morgan, Peters Township, Mapletown, Bentworth, Carmichaels, and Ringgold. Keynote speaker, Jeff Hancher, spoke about leading with authority.



Trinity Cares

Trinity Cares joined to help the Washington County Foodbank!





Trinity North first grade friends checking out the women on the wall for March's National Women's Month.



Major environmental issues including climate change and pollution are currently facing our world. Through this STEM Design Challenge, teams were tasked to research environmental issues, identify one, and create a solution to that issue. Finally, teams had two hours to assemble their project from blueprints that the team had previously constructed, and to build a prototype out of K'Nex that supported the solution.

Congratulations to the "Breezy Express" team consisting of Cameron, Max, Maddox, and Sophia for coming in 1st place!

Trinity North staff worked at McDonald's for a McStaff Night. Fun was had by all for this school fundraiser!



TRINITY BOYS BASKETBALL



DREW COLLINS

1st Team



OWEN WAYMAN

2nd Team



DANTE DERUBBO

2nd Team



TIM HODGES

Honorable Mention



JACOB DUNKLE

Honorable Mention



ALL-SECTION HONORS



CONGRATULATIONS



TRINITY GIRLS BASKETBALL



EDEN WILLIAMSON

1st Team



MADDY ROBERTS

2nd Team



MACIE JUSTICE

2nd Team



KRISTINA BOZEK

2nd Team



RUBY MORGAN

Honorable Mention



ALL-SECTION HONORS





Charlie Brenneman's purpose is to teach and inspire young people!



"AWESOME day spent at Trinity High School. 2 assemblies and a meet and greet. I feel blessed to do this work."



MOTIVATION



Trinity's Third Annual STEAM Competition!

Congratulations to Trinity's own for placing 1st in the recycled derby race and 1st in the cleaning with chemistry events!



Thank you to Trinity's hard-working STEM teachers for organizing and facilitating this event!



You did great!

Trinity North 4th grade swimmers, Lydia Schott and Logan Spencer, made it to AMS Silver Championships in Pittsburgh!



**Congrats to our 1st Team
All Section basketball
players, Drew Collins and
Eden Williamson!**

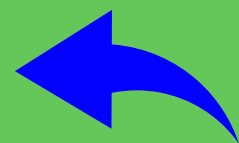


**Grade 8: Sam
Johnson &
Vittoria
Emerick**



TMS March Madness Hot Shot Competition

All Trinity Middle School students participated in the basketball Hot Shot competition during their physical education classes with Mr. Hagerman and Ms. MacKinney.



**Grade 6: Brody
Golna & Alexis
Markle**

**Grade 7: Owen
Samogola &
Gabby
Humphreys**





World Down Syndrome Day was celebrated on March 21, 2023.



Congratulations to Declan, Owen, Elliott, and Drake for placing 3rd in the AIU Science Bowl!

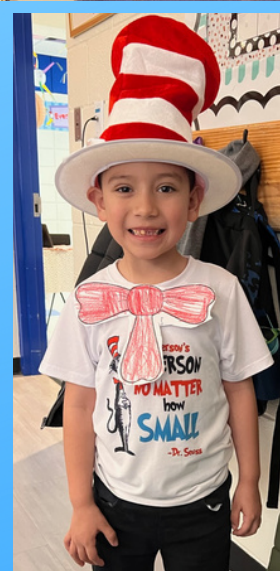
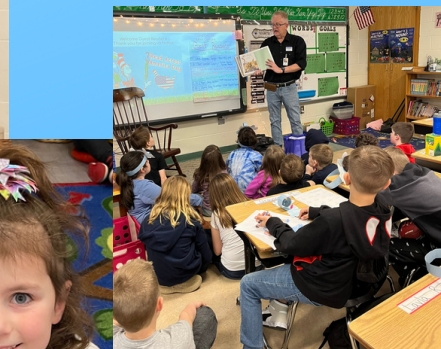
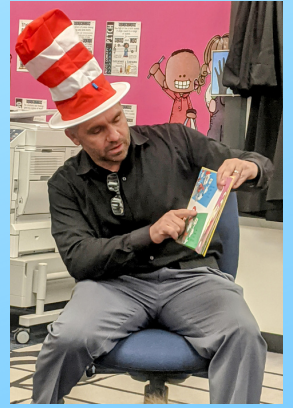


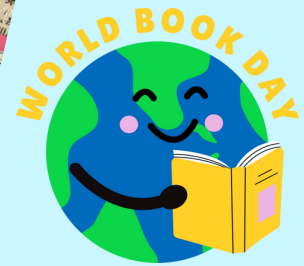
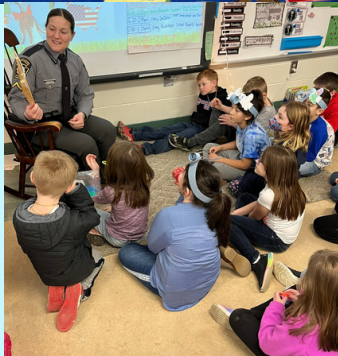
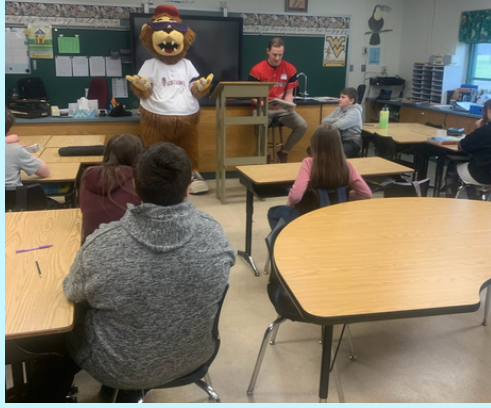
Trinity took 2 teams to compete in the STEAM competition at Shaler High School. The junior team composed of Ethan Dunn, Friedemann Fost, Riley Howard, Cameron Minnick, and Sydney Wahl took 3rd overall out of 17 teams. They also took 2nd place in the paper football design workshop and 2nd place in machine function for their basketball/bowling contraption. Thank you to Mr. Columbus, Mr. Smith, and Mrs. Mountain for all their help.





READ ACROSS AMERICA March 2023





WHO WE ARE

#TRINITYFAMILY



Dana Ewing

Trinity Middle School

Ms. Dana Ewing graduated Summa Cum Laude from Grove City College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Special Education PreK-8, and Elementary Education, PreK-4. She eventually became certified to teach grades 5-8. At Grove City, served as President of the college's branch of the Council for Exceptional Children. She worked as a resident assistant, and served as a teacher's assistant. She completed her student teaching in two placements: a kindergarten classroom in West Middlesex School District and a 6th grade learning support classroom in Grove City Area School District. She grew to love the individualized environment in learning support and sought those types of special education positions upon graduation. She is presently one of our middle school special education teachers. Ms. Ewing goes above and beyond for her students. She has a great personality. Any day you walk into her class, you feel her energy and love for her students.

Cool Facts: Although teaching is her passion, Ms. Ewing loves playing tennis! She served as a summer coach for the Norwin Lady Knights Tennis Team this past year. She has a twin sister, Jessica. They are lifelong besties. They grew up singing together in the church, taking dance and eventually became teachers together. One of her favorite pastimes is playing frisbee with her dog, Cody. During summer vacation, Ms. Ewing worked as a counselor at Pine Springs Camp. This summer experience combined adventure, worship, and community. Here, she found some of her dearest friends! Pine Springs continues to be one her favorite places in the world.



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Jay Murphy

Trinity Middle School

Mr. Jay Murphy is a 2011 graduate of Trinity High School. This Hiller was a stand-out football and baseball player. He attended California University of Pennsylvania where he received his bachelor's degree in social studies. He also received his Business Certification from CalU. Mr. Murphy is currently teaching Computational Thinking and Digital Safety at the middle school. His class is designed to educate students about social media, and explore Google docs, sheets, and slides for various business-related topics. He continues to prioritize our students and their overall academic and athletic balance. Mr. Murphy is a our middle school football coach and high school assistant track coach. He specializes in the pole vault.

Cool Facts: Mr. Murphy has resided in the district his entire life. He lives in a log cabin with his fiancé, Brianna, and their children, Phillip (12) and Harper (3). He enjoys all aspects of coaching and watching his son play sports. You can find him hanging out with friends, traveling with family, running long distances, and engaging in any outdoor activities. Mr. Murphy collects sports cards and memorabilia. One of his favorite pastimes is going fishing at the beach with his family.

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TRINITY AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT

PSSA Dates:

Middle School & Elementary School:

ELA - April 24, 25, & 26, 2023

Math - May 1 & 2, 2023

Science - May 3 & 4, 2023

PSSA Information 2023 can be found on the district website under parent resources.

To keep updated on the construction project, go to the district website and look under the "construction project" tab!



Dates to Remember April

3 - End of 3rd 9 weeks

6 - 10 Spring Break - No School

Concert Season!

May 8 - MS/Elem Chorus

Grades 4-6 - 6:00 p.m.

Grades 7-8/Chamber Choir - 7:00 p.m.

May 10 - MS Band and Orchestra - 6:30 p.m.

May 15 - Elem Orchestra and Band

Orchestra - 6:00 p.m.

Band - 7:00 p.m.

May 17 - HS Band, Orchestra and Chorus

6:30 p.m.

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

To submit an article for consideration email:

tkrieger@trinityhillers.net

All articles are subject to final approval by the Superintendent.

**Do you have a bachelor's
degree and want to
work with kids?**



THE HR DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS!

**THOSE WITH A TEACHING DEGREE, AS WELL AS THOSE WITH
"EMERGENCY STATUS", MAY APPLY
(FOUR YEAR DEGREE REQUIRED/NO TEACHING DEGREE NECESSARY)**

DAILY RATE IS \$125

**IF YOU ARE QUALIFIED AND INTERESTED
IN WORKING WITH OUR STUDENTS,
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**MR. JACK MINNICK
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