

# TYNOTES

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## HOME OF THE GOLDEN EAGLES

## TASD INVITES GEISINGER PHYSICIAN TO SPEAK AT GRADUATION

By Richard Merryman, Feature Writer

As spring dawns across Central Pennsylvania, Tyrone Area School District Superintendent, Mrs. Leslie Estep, recently announced that Tyrone Area High School will host its 2022 Graduation at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 2 in the High School Auditorium. On that shining night, 128 seniors will walk across the stage to receive their high school diplomas with all the responsibilities and the rights that document entails.

At Tyrone High, graduation has occurred almost every year since 1881. In those days of long ago, the first graduation occurred in a classroom of the 1868 Logan Elementary School, when six students graduated. At this modern event in 2022, Dr. Stephen Alexander Lewis, a Geisinger Physician from Bloomsburg, and a 1988 Tyrone Graduate, will deliver the principal address for Tyrone's Commencement. During the 34 years since his graduation in 1988, Dr. Lewis has distinguished himself as a man of **medicine, motivation, mission, and ministry.**

In the autumn following his high school graduation, Stephen Lewis embarked on his dream to become a man of medicine, even as he pursued a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry and Pre-Medicine at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland. While at Johns Hopkins, he participated in the school football, basketball, and golf teams. Also, he simultaneously associated with the school's Christian Medical and Dental Society.

After completing his bachelor's degree in 1992, Mr. Lewis pursued a Master of Health Science Degree, also at Johns Hopkins, specializing in Immunology and Infectious Disease.

In 1993, Stephen matriculated from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland, to the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. While there, he participated in the Rugby Football Club, received the Thomas Rowland Scholar Athlete Award, and graduated in the top ten percent of his 1997 Class.

Certainly, Stephen's Tyrone High School athletic career prepared him well for his college athletic endeavors. At Tyrone High, Stephen enjoyed competition, participating in Golden Eagle football, basketball, and baseball, and also served along with William Kimberling as football co-captain during his senior football season.

After graduation from medical school in 1997, Stephen began his residency and his medical career at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville. Since 2001, Dr. Lewis has practiced internal medicine and pediatrics, while serving as a physician in the Geisinger Health System.

As a practicing physician, Dr. Lewis consistently exhibits an abundance of motivation. In his medical endeavors, Dr. Lewis has demonstrated a passion for helping all patients enhance their health and wellness. Across 21 years, since 2001, Dr. Lewis has evolved into an expert in diagnosing disease causes, symptoms, and in predicting progression based on patient histories, office examinations, and diagnostic testing.

As his medical career has unfolded, Dr. Lewis has devoted his energies to caring for families, commencing in childhood and continuing throughout the golden years. In addition to caring for patients during all the days of their

lives, Dr. Lewis also has acted as a Lab Director for a multi-specialty clinic and has participated in the hiring of nurses, physician assistants, as well as doctors at Geisinger Health System. Most vitally, Dr. Lewis has shared his insights and philosophies about the art and science of medicine with younger medical professionals still in training.

The motivation of Dr. Lewis has enabled him to become President of The Northeast Pediatric Society, to receive the National Award of Excellence in the Care of Diabetes and Cardiovascular Medicine Patients, and to receive the Merck/Schering-Plough CAP Excellence Award—Physician of the Year in 2009. In 2018, the motivation of Dr. Lewis energized him to muster the

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**Dr. Stephen A. Lewis**  
TAHS Class of 1988

# MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

**A**nother school year in the books! As the 2021-22 school year closes, we reflect on the last 12 months and the ways in which we continue to change. Each year brings a sense of accomplishment for the things that we have achieved. However, each year also brings feelings of not having done enough. The latter feeling is how we improve and what gives us the foundation on which future goals are set.

Speaking of accomplishments, this issue contains a section devoted to honoring our students who have worked hard this year to advance to state and national competitions/honors in the areas of academics, athletics, and the arts. For a small school district, our students always compete at a strong level! We are so proud of the achievements of all of our students, and we are happy to provide the foundations on which they can be successful.

Also in this issue, we feature our commencement speaker, Dr. Stephen A. Lewis, '88, and welcome him back to TAHS to celebrate a milestone for the Class of 2022. We are happy to continue our tradition of inviting alumni speakers to address the graduating classes. We also honor two retirees for their dedicated and loyal service to the Tyrone Area School District. Although we will replace the positions that these staff members fill, we can never replace the stories and memories that we have for each of these individuals who have touched the lives of so many.

I hope that you find the contents of this publication interesting and informative. If you have comments or questions regarding any of this material or suggestions for future articles, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 814-684-0710, extension 4137 or email [sjwoomer@tyrone.k12.pa.us](mailto:sjwoomer@tyrone.k12.pa.us).



**Leslie Estep**  
Superintendent of Schools

**IN MEMORY**  
of  
**Melvin L. Reese**  
1930-2022  
TASD School Board Member from 1991-1995

**TASD MISSION STATEMENT**  
We establish high standards of learning and expect all students to achieve. Our goal is to facilitate collaboration among staff, parents, and community to create an environment that supports, engages, and challenges students to achieve high levels of success.

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ambition to accompany his only son, Samuel, to climb to the top of 19,000 foot Mount Kilimanjaro, while on a tour in Africa.

As a man of medicine and motivation, Dr. Lewis carries a commitment to mission, which extends beyond the Geisinger Medical System to the larger world. In Danville, Dr. Lewis attends the Grove Presbyterian Church. As an active member at Grove Presbyterian, Dr. Lewis serves as an Elder on the Church Board, sings in the choir, and teaches Sunday School.

More profoundly, Dr. Lewis appreciates the worldwide mission of the Christian Church. To that end, he has organized numerous mission trips to Honduras, to Nicaragua, and after the 2010 earthquake, to Haiti. As part of these mission endeavors, Stephen designed and constructed temporary mobile clinics, distributed supplies and medicine, and provided much needed medical treatment to the wounded, the sick, and the homeless.

If questioned about his motivation and mission in life, Dr. Lewis might admit that his spiritual and medical interests evolved from his fortunate family experiences in Tyrone, growing up on West Fifteenth Street, as the second son born to a physician mother and a pastor father. His older brother, Todd ('87) and his wife Marcie have eight children and reside in Sinking Valley. Younger sister, Anne Lewis Schuyler ('90) and her husband Matthew have five children and reside in McLean, Virginia.

Dr. Stephen Lewis and his wife settled and raised their family in Bloomsburg. Dr. Lewis is married to the former Jacqueline Darr of Baltimore, Maryland. The three children of Dr. Stephen and Jacqueline Lewis occupy themselves pursuing their own personal careers. At age 24, their oldest daughter, Carlie, works as a nurse. At age 21, their son, Samuel, graduated in May 2022, with a double major in Finance and Informatics from Indiana University Bloomington. At age 18, their youngest daughter, Allie, has completed her freshman year at Virginia Technical Institute.

Undoubtedly, the 21-year medical ministry of Dr. Stephen Lewis has moved him to reflect on his early life experiences coming of age in Tyrone. His mother was Kathryn Huxtable Lewis. A native of Ohio, she lived from 1934 to 2020. Kathryn graduated from Lakewood High School in Ohio, as Class Valedictorian in 1952. Four years later, she graduated from New York's Cornell University. She then earned master's and doctorate degrees from the Yale School of Medicine in New Haven, Connecticut, and Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in Baltimore, Maryland. As part of her medical education from 1964 to 1965, Dr. Kathryn Lewis labored with the Johns Hopkins

Research Team in Lahore, Pakistan. On April 8, 1967, she married the Reverend Doctor Samuel T. Lewis III.

From 1975 through 2002, Dr. Kathryn Lewis served as Chief Pediatrician at Tyrone Hospital. During these 27 years, she envisioned her pediatric practice as a natural extension of her Christian ministry.

The father of Dr. Stephen Lewis was the Reverend Doctor Samuel T. Lewis III. The Reverend Doctor Lewis lived from 1930 until his untimely passing in 1994, at age 64. He graduated from Tyrone Area High School in 1948, after which he enrolled as a Voice/Piano Major at the Peabody Institute of Music in Baltimore, Maryland. After completing his music studies at Peabody, Samuel Lewis attended Western and Pittsburgh Theological Seminaries, where he prepared to become a Presbyterian minister.

Upon his graduation from seminary and his ordination in 1958, the Reverend Doctor Lewis served Presbyterian churches in Delmont and Huston, Pennsylvania. From 1975 until his passing in 1994, he simultaneously served as pastor of the Sinking Valley and the Lower Spruce Creek Presbyterian Churches.

Certainly, in the lives of his mother and father, Dr. Stephen Lewis found himself blessed with two worthy people, whom he could emulate in both his personal and his professional life, as a parent and as a medical doctor. During the course of his life, the Reverend Doctor Samuel T. Lewis III composed several sacred choir anthems. In 1963, during his time as pastor of the Delmont Presbyterian Church, near Greensburg, the Reverend Doctor Lewis composed an anthem entitled *At The Turning of the Narrow Road*. Quite likely,

the anthem lyrics inspired Dr. Stephen to envision life as a journey, overflowing with countless challenges, but ultimately leading to a fulfilling close.

At the turning of the narrow road  
There are meadows spreading green  
And the daisies nod beneath the sun  
And the bluebird's nest is seen

At the turning of the narrow road  
The air is fresh and sweet  
And the velvet grass upon the ground  
Is soft unto the feet

The road of life is a narrow road  
With stones and brambles spread  
And shadows haunt the byways  
And fill the heart with dread

But at the turning of the narrow road  
Love awaits with outstretched hand  
And I know at last that narrow road  
Leads to the Promised Land!



**The Lewis Family**  
**Allie, Steve, Jackie, Carlie, and Sam**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOLS



## TAES

**A**t the Elementary School, students and staff members are busy wrapping up their learning for the 2021-2022 school year. This means PSSA testing for the third and fourth graders and end-of-year assessments for all students PreK through fourth grade. In addition to students completing testing, teachers grading and the data analysis portion that comes with tracking student data, the halls of the elementary building are also filled with a lot of happiness as we are welcoming the warmer weather of spring and all the fun events that occur within the last several weeks of the year!

In the upcoming weeks, many grade levels will embark on field trips to Penn State, Lincoln Caverns, Fort Roberdeau and the Arboretum. Our students are also looking forward to the upcoming schoolwide PBIS end-of-year carnival event where they will be able to enjoy time outside with their classmates and have the opportunity to use their SOAR tickets to enter for a chance to win one of our many raffle prizes! In addition, our third and fourth graders are busy preparing to run, throw and jump at our annual Track and Field Day and our fourth grade students eagerly await their opportunity to visit the middle school, as they prepare to leave the elementary building in their rearview mirror!

Regardless of the grade level, the students, teachers and staff members are looking forward to the crazy fun that May brings to our building and the restful and rejuvenating break that is around the corner as we soon turn the calendar page to June!



## TAMS

**S**pring is both a busy and exciting time at Tyrone Area Middle School. Late March and early April usher in the fourth marking period and the spring sports season. Students begin thinking about that coveted summer vacation, but there is much to accomplish in April and May at the middle school.

On April 14, students participated in "Kindness Day." Students listened to guest speakers and participated in a wide variety of activities, promoting kindness and cooperation. Guest speaker, Jesse Funk, spoke about the ripple effects of bullying, while Andraé Holsey spoke about showing kindness toward people of all backgrounds.

In late April, students participated in the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) tests. Nearly all students in grades five through eight participated in the reading and math assessments, and eighth grade students also participated in the science exams. To garner excitement for the tests, a pep rally was held on April 22 to honor students who participate in school activities and "to get pumped up" for the tests.

Finally, May has been filled with a variety of field trips and an array of activities. Fifth grade students visited Penn's Cave; sixth grade visited Grace Corporation (the chemical plant) and the PA Military Museum in Boalsburg; and seventh grade students visited Old Bedford Village. Meanwhile, Trooper Joe Dunsmore visited seventh and eighth grade classes to discuss appropriate social media use and police/community relations. Fifth and sixth grade classes will end the year with Track and Field Days. Spring is really a busy time at Tyrone Area Middle School.

With state testing, field trips, awards assemblies, and a variety of other activities, the students and staff will end the year on a high note.



## TAHS

**O**n Thursday, April 14, 2022, TAHS students and staff participated in their annual Community Service Day. An event which began in 2017, Community Service Day has become a much-anticipated activity for both the school community and the community at large. A great deal of cooperation goes into the organization of the event, as ninth grade students and teachers perform a variety of clean-up tasks around the school campus and tenth through twelfth grade students and staff converge on the community, performing an assortment of jobs. Projects included but were not limited to spreading mulch and cleaning up trash at Reservoir Park and Park Avenue Park, cleaning the Tyrone Borough Police cars, and

cleaning up the downtown area and Railroad Park from trash and road gravel from the winter road maintenance. Students also performed cleanup work in Grandview Cemetery. The Tyrone Borough Highway Department provided a variety of tools, gloves, and safety vests for students to use, and the remaining tools were provided to students by the District, either through purchase or donation. Students and staff take great pride in helping the community complete its spring cleanup and received many compliments on their thorough work. The high school looks forward to additional opportunities to partner with the community to make it a brighter place!

# BEST WISHES TO RETIREES



**Rebecca Barlett**  
TAHS English Teacher/  
Cyber Academy Coordinator  
17 Years of Service

By Riley Lawson, TAHS 11th Grade Student/Eagle Eye News

**T**yrone High School Cyber Academy Coordinator, English and Public Speaking Teacher Rebecca Barlett is set to retire at the conclusion of this school year after 17 years of service at Tyrone Area High School.

Before becoming a teacher, Barlett was a restaurant manager, and after earning a Masters in Human Resources and Labor Relations, she worked as a legal assistant.

Barlett earned her teaching certification through Wilson College and did her student teaching at Susquenita High School near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Since Barlett began teaching at Tyrone High School in 2005, she has worn many hats: she has taught English classes at several grade levels, a public speaking class, and taught English as a Second Language (ESL) to students at the middle and high school levels. She also serves as the district cyber school coordinator and is the current president of the local chapter of the Pennsylvania Education Association, the union representing teachers at TASD.

Barlett says she has enjoyed teaching because it is always a rewarding experience. “I enjoy watching a new concept ‘click’ for a student,” said Barlett. “Miss Barlett has always been a teacher willing to go above and beyond to help her students,” said Tyrone Area School District Superintendent Leslie Estep.

Barlett has worked with countless amounts of students in many different settings, and they have impacted her in many ways over the years. “I can’t thank them enough for enriching my life,” said Barlett.

Of the all classes she’s taught over the years, Barlett said she enjoyed teaching dual enrollment public speaking the most. She always strived to make the class a fun and enjoyable learning experience for the students, despite most students’ inherent fear of public speaking. “I had her public speaking class last semester and it was fun and really helped to improve my confidence with public speaking,” said Tyrone Junior Makenzie Hyde. Barlett said that she misses teaching ESL, which she used to do full time.

Even though she is eager to start this new chapter in her life, she will miss the relationships she has developed with students and colleagues. “I never said I was going to work. I always said I am going to school,” said Barlett.

She definitely won’t miss the paperwork though. Barlett decided it was time to retire after the paperwork and many responsibilities of the job started to feel overwhelming. Barlett is looking forward to the freedom that comes with retirement and is excited to be able to travel whenever she wants to.

By Riley Lawson, TAHS 11th Grade Student/Eagle Eye News

**E**lementary School Paraprofessional Elaine Shiffler is set to retire at the conclusion of this school year after 29 years of service to the Tyrone Area School District.

Shiffler has worked mostly with kindergarteners over the years and has been with multiple teachers. She currently works with Kindergarten Teacher Shana Smith in her classroom. Smith said that Shiffler made her first few years as a teacher so much easier because of her helpfulness and years of experience with kindergarten students. “Elaine is a wealth of knowledge, and very dependable. And she always does everything with a smile,” said Smith.

Before working with Smith, Shiffler worked closely with retired Kindergarten Teacher Linda Knarr for many years. “Mrs. Shiffler was my partner since she was assigned to be with me at Warriors Mark Elementary until my retirement in May 2016,” said Knarr, “She was everything I could hope for as she and I worked to educate our students. My partnership with her is one of my cherished memories.”

Knarr says that Shiffler was a great asset to the school district and will be missed. “Elaine is a kind, loving and accomplished educator as well as a most beloved friend. She can retire with the knowledge that she was well-loved by our students and well-respected by the staff and administration,” said Knarr. “I pray for her health and happiness along with lots of interaction with her grandchildren and occasional lunch dates with me!”



**Elaine Shiffler**  
TAES Paraprofessional  
29 Years of Service

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## TAMS/HS STUDENTS ADVANCE TO STATE COMPETITONS

As of the date of this publication, the following Tyrone Area Middle/High School students have advanced to state competitions during the 2021-22 school year—CONGRATULATIONS to all!

### ACADEMICS

#### Eagle Eye

Alivia Anderson  
Katelyn Buck  
Aiden Coleman  
Dean Grassi (2021 Graduate)  
Mario Grugan  
MacKenzie Hyde  
Nick Lewis (2021 Graduate)  
Ashlynn McKinney  
Ellie Oakes  
Kelton Raabe (2021 Graduate)  
Stephanie Ramsey  
Vivian Sciarrillo  
Hailey Vanish

#### FBLA

Rilee Barndt  
Elizabeth Fryer  
✦ Emma Reese  
Lexus Weaver

#### FFA

✦ Emma Bartel  
Kaidon Beals  
Connor Bennett  
Michael Chronister  
Nathan Cisneros (2021 Graduate)

#### FFA continued

Tristan Conterras  
✦ Karly Diebold (2021 Graduate)  
✦ Catherine Ewing  
✦ Dylan Ewing  
Claire Fisher  
Maverick Fleck  
Noah Frantz (2021 Graduate)  
Hailey Houck  
✦ Kaitlyn Houck  
✦ Garin Hoy (2021 Graduate)  
Nora Hoy  
Brienn Jones  
Caleb Lawson  
Westley Layton  
✦ Trinity Lingafelt  
Collin Musser  
Noah Newlin  
Brayden Parsons  
✦ Grace Peterson  
Dakota Posnett  
✦ Lilly Ray  
Arianna Reader  
Kiara Rhoads  
✦ Ryan Seeger

#### FFA continued

Noah Updike  
✦ Leo Veit  
✦ Rayann Walls  
Remington Weaver  
Jenna Weyer  
✦ Jaden Williams  
Jillian Williams  
Randi Williams  
**Speech**  
✦ Mario Grugan

### THE ARTS

#### TAMS/HS Band-Percussion

Lukis Bonsell  
Lola Brown  
Laci Daniel  
Joseph Davis  
Landon Geissinger  
Jacob Greene  
Cole Hunter  
Elijah Richardson  
Jadyn Smyth  
Logan Smyth  
Elijah Svidergol

#### Band-Percussion continued

Miles Weber  
Lily Whited  
Emma Witkamp

### ATHLETICS

#### Girls Basketball

Riley Corl  
Lenelle Eades  
Emma Getz  
Kayelin Gibbons  
Alayna Greene  
Marissa Lewis  
Jaida Parker  
Bree Paul  
Stephanie Ramsey  
Summer Shaw  
Ali Weston

#### Golf

Cyrus Ahlert  
Luke Brooks  
Cassidy Miksich

#### Wrestling

Braden Ewing  
Ashton Sipes  
Korry Walls

✦ State and National Competitions

## CONGRATULATIONS TAHS CLASS OF 2022

Remember the past, live in the present,  
and look forward to the future

**BEST WISHES AS YOU BEGIN  
A NEW CHAPTER IN YOUR LIVES**

## MEET OUR NEW STAFF

Abigail Miller—Special Education Paraprofessional  
Amber Morrissey—Early Intervention Paraprofessional  
Kerry Naylor—Assistant Jr. High Softball Coach  
Joe Oakes—Assistant Jr. High Baseball Coach  
Alexandra Veit—Daycare Lead Teacher  
Alecia Woomer—Early Intervention Paraprofessional  
Clarissa Woomer—Special Education Paraprofessional

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Shiffler has enjoyed the relationships she made with the teachers and staff, but the thing she enjoyed most about her job was working with children. “They make it more fun, and you learn from them,” said Shiffler. “Every day is a new experience.”

Watching the kids grow and improve in their skills is what makes the job worthwhile for Shiffler. She adores being able to help them in any way she can.

The kindergarten students that she works closely with all had kind things to say about Mrs. Shiffler. “She always helps us read our site words,” said Kindergartener Aurora Crawford. “She reads poems with us...she is nice to us and helps us learn,” said Kindergartener Charlotte Weiger.

Shiffler will be missed by her students and especially by the teachers and other staff that have had the opportunity to work with her over the years. “I’ve been working with Mrs. Shiffler for the past 16 years. She’s become a good friend and has always been there if I needed anything,” said fellow Paraprofessional Carol Fetters, “I’m really going to miss all of our good break and lunch conversations. I wish her all the best.”

In retirement, Shiffler is most looking forward to the additional time she will get to spend with her family and friends, especially her grandchildren.

# A BIG TASD “THANK YOU” GOES OUT TO . . .

**T**HE GIANT COMPANY, who recently presented a check in the amount of \$3,692 to the Tyrone Area School District. The funds were raised through the Feeding School Kids initiative to support hunger relief efforts of local schools.

Pictured are employees of the Bellemeade Martin’s Food Store (L to R): Craig Ruch, Assistant Meat Manager; Vanessa Phelan, Bakery Manager; Jeff Wheeler, Store Manager; Amanda Owens, TASD Food Service Director; Amber Shank, Assistant Store Manager; Mike Roman, Pharmacy Manager; Tim White, Assistant Produce Manager.



**PENN HIGHLANDS TYRONE** employees, who raised funds throughout 2021, donating \$891 to the Tyrone Area School District to assist with the elimination of student meal debt.



## Penn Highlands Healthcare



## 50 YEAR FLASHBACK

**M**embers of the TAHS Class of 1972 have been hard at work preparing for their 50th Class Reunion, which will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2022. Festivities will include a tour of Tyrone Area High School at 10:00 a.m. and a dinner/dance at the Tyrone Elks Lodge at 5:00 p.m.

For additional information, please visit the TASD website: [www.tyrone.k12.pa.us](http://www.tyrone.k12.pa.us), click on the “About Us” tab and select “Alumni.”

If you would like to post class reunion information on the TASD website, email the information to [cjblaska@tyrone.k12.pa.us](mailto:cjblaska@tyrone.k12.pa.us).

The spirit of the TAHS Class of 1972 was captured in the opening pages of its senior yearbook with these words, “The schools of a community very often are the most overt representatives of that community. The young people, whether they stay or leave after their graduation, are the examples of the spirit and the hope reborn in each new generation. However, it is upon the shoulders of the previous generations—the community—that that spirit and hope are built.”

Pictured above, the Senior Class Officers of the TAHS Class of 1972 posed for a yearbook photo as they prepared to carry the “spirit and hope” of the Tyrone Community into the world. Seated (L to R): Linda Hampton; Jeffrey Hyde. Standing (L to R): Jonathan Harris; Adair Shultz; Patti Androski; Carole Angelo; Pamela Dinant.

# 2022-23 PROPOSED BUDGET OVERVIEW

Throughout the winter months, the district administrative team has worked diligently to plan for the 2022-23 school year, considering programming and the overall goals for the district. The proposed final budget is the outcome of this joint venture. There is also consideration given to the overall financial path the district is following. When considering the financial strength of a school district, the difference between the revenues and expenditures reflects the ability to sustain the current level of services being provided. Increases in overall revenue for the period of 2016-17 to 2020-21 were 8.04% while increases in expenditures were 12.43% for the same time period exemplifying how expenditures are increasing at a greater rate than revenues.

Historically, the primary source of new or additional revenue has been state Basic Education Subsidy. The district received \$9,184,761 in 2016-17 and \$9,423,356 in 2020-21, an increase of \$238,595 (or 2.59%) over five years for an annual average increase of \$47,719.

Effective with the 2016-17, new funding is now driven through a Basic Education Funding Formula, taking into account local wealth and taxes, charter school enrollments, poverty, student counts, district size (small/rural) and English language learners. The hold harmless for basic education subsidy is the 2014-15 year or \$8,966,156. The formula does not guarantee an increase in subsidy, but districts can receive no less than the subsidy received in 2014-15.

The other revenue source the district must rely on is real estate taxes. The district received \$4,970,734 in 2016-17 and \$5,519,737 in 2020-21 or an increase of \$549,003 or 11% over five years. Real estate tax is the only revenue source the district has the ability to change, however an increase in any given year is limited to the Act 1 index. The Act 1 maximum increase in real estate taxes for 2022-23 is 4.8% generating approximately an additional \$376,539 in revenue.

### 2022-2023 Budget Facts

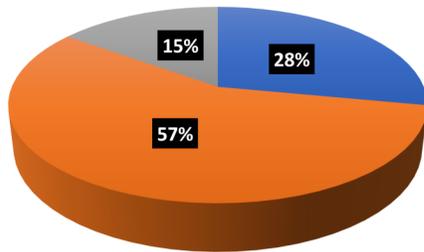
- **Revenues total \$30,277,443**  
Budgeted revenues represent an increase of 9.8% from 2021-22 mainly due to ESSER Funding.
- **Expenditures total \$29,119,479**  
Budgeted expenditures represent an increase of 12.2% from 2021-22 mainly due to expenses tied to ESSER Funding.
- **Use of Fund Balance of \$1,157,964**
- **2022-23 Millage Rates:**  
Blair: 7.2077 mills  
Centre: 26.1490 mills  
Huntingdon: 48.7861 mills
- **Total estimated revenue raised by Real Estate taxes is \$5,537,000.**

The school district is a service driven organization with salaries and benefits accounting for 67.6% of the projected 2022-23 total proposed budget. Tuition to the Vo-tech, other schools, charter and cyber schools and agencies account for 5.0%, Student Transportation 4.3%, Debt Service 0.4%, Utilities & Maintenance 3.0%, Site Improvements 4.8%, Athletics, 2.0%, Budgetary Reserve/Fund Transfers, 3.6%. These add up to 90.7% of the total budget. The remaining 9.3% provides for the educational supplies, professional services, technology

equipment, equipment, and other items.

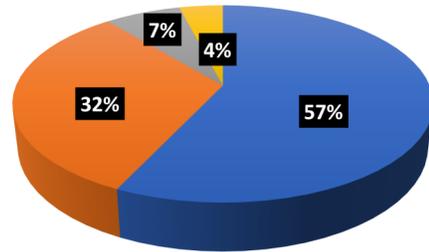
The 2022-23 proposed budget contains funds provided by the federal government which increased expenditures and revenues. These funds are COVID relief funds whose uses are determined by the federal government. TASD will be using these funds for capital improvements, to address learning loss, and to implement initiatives to improve student and staff social emotional status.

2022-23 REVENUES



■ Local Revenues ■ State Revenues ■ Federal Revenues

2022-23 EXPENDITURES



■ Instruction ■ Support Services  
■ Operation of Noninstructional Services ■ Debt Service/Fund Transfers



Each year, the U.S. Department of Agriculture partners with local organizations like Tyrone Area School District to provide free, healthy meals to children when school is out for the summer. There are no income or registration requirements. Meals are available to any child age 18 and under. If you have questions or would like more information, please call 814-684-4240, extension 3727.

**WHAT:** Free breakfasts and lunches

**WHEN:** Monday through Friday, June 13 through August 5 (Closed July 4)  
**Breakfast:** 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **Lunch:** 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Tyrone Area Elementary School, 601 Clay Avenue – Enter through cafeteria lobby at rear of building (no registration required)