



**Family Newsletter
Tri-City Day School
October 2017**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

A BIG thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Open House and Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, September 26. We had almost 100 guests sign in on the Tri-City side of the building! We had many other guests that entered on the Haysville High School side of the building and toured Tri-City that are not in that count.

Well, the fall and holiday season is quickly approaching us! As the weather becomes cooler, my thoughts move to traditions and time together as a family. Here at Tri-City, we are family and have developed many traditions over the past thirteen years. For those of you who are new to Tri-City, these traditions range from a visit to the pumpkin patch, to a BIG Thanksgiving Dinner, to a visit from a very special person right before Winter Break!

Conferences will be taking place October 16 and 18 from 3:00 – 7:30 p.m. Michelle Kelly, Tri-City staff member, will be contacting you very soon to set up a time for you to visit with your child's IEP case manager/homeroom teacher. If you are interested in talking to any of the other teachers, you will be able to set up a time for that as well.

We will be taking eligible students to Walters' Pumpkin Patch on October 12. The cost per student is \$7.00 and students will need to bring a sack lunch. Please remember that students' grades and behavioral levels will be considered and all students may not be able to participate in this activity.

As always, if you have questions, or need to visit with me for any reason, please call 554-2324.

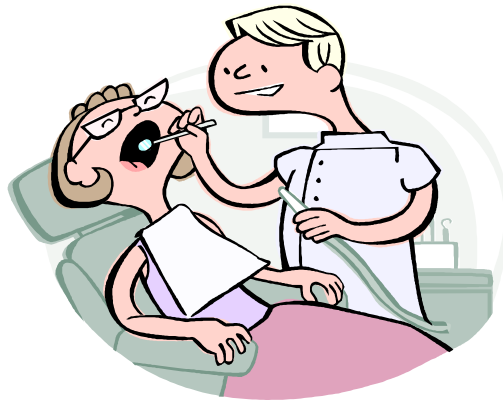
Wishing you well,

Gina

Visiting Tri-City Day School

When visiting Tri-City Day School, please make sure that you take the entrance just west of the entrance to Haysville High School. Follow that curved road around and you will find guest parking near the front doors of Tri-City. We continue to be a secured facility (like all other USD 261 schools) so please press the buzzer you will find on the wall right of the double doors. When you come in, please enter the glass door on your right and sign in with Trisha in the office.

Thank you for entering our building on the Tri-City Day School side so that we are not creating more traffic for our friends at Haysville High School.



Free Dental Screening: PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

USD 261 will be providing a free dental screening at Tri-City Day School on October 10, 2017. The screening will be provided at no charge and results will be sent home to parents/guardians. Should a concern be identified at the time, the school nurse will contact the parents. If you have any questions or concerns about the screening or would prefer that your child not be screened, please contact
TRACY RN at 554-2324.

FREE EXTENDED CARE SERVICES-CLEANING, FLUORIDE VARNISH AND SEALANTS: ALL STUDENTS

USD 261, through Hunter Health Clinic, will also be offering Free Extended Care Services, which include dental cleanings, fluoride varnish and sealants. Please see PINK information/permission slip for further information. If you would like your student to receive these extended care services, please fill out the back of PINK form, except for the insurance information. These services will be provided only to those students who return the PINK info/permission form with the back completed. These services will be provided on October 24, 2017. If you have any questions or concerns, please call TRACY RN at 316-554-2324.

Coffee, Energy Drinks and Other Drinks

Please do not allow your child to bring coffee or energy drinks to school. We greatly discourage students drinking these while in school and have added information to our Student/Parent Handbook regarding these drinks.

Also as a reminder, any drinks coming into the building should be in sealed bottles or cans and opened after they arrive at school. The only drink a student may carry class to class is water in a capped bottle or refillable drinking bottle. We would ask that refillable drinking bottles are clear. Thank you for your cooperation!



Atwood's Hotdog Fundraiser

Please come and enjoy a quick and inexpensive lunch at Atwood's on Saturday, October 7, in Derby! You will be able to purchase two hotdogs and a soda for \$1.00 and all proceeds are donated back to Tri-City for upcoming events at our school!



Fall Festival Pancake Feed

Tri-City Day School will again be serving pancakes at the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 21 and Sunday, October 22! We will be serving pancakes from 7:00 – 11:30 a.m. each day and new this year, we will switch over to Taco Dinners for lunch and early dinners (we will close at 5:00 pm.) Our pancake breakfasts and our taco dinners will be \$7.00 each. Come and enjoy the Haysville Fall Festival and stop in at the Lions Club Shelter to enjoy a meal with us!

CLASSROOM BIRTHDAY TREATS

Tri-City would like to take this time to remind parents that if you would like to bring birthday treats/drinks to school for your child's birthday that you:

- Make prior arrangements with your child's homeroom teacher.
 - Traditionally, on the day of your child's birthday, s/he will make their own cake in our Life Skills room to share with their classmates.
- If you choose to purchase a cake or cupcakes, please avoid brightly colored frostings.
 - Standard colors are preferred (white, strawberry or chocolate.)
- If drinks are purchased, as well, we are asking that lemonade or water be your choice of beverage.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Tri-City Day School Cafeteria Changes

Something new this year to Tri-City students is the option to purchase items a la carte during breakfast and lunch. Here is a list of items and prices for a la carte items. Your student must have funds available on their meal account to purchase a la carte items. The following is what you can expect to pay for additional items:

.25	.35	.50	.75	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75
Fresh Baked Cookies	Milk	Baked Doritos	Rice Krispie Treat	Bottled Water	Switch	Biscuit (1) & Gravy	All Lunch Entrees
Brach's Fruit Gummies	Juice	Muffins	Honey Bun		Very Fine	Diet Soda	
		Cheetos, Flamin' Hot	Mini Donuts		G-2	Sausage Cheese Croissant	
		Fantastix, Chili Cheese	Mini Cinni's		Propel	PB&J Grahamwich	
		Pop Tarts	Banana Bread			Bacon, Egg Bosco Stick	
		Mott's Fruit Snacks	Potato Wedges			French Toast (2), Sausage Patty	
		Funyons	Mini Strawberry Bagel			Ham & Cheese Croissant	
		Elf Grahams	Apple Strudel Stick			Sausage & Cheese Croissant	
		Fruit Roll Ups	Biscuit				
		Chex Mix	French Fries				
		Grandma's Chocolate Chip Cookies					

Meal accounts are able to be managed through MySchoolBucks. MySchoolBucks is accessible by going to usd261.com. Click on the Parents tab and then click on the MySchoolBucks tab in the column on the left. If you do not have an account set up, you will need to sign up. You will sign up with parent/guardian information. After you create an account, you will add your student to your account. You will need your student's ID number. If your student is a Haysville student, you can access this through PowerSchool. If your student is a Derby or Mulvane student, you can contact Trisha at 554-2324 to get this number.

You are able to fund your student's account, monitor their funds, and place spending limits if you wish to. If you limit your child's account to only a school lunch, they are unable to purchase a la carte items even if they have extra money on their account. Please discuss additional purchases with your student, so that they are aware of your expectations. We are limiting students to making one a la carte purchase per meal at this time.

Please call 554-2324 with any questions you may have regarding new lunchroom procedures. To get a copy of the lunch menus for Tri-City Day School go to <http://www.usd261.com/Foods/index.php> and on the left hand side click the month under TC/HHS. If you have any additional questions about our new cafeteria procedures, please call 554-2324.

Medication Checks

Nancy Ballenger with COMCARE, will again be available for medication checks at Tri-City. These visits will be once a month. The first visit for this school year will be October 11. If you would like more information regarding setting up an appointment for your child's medication check at Tri-City, you may contact Tracy Chace or Gina Keirns at 554-2324 for more information.

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Other Field Trips for the 2017-18 School Year

Parents have mentioned in the past that it would be helpful to know what other field trips we are planning to have and anticipated costs with these outings. The following are a list of activities so far:

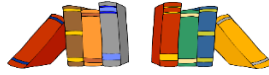
- October 12** **Walters' Pumpkin Patch, \$7.00 entrance fee, sack lunch, optional extra money for a snack.**
- November 17** **HIGH SCHOOL ONLY (MOST) – Thanksgiving Dinner Shopping, money for lunch at Talliano's (approximately \$8.00.)**
- January 19** **Carousel Skating Rink, \$3.50 skating fee, optional extra money (\$5.00 max) for a snack/spending money**

If you find yourself unable to pay for an outing, please contact us and let us know ahead of time so that payment arrangements can be made. It is very difficult to find out the day of the outing that someone needs help covering the cost of the trip.

Remember that students must be in good standing both academically and behaviorally to attend school outings. Students who are partially transitioning may not be able to attend depending upon class requirements for their other school. Arrangements and consideration will be made on a student by student basis.

Community Services

To find help with food, clothing, cold weather assistance, counseling services, and many more services within our community you can dial 2-1-1 toll free across Kansas to talk with a trained specialist to find help. All calls are confidential and answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Community services can also be found on-line at <http://www.211kansas.org/211findhelp/Program/Search.aspx>



Tri-City Day School Library Expectations/Guidelines

Borrowing Materials:

- The library and all of its resources are open to every student, teacher and para. To checkout materials students/teachers/paras will be required to have an ID with scan code.
- K-8th grade student's checkout will be limited to (1) book
- 9-12th grade will be allowed (2) books
- Materials will be loaned for a time period of two weeks; if more time is required, materials will need to be brought back to the library and a renewal can be applied to the account. Popular or in-demand books may only be renewed if there are no holds on the materials. While there will not be any fines on books that are overdue, if a book is returned requiring extensive repair or if a book is damaged beyond repair the account may be charged a fine up to the price of replacing the book.
- Anyone with excessive amounts of overdue materials or fines may be excluded from borrowing until their library obligations are met.

Class Visits:

- **Story Time:** The library will offer story time to students K-8 in addition to check in/out time.
- **Solo Student Visits:** Teachers may send students to the library at any time throughout the day with an escort. If a student becomes disruptive or fails to stay on task, they will be given a warning before being asked to return to class.
- **Computers:** Computer usage is for academic purposes only. Any student that fails to remain on task will be issued a warning before losing their computer privileges for the day.



Reminder to Parents

It is vital to update changes in your mailing address, telephone number(s) and email address for us! Keeping this information current allows us to contact you with important information or emergency notifications. Thank you for your help!



Fall Pictures

Fall pictures will be taken at Tri-City on Friday, November 3 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Picture envelopes and additional information will be sent home towards the end of October.



REMINDER

Absences related to appointments away from the building during the school day will only be excused if a parent or guardian provides the school with verification of the reason why the student was absent from school on a specific date.

If requested, the service provider at the agency you are visiting will provide you with documentation to verify your child's appointment. Thank you for your cooperation!



October Calendar

October 10 – Dental Screenings

October 11 – 7:00-9:00 a.m. – Coffee with Cops

October 11 – 8:00 a.m. – Med checks with Nancy Ballenger

October 12 – Walters' Pumpkin Patch outing for eligible students

October 13 – No school – ½ Work Day and ½ Collaboration Day

October 14 – Hotdog Day at Atwood's

October 16 – Hearing/Vision testing

October 16 – 3:00-7:30 p.m. - Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 18 – 3:00-7:30 p.m. - Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 19 – No school

October 20 – No school

October 21 & 22 – Pancake Feed at Fall Festival

October 23 – 27 – PBIS Drawing Week

October 23 – Immunization Exclusion Day

October 24 – Extended Dental Care Service at Tri-City

October 31 – 1:30 p.m. - Halloween Party



November Calendar

November 8 – 8:00 a.m. Med checks with Nancy Ballenger

November 10 – No School – Veterans' Day

November 17 – Thanksgiving Shopping – most HS students

November 21 – Thanksgiving Dinner at Tri-City

November 22 – 24 – No School – Thanksgiving Break

November 27 – December 1 – PBIS Drawing Week