



# GRIFFIN GAZETTE

12/7/2020-12/11/2020

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## ATTENDANCE CALLS

The high school has resumed automated calls for attendance. Please be sure that your contact information in MiStar is correct and or current. Families can verify their information in Parent Portal.

Communication is critical for all students' success. We are continuing to use all available methods for maximum outreach: phone, email, and U.S. mail. Please log in to Parent Portal and make any updates that are needed. If you have signed up for Parent Portal and need help with access, call Chris Dukes at 734-646-6551 ext. 10201. Please keep checking on your student's grades and attendance. We are halfway through the second marking period and finals are right around the corner. Keep striving for the highest level of success. Please look for an email for more information.

A graphic with a torn paper effect at the top. The text "COUNSELOR LUNCH OFFICE HOURS" is in a light blue box. Below it, "TUESDAYS + THURSDAYS IN GOOGLE CLASSROOM" is in a brown box. At the bottom, there are three white 3D figures sitting at a desk with two laptops. The figure on the left is labeled "Louwers", the middle one "Rush", and the right one "Santiz". Below each name is a Google Meet link.

**COUNSELOR LUNCH  
OFFICE HOURS**

**TUESDAYS + THURSDAYS  
IN GOOGLE CLASSROOM**

**Louwers**  
<https://meet.google.com/lookup/cfy6so6rpr?authuser=0&hs=179>

**Rush**  
<https://meet.google.com/lookup/dyb6o4pr5p?authuser=0&hs=179>

**Santiz**  
<https://meet.google.com/lookup/gztvgae3q4?authuser=0&hs=179>

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## PARENT TIPS

Ask your child to log in to Google Classroom. Have them show you what they completed today.

Make sure they have any materials necessary to complete all assignments.

Provide an environment conducive to learning.

Don't teach—help them understand.

Help them check messages and communicate with school

Use school resources.

Encourage a growth mindset.

Use the right resources.

Help them organize their learning environments (both physical and digital).

## VIRTUAL CULTURE CLUB

Want to learn cool stuff about other cultures?!?

Join us!!

Wednesday 9th and 16th of December at 11:30am on Google Meet!

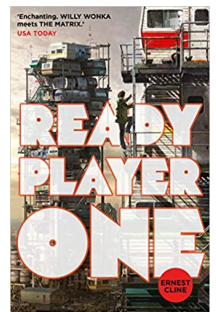
Email Mrs. Evans (Suzi.evans@taylorschools.net) or Mrs. Ansell (Becky.ansell@taylorschools.net) for an invite!

## BOOK CLUB

The Taylor High School Book Club will be meeting on Wednesday, December 9th at 2:30 on Google Meet. We are reading "Six of Crows" by Leigh Bardugo.



We introduced the book "Ready Player One" by Ernest Cline during First Chapter Fridays. Check out this great read. You can check out a copy through the Taylor Community Library E-book collection. <http://taylor.lib.mi.us/>





## ATTENTION DECA ALUMNI

Please contact Mrs. Barnard as soon as possible if you are a recent DECA Alumni. Your feedback is needed.

## DECA

From Mrs. Barnard

For this week the advanced marketing/DECA students invited the POHI students in to our Google Meet sessions. They came every day this week and did lessons with us on employability skills. Each day they had a skill they taught/learned and then worked in groups with activities to help enhance those skills. The students all had their cameras on, were actively engaged, and had a great time getting to know their peers. It was a great collaboration and we look forward to doing more with them this year. The DECA students are also busy preparing for district competition.

Next week will be our mock competition practice dates. We are so thankful for our wonderful staff volunteering their own time to come help the kids prepare. Professional dress days have been switched to Tuesdays for the rest of the semester I have enjoyed seeing the students dressing up and preparing their futures.



## FUNDRAISE WITH PIZZA? *You betcha!*

Taylor DECA is hosting their annual Little Caesars Pizza Kit fundraiser online from Nov. 1 - Dec. 1!  
Check the order link for kits and prices!



**QUICK AND EASY ORDERING**

**SHIPPED RIGHT TO YOUR HOUSE**



**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

Order Link:

[fundraising.littlecaesars.com/fundraisers/support/6f6a7e52-e8d4-4ec5-9ccd-794f4bc34f96](https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/fundraisers/support/6f6a7e52-e8d4-4ec5-9ccd-794f4bc34f96)



**Little Caesars Fundraising**



## DECA FUNDRAISER

### Pizza Fundraiser

Here is the link for our all virtual pizza kit fundraiser. You order them online and they get shipped to your house. Eat pizza, support DECA! If you would be so kind as to share this link on your own social media sites I know our students would greatly appreciate it.

DECA will still be having competition for districts, states, and internationals this year. Districts is virtual on DEC. 10th. We are looking to raise funds for the 40 THS students who have signed up to compete. We are also looking for judges. If you are interested in judging, please see the information on the next page.

# **An Invitation to Judge a Michigan DECA Competitive Event**



Michigan DECA invites you to assist as a Competitive Event Judge for one of our upcoming Virtual District Conferences. Because of COVID-19, our District Conferences will be held in a virtual setting this year. With so many students participating in some form of remote learning, we feel that it is more important than ever to be able to provide the opportunity for our members to interact with business professionals and community members. This interaction will allow them to demonstrate what they are learning in the classroom and to receive feedback and recognition for their work.

The judging will take place on a platform used for Doctor telehealth visits. This platform will allow the student to present their response to the case situation and for you to be able to have a dialog with the student so that their response can be fully evaluated. Because of the new format, each judge will need to be able to participate with their computer (the technology is like meetings through Zoom, Go-To-Meeting, or Microsoft Teams, but you will not need to download a program to your device). We will provide a link to a training module a week prior to the conference and hold a Q&A session before the competition starts on the day that you will assist.

To ensure a quality experience for the students, we need all judges to be available from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on the day of judging. In order to ensure that you do not know the student(s) you will be judging, if you were recruited by a teacher, school, or student, you cannot judge on their conference date. Thank you for your understanding this year.

You may sign up here: <http://mideca.org/support/be-a-judge/>

Because of the process that we will need to use this year, we are looking for additional individuals to assist; if you know of a colleague that would be interested in judging, please feel free to forward this invitation. We will be able to put their experience to good use evaluating and interacting with our high school members.

Additional information on DECA and our competitive events is listed below.

Thank you for your assistance!

**EMERGING LEADERS  
AND ENTREPRENEURS**  
IN MARKETING, FINANCE, HOSPITALITY AND MANAGEMENT

**2020 Michigan DECA Conference Schedule:**

All District Conferences will be held virtually this year.

*In order to ensure that you do not know the student(s) you will be judging, if you were recruited by a teacher, school, or student, you cannot judge on their conference date. Thank you for your understanding.*

- December 2, 2020 - District 1 Conference
- December 3, 2020 - District 2 Conference
- December 4, 2020 - District 3 Conference
- December 9, 2020 - District 4 Conference
- December 10, 2020 - District 5 Conference
- December 11, 2020 - District 6 Conference
- December 14, 2020 - District 7 Conference
- December 15, 2020 - District 8 Conference

**DECA's Competitive Events serve the Student, Community, and the Nation by:**

- Motivating students to assume responsibility for self-improvement and self-discipline
- Providing a vehicle for students to demonstrate competencies through individual or group activities
- Giving students an opportunity to demonstrate competencies in an environment of competition and cooperation
- Offering high visibility for everyone involved in, or contributing to, the educational goals and objectives of marketing and management
- Contributing to the development of competencies needed for careers in marketing, merchandising, management and entrepreneurship
- Providing continuing opportunities for students and group recognition
- Opening constructive avenues for individual and/or group expression

**DECA offers competitive events in the following areas:**

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|---------------------------------|--|
| • Automotive Services Marketing | • Marketing Management                 |
| • Business Services Marketing   | • Professional Sales                   |
| • Entrepreneurship              | • Quick Serve Restaurant Management    |
| • Financial Services            | • Restaurant & Food Service Management |
| • Food Marketing                | • Retail Merchandising                 |
| • Hospitality Services          | • Sports & Entertainment Marketing     |
| • Human Resources               | • Travel and Tourism                   |

**What are the qualifications to be a judge?**

- Work experience in one of DECA's instructional areas
- Willingness to assist in developing tomorrow's business leaders

**How much time does judging require?**

*To ensure a quality experience for the students, we need all judges to be available from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on the day of judging.*

8:30 a.m.	Judge Welcome & Orientation
9:05 a.m.	Event Judging
12:30 p.m.	Finish Judging

**Please sign up here:**

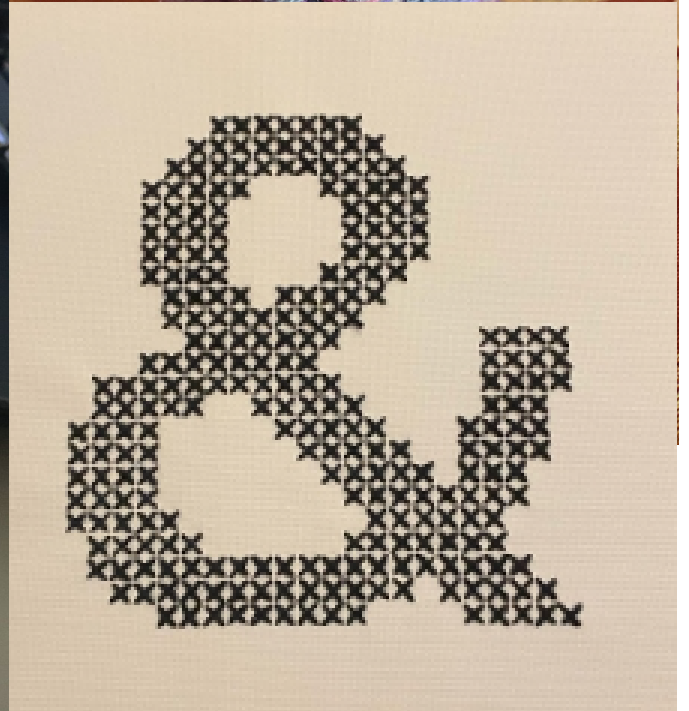
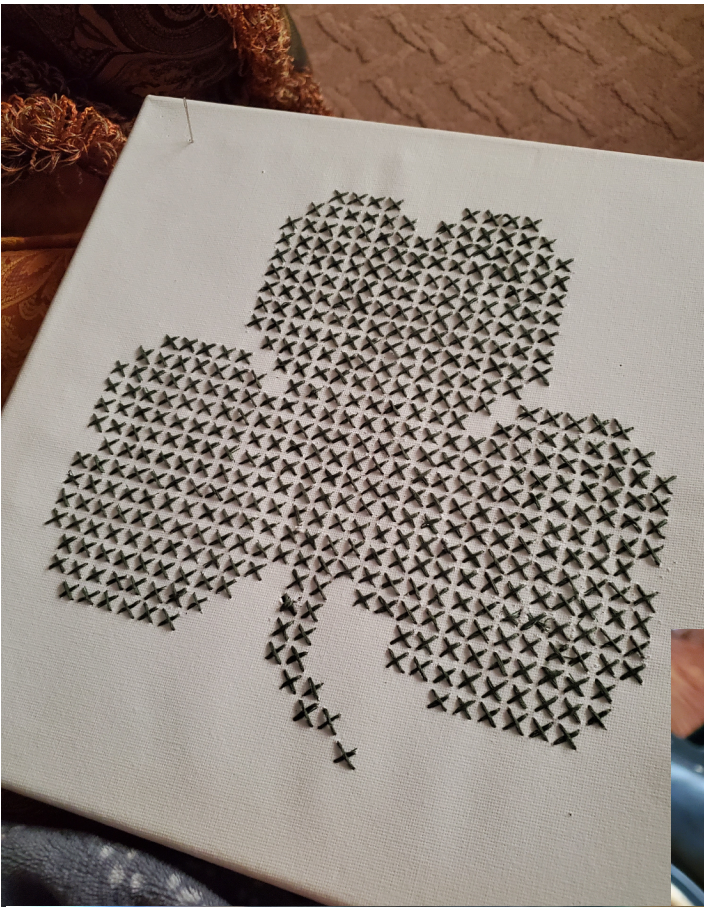
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## EMERGING LEADERS AND ENTREPRENEURS

IN MARKETING, FINANCE, HOSPITALITY AND MANAGEMENT

## SEWING

These are examples of weaving and cross-stitching from Mrs. Logan's 7th hr Clothing Tech class.



## POSITIVE IMPACT

### Mrs Ingersoll

Mrs. Ingersoll makes coming to school fun. She is always very helpful and kind.

### Mr. Putnam

Mr. Putnam is always helpful and takes the time to explain things to us. I love his class!

## YEARBOOK

The 2020/2021 Yearbook is available for purchase!

To order, go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com).

Enter school number 40499, confirm Taylor High School, and order!

Discounts are given for October purchases. You can also purchase senior ads, business ads, or share photos with our yearbook staff. Send senior photos to [thsyarbookbaes@gmail.com](mailto:thsyarbookbaes@gmail.com).

For questions, contact [shelbyrsabol@gmail.com](mailto:shelbyrsabol@gmail.com)

## FROM MRS. MACH

Freshman, you have survived the first quarter of high school!!! Probably not the way you envisioned it, but a completion nonetheless! If you didn't do too well the first quarter, now is the time to turn it around! Your final semester grade will be the average of both quarters, and you'll want to earn that credit! You have a fresh start, so make sure you take advantage of it and keep those grades up!

Please be sure to check in my classroom for announcements and updates and to say hi! I enjoy checking in with you and hearing from you!

## YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

Youth in Government will have a meeting December 1st at 2:30. Please contact Mrs. Zalewski for meeting information.

## MESSAGE FROM YEARBOOK

Due to COVID our picture day has been postponed; Herff-Jones (our Yearbook company) has given us a new way to do portraits online! Please use the link below to insert your headshot/selfie into the 2020-2021 yearbook!

Use access code "THS2020" (case sensitive)

This is for all grades 9-12 attending THS, (as well as staff)

If no photo is uploaded, they may not be in the yearbook (unless emailed previously).

Picture requirements are included in the link.

....No screenshots, original photos, must be straight, solid background, whole face showing, shoulders up included, colored photo, YOU MUST USE REAL/ LEGAL NAME to have pictures included. ...If all of these are not followed, the site will not accept the picture.

After reviewing all photo submissions, your school's yearbook staff will determine the final selections for publication. Submitted photos are not guaranteed to be included in the yearbook (but we will do our best)

Email: [Shelbyrsabol@gmail.com](mailto:Shelbyrsabol@gmail.com) for any questions or concerns

You can also use this link to send other pictures to be included in the yearbook throughout the year! Thanks for all of your help while we assemble a book virtually!

Link:

<http://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/?code=THS2020>

(This is also available on the Taylor High School website under the yearbook link!

## ATHLETICS AND EVENTS SCHEDULE: WEEK OF DECEMBER 7TH


*Dates and start times for games and/or events are subject to change due to weather and/or COVID19 related issues.*

**Monday, December 7th**


**Tuesday, December 8th**

**Wednesday, December 9th**

*Virtual Talent Show*



### 2020 Virtual Talent Show



Show off your incredible talents at Taylor High School's 2020 Virtual Talent Show! Details Below!

**When:** Youtube Livestream on Wednesday, December 9th at 6:00pm  
(or can view Talent Show video with link provided soon)

**How To Enter**

- 1) Add yourself to the "Talent Show" Google Classroom. Class Code: **7s5lkzz**
- 2) Record your video of your talent. Consider introducing yourself and your talent, and consider what attire you'd like to wear.
- 3) Submit by either attaching your video to the "Talent Show" Google Classroom assignment, recording your video on the Flipgrid link provided in the assignment, or emailing your video to [renee.kuczeski@taylorschools.net](mailto:renee.kuczeski@taylorschools.net)
- 4) Due by Sunday, December 6th at 11:59pm!

**Prizes**

1st Place - \$50 Visa Card  
2nd Place - Bluetooth Speaker  
3rd Place - Assortment of candy

**Donations** to the THS Drama Club can be sent through MyPaymentPlus. Details will follow!

**Talent Show Ideas:** dancing, magic show, singing, playing an instrument, painting or drawing art, TikTok video, comedy, acting, recite a speech, sports tricks, baton, poetry, beatboxing, hula-hooping, jump-rope tricks, karate, yo-yo tricks, video game skills, juggling, skateboard tricks, etc!

Feel free to email [renee.kuczeski@taylorschools.net](mailto:renee.kuczeski@taylorschools.net) for any questions!

**Thursday, December 10th**

**Friday, December 11th**

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Austin Retan  
Morgan Rothe  
Marlon Watson  
Hunter Adams  
Augustine Ajayi  
Austin Retan  
Michael Geiss  
Andy Balderas-Saenz  
Lily King  
Kristina Moxies  
Emily Polovino  
Jason Cross  
Samantha Birchfield  
Malachi Hall  
Kristina Moxies  
Shiann Smith  
Destini Reeves

