

TINORA JR. HIGH NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM MRS. MAXWELL

We made it! I, along with the staff of TJHS, would like to thank you for all your support, compassion, feedback, and efforts during our distance learning experience. This was a difficult process for all of us. Teachers completely changed how they teach and reach students in a matter of days. Our students completely changed how they learned and had to adjust to full online courses. Our parents had to support our students in their learning more than ever. I am proud of everyone for how they handled their roles as we worked our way through this process. This was not ideal or easy but we could not have successfully navigated this experience without the help and support of each other. We live in a GREAT community with awesome students, terrific parents, and wonderful teachers & staff.

I am a firm believer that every situation has a silver lining. During this process, I was made aware of many things that warmed my heart. I loved seeing the support and love our staff has for our students and our students for the staff. The joy on the faces of our teachers and students when they were able to Zoom for the first time was priceless. I truly appreciated the cards and email messages from all of you supporting what we were doing. One of the most moving experiences was reading student responses to a journal entry assignment for English. Many students shared that the best part of this quarantine was getting to spend more time with their families. This demonstrates the great families that we have and the value you all place on one another.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you all for a wonderful 2019-2020 school year. We had 3 great quarters together before the stay at home order was issued. I cannot wait to get back in the building to be with our students. I am so blessed to have a job where I get to spend everyday with such wonderful individuals. I have the opportunity to see them grow academically and emotionally. Our students have grown so much this year! It makes my heart happy. I hope that you all enjoy your summer, are able to get back to some normalcy, & stay well. I will see you all soon!

Lisa Maxwell

Note about Report Cards

Fourth quarter student grades are included in this mailing. We trust that students will discuss their grades with their parents/guardians. Teachers worked diligently with students during our distance learning. They were in contact with students via Zoom, Google Classroom, email, phone, and many other avenues. Teachers continued to support and encourage students during this process. I am pleased to see that most students performed just as well if not better during these difficult times.

2020 Academic Awards & Graduation

A YouTube link of our 2020 Academic Awards and 8th Grade Graduation was emailed to all parent and student emails on Friday, May 31. The link can also be found on our school website and our Facebook page. The teachers all came in and recorded their awards presentations. A huge thank-you to Mrs. Stephanie Helmke and to her daughter Ashton for recording and compiling all the video clips into a wonderful video. Congratulations to all our award winners!

Returning School Owned Items

All school resources (textbooks, Chromebooks, library books, etc.) owned by the school should be returned at this point. If you still have these items in your possession, please contact Mrs. Maxwell by email at lmaxwell@tinora.org to make arrangements to return these things to the school in the next week.

Summer Office Relocation

The Central, THS, & TJHS offices have been relocated to the Tinora Elementary building due to the demolition of the TJHS/THS buildings. To contact any of these offices, please call 419-497-1022. These offices will move into the new building sometime in August.

Student Registration for next year

If you have not already done so, please fill out required forms for your student(s) for the next school year. These forms include your contact information & emergency medical forms. The information you put in last year was saved and you will just need to verify or change it. Please go to tinora.ps.nwoca.org/public to log in to your PowerSchool account. Scroll down to the bottom left and select Returning Student Registration. You will need to fill out forms for each of your students. If you need assistance or forgot your login information, please email Amanda Kelly at amkelly@tinora.org.

New Building Progress Update

Lots of progress has been made on our new TMS/THS building during our quarantine. The inside of the building changes daily. Our janitorial staff has been hard at work getting the contents of our current building into storage. Kigar auctions has just finished auctioning off the contents that will not be moved over. Abatement and demolition of the THS/TJHS building will begin in the coming days. Things are all coming together for our move into an awesome new building. Look for information in August about our move and opportunities for students to come to an orientation for their new school.

