

TIGER PRIDE 2021





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Determination - Firm or fixed intention to achieve a desired end.

Perseverance - Persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

No life is lived without some degree of adversity. It is our response to that adversity that determines the outcome. When faced with an obstacle, we have one of two choices. We can decide to surrender to the obstacle and accept our fate, or we can use the lessons we have learned through our lives to overcome the obstacle, no matter how great the challenge.



The 2020-2021 school year and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic presented a series of obstacles to our students and staff. Most adults were able to use lifelong experiences to deal with the circumstances at hand and gradually overcome the challenges presented by the pandemic. To many of our students, those challenges were the first adversity they had seen in their young lives. The safety and freedom that we all assume are constants in our lives were suddenly taken from them. With steadfast resolve, our students adjusted to the limitations placed upon them to continue to achieve academically, musically, artistically, athletically, and creatively. They, as well as our staff and parents, persevered with unwavering determination.

It is with great pleasure that I present to you our annual year-end achievement publication, *Tiger Pride*. Within the pages of this publication, you will get a glimpse of the numerous accomplishments of our students and staff. As you peruse the 2020-2021 edition of *Tiger Pride*, you will no doubt come to a greater appreciation for our talented students and staff, as well as affirm the Hollidaysburg Area School District's mission of maximizing the potential of each individual within the challenges of our global society.

All lives have adversity. The pandemic has shown that our students and staff have the resolve to overcome adversity to achieve great things. On behalf of the board of school directors, administration, teachers, staff, and students, I want to thank you for your ongoing support. If it were not for the support of our community and devoted alumni, we could never continue the tradition of excellence that has become a hallmark of our district.

Sincerely,
Dr. Robert J. Gildea, Superintendent of Schools

Budget

2020-2021 Budget	\$52,900,247
Millage Rate (1 mill generates \$2,429,189).....	9.0961

Funding Sources

Local.....	\$26,881,995
State.....	\$21,838,277
Federal/other	\$1,106,433
Fund Balance	\$3,073,542

Enrollment for 2020-2021

Building.....	Number of Students
Charles W. Longer	389
Foot of Ten	463
Frankstown.....	569
Junior High	813
Senior High	802
Total Enrollment.....	3,036

School District Personnel

Faculty.....	256
Support Staff.....	166
Administrative Staff	22

Faculty Experience

Five years or less.....	25%
Six to ten years.....	19%
Eleven to nineteen years.....	32%
Twenty years or more	24%

Mission Statement

The mission of the Hollidaysburg Area School District community is to educate all learners, maximizing the potential of each individual within the challenges of our global society.

Vision Statement

For all learners to maximize their individual potential within the challenges of our global society, the Hollidaysburg Area School District will be:

- a school district that creates a culture of learning where creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and communication are developed in a rigorous academic environment with a focus on continuous improvement for all learners
- an innovative school district that inspires excellence in academics, athletics, arts and activities for all learners every day
- a safe and nurturing learning environment where respect for all is fundamental



Derek Kaplan
Valedictorian



Sophia Sabatini
Salutatorian



Callie Dunmire
Top Academic
Student at Greater
Altoona Career
and Technology
Center

Tiger Pride is published annually for the Hollidaysburg Area School District community. Please direct comments or suggestions for this publication to Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent, 814-695-8702, e-mail: robert.gildea@hasdtigers.com

The Hollidaysburg Area School District is an equal opportunity education institution and will not discriminate in employment or the provision of programs and services to students based on race, gender, religion, age, national origin or handicap.

JUNIOR HIGH

Virtual Orchestra

During fully remote learning, the junior high orchestra performed virtual concerts. With the audio track playing through headphones, and Chromebooks recording the sound, the junior high orchestra played at the same speed and performed various songs beautifully. Virtual days are no obstacle to the orchestra students. Good job, everyone!



Junior High NASA/Beating the Odds Presentation

A SHARP (Be Safe, Be Here, Be Accountable, Be Respectful, Be Prepared) shout-out was given to the Junior High NASA/Beating the Odds Club for successfully presenting in front of thousands of viewers, to include the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center. The Junior High is so proud of these students!



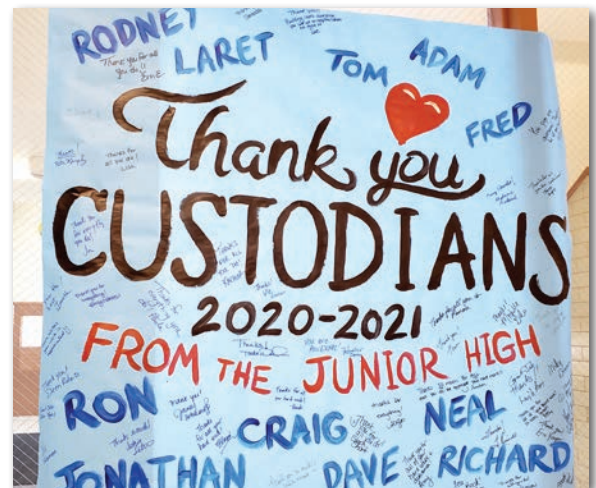
Junior High Scholastic Quiz Team

The 2020-2021 Junior High Scholastic Quiz (SQUIZ) team, Ms. Stouffer, and Mrs. Arbuckle virtually competed for the National Academic Championship. Team (A) placed 2nd in the nation! This was the best finish by a Pennsylvania team since 2009. The Junior High could not be more proud of these students. Way to go, SQUIZ!



Front Row, L to R: Ms. Stouffer, Luke Grannas, Ava Dolphin, Mrs. Arbuckle
Back row, L to R: Jefferson McCoy, Conner Owen, Amelia Vu, Will Auman, Caleb Engle

In Appreciation



At the start of the school year, the NJHS students helped to decorate students' lockers with five phrases of encouragement: You are loved; You are smart; You are valued; You have a purpose; and You were born for such a time as this.

The junior high custodial staff was also encouraged with a sign and notes from the junior high staff. Additionally, a tweet on the @tigerwires Twitter page to support the school was retweeted by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The Hollidaysburg Junior High extends their appreciation to all custodians who kept the building sanitized during COVID-19.

ELEMENTARY

Social Distancing Video

In September 2020, C. W. Longer fifth-graders and sixth-graders made a video to share with the younger students on all the ways they can greet each other while still practicing social distancing. They encouraged waves, thumbs up, and air hugs.



Student Council Success

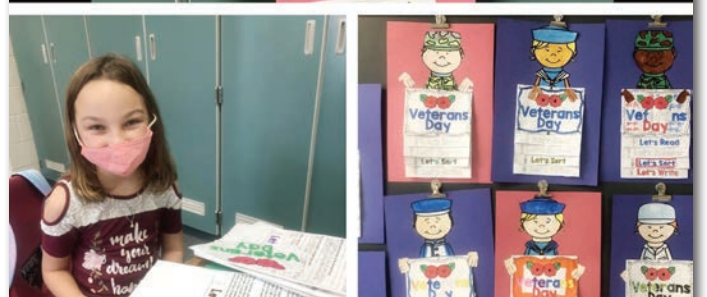


Frankstown Student Council officers Keira Lightner, Sage Capone, Hannah Ingram and Kate Steiner continued to hold meetings during the school year, even with the challenges of COVID-19. They created numerous spirit weeks that meant so much to so many. It was wonderful to see these students step right up into their leadership roles.

Veterans Honored

Frankstown Elementary honored our veterans throughout the month of November. Every morning on the announcements, Student Council officers shared the names of parents, grandparents, guardians, siblings, or other family members who have fought for our country, in addition to providing information about each branch of the military.

Teachers also discussed the importance of Veterans Day with their students and students showed their appreciation for our veterans through various activities. Thank you to all of our veterans for your service to our country!



ELEMENTARY

Virtual Christmas Caroling

C. W. Longer students participated in a virtual Christmas caroling night from their homes with the help of their families joining the singing.



Living Wax Museum

Fifth-grade teachers Lacy Frazier, Brandy Gregg, and Chandra Jandora had their students choose and write an autobiography about an influential person in history. They had to research their person and create a presentation in which they would portray that person in a “living wax museum” that all students had an opportunity to see.

The news of this “living wax museum” reached the Altoona Mirror, which in turn resulted in one of our fifth-grade students, Lakia Long, having her picture on the front page of the newspaper. Lakia wrote her autobiography on former NASA astronaut Kalpana Chawla. This led to Lakia receiving a letter, NASA patches, and an autographed book of The Edge of Time from Jean-Pierre Harrison, the husband of NASA astronaut Kalpana Chawla and author of the book.



Kids' Heart Challenge

The Kids' Heart Challenge at Frankstown Elementary was a huge success, despite all of the challenges COVID brought. Frankstown Elementary had a record-breaking donation year with a grand total of \$7,739! The generous families went above and beyond to help the American Heart Association. A special thank you goes out to Max Downer, our top fundraiser!

Max Downer (our top fundraiser) and Kelli Vent, Physical Education Teacher at Frankstown

ELEMENTARY

Green Thumbs

Miss Suzannah Cannon and Mr. Derek Trimmer's classes have worked with their students to revitalize the FKS Barry Michelone Greenhouse. They not only planted and grew vegetables and flowers this year, but cared for them all year long as well. The students were excited to be able to share the fruits of their labor with the school.



Mrs. Buffone's Class

Mrs. Buffone's class focused on systematic instruction of social skills and opportunities for positive peer and staff interactions.

One of the unique experiences for the students was the establishment of the Daily Grind Coffee Shop. The coffee shop was operated and maintained by students. Because of their new familiarity with virtual tools on their Chromebook, the students were able to create a Google Form for staff members to place orders. Students used the data from the Google Forms to analyze supplies, interpret staff favorites, prepare for popular times of day, and predict favorite creams and sugars. Mrs. Buffone was able to provide an engaging atmosphere, foster a sense of community, implement individual learning plans, and integrate virtual and face-to-face options. By flipping the curriculum, students were able to learn by doing, communicate and collaborate, and donate hundreds of dollars to local families and shelters in need.

Frankstown Brain Bowl

The 22nd Annual Frankstown Elementary Brain Bowl was held this year in mid-May thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Nicci Stultz and students from fifth and sixth-grade who were competing for this year's championship. Approximately 140 students participated. Outstanding sportsmanship, courage, and effort was on display at Frankstown Elementary as teams strained their brains for first place to answer academic, sports, arts, and current event questions. Congratulations to all the students who participated and a special congratulations to the winning team, The 4 Brain Cells. Team members were Henry Dolphin, Jeremy Moorhead, Spencer Davis, and Leeda Mosey.



L to R: Henry Dolphin, Jeremy Moorhead, Spencer Davis, and Leeda Mosey

Stock Market Challenge



Quinn Barry

Several fourth-grade through sixth-grade students at C.W. Longer and Foot of Ten participated in the statewide Stock Market Challenge sponsored by the Pennsylvania Council on Financial Literacy (PennCFL). For ten weeks, these students learned how to invest in stocks, make trades, analyze markets, and build an individual stock market portfolio. Quinn Barry, a fourth-grade student at C.W. Longer, placed in the top ten in the elementary school division for the spring competition.

ELEMENTARY

Food Service Appreciated



Connie Snyder, FKS cafeteria manager and her staff should be commended for their efforts and flexibility this year, especially when the district was fully virtual. The cafeteria staff prepared and distributed several thousand meals during that time.

Veterans Honored

C. W. Longer students, along with the junior high and senior high choruses, honored veterans for Veterans Day 2020, by creating a virtual concert to be shared with our neighboring nursing homes. Second-, third-, and fourth-grade classes sang patriotic songs; sixth-grade orchestra students performed; and homemade signs and cards were distributed to ensure our veterans knew we were thinking of them.



PASmart Grant

The Hollidaysburg Area School District was a recipient of the PASmart Grant in the amount of \$35,000. The focus of this grant is for professional development opportunities for the elementary librarians and the establishment of computer science program(s) at the elementary level. Equipment such as LEGO WeDo's and Glowforge printers were purchased for the library at each elementary building. Students pictured below are building and programming LEGO WeDo's while interacting using the iPad and engraving/printing from the Glowforge printer using tiles.



Carmen Steele, Alyana Mitchell, Nola Holdren, Kaelyn Ivory



Jacqeline Bonin, Katie Fulton, Emily Malone, Isabella Foley



Collin Rush and Jeremiah Welch

MUSIC & DRAMA

PMEA District Virtual Chorus

At the end of January 2021, fourteen high school choral students participated in the PMEA District 6 Virtual Chorus. Our guest director was Corey Everly, who is completing his doctoral studies at Northwestern University. Students across District 6 prepared a piece of music called "Statement to the Court" by David Lang. During the festival, students rehearsed, made recordings of themselves singing their part to a prepared track, and sent them to the designated sound engineer. The final product was a virtual choir performance. What an awesome experience! Our festival experience also included an hour-long visit with Laura Osnes, a Broadway performer, and David Lang. This was an enriching experience for all!



Students participating were Baret Monahan, Olivia Snyder, Peyton Huff, Sarah Partsch, Noelle Shenk, Marian Stephens, Orphie Hartman, Blair Sutton, Ryan McLucas, Carrie Frederick, Landon Meadows, Mark McCoy, Braedon Morgan, and Meghan Frederick.

PMEA District Orchestra

The Hollidaysburg Area Senior High school was represented by 13 students for the PMEA District Orchestra Festival held virtually in February. The festival guest conductor was the popular actress, composer and conductor Soon Hee Newbold. Of the 13 participating students, ten qualified to audition for PMEA All-State Orchestra; of those students, Caleb Frailey, Neo Chen and Claire Nackley advanced to the PMEA All-State Orchestra.

PMEA All-State Ensembles/NAfME All-East Honors Ensembles

The Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School was proud to have several students participate virtually in the PMEA All-State Ensembles and the NAfME All-East Honors Ensembles. Junior Marian Stephens performed in the PMEA All-State Chorus under the direction of Rachel Cornnachio from Messiah College. Neo Chen (Sophomore-violin), Caleb Frailey (Junior-violin), and Claire Nackley (Senior-cello), performed with the PMEA All-State Orchestra under the direction of Steven Amundson of St. Olaf College. Kristen Pappal (Junior-horn), and Margaret Haines (Senior-bassoon), performed with the PMEA All-State Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Brad Genevro from University of Texas at El Paso. Brian Johnson (Senior-trombone), performed with the All-State Jazz Band under the direction of Sherrie Maricle.



Left to right: Brian Johnson, Maggie Haines, Neo Chen, Caleb Frailey, Claire Nackley and Kristen Pappal. Missing from the photo was Marian Stephens.



Marian Stephens

In addition to the PMEA festivals, two of our music students qualified to participate in the NAfME All-Eastern Honors Ensembles that were also held virtually this spring. Marian Stephens performed with the All-East Honors Choir under the direction of Dr. Cory Ganshaw. Caleb Frailey (violin), performed with the NAfME All-East Honors Orchestra under the direction of James Tapia from Syracuse University.



Caleb Frailey

MUSIC & DRAMA

Godspell

The Hollidaysburg Area Repertory Players (HARP) proudly presented the classic 70's iconic musical, *Godspell*, on June 5 and 6 via virtual performance. *Godspell* shares the story of Jesus (played by Jacob Stephens) and his disciples (Sarah Partsch, Peyton Huff, Baret Monahan, Neo Chen, Safwaan Ahmer, Devyn Amigh, Noelle Shenk, Marian Stephens, Evelyn Tang, Orphie Hartman, and Olivia Snyder), and the stories and parables taught in the Gospel of Matthew. It also chronicles the betrayal of Jesus by Judas (played by Nate Rupp) and the events surrounding the life of Jesus. The musical features beloved songs such as "Day By Day," "All Good Gifts," "By My Side," and "All for the Best." HARP was able to record the songs in-person and record the scenes and parables



via Zoom recording in order to accommodate for the recommended procedures for this year.

HARP also prepared the play, "Little Women," with a double cast in November 2020. Due to the changing hybrid and on-line educational challenges, we were able to record sections of the play that will be edited into a final format.

GACTC AWARDS



Hunter J. Neely
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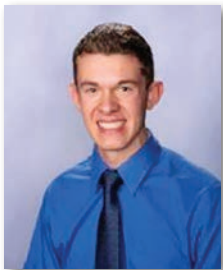
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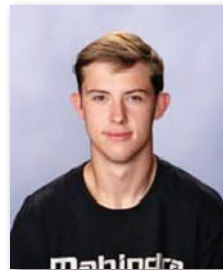
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Community Service Award
in Emergency Services



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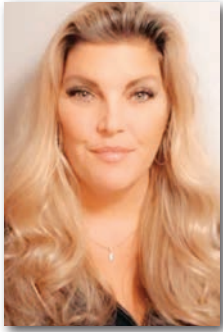
Logan J. Burk
Outdoor Power
Equipment Technology
Senior of the Year Award



Callie M. Dunmire
Visual Arts
Technologies Senior
of the Year Award
SkillsUSA First Place
Advertising Design

STAFF

ESL Program



Mrs. Cheri Grimaldi was selected through a highly competitive process by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to present at the April 15, 2021, English Language Development, Virtual Professional Learning Summit. Her presentation was titled, "Social Justice Education, Access to Equitable, Affirming, and Socially Just Education." Her presentation was an outstanding, unique combination of pertinent data and statistics, as well as heartfelt personal experience with English Learner students and their families. She continues to be an educator and advocate for these students, their families, and their communities in Pennsylvania. Her utmost dedication to her students and families is "above and beyond excellent" and she continues to touch many lives on a daily basis.

President-Elect



The PA Principals Association announced the election of Dr. Maureen Letcher, Senior High Principal, as President-Elect of the organization.

The PA Principals Association is the only professional organization in Pennsylvania dedicated to the support and well-being of school administrators with a special emphasis on elementary, middle and high school principals.

The Mission of the Pennsylvania Principals Association is to ensure a quality education for every child in Pennsylvania by comprehensively supporting the educational leaders in our schools. Congratulations Dr. Letcher!

ATHLETICS

Boys' Tennis



District 6 Class AAA Champions



Coach Brian Denis achieved his 500th career victory as the tennis coach.



Nathan Barton (left) and Brian Johnson (right), pictured with Coach Brian Denis, won the District 6 Class AAA Doubles Championship and qualified for the PIAA Championships.

ATHLETICS

Girls' Soccer



District 6 Class AAA Champions

Boys' Soccer



District 6 Class AAA Champions

Girls' Basketball



District 6-8-9 Class 5-A Sub Regional Championship

Varsity Football



District 6 Class 5-A Champions

Wrestling



Campbell Walls
- Qualifier for
the PIAA Class
AAA Northwest
Regional
Tournament

Track & Field



Lily Jodon won
the District 6 Class
AAA High Jump
Championship
and qualified for
the PIAA State
Championship.

Golf



Coach Bryan
James achieved
his 100th
career victory
as the boys'
golf coach.

FOUNDATION

Scholarship Programs Administered by the HASD Foundation

Beard Legal Group Scholarship
Winner: Brian Johnson

The Bruno and Lena DeGol Family
Foundation Scholarship
Winner: Nadia Boston

Dean & Judy Rossi Student Athletic Scholarship
Winners: Evan Shale and Agnes Hoover

Dr. Terry Andrew Memorial Scholarship
Winner: Katherine Avery

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Winner: Jacob Stephens

Eric Troy Fleck Memorial Scholarship
Winners: Sage Evans and Alyssa Bell

HASD Alumni Association Scholarship
Winner: Alyssa Bell and Bela Pequignot

Hollidaysburg Police Association Scholarship
Winner: Austin Tapia

Jaran Jacob Parker Memorial Scholarship
Winner: Ellie Sheehan

Jeanne Gildea Memorial Scholarship
Winner: MacKayla Reed

John McDonald Memorial Award
Winner: Evan Shale

Lisa Meyers Audet Educational Memorial Scholarship
Winner: Peyton Huff

Lisa Meyers Audet Memorial Scholarship
Winners: Emma John and Evan Brozenich

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Winner: Evan Brozenich

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Winner: Brian Praul

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Winners: Tyler Faber and Agnes Hoover

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Winner: Brian Praul

Stephen Hunt Meadows Scholarship
Winner: Callie Dunmire

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FOUNDATION

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In the 2020-2021 academic year, the HASD Foundation administered over \$34,000 in grants to benefit students. However, due to COVID classroom restrictions, many grants were difficult to implement. The grants listed will carry over to the 2021-2022 school year, along with over \$39,000 in newly awarded grants. Each spring, the Foundation awards grants to provide additional opportunities within the district and its classrooms. Grant applications are open to all educators and administrative staff.

- Whole Phonics: Decodable Texts K-2 – Karly Aiken, Foot of Ten Elementary
- Cover Mel: Cover One Book Repair Machine – Marcia Erickson, Junior High
- Picturing Chemistry: Doodling to Learn – Lynette Luke, Senior High
- Projection Project – Cathy Breisacher, Foot of Ten Elementary
- Interventions for the Trauma-Informed Classroom – Becky Zeek, Frankstown Elementary
- Senior High Greenhouse w/ STEM Opportunities – Kevin McCloskey, Senior High
- Greenhouse Start Up – Derek Trimmer, Frankstown Elementary
- ESports Teams – Adam Walstrom, Senior High
- Finches Take Flight – Cathey Breisacher, Foot of Ten Elementary
- Creating a Classroom for Every Learner – Jessica Miller, Foot of Ten Elementary
- Make it by Hand – Ben Fogle, Junior High
- STEM/Micro:bits – Joy Peterman, C.W. Longer Elementary
- Tools of Our Trade – Alysia Watt & Allie Kephart, Senior High

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Justin Arthur	Lindsay Detwiler	Christie James	Wendi Naugle	Veronique Stern
Mary Baker	Kimberly Devecchis	Chandra Jandora	Jennifer Newfield	Nicole Stouffer
Susan M. Baker	Kathleen Diehl	Greg Johnston	Sara Olechovski	J. Niccole Stultz
Lauren Basenback	Anne Marie Dively	Keely Jones	Jennifer Pappal	Tammy Stultz
Joy Bell	Lydia Dobrowolsky	Maren Jubas	Jessica Patterson	Dawn Summerville
Robin Bender	Amy Dodson	Alysha Kachur	Heather Perry	Lisa Surkovich
Susan Benson	Amanda S. Dutchcot	Brian Keagy	Karen Pietrolungo	Rue Ann Surma
Kimberly Bettwy	Dawn Eckenrode	Tim Keech	Brock Porter	Jon Szyal
Rachel L. Black	Dawn Elchin	Jeannette Keefer	Greggory Reese	Caitlyn Tay
Rachel Lee Black	Debra Elliott	Carlee Kennedy	Carrie Rhodes	Nichole Tewell
Christina Bracken	Marcia Erickson	Alexandra Kephart	Eileen Roberts	Connie Tomassetti
Kelley Breene	Benjamin Fogle	Dona Kirk	Stuart Roberts	Anna Marie Tomchick
Cathy Breisacher	Ann Franco	Stephen Kirsch	Karen Rosensteel	Derek Trimmer
Kim Bridenbaugh	Lacy Frazier	Laura Koehle	Kelly Rubritz	Kathy Turnbaugh
Carol Brown	Jacqueline Frieko	Brad Lear	Todd Russell	Sherri Vadas
Jennifer Brown	Teresa Fusco	Shannon Lear	Elizabeth Sagaities	Robert Valeria
Kyle Brown	Dr. Robert J. Gildea	Raquel Lemelle	David Schmelzlen	Kelli Vent
JoAnna Brumbaugh	Theresa Gillie	Angela Letizia	Alicia Schmouder	Melissa Viego
Jennifer Buffone	Deborah Grant	Heather L. Lightner	Kenzie Schneeberger	Mary Villani
Erica Burger	Brandy Gregg	Tina Love	Janey Schwind	Angela Waibel
Robert Burkey	Lindsey Griffith	Amy Loya	Lisa Schultz	Andrea Walter
Mary Kay Barton	Victoria Grosser	Lynette Luke	Cathy Seymour	Ann Wedel
Suzannah Cannon	Mark Harrington	Bill Madden	Craig A. Shale	John R. Wessner
Jennifer Carney	Brandon Harris	Kaylyn Massafra	Scott Sheehan	Lauren Wharton
Alyssa Carpenter	Jaqueline Harris	Kristy Mattern	Evelyn Sidehamer	Cynthia Wise
Summer Carson	Mike Harris	Joshua McClelland	Kelli Singer	Paul Yakymac
Justin Clark	Leah Haslam	Kevin McCloskey	Amy Smearman	Stacy Yakymac
Juli Claycomb	Renee Heiningner	Samantha McDowell	Brenda Smith	John Yogus
Kristie Clayton	Jill Hershey	Kim McGarvey	Julie Smith	Rebecca Zeek
Jason L. Clever	Misty Hewitt	Maria Mikolajczyk	Kathy Lou Smith	Jessica Zorger

Alumni Association Scholarships



Alyssa Bell

The Hollidaysburg Area School District Alumni Association would like to congratulate the graduating class of 2021 and welcome them to the Alumni. Best wishes for the future!

The Alumni Association awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Alyssa Bell. Alyssa will be attending Robert Morris University, where she will major in Biomedical Engineering and play soccer. The board also decided to award a \$500 scholarship to Bela Pequignot in memory of her grandfather, Bill Pequignot, who started the Alumni Association; and her aunt, Laurie Smith, who was also involved in the Alumni Association. Bela is heading to Duesquesne University in the fall to major in Business.



Bela Pequignot

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Alumni Association

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Alumni Association did not hold the Annual Distinguished Alumni dinner; however, a new date will be set for February 2022.

Work is underway for the 2022 Alumni Directory. The directory is published every three to four years by PCI, an agency that collaborates with the Alumni Association. PCI will be reaching out to Alumni via phone, email and mail, so please take a moment to respond and update your information.

Visit our website at www.hasdalumni.org to join the Alumni Association and gain access to the alumni directory, submit alumni events, read alumni spotlights and more.

Restore the Roar

The Restore the Roar Project has made great progress towards its ambitious goals and is now moving on to the next phase: a digital scoreboard. Efforts are underway for a new and more modernized digital scoreboard that will feature players and community sponsors.

The Restore the Roar fundraiser this year is a chance to win a dream vacation! Entrants have a chance to win either a Disney Vacation for four valued at over \$7,000 or a Caribbean Vacation for two worth over \$6,400. Tickets are \$50 each and are available at the following ticket outlets: The HASD Athletic Office; The HASD Administration Building; Copy-Rite, Hollidaysburg; the Locker Room, Hollidaysburg; Thompson's Pharmacy, Hollidaysburg; Ace Hardware, Duncansville; and Ketrow-Kurtz Travel, Duncansville.

Through the generosity of an anonymous alumnus, each ticket donation will be matched, and each entrant will receive a second raffle ticket free! All proceeds benefit the addition of the digital scoreboard at Tiger Stadium. For complete contest rules, visit www.hasdfoundation.org.



Foundation Grants

The 2020-2021 school year presented many challenges to the grant process. Due to COVID restrictions, many grants are on hold until 2021-2022. One grant implemented prior to the start of the 2020-2021 school year was the "Culture and Climate Before Stepping Through the Door." Frankstown Elementary welcomed students with photos on the door and music playing in the lobby. In a year of many changes and challenges, this grant was perfectly timed to aid in greeting students and staff with some positivity!

Mrs. Surkovich's reading room was quite popular this year after the addition of easily cleaned "wobbly chairs" which encourage concentration by allowing kids to move around while still actively engaging in the lessons. Additional flexible seating will be added to Mrs. Surkovich's classroom for the 2021-2022 school year.

Grants totaling over \$33K were awarded for the 2021-2022 school year. Libraries in all buildings will be able to repair books; chemistry students will learn through an exciting doodling program, an esports program will be offered at the high school and will promote online team activities, allowing for a broader scope of students to benefit from being part of a team for their school. Students will have the opportunities to experience all of this and much more! For a complete list, visit www.hasdfoundation.org.



Wobble Chairs

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Foundation Educators-of-the-Year

Congratulations to Mrs. Melissa Jack, math teacher at the senior high school, and Dr. Sarah Palazzi, reading teacher at C. W. Longer Elementary and Frankstown Elementary, for being selected as the 2020-2021 HASD Foundation Educators-of-the-Year.



Elementary EOY pictured left to right: First row: Dr. Sarah Palazzi, 2020-2021 Elementary EOY; Kim Van Buren, Foundation board member. Second row: Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator; Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Jennifer Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent. Third row: Ben Caldwell, Human Resources Director; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent.



Secondary EOY pictured left to right: First row: Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Melissa Jack, 2020-2021 Secondary EOY; Dr. Maureen Letcher, Senior High Principal. Second row: Kim Van Buren, Foundation board member; Jennifer Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent; Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator. Third row: Ben Caldwell, Human Resources Director; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent.

The awards are sponsored by the HASD Foundation and Horace Mann Insurance.

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Foundation Impact Awards

The Foundation Impact Award recognizes those who are not teachers that have a positive impact on our students and co-workers. The 2020-2021 recipients were Wendy Lieb, school nurse at the junior high school and Ken Smith, lead custodian at C. W. Longer Elementary and substitute bus driver.



Elementary Impact Award pictured left to right: Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent; Brian Keagy, C. W. Longer Principal; Jennifer Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent; Ken Smith, 2020-2021 Elementary Impact Award recipient; Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Kim Van Buren, Foundation board member; Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator; Ben Caldwell, Human Resources Director.



Secondary Impact Award winner pictured left to right: First row: Jennifer Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent; Wendy Lieb, 2020-2021 Secondary Impact Award recipient. Second row: Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Lydia Dobrowolsky, Junior High Principal; Kim Van Buren, Foundation board member. Third row: Ben Caldwell, Human Resources Director; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent; Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator.

