

Dear Staff,

It's tough to include everyone who deserves recognition at Nettle Creek School Corporation each week. During this week, we take a special opportunity to recognize this fact and send EVERYONE a tip of the Tiger's tail in honor of Employee Appreciation Week! THANK YOU for what you do to make NCSC a great place for students to learn. Some of us touch students' lives directly, and some of us supply indirect support so that students' needs are met at high levels, day-in and day-out. Thank you! When you read about what's happening in this week's newsletter, please know that we appreciate your contributions, too. I've heard it said: Your dedication shows that we can't ride an elevator to success — we can only take the steps together, one at a time. We mean YOU!



We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to Ms. Oliger and Ms. Overfield for the work they did together with students in preparation for the Prom. The event was held at the golf course in town with buses taking students and their guests to Indianapolis for some fun for the After-Prom. Students were dressed incredibly well. We breathed a sigh of relief when Ms. Bowman texted us that everyone returned safely home at 5:30 Sunday morning. Many other staff members and friends and spouses attended the event. They include: Ms. Stainbrook, Ms. Murphy, Mr. Dawson, Ms. Waters, Mr. Overfield, Mr. Oliger, Mr. and Ms. Lester, Ms. Thompson and a friend, Ms. VanMeter, Ms. Hendrickson, Mr. Sloniker and 'the soon to be' Ms. Sloniker (I found out they've set the date for the end of December!), Mr. and Ms. Cadle and Mr. Childs. Thanks for the photo Ms. Overfield! Yours came out a whole lot better than any of mine.



Each of the Spring sports coaches and their staffs deserve a tip of the Tiger's tail for their success thus far in the season! Certainly, the boys baseball team being ranked FIRST IN THE STATE is big news for Mr. Catey, his staff and his players. The game last week against Union County that we won in the eleventh inning will forever be memorable! Keep up the good work, Mr. Catey! Mr. Gray's track & field teams continue their tradition of excellence breezing past the competition. Last week one could go from watching baseball to track & field events and to girls tennis all on the same afternoon without driving any further than from one building to the other. I have to remind myself that a whole lot of great coaching and practicing goes on between those competitions! Go Tigers!



We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to Ms. Overfield for submitting sixty-eight pieces of student artwork to the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual All Wayne County High School Art Exhibition. Over fifty of those pieces will be featured from Sunday, April 23 to Saturday, May 20 at IU East. A Reception and Awards ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00P.M. in Whitewater Hall on the IU East campus.

Ms. Cole was one of several office personnel who received a surprise this past week as students in Ms. Hobson's class showed appreciation for the contributions made by office assistants to our school corporation. Students made cloth bags filled with rice that are just the ticket to relieve stress at work. We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to Ms. Hobson for incorporating life skills into her curriculum and teaching her students the importance of showing gratitude.



Holy Mackerel! Have you seen the gym floor at HJR./SR.H?! While gym floors are recoated and buffed every other year, there comes a time when wooden gym floors need to be thoroughly sanded all of the way down to the bare wood and refinished. If you weren't around for "the great flood" when the gym floor was newly laid, then chances are you haven't seen the floor completely sanded. Now is your chance. How cool to have this opportunity to start over and do a little more with color and design. Though I haven't seen the drawing, I understand the new floor will be unlike anything else in the area – much like what we offer our students educationally in grades K-12, I might add!



We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to Ms. VanMeter and the staff who attended the induction of new members to the National Honor Society. Seniors were awarded cords for their work through the year on National Honor Society projects that included activities at the Jr./Sr. high, at the elementary school and in the community. Seeing those seniors on stage was a reminder to all that the Class of 2017 is going to be truly missed.



The next few weeks are going to be very busy in every classroom and in every department! Ms. Isaacs and the HES PTO are holding a book fair all week. They are running a special Buy One Get One offer for budget-conscious shoppers! Music/Art programs are coming up for Ms. Cline and Ms. Combs. These teachers prepare all through the year with their students for these performances! A committee will be making determinations about scholarships for students. We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to our staff, community representative and bank representatives as they tend to this responsibility. Interviews begin this week to identify two candidates to present to the Board for their determination of who will serve as NCSC's next Director of Transportation. We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to the bus drivers, assistant principals, Ms. Toler and Mr. Hillman for helping out with interviews. The big Tiger Booster Invitational track meet is Friday night. Good luck, Mr. Gray! I know many NCSC folks are volunteering to help everything run smoothly. Thanks helpers! We expect great weather and a huge crowd!

On Monday you will be receiving a purple mug filled with good wishes. Thank you for what you do every day. We cannot show our appreciation enough!

Yours for another successful week with children!

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