



Congratulations Sarah Justice & RMS/RHS Media Center

On October 21, Sarah Justice was named the 2016 Media Coordinator of the Year by the North Carolina School Library Media Association. Congratulations to Sarah for all of her creativity and hard work!



Allison Whitmire Named School Winner in Wendy's High School Heisman

In October, Wendy's named Rosman High School senior Allison Whitmire as a School Winner in Wendy's High School Heisman Trophy Competition. The Wendy's High School Heisman has honored more than 600,000 of the nation's most esteemed high school seniors who share Wendy's values of giving back to their communities, treating people with respect, continuing education and excelling on the athletic field.

The Pattons Support TCS



In September, the Brevard High School JROTC, along with members of the marching band, unveiled a new 30 x 60-foot American flag that was donated to the school by Frank and Donna Patton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Patton have also been collecting aluminum cans for several months now in order to raise money for the Brevard High School band. Their “Cans for Band” project has raised more than \$6,000 to date. A big “thank you” goes to Mr. and Mrs. Patton for all they have done and continue to do for our schools.

RHS Commended for Graduation Rate



97.6%

Rosman High School recently received a letter of commendation from State Superintendent Dr. June Atkinson for achieving a graduation rate of 97.6% in 2016. Rosman was one of only 147 high schools across the state that achieved a rate of 95% or higher last year. This noteworthy achievement represents much hard work and team effort from the school's faculty, staff, parents and community.

TC Vector Patrol Presents: Mosquitoes in Our Backyard

On November 15, the TC Vector Patrol presented “Mosquitoes in Our Backyard” at the Transylvania County Library. Dr. Brian Byrd, Western Carolina University Environmental Health expert, presented the results of local mosquito research conducted by TCS 8th graders, TIME 4 Real Science students, and WCU students.



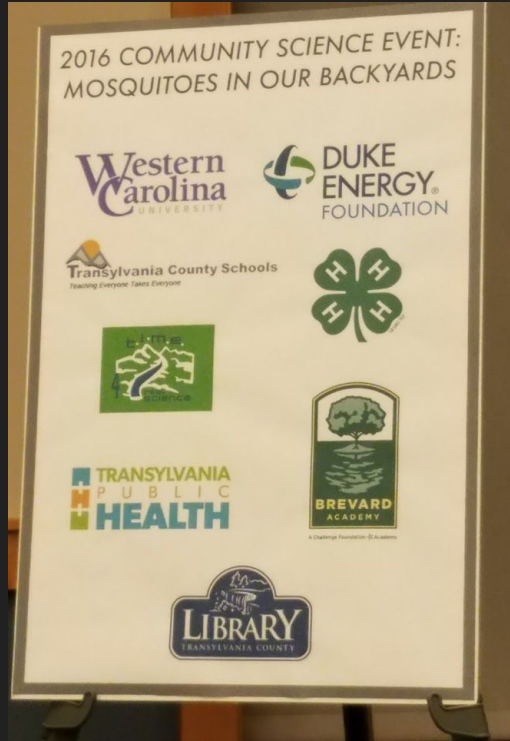
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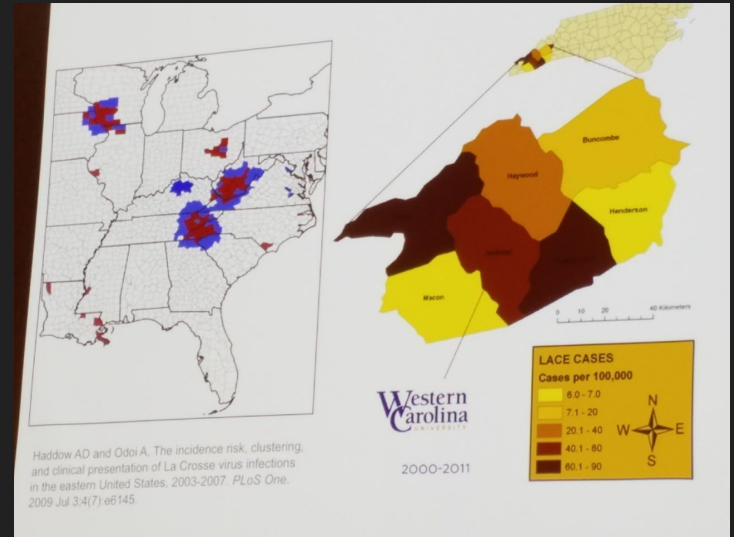
Jennifer Williams, Brevard High School TIME science teacher, and Mary Arnaudin, Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Coordinator, were the directors.



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The purpose of the study was to identify the different types of mosquitoes present in the county in order to help health officials assess the local risk of mosquito borne diseases such as Zika and LaCrosse Encephalitis. The results of the research will be added to a statewide database of mosquito species in North Carolina.



Annual Transportation Review



On October 3, DPI Transportation Services conducted its annual review of the Transylvania County Schools bus maintenance program. The review included physical inspections of school buses, compliance with preventive maintenance schedules and monthly bus inspections, and reviews of accounting, inventory and other control systems. The TCS bus garage received an excellent review. The 2016-2017 inspection score was 14.00.

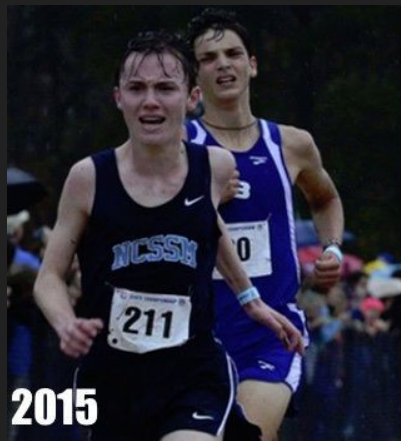
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This score is a means to track improvement from one year to the next. The lower the score indicates fewer defects found during the inspection. The inspection score last year was 20.33. The average score for school districts in the western region last year was 24.09. The bus garage also received a score of 100% on its random inventory check. Congratulations to Keith Wilmot and the transportation staff for their excellent work.



Graham avenged a narrow 2015 loss. On the right, the final kick that earned him National “Kick of the Week” on MileSplit.



Cross-Country State Champs

On November 5, Brevard High School Cross-Country won again at the NCHSAA 2A state meet in Greensboro: a second straight title for the Blue Devil girls anchored by Eliza Witherspoon (2nd) and Ava Findlay (4th), and Noah Graham’s first fall title after a double title in the spring, followed by Andrew Robinson (4th). Huge congratulations to all the Blue Devil state finalists and champions, along with Coaches Philip Latter and Jackie Witherspoon. The runners will be recognized at halftime during Brevard’s home playoff football game on Friday, November 25.



From Hour of Code 2015:

Let students explore! Who knows where the journey might go?
#HourOfCode #MakingThingsHappen



Rae Parker on Twitter

"RES principal Mr. Stickler plays a game Kaeden created using Code!
#HourOfCode @TransylvaniaSch"

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Hour of Code

Computer Science Education Week (CSEdWeek) is an annual event designed to inspire K-12 students worldwide to take interest in computer science. Transylvania County Schools will participate in the Hour of Code during the week of December 5-11, 2016. The Hour of Code gives students an opportunity to try computer programming in a fun and easy way for just one hour during the week. Computer science job opportunities are growing at twice the national average and can be applied to most any field. Start coding today!