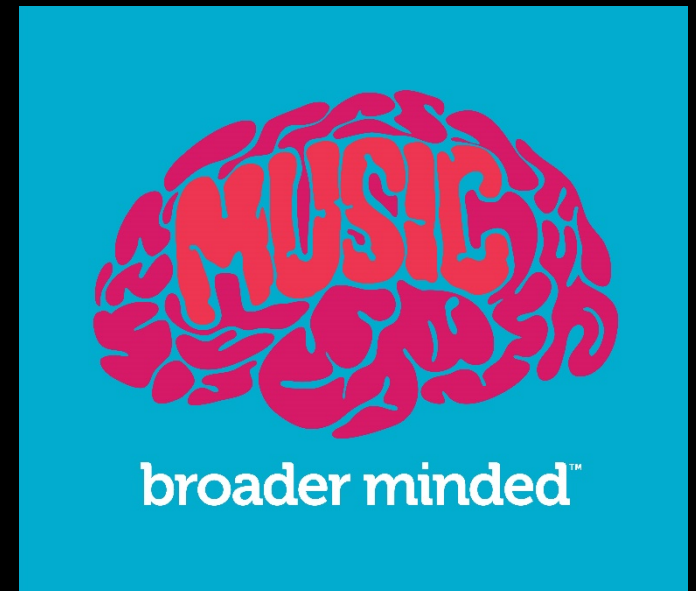


# Music in Our Schools Month

March is recognized each year as Music in Our Schools Month. Sponsored by the National Association for Music Education, the event focuses the nation's attention on the need for and benefits of quality music education programs. Schools and community groups celebrate with creative activities and events based on the theme, "Music Inspires." We take this opportunity to thank all of our music educators for instilling an appreciation of music and inspiring young musicians and performers to pursue their dreams.



# School Social Workers' Week

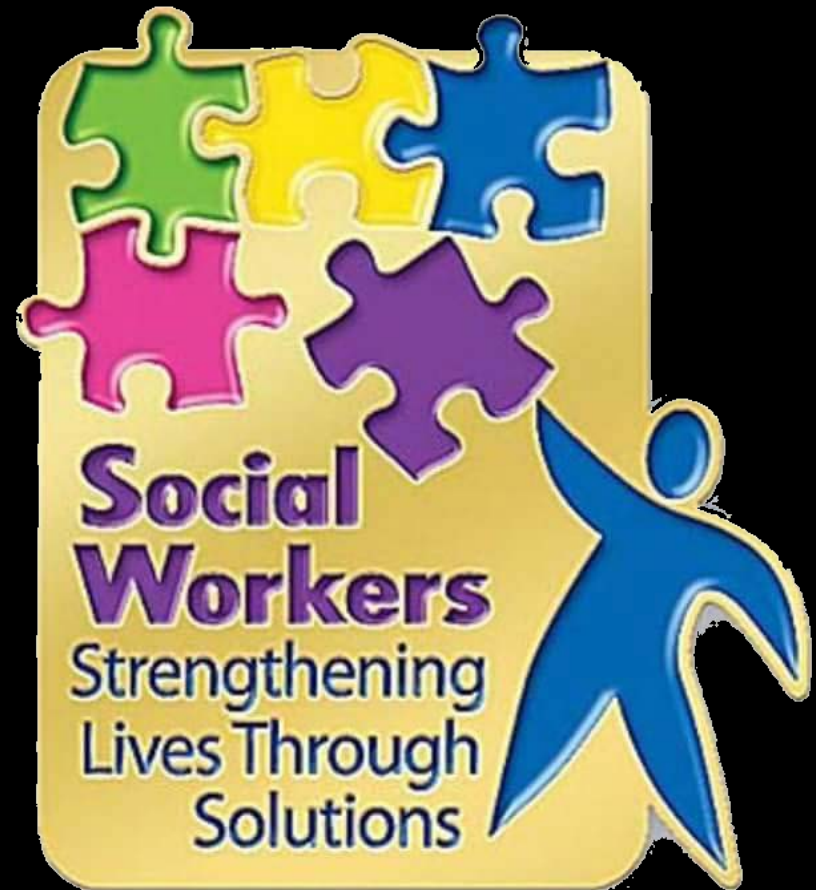
The week of March 5-11, 2017 is celebrated as National School Social Workers' Week across the country. The *School Social Work Association of America* website says it best:

For those who do not feel heard – School Social Workers listen.

For those who have unmet needs – School Social Workers advocate.

For those who are marginalized – School Social Workers empower.

“Be the change you want to see in the world” is a quote that has been attributed to Mahatma Gandhi. We thank our dedicated and caring school social workers and student advocates who go above and beyond seven days a week, 52 weeks a year, to be positive agents of change in the lives of students and families in our community.



# School Breakfast Week



March 6-10, 2017 is National School Breakfast Week. Launched in 1989 to raise awareness of the availability of the school breakfast program to all children, School Breakfast Week is an opportunity to celebrate the millions of breakfasts that are provided to hungry children every single school day.

Our thanks go to the hard working men and women in the Transylvania County School Nutrition department for their work in preparing nutritious, affordable, and tasty meals for students throughout the school year and beyond.

# United Way Campaign

Transylvania County Schools had another successful donation campaign for the United Way.

For the 2016-2017 campaign, the school system was recognized with the Gold Award, the Highest Number of Donors Award, and the Workplace Heavy Lifters Award.

Thanks to Scott Strickler, TCS United Way campaign chair, and everyone who participated.





# RHS Women's State Wrestling Champs



Rosman High School's Madison Fisher and Shaylan Fisher competed in the first ever North Carolina Wrestling Association's Women's State Championship Tournament in February where they took first place in the 125 pound and 135 pound weight classes. Way to go, Fisher girls!

# Men's State Wrestling Results

Rosman High School wrestlers Tanner Whitman and Cody Swangim each finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state in their respective weight classes at the recent State Wrestling Championship Tournament. Tanner finished his varsity career with 153 wins (second most in RHS history) and is the first Rosman wrestler to qualify and place at state in all four years.

From Brevard High School, Logan Roth was state runner-up at 160 pounds, Daniel McJunkin finished in 6th place at 152 pounds, and Cole Galloway took 5th place at 126 pounds. Congratulations to all!



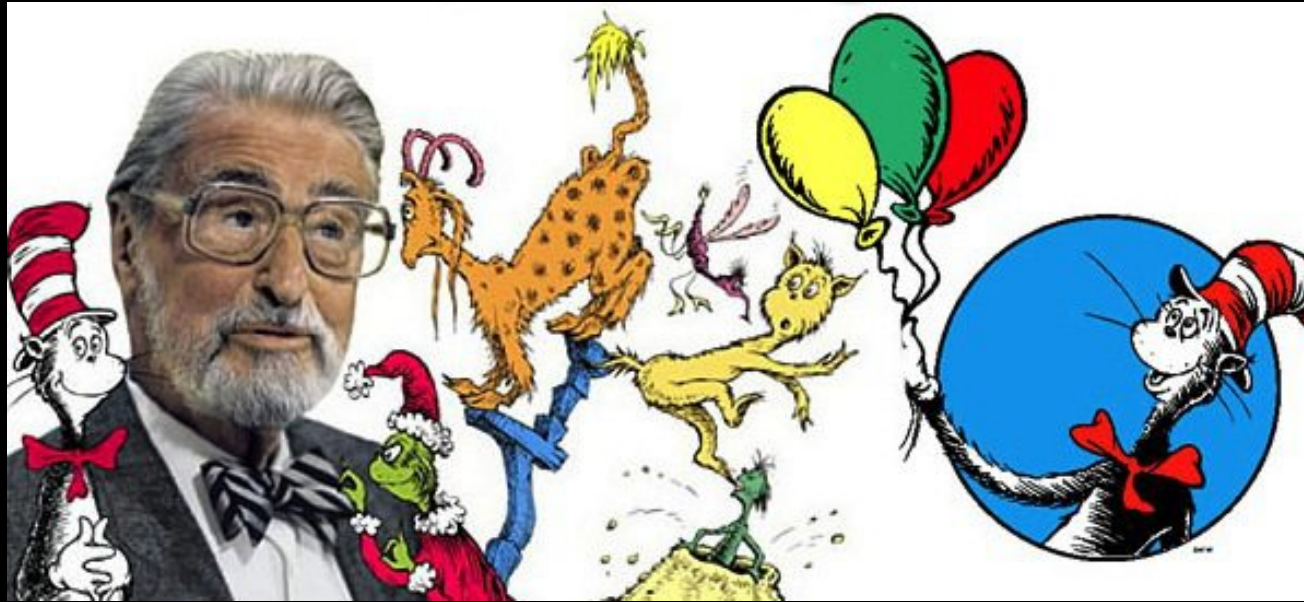


# TIME Science Students Represent NC at AAAS Conference

Ingrid Findlay, Selina Brown, Chase Bishop and James Thompson, student scientists from Transylvania County's TIME 4 Real Science Program, recently traveled to Boston to present their research at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) meeting. The AAAS seeks to "advance science, engineering, and innovation throughout the world for the benefit of all people." While in Boston, the students got to tour an x-ray diffraction lab clean room, perform a lab at Novartis Pharmaceuticals, tour Northeastern University and construct a winning earthquake-resistant structure, meet honeybee expert Mae Barenbaum, and be inducted into the American Junior Academy of Science at a dinner held in the historic Boston Library. Wow!



# National #ReadAcrossAmerica Day



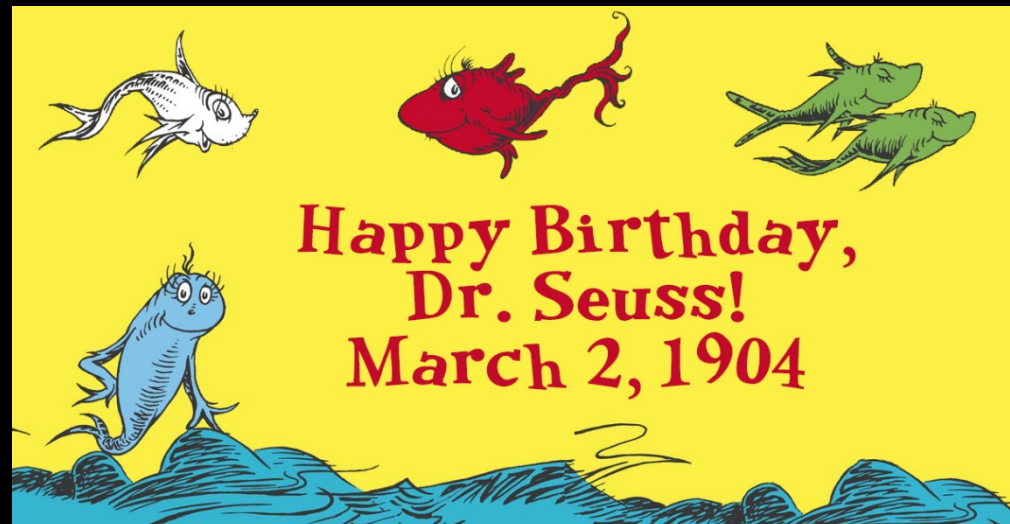
Each year, National Read Across America Day is celebrated on March 2nd, the birthday of famed children's author, Dr. Seuss. In schools across America, guest readers are invited into elementary classrooms to read to students and help them celebrate the joys of reading. Speaking of Dr. Seuss, did you know these five fun facts?

1. Theodor Seuss Geisel adopted the pen name "Dr. Seuss" because he was saving his real name for the Great American Novel he intended to write one day.



# National #ReadAcrossAmerica Day

2. Dr. Seuss was not a doctor. He briefly studied English literature at Oxford after graduating from Dartmouth, but instead became a cartoonist. In 1955, Dartmouth awarded him an honorary doctorate.
3. Only four of the 44 books Dr. Seuss wrote and illustrated are written in prose.
4. Dr. Seuss wrote “The Cat in the Hat” because he was concerned about kids learning to read. A publisher reportedly challenged him to “write me a story that first-graders can’t put down!”
5. Dr. Seuss has received an Emmy, a Peabody award, and a Pulitzer Prize (special citation).



Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

# Students Earn Seats In All-State Band

Students from Brevard Middle and Brevard High auditioned along with the best players in the state over the weekend of March 4th. They were judged on scales, a prepared solo, and sightreading.

Top scoring players will rehearse at UNC Greensboro from May 5-7 and present a free concert in the Aycock Auditorium at UNCG on May 7. For the middle school band, Brevard was 2<sup>nd</sup> only to North Buncombe Middle in the number of students that made the band from the Western District(14 counties).

From Mr. Mulligan: "It's been over 15 years since we've had three BMS students make the band. BHS also had three... It's been over 15 years since we've sent SIX students from Transylvania County to All State. It's a big deal for them... This is their Super Bowl, and these children are GREAT!"

# Students Earn Seats In All-State Band

## BMS:

Anna Reed 4th Chair Flute, Clare Kennerly 9th Chair Clarinet, Frank Parsons 13th Chair Clarinet, Rebecca Milligan 1st Alternate Trumpet

## BHS:

Sara Megown 8th chair clarinet, John Nguyen 2nd chair bass clarinet, Ashlea Milligan 7th chair French horn

