TCS Hosts Squirrel Box Derby

On Saturday, May 27, Transylvania County Schools hosted the 10th Annual Squirrel Box Derby during the White Squirrel Festival in downtown Brevard. A number of school system employees volunteered their time and effort to help make the Derby, always the highlight of the festival, a big success. This year's running of the derby was made possible by the **Brevard High School Band** Association, which used it as a fundraiser.



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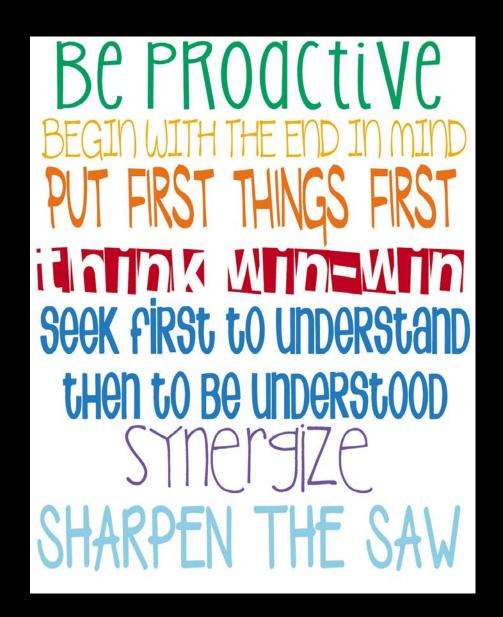


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Along with the BHS Band Association, many community sponsors and partners helped to make the Derby possible, including the Heart of Brevard, Transylvania County Rescue Squad, Comporium Communications, State Farm Insurance, T. E. Allen Engineering, O.P. Taylor's, Highline Ink, Dugan's Pub, Lowe's Home Improvement, and Charlie's Tire Center. Special thanks go to Kevin Smith for his work coordinating the event!

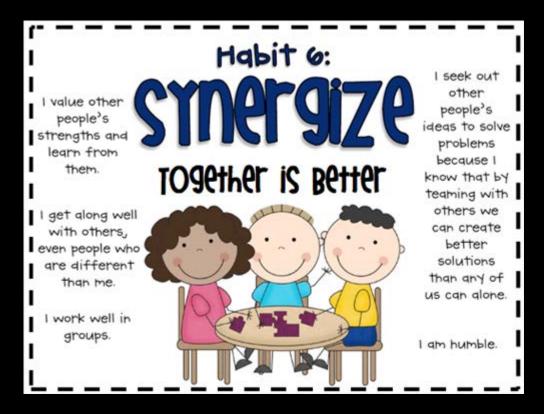


RES Embraces "The Leader in Me"



Rosman Elementary School is excited to begin a journey helping children set goals for the future by moving towards becoming a "Leader in Me" school. The Leader in Me model begins with a powerful premise—every child possesses unique strengths and has the ability to be a leader—which shapes the views of staff to value and develop the whole child.

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The process integrates leadership development into existing programs, curricula and traditions, and serves as a foundational operating system for the school by improving relationships, transforming culture, and highly motivating staff and students (http://www.theleaderinme.org/footer-menu/q-a/). The next school year will be focused on staff training and implementation, with students learning more about the Leader in Me initiative throughout the 2018-2019 school year and beyond.

Educators of the Year 2017-2018



Transylvania County Schools

At the "Teacher of the Year" Awards Evening on May 22, Rebecca Green, BMS, was named as the Transylvania County District Teacher of the Year and Paula Fisher, DRS, was named as the Transylvania County District Teacher Assistant of the Year for 2017-2018. Congratulations to Ms. Green, Ms. Fisher, and all of the educators listed below who were recognized as the "best of the best" by their colleagues for 2017-2018. The district Teacher of the Year award is sponsored by First Citizens Bank of Brevard.

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Educators of the Year 2017-2018



Teachers of the Year:
Carol Martin, BES
Sara Plum, BHS
Rebecca Green, BMS
Arami Bolick-Moore, DRS
Laura Burgess, PFES
Anneme Suttles, RES
Patrick Chapman*, RHS
Christine Glance, RMS
Jennifer Corn, TCH

Teacher Assistants of the Year:

Terri Upton, BES
Barbara Stewart*, BHS
Karen Britt, BMS
Paula Fisher, DRS
Cindy Kiser, PFES
Tracy Owen, RES
Sandy O'Rourke, RHS
Vickie Ayers, TCH



Educators of the Year 2017-2018



Student Services Person of the Year: Ashley Witt, PFES



Principal of the Year: April Gaydosh, BES



Media/Technology Person of the Year: Vera Cubero, BHS



Rookie of the Year: Jacob Osteen, RES

TC Scholars and Memorable Educators





On May 18, Transylvania County Schools honored 180 sophomores, juniors, and seniors and 35 individuals named as memorable educators by the class of 2017 at the 34th Annual Transylvania County Schools Scholars Recognition Evening. The celebration began in the Brevard High School cafeteria with a delicious buffet provided by the TCS School Nutrition department, then moved to the auditorium for the presentation of academic awards, scholarship awards, and the naming of Junior Marshals for 2017. Our congratulations to all of the honorees!

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RHS Senior TC Scholars





BHS Senior TC Scholars

The 2017 Friday Medal

The Friday Institute for Educational Innovation at NC State University's College of Education honors significant, distinguished and enduring contributions to education



through advocating innovation, advancing learning, and imparting inspiration. The Friday Medal is given annually to selected individuals who embody the mission and spirit of the Friday Institute. Past recipients include:

- Judge Howard E. Manning, Jr., Former Superior Court Judge who oversaw enforcement of Leandro v. State of North Carolina
- Hon. Bob Wise, President of the Alliance for Excellent Education and former Governor of West Virginia
- Muriel Thomas Summers, Principal of A.B. Combs Leadership Elementary School and co-author of The Leader in Me
- Dr. David H. Rose, faculty member at Harvard University and co-founder and chief education officer for the Center for Applied Special Technology (CAST)
- Dr. Bill McNeal, Transformation School Coach in Durham and the 2004 National Superintendent of the Year
- Hon. James B. Hunt, Jr., former Governor of the State of North Carolina

The 2017 Friday Medal

This year the Friday Medal will be awarded to innovative superintendents of rural North Carolina school districts. Dr. Jeff McDaris has been selected as one of the seven superintendents to receive the Friday Medal. The awards ceremony will be held on November 15, 2017 at the Friday Institute for Educational Innovation in Raleigh, NC. Congratulations, Dr. McDaris!

Darrin Hartness – Davie County
Anthony Jackson – Vance County

Jeff McDaris – Transylvania County

Jason Mason – Rutherford County

Lynn Moody – Rowan Salisbury

Patrick Miller – Greene County

Robert Taylor – Bladen County



Graduation 2017

Congratulations to all our 2017 graduates! All are invited to watch graduation LIVE ONLINE, and view the archive after the ceremony, at the same link on our TCS YouTube channel.

Thanks to TCS Technology, there are separate links for each ceremony, where users can watch during and after graduation at our YouTube page: http://youtube.com/tcsnc.

Davidson River School: Friday, June 9, 10:00 a.m. youtu.be/CtHjKWy4I40

Brevard High School: Friday, June 9, 6:00 p.m. youtu.be/BpNZPil34fU

Rosman High School: Saturday, June 10, 10:00 a.m. youtu.be/atWVh3NcB1Q

