

National Teacher Appreciation Week

Across the nation, the week of May 6-12 is designated as Teacher Appreciation Week, and Tuesday, May 8th is National Teacher Day. School and community organizations will have activities throughout the week to honor and thank teachers for all that they do.

As a part of the celebration, the Transylvania County Association of Educators (TCAE) will hold its "Friends of Education" banquet on Thursday, May 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rogow Room of the Transylvania County Library. The annual "Teacher of the Year" awards ceremony will be held on May 31 at 5:30 p.m. in the Rogow Room of the Transylvania County Library.



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National Principals' Day

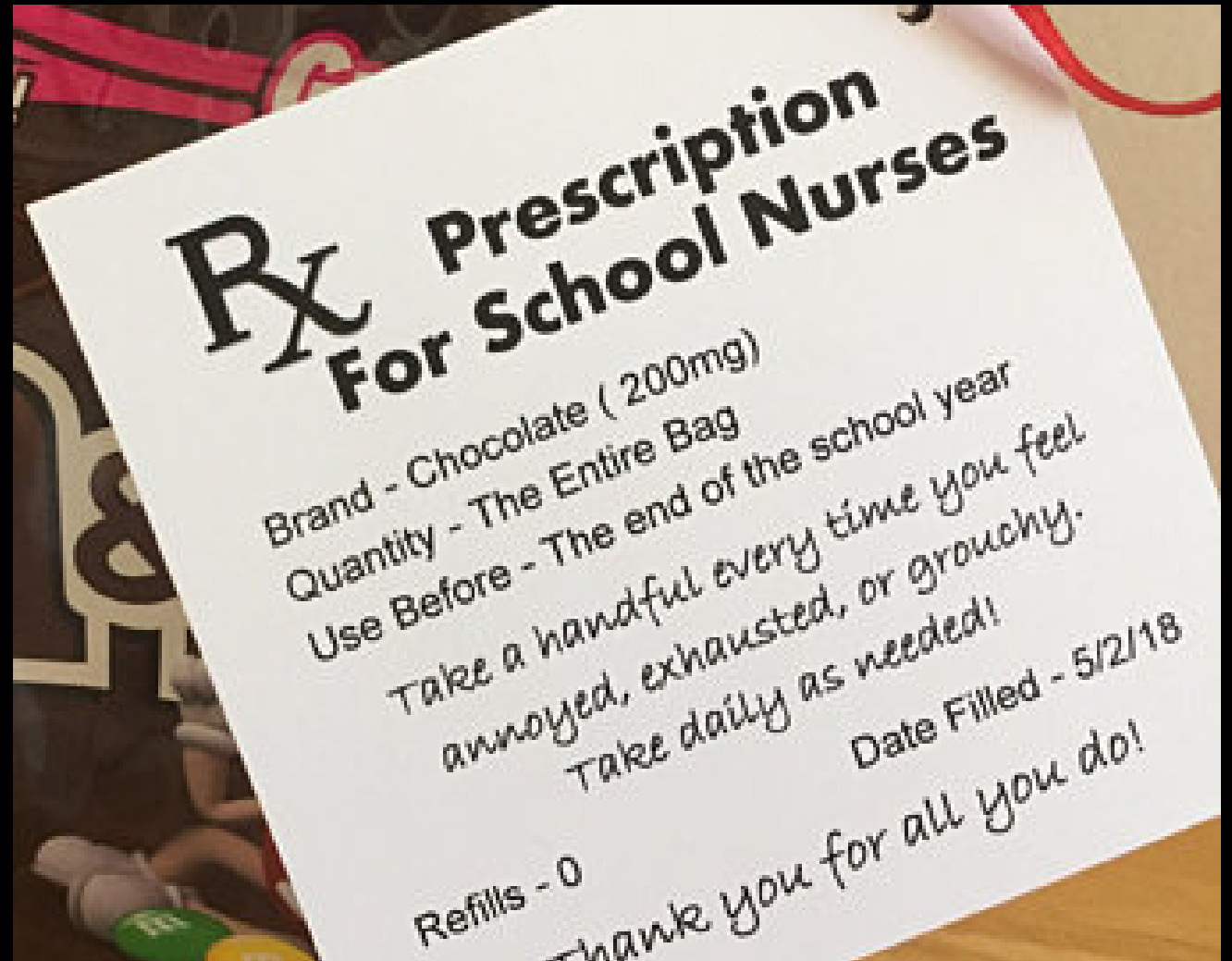


May 1st is recognized annually as National School Principals' Day, a time to honor the hard work and leadership of school principals everywhere. It is our opportunity to say "thank you" to these dedicated professionals and to share with the community all the great things that principals do to support the education of our students.

National School Nurse Day

Wednesday, May 9, is National School Nurse Day. School nurses work with a complex array of school health issues including immunizations; health care screenings; hearing and vision testing; home accidents; diseases such as diabetes and asthma; student obesity; special needs such as tube feeding; preventing the spread of disease through blood exposure; and the fallout from mental, emotional, and social problems.

For some students, the school nurse is the only health care professional they ever see. Join us in thanking our hard working school nurses for all they do.



School Nutrition Appreciation Week & School Lunch Hero Day

School Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week (May 7-11) kicked off on Friday, May 4, with School Lunch Hero Day. Our system's school nutrition professionals deserve recognition because they do it all—preparing healthy meals for students, adhering to strict nutrition standards, navigating student food allergies, catering events (big and small)--and they do it all with a smile.

School Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week is the perfect time to say thank you to the hardworking superheroes in our school cafeterias.



Holocaust Interview

As part of their junior research project for Mrs. Dotson's English classes, RHS students Savanna Cook, Emma Galloway, Donovan Carr, Canon Clayton, Levi Galloway, Zach Goldsmith, and Braedon Welyczko had the opportunity to interview Mrs. Kay Kadden, a 98-year old resident at College Walk. The students, along with Dr. Marshall, Coach Ramey, and Mrs. Powell, heard Mrs. Kadden tell the history of her family and the Holocaust.

In 1937, at the age of 17, Mrs. Kadden was able to come to America due to sponsorship by a family member in New York. She tells of her father escaping from Nazi concentration camps, her cousins' experience during The Night of Broken Glass, and of her personal return to her family home in Germany after the war.



A+ School Spotlight: Brevard Elementary

Brevard Elementary School was recently highlighted in the A+ Schools of North Carolina newsletter. Brevard Elementary is a first-year A+ school whose educators are transforming their school in a creative learning environment through innovative arts-integrated lesson planning, district support, and strong community involvement.

To read the full interview with Principal April Gaydosh, go to <https://aplus-schools.ncdcr.gov/blog/school-spotlight-brevard-elementary>.



Battle of the Books Winners

T.C. Henderson School of Science and Technology won the Elementary Battle of the Books on April 12, and Brevard Middle took top honors in the Middle School BoB.

TC competed at regionals on April 24th, 2018 in Waynesville, where Bethel Elementary of Haywood County took top honors for Region 8. Team members include Max Ballard, Dillon Galloway, Alyssa MacDonald, Peyton Baumgarner, Sarah Whitesides, Emjhey DelaPena, Mila Acebal, with coaches Dawn Brookshire and Elizabeth Ballard.

Brevard Middle attended their regional competition in Sylva on March 20th, finishing 5th out of 9 teams. Team members included Val Butler, Elizabeth Caroway, Brett Hughey, Teah Izzard, Isabella LaRose, Trevor Long, Lindsey Reece, Macayle Stevens, and Laeela Waryono, with coach Amy Galloway.



Taste of Transylvania Success!

We want to thank the TCS Educational Foundation for all their efforts, especially their recent fundraiser on May 1st, the Seventh Annual Taste of Transylvania. With over a dozen restaurants donating their appetizers, entrées, and desserts, TCSEF was able to raise approximately \$24,000 thanks to nearly 250 people in attendance. That number includes 47 staff tickets, 24 of which were for grant recipients who came to discuss their projects with attendees.

Winners included chefs from The Pavilion at Key Falls Inn, Schenck Job Corps and Blue Ridge Community College, and Magpie Meat and Three, with crowd favorite The Pavilion at Key Falls Inn earning the Taster's Choice award by popular vote.

We send thanks and congratulations to outgoing Executive Director Cressa Megown, and we send a warm welcome to new Executive Director Shannon Allison, who will help the foundation add to over \$125,000 which has been given to our classrooms and students since 2009.



Outdoor Education Day Success at PFE

Pisgah Forest Elementary School hosted an “Outdoor Education Day” after the early release on May 2, to mark the first full year of their “No Child Left Inside” initiative and the many partners who have helped to make it possible.

From the Outdoor Classroom to the recent UTOTES grant from the NC Museum of Natural Science and their collaboration with Mountain Roots, PFE students and families have much to celebrate.



Lazarus the Pig & Brevard FFA Fundraiser

Lazarus is one lucky little piglet, from being born “dead” and not breathing at the BHS barn, to being saved by the efforts of the Brevard High FFA students, who literally brought him back to life through CPR. Lazarus is thriving and basking in all the special attention. Plans are for Lazarus to be a “show pig” when he grows up.

To operate as a CTSO (career-technical student organization) and to attend all their events, Brevard FFA raises about \$40,000 each year. Cleaning the stadium after football games, and hosting benefit concerts, are just a couple ways this group works together to hit that goal.

To stay abreast of animals saved and cared for by the Brevard FFA students, follow their Instagram account, [@farm_miracles](#).



Rosman FFA Shows Well At Spring Fling

Rosman FFA had their final pig show of the season on April 15th at the WNC Spring Fling. This was a totally new experience for the students, and they represented Rosman with class, grew out three pretty nice hogs, and made lots of memories. The show brought tough competition but the students hung in and did a great job.

Meredith Maiken earned sixth place, Avery McNeely took seventh place, and Sara Wilson took fourth place and final drive for senior showmanship. This first season of showing livestock at the Rosman FFA Student Farm has been possible thanks to the many generous sponsors within our community. Rosman High School and Rosman FFA appreciate everyone's continued support.



Rosman Highlighters Earn Silver On The Road

The Rosman High School Choir, known as the "Rosman Highlighters," recently took their talent on the road to Charlotte, NC for a performance trip. On Saturday, April 14, they performed four pieces of music: "Wade in the Water," "Gaudete," "Barb'ry Allen," and "Coney Island."

Three professional adjudicators gave performance feedback to the choir, and the director from UNC-Charlotte gave a 20-minute clinic as part of the performance experience. Afterwards, students got to enjoy the beautiful weather and Carowinds Amusement Park, and the choir brought home a Silver Award. Great job, Rosman Highlighters!



Rosman Track Hosts Leesa Anderson Invitational

On April 23, Rosman High School hosted their second track meet of the season, the Leesa Anderson Invitational, to support “Leesa’s Legacy Fund,” which was established to provide assistance to any Rosman Middle and Rosman High students in need.

Congratulations to Coach Jacob Montgomery and members of the RHS Track Team for hosting six schools for the meet: Rosman, Brevard, West Henderson, North Buncombe, Mitchell, and Tuscola.



11th Annual Squirrel Box Derby

The BHS Band Association, in partnership with Transylvania County Schools, is hosting the 11th Annual Squirrel Box Derby on Saturday, May 26th, at the height of the White Squirrel Festival.

Sponsors include: Going Green Builders, Comporium, Dugan's Pub, Transylvania County Rescue Squad, Highline Ink, Lowe's, Our Country Store, Exit Mountain Realty, Cobblestone Tag & Label, Trent & Associates, Farm Bureau Insurance (Ricky Lambert), State Farm (Meredith Baldrige), OP Taylor's, and the Heart of Brevard.

Thank you Band Association for taking on this exciting event for our community!



State Superintendent Visits BES

On April 24, State Superintendent of Schools Mark Johnson visited Brevard Elementary School and got a firsthand look at all the wonderful things happening there.

School administrators and Dr. McDaris were on hand to conduct a tour of the school and answer questions.



Thank You...

To the Transylvania County Sheriff's Office and our SRO for this evening, and to our schools for the wonderful artwork in the boardroom this month.

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