

Congratulations to Jared Voris, Rosman Class of 2012, who recently discovered a new dinosaur species that may be a cousin to the *Tyrannosaurus Rex. Thanatotheristes*, which translates to "Reaper of Death," is estimated to have been 26 feet long with nearly 3-inch teeth. Portions of the fossil were initially found a decade ago in Alberta, Canada.



Voris studied the remains that were kept in storage and was able to conclude that it was a new species. Jared studied geology at Appalachian State and is now pursuing a Ph.D. in dinosaur paleontology at the University of Calgary. He was one of the earliest students in the TIME Science Research Program, and credits his family and his teachers at Rosman, in particular Sara Cathey, for supporting his scientific ambitions.

#### **NCSPRA Blue Ribbon Awards**

Transylvania County Schools was among the 36 districts to be honored at the North Carolina School Public Relations 2019 Blue Ribbon Awards ceremony held in Greensboro on January 31. Transylvania won Gold and Bronze awards in Digital Media Engagement, two Gold awards in Photography, and a Gold award in Image/Graphic Design. Congratulations to Kevin Smith for his media mastery and excellent work in promoting the school system, not to mention an uncanny ability to be in four different places at one time.



Gold Award, Photography - BHS Prom Spectacular



Gold Award, Photography - Main Street Economics PFE

#### SAFER SCHOOLS. STRONGER BONDS. **DEEPER LEARNING.**

#### A BRIGHTER FUTURE. **JUST PICTURE IT...**

Rosman High and Rosman Middle School were built on a historic foundation, cared for and renovated over decades to meet the changing needs of our community. To continue serving the needs of students and Transylvania County tomorrow, we have to change today.

School safety has changed, and design has to change too. A new single point of entry and lines of sight through the school are more important than ever to create a safe learning environment.

Bringing the two main offices together will unify the campus. Putting vehicles and students back into their own lanes, separated from the highway, will reshape the Rosman experience for everyone.

And it's time to put students where they belong. Away from underground water, and into spaces built and engineered for today's learners and tomorrow's and career and technical leaders, earning their way



Gold Award, Image/Graphic Design Bond Ad Campaign

Bronze Award, Digital Media Engagement Soldier Surprise-Welcome Home, Dad!





## Happy THANKSylvania!

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- 3. GUIDE LISTENERS TO WHERE HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE HOLIDAY



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Gold Award, Digital Media Engagement Happy #THANKSylvania



## BMS Student Accepted to American Ballet Theatre Summer Program

Congratulations to Brevard Middle School sixth grader Tyana Crite, who has been accepted by the American Ballet Theatre for their Summer Intensive program in Florida. The American Ballet Theatre (ABT) is one of the most prestigious classical ballet companies in the world—superstar Misty Copeland is one of their principal dancers. Dancers between the ages of 11-20 years old must audition either on site or by videotape for the ABT summer program, and participation is by acceptance only. Tyana attends the Brevard Ballet School and is the daughter of T.J. and Maya Crite of Brevard. We have a feeling that Miss Crite is one to watch.



# Grant Funding To Boost Rural Connectivity

A new initiative focused on increasing public Wi-Fi access and installing computers across Western North Carolina recently received a \$100,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). The Rural Downtown Wi-Fi & Jobs Project will help students, job seekers and others by providing wireless internet access points and computer kiosks at rural community centers. Educators know that increased internet access is vital for online classes, homework, virtual days, and much more. The Land of Sky Regional Council and its many partners in Buncombe, Henderson, Madison, and Transylvania counties (including Transylvania County Schools) have been working together for some time to help bridge the region's digital divide. We thank the many public and private partners who have worked together to make this endeavor happen.

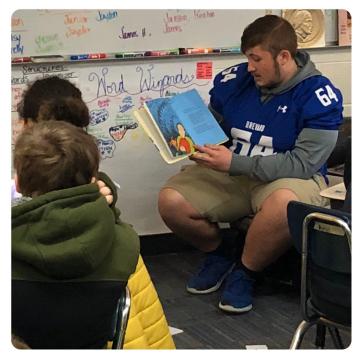


**National School Breakfast Week** is March 2-6, 2020 and this year's theme is "School Breakfast: Out of This World." Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, and schools nationwide provide millions of breakfasts to hungry children. Join us in celebrating the school nutrition staff in our local schools who work hard feeding hundreds of students each and every day.



# National "Read Across America" Day

Monday, March 2, is National Read Across America Day (also known as Dr. Seuss Day). It is a yearly observance held on the school day that is nearest to March 2, the birthday of famed children's author, Dr. Theodor Seuss Geisel.









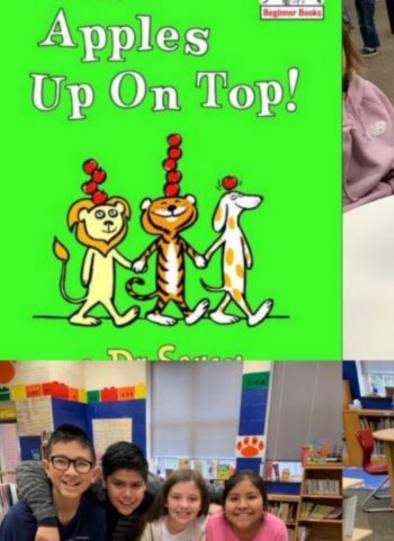


"Read Across America" was begun in 1997 to help get kids excited about reading. One of the best ways to celebrate is to volunteer to read aloud to children at schools, libraries and bookstores. And don't forget to enjoy some green eggs and ham.















### Thank You...

To art teacher Mrs. Elizabeth Ballard and Rosman Middle School for sharing student artwork here in the Board Room this month.

And to the Transylvania County Sheriff's Office and our SRO this evening.

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