



# Good News Report

## May 17, 2021

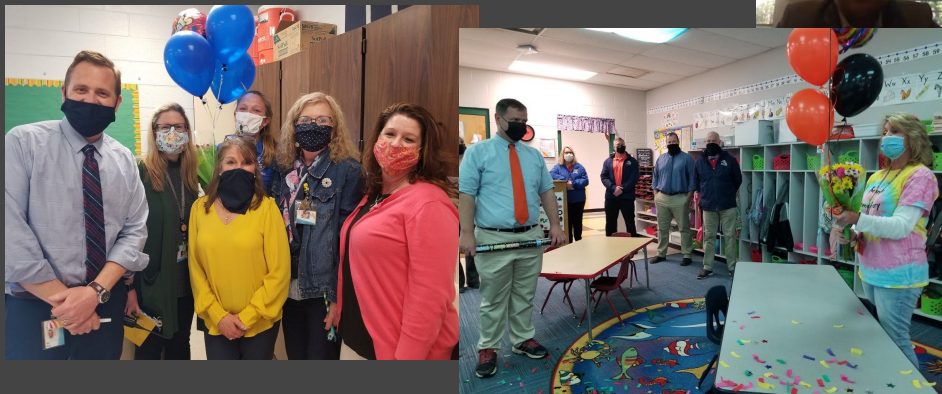
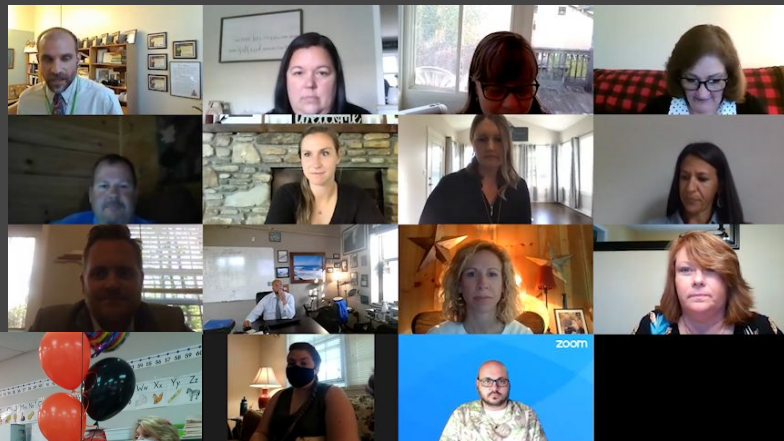
Transylvania County Schools  
Communications/Community Relations

# Educators Of The Year 2021-2022

On May 6, Transylvania County Schools held a livestream ceremony to announce the district Teacher of the Year (TOY) and district Teacher Assistant of the Year (TAOY) for 2021-2022 and celebrate the school-level TOYs and TAOYs and Principal, Rookie, Student Support, and Media/Technology Persons of the Year. Due to the limit at that time on indoor gatherings, it was not feasible to hold this ceremony in person, but we look forward to celebrating in person again next year.

Our thanks to Kevin Smith for coordinating the “prize patrols” held earlier this spring, the district TOY and TAOY interviews, and the livestream ceremony. We also thank Amber Webb and First Citizens Bank, which sponsors our TOY award each year.

Please join us in recognizing the outstanding educators who were selected as the “best of the best” for 2021-2022:



# Shanaia Powell



Rosman  
District Schools

Transylvania  
County Schools

**STUDENT  
SUPPORT PERSON  
OF THE YEAR  
2021-22**



*Congratulations!*

# Mike Kirst



Brevard  
Elementary

Transylvania  
County Schools

**PRINCIPAL  
OF THE YEAR  
2021-22**



*Congratulations!*

# Ashlee O'Dwyer



Rosman Middle  
School

Transylvania  
County Schools

**ROOKIE  
OF THE YEAR  
2021-22**



*Congratulations!*

# Kathryn Bailey



Brevard High &  
Davidson River

Transylvania  
County Schools

**TECHNOLOGY  
PERSON OF  
THE YEAR  
2021-22**



*Congratulations!*



## Teacher Assistants of the Year:

Rene Bickford (BES)

Keron Leatherwood (BHS)

Jessica Compton (BMS)

Yesica Miranda (PFES) - **District TAOY**

Trudy Riddle (RES)

Erika McCall (RHS)

Holly Watkins (TCH)



## Teachers of the Year:

Annie Burgess (BES)

Cassie Smatana (BHS) - **District TOY**

James Markey (BMS)

Noelle Fehn (DRS)

Holly Egan (PFES)

Crystal Holland (RES)

Amy Schoenacher (RHS)

Melinda Reed (RMS)

Jennifer Galloway (TCH)



# NCSPPRA Board Appointments

Congratulations to Transylvania County Schools-Community Relations Coordinator, Kevin Smith, who was appointed as State Coordinator for the North Carolina School Public Relations Association by the NCSPPRA Board of Directors on May 4. Good job, Mr. Smith!



# Tubist Earns Coveted All-State Band Chair

Brevard High School ninth-grader Trevor Long broke through during an already exceptional year to earn a seat in the 9th-10th Grade All-State Honors Band. Band director Jim Leatherwood said that earning fourth-chair tuba at the state level during his first year of high school sets Trevor apart, noting that freshmen “are competing not only with other ninth-grade musicians, but also with more experienced tenth-graders across the state.” Trevor plays in the BHS Blue Devil Marching Band and is also principal tubist in the Brevard High School Wind Ensemble.

In place of the annual clinic held in May at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, students who qualified for the 2021 NC All-State Honors Band participated in a virtual masterclass with the North Carolina Symphony on Friday, April 23. Congratulations, Trevor!





# National Police Week, May 9-15, 2021

During the week of May 15 each year, National Police Week pays special recognition to law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. National Police Week is a collaborative effort of many organizations dedicated to honoring America's law enforcement community. We thank Sheriff David Mahoney, the Transylvania County Sheriff's Office, and our School Resource Officers for all they do every day, along with all our state and local law enforcement partners who

help to build strong community relationships and keep our schools safe and secure.





# 2021 Arby's Inspirational Student

Brevard High School student Cassidee Cali has been selected as one of the Arby's Inspirational Students for 2021. Cassidee will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of her choice this fall. She will also be featured on WLOS/WYMA on-air, digital platforms, and social media. Congratulations, Cassidee, on your achievement!



## Mountain Six Tournament Champions

2019-2020 All Conference  
First Tournament Win For BHS In 30 Years



**Jameson's Joy Nonprofit Raised \$500.00**  
Halloweenfest Booth; Sold Baked Goods

# Scholarship Winners, TC Scholars, Junior Marshals, and NTHS

Congratulations to all of our scholarship recipients, TC Scholars, Junior Marshals, and National Technical Honor Society inductees for the 2021-2022 school year. [See the attached document for a full list of names.](#) We are proud of your hard work and accomplishments!



# Memorable Educators

We also want to recognize the 33 individuals who were named as “Memorable Educators” by graduating seniors in the Class of 2021 who will graduate as TC Scholars. Our congratulations to all!

Tracy Adolf

Justin Ausburn

Kathryn Bailey

Kathy Bailey

Dylan Barnes

Charles Burchill

Katerina Canter

Laura Clark

Denise Danos

Brandy Freeman

Adria Hardy

Karen Kreigsman

Jim Leatherwood

Meredith Licht

John McCarson

Tamera Moman

Jacob Montgomery

Emily Page

Angela Patane

Laura Patch

Linda Peeples

Melissa Redden

Fred Reidinger

Dusty Robinson

Katrina Ronneburger

Jenny Russell

Amy Schoenacher

Cassie Smatana

Sabrina Shook

Ann Stone

Richard Stubbs

Josh Tinsley

Jennifer Williams





Thank you again to  
Rosman High School for  
the student artwork in the  
Board Room this month.



Thank you as always to the Transylvania County  
Sheriff's Office and our SRO for tonight's meeting.

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