

# The Tallmadge TELEGRAPH

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## Superintendent's Message

*Steve Wood, Superintendent*

We are rapidly approaching the end of another remarkable school year in Tallmadge City Schools, with many accomplishments to be celebrated. Let us pause and commend the excellent efforts of all our student-athletes who participated in winter sports and the students who are following their passion in our many extracurricular offerings. With only a few weeks left of the 2022-23 school year, we look forward to the upcoming spring musical (*Freaky Friday* on April 14, 15, 21 and 22), and middle school trips such as the 7th-

grade Chicago trip or 8th-grade DC trip. Our incredible students have experienced and achieved so much this year and now stand ready for their bright futures.

We can't wait to celebrate our seniors in style. From bonfires and breakfasts to picnics and parades—there are many ways for them to relish their time as high school seniors on the brink of graduation. These events will allow our seniors to reflect on all they have achieved while still enjoying quality moments with each other one last time before

graduation. It's going to be an unforgettable experience that none of us will soon forget.

The final quarter is a time of celebration and reflection. We look forward to seeing all the fantastic things our students will achieve in the weeks ahead. Let's take some time to celebrate their successes, enjoy the present moment and look forward to the future.

We are truly honored to be part of such a remarkable and supportive school community that stands behind our students in all their accomplishments. Let us celebrate the conclusion of this successful academic and athletic year with immense pride.



### Important Dates

**March 27-31** - Spring Break

**April 6** - 2nd Grade Family Night

**April 7** - Good Friday

**April 14, 15, 21, 22** -  
Freaky Friday, 7pm, THS Theatre

**April 15** - Tallmadge Expo

**April 25** - TMS Band Concert

**April 27** - TMS Choir Concert



## Spring Brings Fun to TES!

Tallmadge Elementary School was abuzz with activity during the month of March. Students and their families could purchase books their favorite authors wrote at our annual Book Fair. At the same time, 5th graders sang new songs they'd been diligently rehearsing for all to enjoy!

The school celebrated Orange Day for Developmental Disabilities Awareness. Students and staff wore orange shirts to show support for students with disabilities and engage in activities that promote understanding and acceptance of individuals with unique abilities.

It has been another successful month at Tallmadge Elementary School! We are proud to support our students and continue to spread awareness of developmental disabilities in our community.

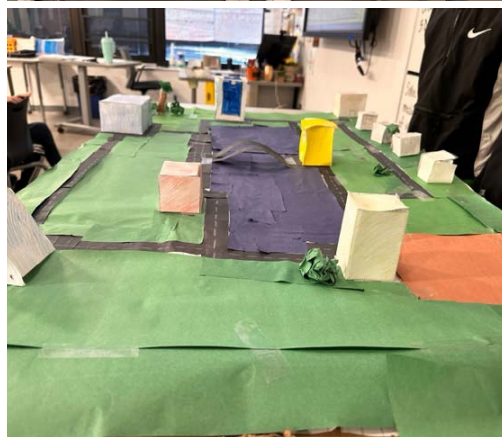




## Geometricity Projects Builds Skills for TMS Students

Students presented their Geometricity Projects to their Math teachers Mrs. McCourtie and Mrs. McCourtie. They were tasked to design a city that met stringent building codes and had to create plans to meet those requirements. The students considered all the various elements that need to be included in a city. The students practiced skills of collaboration, task management, and public speaking.

Mrs. Moye and Mrs. McCourtie designed this project to stretch our students' understanding of designing nets, surface area, and volume. We did all of this through the lens of designing a city. The students had a few constraints but primarily designed cities out of their imagination. Most students were very thoughtful to consider parking, entertainment, grocery stores, and of course, housing. They concluded the project by presenting it to the "town hall" and, of course, Mayor McCourtie & Mayor Moye for final approval.





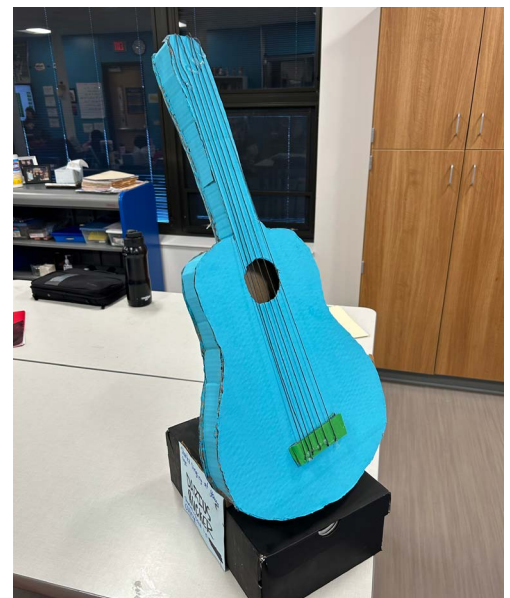
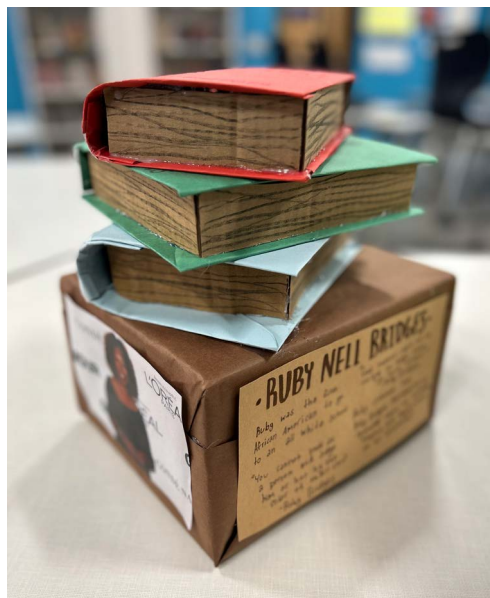
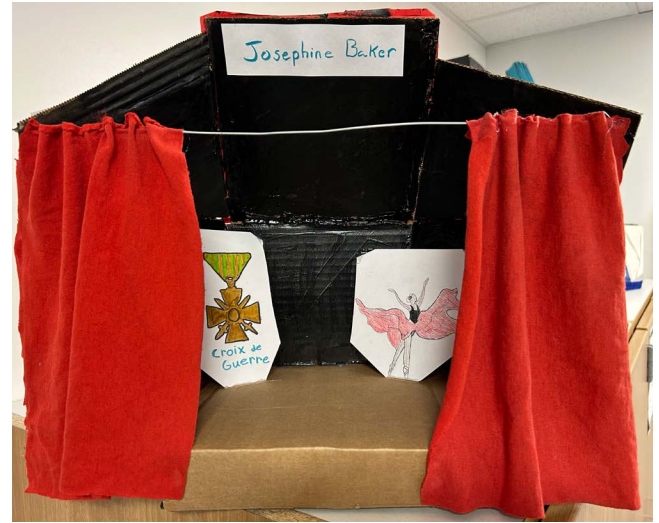
## LA Project Brings Black History to Life at TMS

The Black History Month Project in the sixth-grade English Language Arts Class was an exciting and engaging assignment that allowed students to showcase their research, presentation, and informative writing skills. The project enabled students to choose their preferred person to research and determine the activities they want to complete, promoting creativity and engagement.

Students embarked on a research journey, answering questions that led them to understand better their chosen person and their life's accomplishments and struggles. They then created a poster and monument from cardboard boxes representing their selected figure. Finally, they gave a short presentation, sharing their newfound knowledge with their classmates and positioning themselves as experts.

By ensuring that no two students research the same African-American person, each class learned about 50 different individuals and their contributions to history. The project fostered an appreciation for diversity and inclusivity, an essential aspect of Black History Month.

It was wonderful to see our Language Arts classes come alive, with students engaged in creating monuments that represent famous African-Americans such as Snoop Dogg, Jackie Robinson, Hiram Revels, Jimmy Hendrix, Josephine Baker, Maya Moore, Florence Beatrice, and Wangari Muta Maathai. This project enabled students to immerse themselves in a fun and creative learning experience while developing a deeper understanding of history.





## Blue Devil Sports Team Recognized For Their Greatness

The Tallmadge High School sports teams made an excellent finish to the season! Our Boy's Bowling Team earned a spot in the OHSAA D1 State Tournament, placing 12th out of 194 competing teams. Even more impressive is our Girl's bowling team, who stunned all with their 6th-place victory over 191 other competitors.

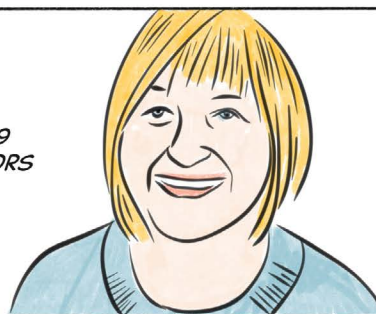
Furthermore, our wheelchair basketball team was named District of the Year by the Adaptive Sports Of Ohio Association. We couldn't be prouder of what these high school athletes have accomplished this year! Go, Blue Devils!



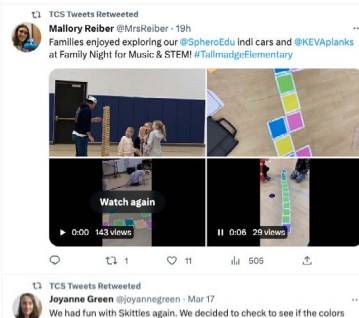
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SECRETARY, TES

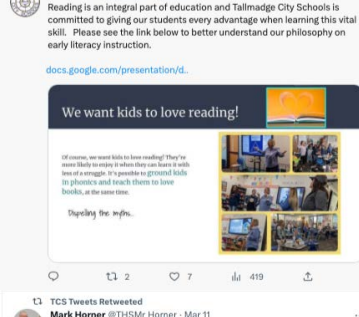
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## Tallmadge Social



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