

Director of Operations Report for December

To: Dr. Glaze and Tipton School Board

From: C. Scott Wessel

Re: Director of Operation Report for December of 2020

Date 1/7/2021

Santa visits elementary school



On December 18, The last day before Christmas Break Santa tried to bring some joy and a little bit of “Normalcy” to the students of Tipton Community School Corporation during the Holiday season. Santa and the children were masked for pictures. Students were able to feel the joy of the season by getting their picture with Santa. Santa was glad that he could take a little time to visit. He Said, “The mask was uncomfortable on his beard, but he wanted to be socially responsible and safe. The children of Tipton Elementary School were very good this year”.

Santa also said, "I am so proud to see all the children being safe during this tough time. I hope under those masks were smiling faces."

Transportation responsibilities transferred to Linda Whitesell

Recently, the lead bus driver position was eliminated as a cost cutting measure. Linda Whitesell is currently learning to help with transportation. Linda will take on transportation along with her athletic responsibilities. Linda will be at the bus barn from 7-8:30. And 2-3:00 She will help communicate with drivers. She will help fill ECA and field trips, and she will eventually be in charge of trip sheets for the drivers.

Meeting held about the progress of the greenhouse initiative.

The Tipton Greenhouse initiative committee met on 1/6/2021. At the end of the 2019-2020 School year, Tipton Community School Corporation purchased a greenhouse from Bona Vista school in Kokomo. There was a committee formed to get that greenhouse built at Tipton. The committee had a deconstruction committee, legal setup/logistics committee, and a fundraising committee. On October 31, 2020. The deconstruction committee began disassembling the green house. Most of the structure came down on that day. There are still a few posts to take out and some guttering to dismantle. The setup committee looked at logistics of putting up a greenhouse. This committee determined that an architect would need to be hired. The committee has reached out to Alpha 5 architects, who did the City building. They have provided a quote of \$7,700 to do the architectural design of the facility. The Planning/ setup committee put together preliminary scopes for the facility, including options for the ancillary storage structure and the above grade foundation wall options. following contractors have been contacted to get preliminary pricing for the various components of the project and hope to hear back from most of them over the next several days:

1. General contracting/construction management/construction of storage building - Keith Smith
2. Excavation, foundation and concrete - Tragesser Concrete Forms
3. Electrical - Omni Electric
4. HVAC - Nick Stewart Heating and Cooling
5. Plumbing - BRS Mechanical

Tipton Community School Corporation will need to combine all of these quotes to see what an estimated cost of the project will be. The cost opinions will be broken down into the following options:

1. Greenhouse only
2. Greenhouse with ancillary storage structure and concrete foundation wall

This will give a range of costs that we can budget around, and then we can work on fundraising.

A preliminary aggressive timeline was set up by this committee. The Preliminary schedule follows:

Preliminary schedule

1. Phase 1 - Design - Architect has reported he needs approximately 4 weeks to complete design and submit to State and to us for contracting. Provided TCSCC authorizes Alpha 5 to proceed, we could anticipate design completion by February 15, 2021.
2. Phase 2 - Concurrent permitting and final budgeting - After design, this will be submitted to state and local building authorities for permitting. With the final design, we can get hard costs from contractors and work on getting them under contract. We anticipate this should take 4-6 weeks. Target Date April 15, 2021.
3. Phase 3 - Construction - This is probably a 3 month process. Start on construction about May 1 and complete by Aug 1, 2021.

Tim Calloway, Stacey Hartley, and Scott Wessel will meet to come up with project goals and a vision of where the project will go. This way the fundraising committee can go ask for funds to help sustain the project.



Proposed location for Tipton Greenhouse-Back behind the auditorium in space right behind the pool.

New mini bus arrives.

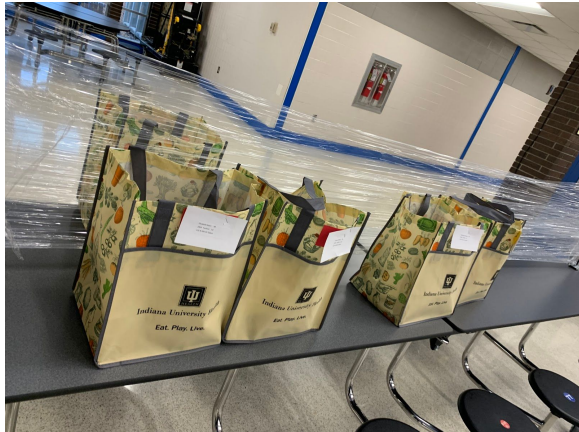
A-4 (Activity Bus was in Marion to get a brake job and was burned up by vandals) Insurance allowed Tipton Community School Corporation to get a new improved version of the mini bus. The bus is painted in Tipton Blue, grey and white. The Devil Logo is on the front of the bus. Superintendent, Dr. Ryan Glaze ordered the bus with graphics and color. The bus becomes an exciting advertisement for Tipton Community School Corporation. When asked about the colors, Dr. Glaze said, "I hate white buses. I want some color." The bus has passed an inspection by the State Police and is currently in the process of getting license plates. As soon as the mini bus is plated, it will start transporting Tipton Community School Corporation students to events.



Administrators, Bus Drivers, Instructional aides, and Food Service workers feed TCSC students again.

Drivers and food service workers provide meals to students during the latest virtual learning. Backpack Blessings, food distribution from local churches, and School meals have been provided for Tipton Community School Corporation students whose parents requested a lunch. Mr. Clark sent out a survey of parents. Approximately, 170 students are receiving meals. Students from the Boys and Girls Club are among the students receiving meals. This is a way

for our drivers to stay employed and keep getting a paycheck. The food Delivery is on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Drivers are deep cleaning buses preparing for the students to return. Food Service personnel diligently prepare the meals. Drivers and instructional assistants deliver the food. Drivers naturally fell back in the delivery process. Drivers also delivered meals in the Spring, and they had meal delivery down to a science. In the Spring, They delivered approximately 350 Student meals.





Officer Maddox to get advanced training

Tipton Community School Corporation in conjunction with the Tipton Police department and the Tipton County Prosecutor, will send Officer Maddox to national training. The Thirty-first Annual National School Safety Conference, hosted by the National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) and the Florida Association of School Resource Officers (FASRO), provides a unique opportunity for Officer Maddox to enhance his training skills and to improve the overall safety of the students at the Tipton Community School Corporation. The NASRO conference will be held July 11-16, 2020, at the Rosen-Shingle Creek in Orlando, Florida.

The conference will incorporate the SRO triad concept of educator, informal counselor, and law enforcement with numerous breakout sessions and nationally known keynote speakers. Officer Maddox plans to attend many keynotes and breakout sessions that directly correlate to the goals that our school, district, and agency seeks to achieve. He will share valuable insights with his agency as well as school and district leaders to enable us to work together to strengthen the security in our schools. The NASRO School Safety Conference will bring together school resource officers, law enforcement, school security/safety professionals, school board members, school administrators and will be a valuable asset to Officer Maddox's training to keep our students safe.

Maulhaupts finally gets doors in Elementary School courtyard fixed

Maulhaupts lock company, the lock company who monitors Tipton Community School Corporations lock system came out over Christmas Break and changed the cores in the rooms that go to the courtyard off of the art rooms in the Elementary school. Special education students were running out of the classroom to the courtyard. It was becoming a safety hazard. Maulhaupts had to order the cores which were on backorder due to COVID 19.

