



# Pioneer Blast

**Congratulations to the Waverly Elementary School Spell Bowl Team! They placed Top 10 in the Green Division (small schools) in Indiana!**

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Moorsville Schools

## Biggerstaff Joins Moorsville Schools

The Moorsville Schools Board of Trustees has announced that Dr. Patrick Biggerstaff will become the district's next Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Biggerstaff will replace Dr. Jake Allen, who is taking over as Superintendent.

Dr. Biggerstaff has served as the Director of Career and Technical Education and Adult Education at the Area 31 Career Center for the past eight years. The Career Center serves 11 school districts on the south and west side of Indianapolis, including Moorsville Schools.

"We are extremely excited to have Dr. Biggerstaff join the Pioneer Team," said Dr. Allen. "Patrick is a proven leader in the field of education and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience with him to Moorsville Schools. Dr. Biggerstaff is a perfect fit for the vision and mission of MCSC."



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### MHS Students Join Lugar Symposium

Three MHS students were recently honored as members of the prestigious Lugar Symposium for Tomorrow's Leaders at UIIndy. The symposium is designed to expose Indiana students, our future leaders, to global issues and help them to gain an appreciation for their complexities. Attendees included (photo from left): Addi Van Wanzeele, Keynote Speaker Steve Inskeep of NPR, Cody Martin, and Ella Davis.

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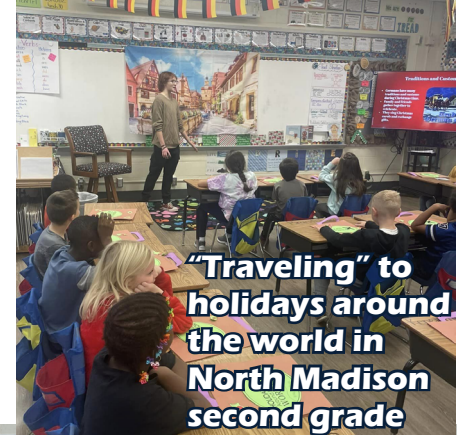
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Newby 3rd grade and Choir performance

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MHS Madrigal Dinner



"Traveling" to holidays around the world in North Madison second grade



Holiday sweater day at Northwood

## Around Our Schools



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## Pass The Bucket Night

December 15, 2023



Girls Varsity: 6:00  
Boys Varsity: 7:45

Pass The Bucket Night will be at the end of the 1st quarter of each game.  
All proceeds will go to Churches in Mission.

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Dress like your favorite character day at Waverly

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Dr. Biggerstaff's career in education began with teaching high school students who were diagnosed with behavioral and academic challenges at the Indiana Development Training Center. He served as the Assistant Principal for Ben Davis High School and the Assistant Director for Career and Technical Education at Area 31 prior to rising to his current role as Director.

"I'm excited to join the Mooresville administrative team," said Dr. Biggerstaff. "I have great respect for the history of this community, its people, and its aspirations to foster the confidence and academic growth of local students."

Dr. Biggerstaff earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Texas Christian University and then earned his Master's Degree in Teaching from the University of Indianapolis. He went on to earn his Doctoral Degree in Education from Ball State University. He has received Business Office Specialist certification from the Indiana Association of School

Business Officials and completed the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents Aspiring Superintendent Academy. Dr. Biggerstaff was also named the national Association for Career and Technical Education's (ACTE) Administrator of the Year in 2018 for Region III, which represents programs across six states. He has also served as the President for the Indiana chapter of the ACTE as well as the national ACTE Vice President for the Administration Division. In 2021, he was recognized by ACTE as its national Champion for Career and Technical Education.

Outside of his professional work, Patrick enjoys reading, playing sports, and spending time with friends and family. His wife, Kami, is a Nurse Practitioner at Eskenazi Health. He also has four adult children: one serves in the U.S. Navy, one works in the healthcare field, and two are pursuing further education.

Dr. Biggerstaff will assume the duties of Assistant Superintendent in January 2024.

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Each school/department showed its own personality in the retirement videos for Superintendent Taylor!

## News Briefs

**Retirement Wishes:** Staff and community members across Mooresville gathered Tuesday evening to honor retiring Superintendent Randy Taylor, who was also presented with a Mooresville "M" from the MHS Athletic Department. Part of his celebration also included a video tribute from staff members at each school and department. [See the video tribute here.](#)



**Looking for MHS Alumni:** Two groups are looking for MHS alumni to participate in upcoming events:

**Champions Together Alumni** - 2014-2022 graduates who took part in Champions Together are encouraged to help celebrate the 10-year anniversary of MHS Champions Together at their Jan. 19 basketball game. Email [Christina.Taylor@MooresvilleSchools.org](mailto:Christina.Taylor@MooresvilleSchools.org) for more information.

**Band Alumni** - former MHS band members from any year are invited to join the MHS Pep Band for their Dec. 15 performance at MHS basketball games. Email [Jason.Freeman@MooresvilleSchools.org](mailto:Jason.Freeman@MooresvilleSchools.org) for more information.

**Community Information:** Local nonprofit organizations with activities for students may share fliers in the *Pioneer Blast*. Current fliers include:

- [Girl Scouts Cocoa and Crafts Dec. 16](#)
- [Pioneer Baseball Winter Camp ages 5-12](#)

- [VFW Patriotic Essay Contest - Gr. 9-12](#)
- [Mooresville Baseball and Softball 2024 Registration](#)
- [VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Contest - Gr. 6-8](#)

## Upcoming Events

**Dec. 14 - Waverly**  
2nd and 3rd Grade Program  
2:00 and 6:00p.m.

**Dec. 14 - Northwood**  
Program 6:00p.m.

**Dec. 14 - North Madison**  
1st Grade Program 6:30p.m.  
2nd Grade Program 7:30p.m.

**Dec. 20 - District**  
Last Student Day of School

**Jan. 8, 2024 - District**  
First Day of Second Semester

# MOORESVILLE *Christmas* LIGHT TOUR

*Explore the town with your family thru Dec. 31*



Join us for the Mooresville Christmas Light Tour! Check out our NEW digital map and drive around town and view the beautifully decorated homes and businesses. Voting is free this year and limited to 1 vote per person on our website. Our nonprofit event is raising funds for Churches in Mission, so if you enjoyed the Tour, please make a monetary donation on our website, and all funds donated will go to help our community with food in these challenging times. Learn more: [MooresvilleLights.com](http://MooresvilleLights.com) and [Facebook.com/MooresvilleLights](https://Facebook.com/MooresvilleLights).