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TODAY'S WEATHER

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 Tonight: Scattered showers and storms.

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# Community comes together to welcome you to Sheridan

## The REPORTER

Since the opening of Grand Park in Westfield, there was no doubt that traffic in the north-west parts of Hamilton County has increased. The Town of Sheridan is well aware of increased traffic into, out of, and around the town.

The Sheridan Coalition, after hosting an Active Living Workshop in partnership with Purdue University and Health by Design, realized the need for community identity. Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, as a part of this coalition, along with Town Council President and Coalition member David Kinkead, and the Coalition determined the need for town identity.

After speaking with Kinkead, Heirbrandt said it became obvious there was a need to build an identity for Sheridan. There was no evidence of the thriving town existing if you were just driving along the highway.

To Heirbrandt, the solution was high quality signage at the entries of the town that would be made of concrete and brick. Commissioner Heirbrandt and Kinkead knew it was going to be an expensive project, so they turned to Gloria Del Greco at



**(From left) Sheridan Coalition Member Eva Clark, Purdue Extension Hamilton County Community Wellness Coordinator Gloria Del Greco, Hamilton County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt, Sheridan Clerk-Treasurer Liz Walden, and Sheridan Town Council President David Kinkead.**

the Sheridan Coalition Group and the Sheridan community for support.

"Heirbrandt initially put up \$500 dollars for a contest: Community members could enter their designs and ideas for what they wanted the sign to

look like," Kinkead said. "After receiving dozens of entries, the committee, made up of community members, led by Linda Williams, came to a decision on the final design."

"We had nearly 30 participants, and the winner, Parvin

Gillum, actually decided to donate the money back towards the cost of the installation of the signs," Heirbrandt said.

It was truly a community effort. Del Greco and the

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# Fallen Marine will be honored at Westfield's Hoosier Heroes Memorial

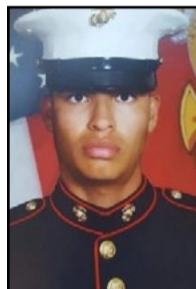
## The REPORTER

The City of Westfield hold a memorial service to honor Corporal Humberto Sanchez with the dedication of his memorial stone in the Fallen Hoosier Heroes Memorial. Cpl. Sanchez, from Logansport, was killed on Aug. 26 by a suicide bomber while serving in Afghanistan.

The service will take place at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Fallen Hoosier Heroes Memorial, 401 N. Union St., Westfield. Additional parking will be available at Christ United Methodist Church.

During the service, a memorial stone will be dedicated and a heroes candle will be lit in his memory. Present at the service will be the family of Cpl. Sanchez.

The Fallen Hoosier Heroes Memorial honors those killed after 9/11 in the line of duty as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. As this mission is now complete, Cpl. Sanchez's name will be the final one added in this memorial.



**Sanchez**

# Local Extension Homemakers selling pies for the holidays

## The REPORTER

Did you miss having a piece of pie at the Homemaker's Kitchen during the Hamilton County 4-H Fair this year? Here is your opportunity

to have one, two, or three pies for the holidays and support local community projects, including scholarships.

Six flavors are available for purchase: Sugar cream, pecan, peanut butter, German chocolate, pumpkin, and apple. Supplied by Wick's, these are great for the upcoming holidays and can be pulled from the freezer when needed.

All pies are \$9 each. The deadline to place an order from the Extension Homemakers is noon on Thursday, Oct. 14. Order forms are available by calling the Purdue Extension Hamilton County Office at (317) 776-0854 or by going to [bit.ly/HomemakersPieFundraiser](https://bit.ly/HomemakersPieFundraiser). Payment is due at time of order.

Pies can be picked up at the Homemakers Kitchen on the Hamilton County 4-H

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# Carmel Clay School Board appoints Nelson-Williams

**By JEFF JELLISON**  
*Reporter Publisher*

On Tuesday evening, the Carmel Clay School Board voted unanimously to appoint Jennifer Nelson-Williams to fill the vacant District 2 seat created by the resignation of long-time board member Pam Knowles.

Prior to the announcement, Board President Layla Spanenberg thanked the Carmel community for its engagement and willingness to serve the students, staff and families of Carmel.

"Several individuals submitted applications and we were very impressed with all of the very qualified candidates that applied," Spanenberg said. "I found this process to be extremely difficult. It was



**Jennifer Nelson-Williams was selected by unanimous decision to fill a vacant Carmel Clay School Board seat.**

easier to pick a superintendent. It is a very difficult position to be in for us to deliberate in public. I thought everyone did a phenomenal job during the

board interviews."

The process to fill the vacant seat on the school board took place without an audience due to the board's recent

decision to not allow public attendance at board meetings.

The decision to make the meeting a livestream-only event was announced last week after board members said they were not able to get work done because of the disruptive behavior from the community.

Nelson-Williams has been a Carmel resident for 18 years, owns a funeral home located in Carmel, and has two children who attended Carmel Clay Schools.

"I've spent years working in the classroom, outside the classroom helping my kids," Nelson-Williams said. "In addition to my business successes, I am familiar with budgets, management, and profit and loss. I feel I am uniquely qualified to be part of the board."

# County Council conducts hearing on 2022 budget Employee recruitment, succession planning top list of concerns

## The REPORTER

The Hamilton County Council on Wednesday evening conducted a public hearing on the 2022 budget.

The council held a two-day work session in early August to determine county needs – many of which centered on employee recruitment and succession planning.

"Department heads and elected officials are having a tough time recruiting quality candidates," said County Council President Amy Massillamany. "Not only has the market become more competitive, but we have an aging staff, many of whom are planning to retire soon. In some cases, we may have to increase the start-

ing salary of these positions just to be able to compete for the best talent."

The proposed budget also includes three new full-time positions for the Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Department, one new full-time position in the Auditor's Office, one new full-time position for the Surveyor's Office, and two full-time and one part-time employee in the Coroner's Office. The Sheriff's Office has also requested funding for body cameras.

This, all while the council weighs the potential for a \$4.6 million income tax revenue



**Massillamany**

budget without increasing taxes or dipping into our Rainy Day Fund."

The council is also set to approve \$2 million in local not-for-profit funding that focuses on human services and quality of life in association with aiding vulnerable populations. Those agencies include Family Promise, Good Samaritan,

shortfall.

"The State of Indiana distributes our LIT funding annually," added Massillamany. "While we're receiving less than we anticipated, our strong financial position will allow us to pull off next year's budget without increasing taxes or dipping into our Rainy Day Fund."

Hope Family Care, Indiana Prevention of Youth Abuse & Suicide, Meals on Wheels, the O'Connor House, Prevail, PrimeLife Enrichment, Heart and Soul Free Clinic, Trinity Free Clinic, the Hamilton County and Economic Development Corporation, Humane Society for Hamilton County, Aspire, Janus, the Senior Citizens Organization, Cherish, and the Shepherd Center.

The proposed budget totals just under \$100 million. Adoption of the budget is scheduled to take place at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 18. Once approved, the budget will be sent to the State of Indiana for approval before going into effect Jan. 1, 2022.

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## SIGNS

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Sheridan Coalition Group worked with the Town of Sheridan to decide on the locations of the two signs, ultimately being on the town limits. The proposed property for the east sign was owned by the Town of Sheridan and the west entrance sign property was donated by Craig Wallace from Wallace Farms.

The Sheridan Coalition Group sold bricks that would be engraved and included in the sign structures. The concrete was donated by Beaver Materials and the foundations poured by Baker Construction. RQAW donated its time to engineer the signs to ensure they would last for decades. Dan Haines Masonry and Caulking offered discounted rates to install the signs.

“This gave us an identity in Hamilton County, and really included our entire community throughout the process,” Kinkead said. “We are proud of this meaningful and professional welcome sign that truly represents our town.”

“This is truly a collaborative effort by many in the community to make this happen,” Del Greco said. “We are proud to be a part of making this happen for the Sheridan community.”

## WICK’S PIES

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Fairgrounds, 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville, between 3 and 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 16. A drive-thru is available, so please stay in your car.

Don’t miss the opportunity to support the Extension Homemakers and provide a delicious holiday pie for your family or business. For more information about Extension Homemakers in Hamilton County, call Purdue Extension Hamilton County at (317) 776-0854.

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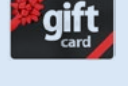
I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn’t something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don’t often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we’re breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.

– Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville

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# TEST DRIVE TODAY

# Lessons from the food pantries

Pantry lesson: We usually don't know the full story. One question we often get is, "Doesn't it upset you when someone who doesn't need it takes from one of the pantries?"



MARK HALL  
The Feeding Team Feature

Nope, not really. If a neighbor's family is hungry, the pantries are a safe, confidential place to get food. But think deeper and you realize that we never know the full story. Today's example of a neighbor in need was relayed from a volunteer. It requires that we examine how we view neighbors in need.

Mrs. Smith goes to pick up food every week for herself and her three children. She arrives at the same time to the same location driving the same late-model Mercedes Benz. On the surface the Smith family appears to be doing well, yet something seems off. Why are they getting free food from the pantry? Are these folks just gaming the system?

Over time, the rest of the family's story came into focus. You see, Mr. Smith

tragically passed away while deployed on active duty. His dream car (yes, the Mercedes) was purchased shortly before he left on deployment. Mrs. Smith, now a single mother of three, could not bear to part with her deceased husband's dream car. It was completely paid for. Now she provides for

her family in part from the pantries. Our neighbors' stories can be convicting.

While loading pantries, we occasionally see neighbors shopping for groceries. As a practice we don't engage, but if a neighbor needs someone to listen, we are happy to. On the road, we see neighbors walk up, drive up in tricked-out jeeps, late-model cars and in motorized wheelchairs. Their story is none of our business. We will never know it unless they choose to engage.

With over 27,000 food-challenged neighbors in Hamilton County, so many families are one blown engine, one layoff or one unexpected medical bill away from food insecurity.

In future columns, we will share more stories from neighbors about how your generosity served them in times of need. Be assured that the face of hunger in Hamilton County is not what you may think.

In practical terms, this is a simple way to help neighbors is having real impact on lives, families, and our communities. Thank you. A few meals can change the course of a person's life. A can of green beans means so much more when you have nothing to feed your kids. Want to get involved? Go to [feedingteam.org](http://feedingteam.org).

Mark & Lisa Hall are the Founders of Feeding Team. They may be reached at [lisa@feedingteam.org](mailto:lisa@feedingteam.org) and [mark@feedingteam.org](mailto:mark@feedingteam.org) or (317) 832-1104.

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### Letter to the Editor

## Fishers One group takes issue with homecoming royalty process at HSE

Dear Editor:

On Friday, Oct. 1, Hamilton Southeastern High School broke with 50 years of tradition by naming two males as Homecoming Royalty. No women were represented in the "Royalty" pair after the student council quietly passed a proposal to make the election gender neutral, with the approval of Principal Janie Ulmer.

The August proposal subtly changed the format of electing the top positions formerly known as King and Queen. After electing an initial homecoming court, students were then allowed to only pick one person from the court to be the overall winner. The top two vote getters were then crowned homecoming "Royalty." Specifically, these were the instructions given to the student body through social media:

"There are no barriers that can stop a student from being on homecoming court. There are not any requirements! We will honor any student who is nominated for court. Regardless of gender identity, race, religion, creed, sexuality, socioeconomic status, or any other defining factor."

Fishers One was able to contact several students who participated in the election process and cast votes. The common belief within the student community was that the process would still result in crowning one male and one female student.

Fishers One has also learned that mul-

tiples members of the Student Council opposed the proposal, which was initially promoted by the administration and adult advisors to the group. There was minimal debate and no communication or transparency to the student body at large, as evidenced by the shock amongst both students and parents on Friday night as two males were crowned.

Dr. Stokes has repeatedly ensured the community that her administration would operate with transparency and open communication. Unfortunately, many families in the community, as well as current students, feel that the long-standing Homecoming tradition of electing one male student and one female student was changed without adequate student input, communication, or transparency. Although this change does not directly impact academic excellence, Fishers One believes that those guiding principles are important factors in all segments of the school system to ensure positive school-community relations and trust.

### Fishers One

*Fishers One is a grassroots, community-based organization dedicated to restoring academic excellence in our schools, maintaining Fishers as a great place to live, and cultivating the next generations of community leaders. You can learn more about Fishers One and how to get involved at [FishersOne.org](http://FishersOne.org) and on Facebook.*

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## Now Hiring Police Officer

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208 W. Main Street, PO Box 578, Arcadia, IN 46030

**Thanks for reading!**

# Ivy Tech Community College, Indiana University announce guaranteed admissions partnership

## The REPORTER

Indiana University Bloomington and Ivy Tech Community College have built on their long history of partnership in support of students by creating new transfer pathways with five new guaranteed admissions agreements.

The agreements will allow Ivy Tech students who have earned specific

associate degrees to transfer as juniors and choose from among nine related baccalaureate programs at IU Bloomington: Four in psychology, two in biology and one each in elementary education, informatics and criminal justice.

Students who enrolled at Ivy Tech after June 1, 2021, are eligible for the guaranteed admission option.

Each program has specific requirements for admission and the timing of when students may transfer – either the fall or spring terms. According to each agreement, admitted students will be awarded at least 60 semester hours of credit toward their bachelor degree.

"We are thrilled about this new partnership with our colleagues at Ivy Tech,"

IU Bloomington Interim Provost and Executive Vice President John S. Applegate said. "The guaranteed admissions agreements plan builds upon our current successful transfer agreements and helps place well-prepared students directly into some of our most sought-after majors."

"Ivy Tech is pleased to help more students realize their goal of completing a bachelor's degree at IU Bloomington," Ivy Tech President Sue Ellspermann said. "While there has been a transfer pathway for years, this guarantees a student who completes the appropriate associate degree and meets IU's requirements will be admitted as a junior into selected programs. This relieves many students and their families of the worry, 'Will I get admitted?' and saves them and the state thousands of dollars by completing their associate degree at Ivy Tech."

According to the agreements, the new pathways for transfer students are:

- Associate of Science in informatics to Bachelor of Science in informatics.
- Associate of Science in elementary education to Bachelor of Science in Education, elementary education.
- Associate of Science in criminal justice to Bachelor of Arts in criminal justice.
- Associate of Science in biology to Bachelor of Arts

in biology or Bachelor of Science in biology.

• Associate of Science in psychology to Bachelor of Arts in psychology, Bachelor of Science in psychology, Bachelor of Science in organizational and business psychology, or Bachelor of Science in clinical psychological science.

More information about transfer pathways to IU Bloomington is available on the [Transfer Single Articulation Pathways webpage](#).

The five new agreements expand the list of guaranteed admissions options that are available to Ivy Tech students. More information is available on [Ivy Tech's guaranteed admissions webpage](#).

## What they're saying

"Ivy Tech's mission includes being Indiana's workforce engine, as well as the state's largest transfer institution," said Ivy Tech Provost Kara Monroe. "We enroll a large number of students each year who wish to graduate from Ivy Tech and then transfer to IU Bloomington and complete a bachelor's degree. In the past, students were somewhat uncertain about whether or not they would be admitted to IU Bloomington. This will not be the case with these new opportunities, which clearly identify the requirements for guaranteeing their ad-

mission to IU Bloomington. We are particularly pleased with the variety of program opportunities, including in STEM areas with high job demand in Indiana."

"We are excited to broaden our collaboration with Ivy Tech and continue to find ways to support student success," said IU Vice Provost for Enrollment Management David Johnson. "The existing [Hoosier Link](#) program and [Transfer Tuesday](#) events have been successful in transitioning students from Ivy Tech to IU Bloomington. These guaranteed admission agreements, in some of the most in-demand and popular majors, will assist in continuing to streamline degree progression and completion."

"Helping students realize their dream of pursuing an undergraduate degree and being successful at this endeavor is of utmost importance to us at IU Bloomington," said IU Bloomington's Acting Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education Kurt Zorn. "The partnership makes this goal more attainable for students who have begun their studies at Ivy Tech and who want to pursue a baccalaureate degree in one of these five areas on the Bloomington campus. The certainty and affordability these agreements promote greatly benefit these students and, in turn, all Hoosiers."

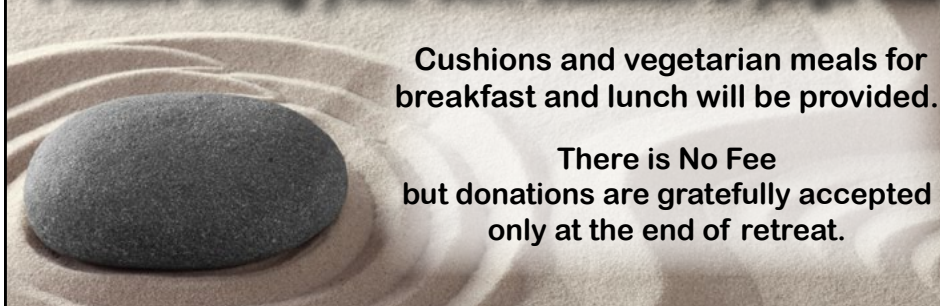
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# AES Indiana Yuletide Celebration returns to Hilbert Circle Theatre

*Single tickets on sale for this family-favorite tradition of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra*

## The REPORTER

It's time to get ready to celebrate the magic of shared live music once again this holiday season as the AES Indiana Yuletide Celebration will return to the Hilbert Circle Theatre this December for its 35th season.

In addition to the musicians of the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra (ISO) led by Principal Pops Conductor Jack Everly, crowd favorite and Grammy-award winner Sandi Patty will return as host. Special guests T.3 will also be part of the celebration this year. The three-man group made its mark earlier this year as they wowed the country on *America's Got Talent* with their huge sound and amazing harmony.

The ever-popular Holly Jolly Dollies will return this year along with the tap-dancing Santas and the musical *'Twas the Night*

*Before Christmas*. New to Yuletide this year is a high-energy production number featuring a medley of holiday movie themes guaranteed to put audiences in the holiday spirit.

Rest assured, the fully decorated lobby Christmas tree where thousands of family photos have been taken in the past, along with the costumed characters and carols performed on the famous Wurlitzer organ will return to the Hilbert Circle Theatre this holiday season, ensuring more treasured memories with family and friends in 2021.

Twenty-six performances begin on Dec. 3 and continue through Dec. 23. Learn more at the [ISO website](#) about specific days, times or purchasing tickets. Per the ISO health and safety guidelines, proof of vaccination for those 12 and older and face masks for everyone over 2 years old

are mandatory. For more information regarding the policies of the Hilbert Circle Theatre, please visit the [ISO website](#).

Single tickets to the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra are currently on sale. Patrons may become a new subscriber by visiting the ISO's [website](#) or by phone at (317) 639-4300, by mail or in person at the Hilbert Circle Theatre Box Office. Benefits of becoming an ISO subscriber include advance ticket buying opportunities for special events such as the Opening Night Celebration and the annual holiday tradition AES Indiana Yuletide Celebration. Subscriber benefits also include discounted tickets to classical, pops and family concerts and an opportunity to purchase a pre-paid season parking pass to EZ Parking Garage, located at 20 N. Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis.



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## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*“For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!”*

*Galatians 2:19-21 (NIV)*

## Morelia Virtudes Guzman

April 21, 1995 – September 25, 2021

Morelia Virtudes Guzman, 26, of Noblesville, passed away on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Franciscan St. Francis Health in Indianapolis. She was born on April 21, 1995 in Atlanta, Ga.

Morelia was a student at Ivy Tech. She was an active member of White River Christian Church where she was a youth ministries leader and sang in the choir. Morelia was kind, caring and patient and loved helping her neighbor.

She was very creative and expressed herself through music, fashion, drawing, design and art. Morelia loved to sing and travel, and spoke English, Spanish and Portuguese. She loved animals, especially dogs, cats and birds.

She is survived by her mother, Ramona Maritza Zorrilla. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with services at 1 p.m., on Saturday, October 23, 2021 at White River Christian Church, 1685 N. 10th St., Noblesville. Burial will follow at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

Memorial contributions may be made to a GoFundMe account at [gofund.me/cae0dc41](https://gofund.me/cae0dc41).

Condolences: [randallroberts.com](https://randallroberts.com)

# Congress passes Rep. Spartz's, Sen. Braun's Consider Teachers Act

## The REPORTER

The Consider Teachers Act, a bipartisan bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Mike Braun (R-Indiana), Senator Kyrsten Sinema (D-Arizona), and in the House by Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) and Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-Ind.-05) aimed at fixing a broken system burdening teachers with unfair loans, passed the U.S. House of Representatives last week by a vote of 406 to 16. This legislation was passed in the Senate in April and now heads to the President's desk to be signed into law.

The TEACH Grant program provides grant assistance to students who serve four years as a full-time teacher in high-need, often underserved communities. However, often due to basic clerical mistakes, thousands of teachers have found their grants converted into loans that must be paid back with interest. The Consider Teachers Act aims to fix this broken system permanently, and provides extra time for teachers to complete service requirements due to the coronavirus pandemic.

“As a mother and educator, I understand the importance of strong teachers for high quality learning,” Rep. Spartz said. “I was happy to join my Senate and House colleagues in leading the Consider Teachers Act, which clarifies and

streamlines some processes for the TEACH Grant program.”

“I am pleased the House today passed the Consider Teachers Act of 2021, which will reform the TEACH Grant program, which is unfairly converting many teachers' grants to loans,” Rep. Norton said. “Currently, many teachers are finding their grants converted to loans because of small administrative errors. This bill will correct the administrative process and extend the period teachers have to fulfill their service requirements by three years for those who were affected by the coronavirus crisis. It will now head to President Biden's desk to be signed into law. As the daughter of a teacher in the D.C. public schools, Vela Holmes, this bill pleases me personally.”

“The TEACH grant is an important program to incentivize teachers to serve in neglected communities, but 12 years of poor government management has turned these grants into groans for thousands of teachers,” Sen. Braun said. “The passage of the Consider Teachers Act in the House and Senate shows our appreciation for



Spartz



Braun

bill ensures the government honors its obligation and protects our teachers from surprise bills.”

## Background

In 2007, the federal government created the TEACH Grant, providing grant assistance to students who serve four years as a full-time teacher in a high-need field. Under program terms, if service requirements are not met,

grants are converted into loan obligations. While the program was well-intentioned, poor program administration has resulted in teachers unfairly having grant dollars converted into loans – prompting many to refer to the converted grants as “groans.” The Consider Teachers Act addresses these challenges that are thwarting the program's intent.

According to the Office of Management and Budget, the majority of TEACH Grants – 66 percent – are converted into Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans which must be paid back with interest. Previously, once converted, a loan cannot revert back to grant. A total of 21,000 teachers have completed the program without a conversion, but 94,000 recipients have had their grants converted to loans. Small paperwork issues often triggered the conversions. For example, if teachers sent in their annual form one day late, or had other problems, such as a missing date or signature, the grant was converted.

## Meeting Notices

The Carmel Clay School Board will meet for a workshop session at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021. The meeting will be livestreamed on YouTube at [youtube.com/CarmelClaySchoolsCCS](https://youtube.com/CarmelClaySchoolsCCS).

An executive session will follow at 6:30 p.m., pursuant to I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(11) To train school board members with an outside consultant about the performance of the role of the members as public officials.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-5 (a) The Hamilton County E911 Executive Board will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 11, 2021, in the Mayor's Conference Room at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville.

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## Soccer

# Weather delays disrupt sectional play

The excitement of the IHSAA soccer sectionals was literally dampened on Wednesday.

Incessant rain and lightning delays caused disruptions at the various Hamilton County sectionals. While a few games were able to be played to completion, other games were either halted or unable to start.

The only local sectional that got all of its games in was the Class 3A boys Sectional 8 at Noblesville's Hallmark Orthodontics Soccer Complex. No. 1-ranked Fishers and No. 2-ranked Noblesville both won semi-final matches, setting up a big showdown for the sectional championship on Saturday.

The Tigers played first and beat Muncie Central 2-0 in a game that was delayed by lightning and filled with rain. Fishers scored one goal in each half; Keiji Nakamae got the first-half score, then assisted Noah Reinhart, who scored the second-half goal. Tyler March earned the shutout, his 12th of the season.

Shortly after 9 p.m., Noblesville took on Pendleton Heights in the second semi-final. The Millers got on the board right away, scoring in the second minute. Spencer Holland put the ball in the net, with Palmer Ault making the assist. Minutes later, Jake Johns sent in a header for a goal, with Drew Coachran assisting.

Noblesville's goals came fast and furious. Brayden Doll's corner kick led to an Ault goal, then Ault scored again on a double assist by Cole Bramblett and Sammy Holland. Finally, Doll added a fifth goal for the Millers.

After all that, it was halftime, during which another lightning delay was called. Eventually, the game itself was called, with Noblesville winning 5-0.

Fishers and Noblesville will play for the Sectional 8 championship at 6 p.m. Saturday.

### SUSPENDED AND DELAYED

Two other sectional games involving county boys teams were halted in the second half.

Up at Sectional 10 at Westfield, No.



**Fishers' Noah Reinhart scored a second-half goal for the Tigers during their 2-0 sectional semi-final win over Muncie Central Wednesday at the Noblesville sectional.**

10-ranked Carmel held a 2-0 lead over Pike at halftime before that game was suspended. Baenan Mckeown and Connor Dora both scored goals for the Greyhounds.

The two teams will finish the game today; a resumption time was not available at press time. The winner will play Zionsville in the Saturday championship; the Eagles beat North Central 3-0 in the first semi-final.

University was taking on Sectional 40 host Park Tudor in a game between

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**Noblesville's Spencer Holland (left) is congratulated by Palmer Ault after Holland scored the Millers' first goal in their 5-0 win over Pendleton Heights during Wednesday's sectional semi-finals.**

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## Carmel boys tennis wins regional title

The Carmel boys tennis team won the Kokomo regional championship on Wednesday.

The No. 1-ranked Greyhounds beat No. 5 West Lafayette 3-2. Carmel swept both doubles matches, with No. 1 Srisanth Malpeddi and Jack Jentz winning 6-1, 6-0 and No. 2 Adrien Qi and Braedon McIntyre winning 6-3, 6-1. No. 3 singles Rocky Li was victorious 6-0, 6-1.

This is the 12th consecutive regional championship for the Greyhounds, and their 19th overall.

Carmel will play in the Culver Academies semi-state on Saturday, taking on No. 13-ranked South Bend St. Joseph at noon.

# Football previews

## Tigers travel to Westfield for all-county showdown

The majority of Hamilton County's high school football fields will be buzzing with activity on Friday night, as six county schools are playing games at home.

One of those games will be an all-county affair. Fishers travels to Westfield's Riverview Health Stadium for a 7 p.m. kickoff between two Hoosier Crossroads Conference teams that have stellar records this season.

The Tigers will head to Westfield with a 5-2 record, having won their last two games. Fishers beat Avon 35-25 two weeks ago and Franklin Central 37-8 last week; the Tigers are 3-2 in HCC play.

"Fishers is really solid defensively," said Shamrocks coach Jake Gilbert. "They are only giving up 19 points per game. That's really solid in today's game. They aren't big but they are quick, can cover, and play really hard. I love their running back and tight end. Two studs who are dangerous."

Junior quarterback Lucas Minns is completing 63 percent of his pass attempts, going 78-for-124, and has hit four digits in passing yards with 1,014. Minns has tossed 10 touchdown passes this season.

Senior Jeffrey Simmons has five of those touchdown receptions and 23 catches overall. Junior Aidan Zimmer has 22 receptions, one for a score, while junior Collin McPeck counts three touchdowns among has 12 receptions. Junior Carson Dunn is the top rusher with 571 yards and seven scores.

Junior Grady Stanley leads the defense with 67 tackles, including nine for

a loss. Senior Dominic Oliverio also has nine tackles for a loss, while seniors Jack Alvarez (52 tackles) and Jake Gates (51 tackles) are also making a defensive impact.

"I am proud of our players and the improvements they have made since the summer," said Fishers coach Curt Funk. "Our kids work to improve, and I am proud of the progress they have made. We just take it day by day and trust the process."

Westfield is 6-1 for the season. The Class 6A No. 2 Shamrocks are on a six-game win streak, including all five of their HCC games thus far this season. Westfield beat Brownsburg 24-21 two weeks ago and defeated Avon 45-24 last week.

Funk said that Westfield is solid in all three phases of the game, "but what stands out the most is how hard they play," he said. "On defense they get 11 hats to the football, on offense they are efficient and are very balanced, and play mistake free special teams."

Senior quarterback Maximus Webster is 72-of-101 through the air - a completion rate of 71 percent - and has totaled 1,053 yards and nine touchdowns this season. Freshman Gabe Aramboles leads the receptions with 19, including four touchdowns. Senior Ian Bruch has 18 receptions, two of them for scores, and senior Jackson Wasserstrom has 16 catches, including three TDs.

Senior Micah Hauser leads the rushing with 505 yards and 10 touchdowns, while senior Trevon Hatchett has gained 259 yards, scoring five touchdowns. Ju-

nior Tyler Dikos leads the defense with 78 tackles, while Hauser has made 74 stops. Senior Popeye Williams has nine tackles for a loss and four sacks.

**NOBLESVILLE-BROWNSBURG**  
Noblesville returns to Beaver Materials Field on Friday to take on 6A No. 7 Brownsburg in an HCC game.

The Bulldogs are 4-1 in conference play and 5-2 overall. In non-conference play, Brownsburg beat Ben Davis 33-22 and lost to Cathedral 20-7. Once into the HCC portion of their schedule, the Bulldogs have wins over Franklin Central 28-14, Avon 38-17, Fishers 39-21 and Zionsville 19-6. Brownsburg's only conference loss is to Westfield, 24-21.

Junior quarterback Jaylen Whitaker is 70-of-102 this season with 885 yards and four touchdowns. Senior Alex Hoover and junior Caleb Marcus both have 11 catches, with Marcus getting one touchdown.

Marcus is also the Bulldogs' top rusher, with 749 yards and eight TDs. Senior Rashon Myles Jr. is on top of the defense with 52 tackles, while senior Garrett Dalton has nine tackles for a loss.

The Millers are 2-5 for the season and are still looking for their first HCC win of the season. Sophomore Logan Shoffner is by far Noblesville's leading rusher, with 1,103 yards and nine touchdowns to his credit. Senior Alairic Rogers-Walton has 383 yards and five scores.

Senior Sam Steinhofers leads the Millers' defense with 69 tackles, followed by sophomore Austin Hastings with 61. Senior Jacob Hoffman has 7.5 tackles for a loss.

### HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN-FRANKLIN CENTRAL

Hamilton Southeastern, the No. 6-ranked team in 6A, plays its second consecutive HCC home game tonight, welcoming Franklin Central to TCU Field.

The Flashes are 3-2 in conference action and 4-3 overall. Franklin Central started its season with a 27-21 win at Perry Meridian, then lost to Roncalli 34-13 in Week 2.

In HCC play, the Flashes have wins over Zionsville 24-21, Avon 30-23 and Noblesville 28-22. FC's conference losses have been to Brownsburg 28-14 and Fishers 37-8.

Freshman quarterback Nevan Tutte-row is having a solid season, going 76-for-133 with 944 yards and seven touchdowns. Senior Bryan Marshall is the top receiver with 21 catches, including one touchdown, followed by senior Dameon Miller with 19 receptions and two scores.

Senior Aataeaeon Jordan is the top rusher, with 1,001 yards and eight TDs, followed by sophomore Braylen Gillard, who has 470 yards and two touchdowns. Junior Wyatt Penney is the top tackler for FC with 53 stops.

The Royals are 4-1 in conference play and 6-1 overall. Senior Sam Jacobs is throwing at a 29-of-52 clip with 424 yards and eight touchdowns to his credit. Senior Jack Wafford is the top receiver with 11 catches and three touchdowns; senior Dylan Conner also has three touchdown receptions.

Senior Blaine Wertz has been

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# Volleyball

## Sheridan, GC get victories

The Sheridan volleyball team swept a Hoosier Heartland Conference game over Taylor Wednesday at Hobbs Hall.

The Blackhawks won 25-12, 25-19, 25-16. Kenzie Garner hit a season-high 11 kills, and also led the defense with 15 digs and one block assist. Kaiden Wilson had eight kills and one block assist.

Nova Cross collected 13 digs and handed out a season-high 12 assists. Jacquellynne Bates made 14 digs and Claudia Headlee had 10 digs. Taylor Bates

dished out nine assists and served four aces. Lexi Lewin had two block assists.

Sheridan finished the regular season 2-21. The Blackhawks will play Sectional 43 host Western Boone on Oct. 16 in the semi-finals of the four-team sectional.

Guerin Catholic swept Lapel in straight sets on Wednesday.

The Golden Eagles are 12-12 and host Anderson tonight at the Eagles Nest.

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Class 1A's top two teams. The Panthers are ranked No. 1 and the Trailblazers are No. 2.

Park Tudor led 1-0 in the second half before that game was halted with 25:23 left in the second half. This game is also scheduled to be finished today. The winner plays Heritage Christian in the championship; the Eagles beat Seecina 3-0 in the first semi-final.

Sectional 26 host Guerin Catholic, the No. 3-ranked team in Class 2A, was scheduled to play its semi-final against Cardinal Ritter on Wednesday. But the Golden Eagles were unable to get on the field, as the preceding game between Lebanon and Brebeuf Jesuit went through a delay in the second half. The game was eventually completed, with the Braves winning 6-0.

Guerin Catholic and Ritter will play their game at 6 p.m. tonight, weather permitting. The winner will face Brebeuf at 2 p.m. Saturday for the Sectional 26 trophy.

In Sectional 39 action, Sheridan lost to Taylor 1-0 in the Wednesday semi-fi-

nals. The Blackhawks finished their season 2-9.

### CARMEL GIRLS ADVANCE

In girls sectional play, 3A No. 4 Carmel, the host of Sectional 10, advanced to the semi-finals with a 1-0 win over No. 13 Guerin Catholic on Wednesday.

The teams were tied 0-0 at halftime, but Carmel took control immediately in the second half. The Greyhounds scored the game's lone goal just 26 seconds into the second half, with Lauren Bailey finding the back of the net. Emily Roper made the assist.

Bailey Cappella played well as goalkeeper for the Golden Eagles, who finished their season 9-3-4.

Carmel is 13-2-2 for the season. The Greyhounds will play the winner of North Central and Pike; that game was suspended with 21:46 left in the first half. The Panthers are leading 1-0. This game will be finished tomorrow, with the winner playing Carmel Friday in the second semi-final game at 7:30 p.m. The first semi-final, between Westfield and Zionsville, will begin at 5:30 p.m.

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# Jimmie Johnson, Romain Grosjean enjoy first drive in fast lane on IMS oval

Seven-time NASCAR Cup Series champion Jimmie Johnson sat alone on the Indianapolis Motor Speedway’s pit wall Wednesday morning, preparing for his first NTT INDYCAR SERIES laps on the iconic oval.

He said he went through a mental checklist, reminding himself of the lowered expectations of a first-timer working to complete the required three-stage Rookie Orientation Program for the Indianapolis 500.

“Be smart and ease into things,” he told himself.

Then the helmet went on, Chip Ganassi Racing’s crew fired the Honda engine, and away Johnson and his patient plan went. A couple of laps following the standard installation lap, the winner of 83 Cup races and four Brickyard 400s had the gas pedal flat in Turns 2 and 4, and soon thereafter he was similarly at full speed in Turn 3.

So much for “easing” into his first laps.

“A lap in you forget about (the plan),” Johnson said later. “You’re in tune with the car, worrying about speed, just kind of into that racing/driver experience that you’re used to.”

Johnson and fellow 2021 NTT INDYCAR SERIES rookie Romain Grosjean both participated in the test Wednesday at IMS, which was interrupted and finally cut short by rain.

INDYCAR officials deemed both drivers passed their rookie tests even though both were a few laps short of completing the final phase when a downpour ended track activity around 4:15 p.m. (ET). Both will finish their remaining laps the next time they are on the IMS oval, which for Grosjean will be the IMS Open Test on April 20-21, 2022. Johnson still has not committed to running in “The Greatest Spectacle in Racing” next year but could join Grosjean at the Open Test if he commits to the “500.”

NASCAR legend Johnson competed at IMS 18 times between 2002 and 2019 in a stock car, so he had some idea of what to expect from his first experience on the IMS oval in an INDYCAR SERIES car. Still, there were differences, particularly as the car traveled 25 mph faster than Johnson ever has gone here, with another 20 mph to come if he returns next May for



the 106th Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge.

Johnson said the car felt significantly lighter than a Cup car – it is by about 1,700 pounds – and certainly is more nimble. Not having power steering was different, too.

Indy’s rookie program is a series of segments at controlled speeds to emphasize consistency. The first segment is 10 laps at speeds of 205 mph to 210 mph. The second segment is 15 laps between 210-215 mph, and the final segment is 15 laps at or faster than 215 mph. Johnson and Grosjean completed the first two phases and more than half of the third before rain arrived.

“The only thing that’s similar is the fear,” said Johnson, who drove the No. 48 Carvana Honda. “I don’t think it matters what car you’re in, (Turn 1 at IMS) looks like a tighter radius. It looks more challenging than anything else.”

“Romain and I were talking about how they’re all supposed to be equal turns, but Turn 1 visually is different, and I think it is (different) the way the banking is.”

Grosjean was driving Andretti Autosport’s No. 28 DHL Honda for the first time after spending his first INDYCAR season with Dale Coyne Racing with

RWR, predominantly on the road courses except for one oval start in August at World Wide Technology Raceway. Despite living in his motorhome in the IMS infield most of the season, Grosjean had only seen a two-seater go around the oval track prior to Wednesday.

“The emotions of ovals, for me, is very new even though I made a (oval) race,” he said. “I just feel like it’s not something that is particularly comfortable. It’s not like road courses or a street course, where I know what to do and I know how to progress.”

“Here, I have to learn everything.”

Johnson is 46, Grosjean 35, but neither minded the “rookie” tag they are still operating with. In recent weeks, Johnson joked about the controlled environment of the program – his team even posted a social media video spoof about it -- but he praised it Wednesday.

“I think it’s a nice way (to get familiar) without the pressure, without worrying about throwing a lap time up and just kind of work through it,” he said. “It’s way different, but I can I tell I’m not even at the limit of the car.”

Grosjean had Andretti Autosport owner Michael Andretti, a 16-time Indianapo-

lis 500 starter, along with 2016 pole winner James Hinchcliff on site. Andretti’s advice was similar to what he told NASCAR champion Kurt Busch in 2014 and two-time F1 champion Fernando Alonso in 2017:

“Take your time, trust your butt and respect the place,” Andretti said. “If you lose respect for this place ...”

“It’s funny,” Grosjean said. “I wasn’t that fast, but the lap was still 200 mph, which is fast, but it doesn’t feel like it. It feels smooth, and it flows. You can imagine during the race how can I plan (a pass), how can I get the momentum going.”

“Qualifying? Yes, for sure it must be ... pretty something.”

Johnson had INDYCAR SERIES champions and Indy 500 winners Dario Franchitti and Tony Kanaan and Indianapolis 500 veteran Marcus Ericsson in his ear Wednesday.

“(They’re) not short on opinions and advice,” he said, laughing, “so we’ll take it. (I’m) thankful that they’re here and care.”

The official schedule for “500” action in May has not been finalized, but qualifications will be May 21-22 with the 200-lap race May 29.

## FOOTBALL

dominant on the ground with 740 yards rushing and 11 TDs, followed closely by senior Owen Jones’ 561 yards and seven touchdowns. Senior Loudon Sundling has 44 tackles, including seven for a loss. Junior Evan Sherrill has eight tackles for a loss.

**HAMILTON HEIGHTS-LEWIS CASS**

Hamilton Heights welcomes Lewis Cass to its field on Friday in a Hoosier Conference East Division game.

The Kings are 1-2 in division play and 2-4 overall. Cass’ lone division victory is a 26-20 win over Northwestern, while it has dropped games to Tipton 42-0 in Western 43-14. In non-division games, Cass beat North Miami 20-7 and lost to Delta 41-0 and West Lafayette 42-0.

The Huskies are also 1-2 in division play, and 4-3 overall. Senior quarterback Guy Griffey is having a solid year, going 64-of-117 for 904 yards and 10 touchdowns. Senior Gavin Bramel has eight of those touchdown receptions, out of 25 overall catches, while senior Isaac Tuma has the other two touchdown catches, with 19 overall.

Junior Trey Ehman leads the rushing with 656 yards and three scores, followed by junior Chance Yeager’s 183 yards and three TDs. Senior Harrison Hochstedler leads the defensive list with 58 tackles, followed by senior Nate Hulen with 49 stops and senior Andy Lienemann with 48 tackles. All three have five tackles for a loss.

**CARMEL-WARREN CENTRAL**

Carmel will host old Metropolitan Conference rival Warren Central on Friday.

The Warriors are 4-2 in MIC play this season and 5-2 overall. Warren dropped its opener to conference-leader Center Grove 38-14, while it lost its most recent game, falling to Lawrence North 24-21 last week. In between, the 6A No. 9 Warriors won five in a row: Bishop Chatard 36-25, North Central 42-0, Lawrence Central 48-13, Ben Davis 57-56 and Pike 30-13.

Warren Central’s senior quarterback Prince Powell is having a good season, throwing for 1,169 yards and 11 touchdowns on a 79-of-126 passing rate. Senior Ezra Baker leads the receptions with 24, followed by junior Joe Walker with 23 catches, including 10 for touchdowns.

Junior Rodney Johnson has rushed for 427 yards, followed by Powell with 310 yards. Both have six touchdowns to their credit. On defense, senior Daniel Harrell has 54 tackles, followed by Brion Stephens with 47 stops and Lee Alexander Jr. with 46 tackles.

The 6A No. 3 Greyhounds are 4-1 in MIC action and 6-1 overall. Senior quarterback Zach Osborne has been outstanding, going 96-of-149 for 1,455 yards and 17 touchdowns. Junior Desmond Duffy has 36 of those catches, including 11 scores. Senior Jaedon King has 28 receptions and junior Reece Belin has 25; both have caught three touchdown passes.

Senior Ethan Hall has 248 rushing yards, including two scores, while Osborne has rushed for eight touchdowns. and 213 yards. Junior Will Heldt leads the defense with 60 tackles, followed by

junior Winston Berglund with 57.

**GUERIN CATHOLIC-EAST CENTRAL**

Guerin Catholic will host East Central at the Eagles Nest, in a Friday game with a 7:30 p.m. kickoff.

The 4A No. 4 Trojans are 6-1 for the season. East Central was an undefeated champion in the Eastern Indiana Conference, finishing 3-0 with wins against Franklin County 37-8, South Dearborn 42-7 and Connersville 73-6.

The Trojans’ non-conference wins have come over Lawrenceburg 34-6, Harrison (Ohio) 42-0, Batesville 44-13, South Dearborn 42-7 and Connersville 73-6. East Central’s only loss was to Cincinnati Moeller, 39-22.

The Trojans’ quarterback is sophomore Cole Burton, who has completed 51 of 94 pass attempts for 879 yards and 10 touchdowns. Junior Eli Aston is the top receiver with 24 catches, five of them for scores.

Junior Trae Ohmer leads the rushing with 433 yards and five touchdowns, while Burton has also run for five TDs. On defense, senior Caleb Mergenthal has 42 tackles, followed by senior Hunter Sohns with 40 stops.

The Golden Eagles are 1-6 for the season. Senior quarterback Sam Miller is throwing at a 74-of-114 rate with 756 yards and five touchdowns, while sophomore QB Ryan Zimmerman has made 31 of 60 pass attempts for 589 yards and seven scores. Senior Ryan Glenn has 34 catches, including five touchdowns.

Junior Justin Zdobylak leads the rushing with 576 yards and four touchdowns. Junior Anthony Ferrucci is on top of the

defense with 58 tackles, while senior Adam Novelen has 52 stops.

**SHERIDAN-EASTERN**

Sheridan will go on the road Friday to play Eastern in a pivotal Hoosier Heartland Conference game.

The Comets are a perfect 5-0 in conference play and 6-1 overall. Eastern opened the season with a 42-20 loss to Oak Hill, but have been winning ever since. The Comets beat Blackford 35-0 in Week 2, then have rolled in HHC action, defeating Delphi 28-14, Taylor 61-13, Carroll 33-13, Clinton Central 49-20 and Tri-Central 41-6.

Sophomore quarterback Eli Edwards has had a great season, going 85-for-111 (a 77 percent completion rate) for 1,048 yards and 16 touchdowns. Senior Austin Roberts has 18 catches, including two scores, followed by senior Bradie Porter with 17 catches, including two TDs. Senior Dillinger Porter has the most touchdown receptions with four and has 13 catches overall.

Sophomore Jayden Eagle is the top rusher with 876 yards and 11 touchdowns, while senior Josh Fike Jr. has 463 yards and four TDs. Roberts also has four rushing touchdowns. Junior Elijah Buckley leads the defense with 58 tackles, while Porter has 53 stops. Edwards has 43 tackles, including 10.5 for a loss.

The Blackhawks are 4-1 in HHC play and 5-2 overall. Senior Gavin Reners has been dominant on the ground with 1,062 yards rushing and 12 touchdowns. Junior Peyton Cross has gained 453 yards and scored four TDs. Junior Jacob Jones has been dominant on defense with 78 tackles, including eight for a loss.

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