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CONNECTING TPA TO THE COMMUNITY AND BEYOND



WHO ARE WE?

Turning Point Academy is the education program located within the Lynchburg Regional Juvenile Detention Center. We follow the Lynchburg City Schools academic calendar and academic pacing guides. The school day begins at 8:05 a.m. and ends at 2:50 p.m. Students are enrolled in a summer enrichment program two weeks after school ends and two weeks before school begins. Virginia SOL tests are administered during the fall and spring of each school year. In addition, ISAEP and GED services are available as well as IEP/504 assistance as deemed appropriate and required.



MISSION:

TURNING POINT ACADEMY ACKNOWLEDGES THE INTRINSIC WORTH OF EACH STUDENT AND TAILORS THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES ACCORDING TO EACH STUDENT'S INDIVIDUAL LEARNING STYLE AND ABILITY. THE SCHOOL PROVIDES EACH STUDENT THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD THE CHARACTER, CONFIDENCE, AND LIFE SKILLS NEEDED TO SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITION TO THE COMMUNITY.

WELCOME BACK!

23-24 SY

PRINCIPALS CORNER

Greetings!

B.B. King, a famous Blues musician, was quoted years ago saying "The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it from you." I was reminded of that as we have wrapped up the first quarter of the school year with so many student success stories. While all learning isn't tangible, we try to highlight those that are to keep our students motivated to see the power that comes with knowledge.

Even with a swift start to the school year, we have been able to celebrate impactful student progress in just ten weeks into the school year.

"Realizing the possibilities and promoting the change" is what we strive to do here at TPA. We hope this is just the beginning of students earning certifications and progressing in the classroom this school year.

Your support is needed and greatly appreciated. If you are interested in discovering ways you can help our students, our teachers, or our overall program please contact us at turningpoint@lcsedu.net.

Thanks in advance! ~LC~



MOTTO

"REALIZING THE POSSIBILITIES - PROMOTING THE
CHANGE"





CERTIFICATE WEEK!

Here at Turning Point Academy, we are hitting the ground rolling with student achievement and resilience being the overarching theme of this year! We wanted to start the year off strong with a "Student Certificate Week"! Through these these opportunities, students will gain vital skills to aid them with transition back into the community!

Completion Statistics:

- 1 student has earned an GFD
- 13 students have earned certification in Adult and Pediatric CPR/First Aid/AFD
- 6 students have earned various types of Everfi certifications related to Economics and Personal Finance
- 3 students have earned Servsafe certification related to food preparation and service.



MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS AT TPA



Nathan Evans Jr. is a faithful husband, father, and best-selling author. Nate is a First-Generation high school & First-Generation college graduate, mental health advocate, highly requested speaker and the founder of "The Nathan Evans Jr Group LLC" which is an educational consulting company that focuses on mental health awareness and resilience coaching.

Mr. Evans was able to visit TPA this school year to share his story & support of mental health awareness with our students. He not only got a chance to provide motivation through group discussion, but also individual Pod 1-1 discussions.

TAKE A LOOK INSIDE

Speaker Topics

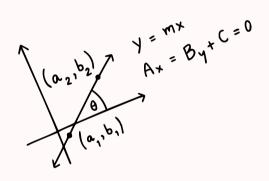
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- Wellness & Self-Care
- Prioritizing Mental Health
- Being your Authentic Self
- Managing Stress & Anxiety

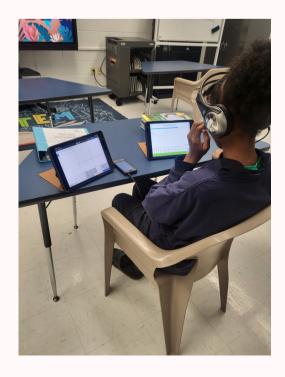


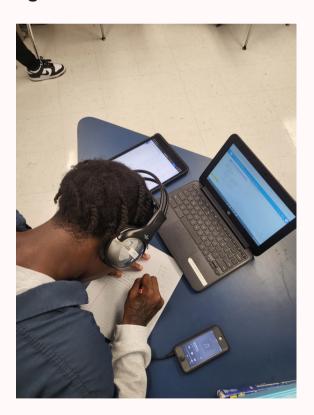
EQUATION: MUSIC = MATH MOTIVATION

Our Math Teacher, Miss Johnson has been able to incorporate Music into Math Motivation this year! Students have LOVED the ability to dive into our new devices (ipods & ipads) to use them as a motivation to get their work done. All music has been vetted and approved through the school program.

Not only have the students been able to use the devices for music purposes, but also as a DESMOS resource! We have found that students enjoy using these devices for DESMOS rather than a "clunky" Chromebook! Yes, we said clunky! As the world is becoming more and more technologically inclined, so is our school program and we are committed to giving the best opportunities for our students even if that means we get called "HIP" from time to time!









UPCOMING EVENTS

While our events are not open to the public we do encourage school counselors, administrators, social workers, central office administrators, and probation/parole officers to join us. If you would like more information on attending an event, contact Principal Calloway.

TPA Open House

December 2023

More information to come



SOL Testing Memo:

As we gear back into the school year, our assessment window will be open. We encourage professional stakeholders to contact TPA prior to arrival to ensure their student is not testing should you need to conduct a visit with them.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 23 - Fall Holiday (No School)

November 7 - Election Day (No school)

November 22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday (No school)

Dec 15 (Last school day before winter break)

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

As we are looking ahead into the next school year we need your help, support, and ideas on a couple items. Please complete a quick survey by scanning the QR Code.



Interested in keeping up with news & events at

Turning Point Academy?

Send us an email to turningpoint@lcsedu.net and request to be added to listserv.

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