



# THE LINK

Connecting TPA to the Community and Beyond

June 2023



## 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.



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER!



Athlete Ken Griffey Jr said "To succeed in baseball, as in life, you must make adjustments." As educators it goes without saying, in order to meet each child where they are we have to make adjustments. These adjustments, some great some small, have lead us to several **HOME RUNS** this school year such as:

- Creating a new testing and transitional environment for students
- Increasing our library capacity to include adding encyclopedias
- Over 50 SOL test were given this year - several have passed advanced
- 5 career certifications/certificates earned
- Multiple GED subject test passed

As the year comes to a close, we are excited to continue to be a team that aims for fences in providing educational service, opportunities, and support to students while they attend Turning Point Academy. The teacher's will start in July with "batting practice" PD in preparation for the new school year. We are excited and anxious to continue swinging for student success.

Have a great summer everyone!

## 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.

None scheduled at this time.

## IMPORTANT DATES

April 25 - May 12: Non-Writing SOL Session

May 12-19 : Make-up Sessions

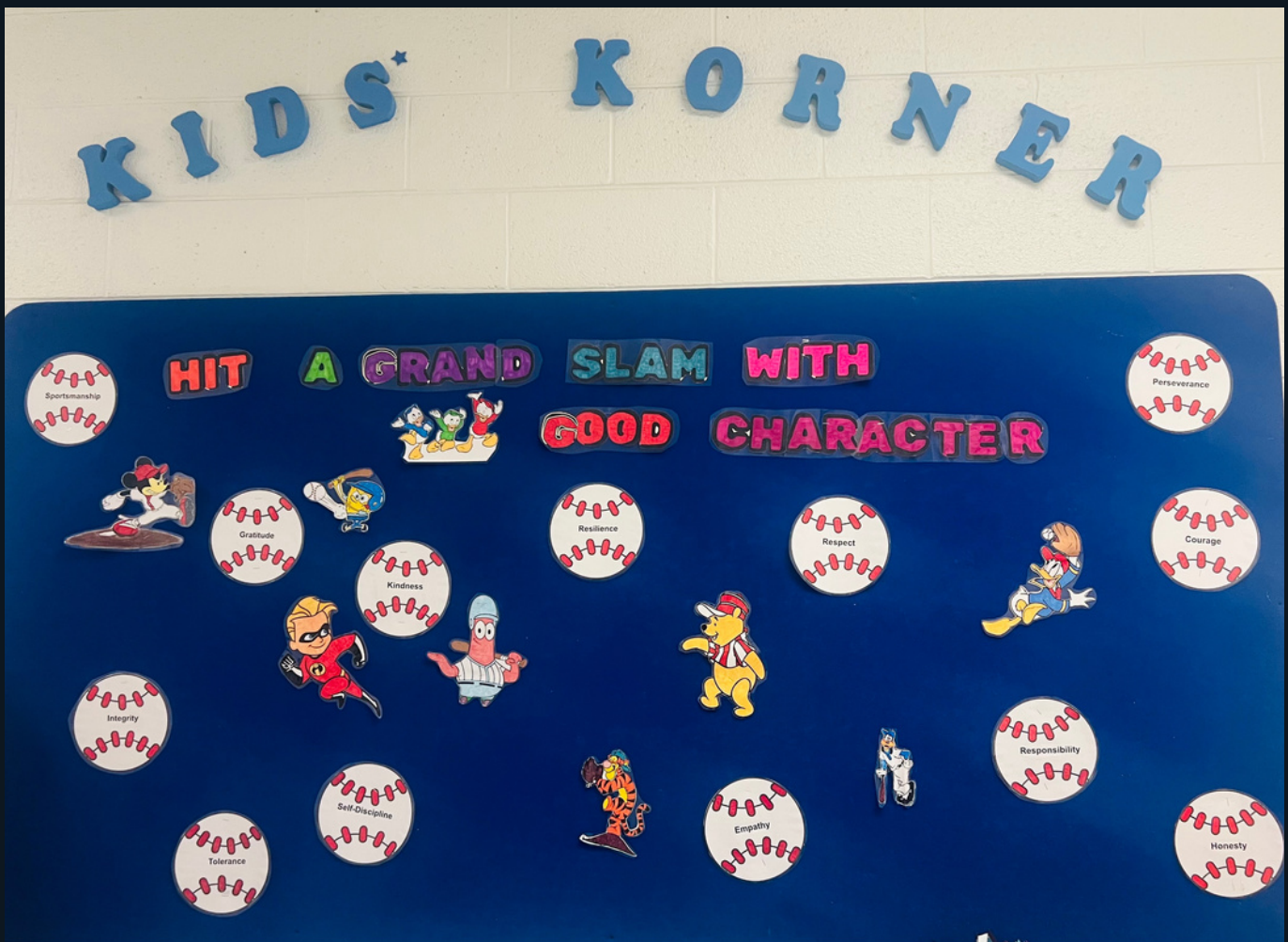
May 31- June 12: Summer Enrichment



**DURING THE FINAL QUARTER OF 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.**

# HITTING A HOME RUN WITH GOOD CHARACTER!

Our final end of the year bulletin board was geared around our students encompassing GOOD CHARACTER! We want to continue to remind our students every day, in every which way possible to strive for a HOME RUN in attitude, professionalism, academics, and character! Through our character education curriculum this year, students have had the opportunity to not only learn the ins and outs about how to achieve such, but also had the chance to receive certificates to take back to the community to show future employers and peers that they are skilled in the arena!



-Created by Mr. Pillow, Health/PE Teacher

# STUDENT ARTWORK: EMBRACING THE ROAR !

What does ROAR stand for? "Removing Obstacles and Achieving Results"!

This entire school year, Turning Point Academy has aimed to show our students that despite their obstacles in both academics and personal life, they CAN and WILL achieve results! We were honored to receive an impact grant from the LCS Education Foundation and our sponsor International Paper to begin making our "ROAR room: Future Makerspace & Resource Center". Through art class, our students encompassed the theme of the "ROAR" and our mascot the Lion to create some amazing artwork for our ROAR center. These inspiring paintings will grace the walls of our ROAR room for years to come, encouraging other students to aim for the brave, positive character and attitude in which a TPA lion should have!



*Project led by Mrs. Halsey, Art Teacher*

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

As we are looking ahead into the next school - we need your help, support, and ideas on a couple items. Please complete a quick survey using the [link](#) or QR Code .



Please reach out to us via email for ways to help at [turningpoint@lcsedu.net](mailto:turningpoint@lcsedu.net)

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added to listserv.



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