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## TODAY'S WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy, with periods of showers. A little more humid.  
Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Scattered showers in the evening.  
HIGH: 75 LOW: 63



## Learning about local officials GOP Women tour coroner's facilities



The Hamilton County Republican Women (HCRW) took a tour of the County Coroner facilities Thursday evening. According to the ladies, "It was an insightful and well-attended meeting. Thank you, Hamilton County Coroner John Chalfin and Deputy Coroner Jeff Jellison, for sharing your dedication to preserving the dignity of our citizens in your final act of serving them." (Above) HCRW members stand with Chalfin and Jellison.

Photo provided by HCRW

## Carmel cancels Public Safety Day

### The REPORTER

After careful consultation with state health officials and review of current COVID data, the Carmel Police and Fire departments have decided to cancel the 2021 Carmel Public Safety Day, which had been scheduled for Sept. 18.

With the number of positive cases and hospitalizations on the rise in Central Indiana, and because this event attracts many young people who are not yet eligible to be vaccinated – CPD and CFD officials say they believe it is in the best interest of public health to not go forward with the event this year. Event organizers say they look forward to having the event at full capacity next year.

## How often do you choose "slow food" over fast food?

"I saw few die of hunger; of eating, a hundred thousand." – Benjamin Franklin

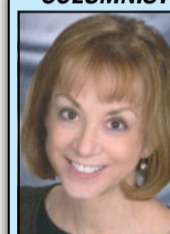
In reference to Mr. Franklin's quote above ... he obviously was very astute (on many levels!) though I am not certain he took his own advice as he was quite corpulent. Although I doubt Mr. Franklin partook of "fast food" it appears that poor eating habits are not new to the 21st Century. I do believe that the pandemic, however, has incentivized some people to spend a little more time in the kitchen preparing "slow food" as opposed to the "fast food" habits of so many.

Eating can be such a pleasure; a good meal filled with nutrient-rich foods, prepared well and shared with others is a wonderful experience. That is a meal which will leave us satiated and our bodies fueled with the energy we need to "take on the day." How often do your meals fit that description? Always? Often? Sometimes or maybe never?

My first experience with a "drive thru" meal was about 1965 or so when my family tried out the new Clancy's on Tenth Street

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### COLUMNIST



SHARON McMAHON  
Be Well

## Fishers Arts Council invites public to vote in 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Juried Exhibit

### The REPORTER

Fishers Arts Council (FAC) is holding its second annual Juried Exhibit of Hamilton County Artists, sponsored by Jiffy Lube of Indiana.

This exhibit is free and open to the public beginning Tuesday, Sept. 7. There also will be a free public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 10 at the Art Gallery at City Hall, 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers. The reception will include music, refreshments, and adult beverages.

Steve Sanner, President of Jiffy Lube of America, again has stepped up to be the corporate sponsor for this event. Sponsoring the event involves covering the cost of cash prizes for the winning juried artists, event advertising and more. FAC is excited to continue its partnership with Jiffy Lube of Indiana, as it has been a major arts supporter throughout Indiana.

New this year as an awards sponsor is Cori Drudge of Ruoff Mortgage. Cori will sponsor the third-place award along with the Cori Drudge People's Choice award. Drudge is a Se-

nior Loan Officer with Ruoff.

As noted above, the community gets a say as well.

"I think it's fun for the those who visit the gallery to get to select their favorite piece from the exhibit. We'll tally up the votes the night of the reception and see who wins," said FAC Executive Director Les Reinhardt.

Again this year, the arts council will host the art gallery on the [FAC web-site](http://fishersartscouncil.org), in addition to the live gallery. Reinhardt says that those who can't visit in person can vote for their favorite at [fishersartscouncil.org](http://fishersartscouncil.org) Sept. 6-9. The awards ceremony will broadcast live on the [FAC Facebook page](https://Facebook.com/fishersartscouncil).

The online gallery will go live starting Monday, Sept. 6. Guests can visit the gallery in person from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays during the Fishers Farmers' Market. You can see the current online gallery at [fishersartscouncil.org/art-gallery-exhibit](http://fishersartscouncil.org/art-gallery-exhibit).

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Photo provided by Fishers Arts Council

2020 first-place artist Stephanie Spay stands with her work, titled *The Art of Family*, after last year's Juried Exhibit of Hamilton County Artists.

## Fishers readies commemoration plans for 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11 attacks

### The REPORTER

As the world marks the 20th anniversary of the September 11 attacks, the City of Fishers plans to commemorate the occasion during a [series of programs and events](#), including the commemoration on September 11 to remember and pay respects to those impacted by the attacks.

The September 11 Commemoration was developed in partnership with Fishers Patriotic Committee members and Fishers' public safety teams and staff.

Fishers residents are encouraged to participate in this observance through the following opportunities:

### Fishers Farmers' Market

During the Fishers Farmers' Market on Sept. 11, moments of

silence will be held in remembrance of the attacks on the World Trade Center (8:46 a.m. and 9:03 a.m.), the Pentagon (9:37 a.m.), and Flight 93 (10:03 a.m.).

Kids are welcome to create thank you cards for first responders as they learn about how first responders, neighbors, and friends demonstrated acts of kindness in the days following the attacks.

### Safety Day

Fishers Fire and Emergency Services' annual family-friendly *Safety Day* will be held at the Nickel Plate District Amphitheater from 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11.

Safety Day will give attendees a hands-on experience with



Photo provided by City of Fishers

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Fishers' annual Safety Day will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11 at the NPD AMP.



# CDC labels all counties in Indiana 'red' for COVID-19 transmission

By JACEY CRAWFORD  
WISH-TV | [wishtv.com](http://wishtv.com)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention now lists all 92 Indiana counties as "red," meaning they have all risen to the level of "high transmission" of COVID-19.

The final county to switch from orange to red

was LaGrange County, which made the move on Tuesday.

To be placed in the "high transmission" category, counties must have 100 or more new cases per 100,000 residents in the past seven days, as well as have a percentage of positive NAATs tests during the past seven days that equals

or surpasses 10 percent.

Currently, there are **868,451 positive COVID-19 cases in the state**. The positivity rate for unique individuals being tested for the virus stands at 18.8 percent.

According to the **Indiana State Department of Health**, 3,113,100 Hoosiers are fully vaccinated.

## Latest info on COVID-19 from Fishers Health Dept.

### Submitted

This is the latest information from the Fishers Health Department (FHD) about the state of the pandemic in the city.

### Metrics review

FHD reports an increase of unvaccinated individuals, as well as hospitalizations. Thus, hospital capacity is decreasing.

The COVID-19 Community Risk rating is at Level 3 as of Aug. 31. The seven-day positivity rate in Hamilton County is 11.8 percent, and the case incidence rate is 40.12 percent. The seven-day positivity rate in Fishers is 7.11 percent.

[Click here](#) to watch the full metrics report on YouTube.

### Vaccine appointments

Walk-in or schedule ahead and get your free COVID-19 vaccine at your local pharmacy, the Fishers Health Department Vaccine Site, or various

pop-up clinics throughout the city.

Register in advance at [ourshot.in.gov](http://ourshot.in.gov), by calling 2-1-1 or the Fishers COVID Hotline at (317) 595-3211.

Children ages 12 to 17 require parental consent to receive the vaccine. No insurance is required.

The Fishers Mass Vaccination Site & Testing Site will be closed Monday, Sept. 6 in observance of Labor Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 7 for walk-in vaccines at 1 p.m. and testing at noon.

Fishers Mass Vaccination Site walk-in hours:

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 1 to 6:45 p.m.
- Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
- Thursday: 1 to 6:45 p.m., and at the Sunblest Apartment Complex Pop-Up Clinic from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Friday: 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.



- Saturday: 10 to 11:45 a.m., at the Fishers Farmers' Market from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and at the Sunblest Apartment Complex Pop-Up Clinic from 2 to 6 p.m.
- Sunday: Closed

### Rapid tests available

Rapid COVID Tests are available at the Fishers Testing Site. Call the Fishers COVID Hotline at (317) 595-3211 to schedule.

The Fishers Testing Site has also expanded its hours to accommodate an increase in testing. New hours are:

- Monday: Closed for Labor Day
- Tuesday: Noon to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Thursday: Noon to 7 p.m.
- Friday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Saturday: Closed
- Sunday: Closed

## From the desk of Hamilton Heights Superintendent Dr. Derek Arrowood

This week we received positive test confirmations for 25 students, which included five high school, 11 middle school, and nine elementary students along with four middle school staff members. It



DR. DEREK ARROWOOD  
Heights Superintendent

is important to note that the majority of these positives are attributable to household transmission. We have followed our established protocols as outlined in our [Re-Entry Plan](#) and continue to work in collaboration with and under the guidance of our local and state health partners. We send our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery.

As I have shared in the past, our priority is to provide the best learning environment possible for students while keeping everyone safe and in school with as few disruptions as possible. As educators, we know that kids learn best, perform better, and have greater outcomes when they

are in school. Moreover, being in school is invaluable to their overall mental health and well-being. As educators, we are not experts on the COVID-19 virus or its variants. This is why

we work in collaboration with local and state medical and health experts and, as a district, rely on their recommendations and guidance.

We developed our mitigation measures and safety protocols as part of our Re-Entry Plan using guidance from the CDC, IDOH, and our local healthcare partners. We also monitor our in-house data daily, keep a close watch on the health trends taking place in our buildings and district, and continually review our current safety protocols. For example, when our data indicated that most of our positives over the past two weeks were related to household transmission, we adjusted our quarantine pro-

### HHSC COVID Report #60

Positive Confirmations:  
Aug. 30 – Sept. 3

- 5 – High School
- 11 – Middle School
- 9 – Elementary
- 4 – School Staff

ocols for when a member of a household is positive for COVID-19.

Gov. Holcomb's new [executive order](#), which included updates to the state's guidance on quarantines, does not impact our current protocols. We will continue to base our plan and any adjustments on local data and what makes the best sense for our students and staff in our district. We have and will continue to follow the Governor's guidance, however, for now, at Heights, the decision to mask remains a personal choice and responsibility.

Thank you for your support and working together with us as we make, at times, difficult decisions, in the best interests of our students.

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# Shooting at 146<sup>th</sup> Street, River Road puts one man in hospital

**The REPORTER**

At 11:14 p.m. Thursday night, Hamilton County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of person shot at the intersection of 146th Street and River Road.

When deputies arrived on scene, they found a man who had sustained gunshot wounds. The victim was transported to a hospital in Indianapolis and is in good condition.

This incident is under investigation and there is not a continued immediate threat to the public.

According to evidence, the suspect fired several rounds from his vehicle at another vehicle while sitting stationary at the traffic light.

Detectives are seeking the public's assistance in this case. The suspect's vehicle is a metallic red four-door sedan, possibly a Hyundai Elantra, occupied by a black male in his early 20s.

If anyone has information in this case, please call the Investigations Division at (317) 776-9887, the Sheriff's Office Crime Tips line at (317) 776-5848, or Crime Stoppers Central Indiana at (317) 262-TIPS (8477).

The Carmel and Noblesville police departments assisted Sheriff's deputies in this incident.

Letter to the Editor

Shaffer criticizes Aasen's column on Carmel's use of developer-backed bonds

Dear Editor:

In a 567-word, fact-less page one bit in this newspaper (**Developer-backed bonds are a win-win**, Sept. 1), Carmel city councilor Adam Aasen repeated the shopworn cliches other progressives have used to cover for the failed policies that have run up a \$1.3 billion debt.

He vows the debt won't be paid by residential taxpayers but by businesses. He forgets that businesses are people making business payments that otherwise would directly fund city services. Instead, they fund bond repayment. Every dime of developer-backed bond repayment won't begin funding schools, parks, road improvements, public safety and more, as Aasen says they will, won't kick into the city coffers until after the bonds are paid in full – 20 to 30 years from now.

He builds his case on "guarantees" from private developers conveniently ignoring that "guarantees" by Pedcor Cos. to build 10 new structures in congested City Center by 2019 but building only four or five. So much for guarantees.

Aasen speaks of retail spaces and offices galore, ignoring the facts daily documenting a nationwide collapse of local retail and the work-from-home success. More and more companies are canceling leases on big office boxes and encouraging workers to be productive from home or "virtual offices" outside high-rent spaces like those in Carmel. Nor does he provide facts concerning the money lost to local merchants unlucky enough to try competing with city-backed stores and entertainment venues.

This year the progressive schemes are on the hook for \$67 million in principal and interest due. The Carmel Redevelopment Commission's own budget calls for \$28.5 million for debt service from its \$33.5 million receipts. Looking ahead, "businesses" are the primary repayment source for more than three dozen bonds but the secondary sources are the city's share of state income taxes and property taxes.

Finally, Aasen omitted the history of the first progressive scheme – Merchants Square. City planners borrowed funds to redevelop the square. Take a look at what they've accomplished. Empty store fronts. Vacant parking lots. Failed businesses.

This is "truly a gift for residents of Carmel and future generations as well," as he concludes his platitude prose. It's a lose-lose gift born out of a municipal economic Afghanistan. Speculating on the wildly volatile commercial real estate market is not appropriate work for municipal governments.

Aasen once wrote, as a reporter, of the unanswered debt questions then. He has the answers now but won't share them. Perhaps he agrees that betting the future of the city on commercial real estate speculation is a lose-lose.

Bill Shaffer  
Carmel

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# Time to start thinking about your retirement income plan

If you're getting close to retirement, you're probably thinking about the ways your life will soon be changing. And one key transition involves your income – instead of being able to count on a regular paycheck, as you've done for decades, you'll now need to put together an income stream on your own. How can you get started?

It's helpful that you begin thinking about retirement income well before you actually retire. Many people don't – in fact, 61 percent of retirees wish they had done better at planning for the financial aspects of their retirement, according to an Edward Jones/Age Wave study titled "Retirement in the Time of Coronavirus: What a Difference a Year Makes."

Fortunately, there's much you can do to create and manage your retirement income. Here are a few suggestions:

Consider ways to boost income

As you approach retirement, you'll want to explore ways of potentially boosting your income. Can you afford to delay taking Social Security so your monthly checks will be bigger? Can you increase your contributions to your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan, including taking advantage of catch-up contributions if you're age 50 or older? Should you consider adding products that can provide you with an income stream that can potentially last your lifetime?

Calculate your expenses

How much money will you need each year during your retirement? The answer depends somewhat on your goals. For example, if you plan to travel extensively, you may need more income than someone who stays close to home. And no matter how you plan to spend your days in retirement, you'll need to budget for health care expenses. Many people underestimate what they'll need, but these costs can easily add up to several thousand dollars a year, even with Medicare.

Review your investment mix

It's always a good idea to review your investment mix at least once a year to ensure it's still appropriate for your needs. But it's especially important to analyze your investments in the years immediately preceding your retirement.

Corey Sylvester  
Cicero Edward Jones

ceding your retirement. At this point, you may need to adjust the mix to lower the risk level. However, you probably won't want to sell all your growth-oriented investments and replace them with more conservative ones – even during retirement, you'll likely need some growth potential in your portfolio to help you stay ahead of inflation.

Create a sustainable withdrawal rate

Once you're retired, you will likely need to start taking money from your IRA and 401(k) or similar plan. But it's important not to take too much out in your early years as a retiree, since you don't want to risk outliving your income. A financial professional can help you create a sustainable withdrawal rate based on your age, level of assets, family situation and other factors.

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By planning ahead, and making the right moves, you can boost your confidence in your ability to maintain enough income to last throughout your retirement. And with a sense of financial security, you'll be freer to enjoy an active lifestyle during your years as a retiree.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

# National coalition of high school leaders back carbon dividends plan

*Carmel H.S. Student Body President joins 700+ student leaders from all 50 states to urge Congress to act on bipartisan climate solution*

## The REPORTER

High school student leaders across the country are joining forces to launch **High Schoolers for Carbon Dividends (HS4CD)**. Co-founded by more than 700 student leaders from all 50 states, the coalition includes national winners of debate, science, and economics champions, Scripps National Spelling Bee champions, student government presidents, and many more.

This bipartisan group, collectively many of the top high school leaders in

the country, is supporting the market-based solution known as **carbon dividends** and urging Congress to act.

“As an ever-growing coalition of young people – from all backgrounds and political orientations – we are clear-eyed about what climate disruption means for our generation,” HS4CD’s founding **state-ment** reads. “That’s why we recognize the power of this consensus solution to bridge partisan divides, strengthen our economy, and protect our shared environment.”

**Popularized** by Republican Secretaries of State James A. Baker III and the late George P. Shultz, the carbon dividends **strategy** would charge fossil fuel companies a fee for their emissions and return the money collected to Americans in the form of direct checks. This would create an incentive to innovate new technologies and speed

the transition to clean energy, all while putting money back in the pockets of everyday Hoosiers.

In Indiana, the plan has earned the support of **companies** like General Motors and Ford – both major job creators in the state – as well as **mayors, young Republican leaders, student body presidents, economists, GOP state repre-**

**sentatives**, and more. This newly launched high school coalition adds to the growing drumbeat of Hoosiers supporting the carbon dividends solution.

“With climate change, we don’t get an A for effort. We only get an A for results,” said Brooklyn Coultas, who is student body president of Jasper High School and a co-founder

of HS4CD. “That’s why a solution like carbon dividends is so essential.”

“While we may not yet be in the halls of Congress, we are getting to work from the halls of our schools,” said Ellis Nou, student body president of Carmel High School and an HS4CD co-founder. “We may be young, but we know the time to move is now.”

## Meeting Notices

The Hamilton County Airport Authority will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2021, in the Commissioners’ Courtroom at the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Sheridan Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 13, 2021, at the Sheridan Public Library, 103 W. 1st St., Sheridan.

The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, at the CRC Office, 580 Veterans Way, Suite 100, Carmel.

The Noblesville Common Council Finance Committee meeting scheduled for 8:15 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, has been moved to the Council Conference Room at Noblesville City Hall, 16 S. 10th St., Noblesville.

The Carmel Clay Schools Board of Trustees and the Carmel Teachers Association will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, at the Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services Center, 5201 E. Main St., Carmel. Public testimony will be taken at this hearing pursuant to Indiana Code 20-29-6-1(a) regarding teacher compensation and collective bargaining.



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Sarah Josephene Abston

July 8, 1947 – September 1, 2021

Sarah Josephene Abston, 74, Noblesville, passed away on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at her home. She was born on July 8, 1947 to Kirk and Pearl (Knight) Bragg in Columbia, Ky.

Sarah worked as a nurse and was a member of Noblesville Moose Lodge.

She is survived by her husband, David Abston; children, Dottie Smith, Tim (Heather) Smith, Billy (Season) Smith, Lonnie Abston, and Matthew (Crystal) Smith; 14 grandkids; and six great-grandkids.

In addition to her parents, Sarah was preceded in death by her daughter, Rhilda Smith; sisters, Pauline Bragg and Norma Jean Perkins; and her brother, Shelby Knight.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 4, 2021 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Home, 1150 Logan St., Noblesville. Burial will follow at Crownland Cemetery in Noblesville.

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



David A. McAlister

June 26, 1972 – September 2, 2021

David A. McAlister, 49, Noblesville, passed away on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at St. Vincent Hospice in Indianapolis. He was born on June 26, 1972 in Noblesville.

David worked as an EMT for over 10 years. He was a fun-loving and very positive person. David loved everyone and made each person he came in contact with feel special.

He is survived by his mother, Mary McAlister; sons, Dylan McAlister, Jon McAlister, and Caiden McAlister; brother, Scott McAlister; aunts, Georgie, Nancy, Peggy, and Betty; nieces and nephews, Lea, Destiny, Scotty, Layla, Sabrina, and Xavier; and great-niece and great-nephews, Samuel, Harley, and Dominic.

David was preceded in death by his uncles, Mike Cain, Robert Cain, and Tom Cain; and his aunt, Judy Rose.

Services will be held at 1 p.m., with visitation beginning at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at Randall & Roberts Funeral Center, 1685 Westfield Road, Noblesville, with Chaplain Derek Hansen officiating.

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



TODAY’S BIBLE READING

*You are judging by appearances. If anyone is confident that they belong to Christ, they should consider again that we belong to Christ just as much as they do. So even if I boast somewhat freely about the authority the Lord gave us for building you up rather than tearing you down, I will not be ashamed of it. I do not want to seem to be trying to frighten you with my letters. For some say, “His letters are weighty and forceful, but in person he is unimpressive and his speaking amounts to nothing.” Such people should realize that what we are in our letters when we are absent, we will be in our actions when we are present.*

2 Corinthians 10:7-11 (NIV)

AG Rokita: Biden’s unlawful ‘antidiscrimination’ policies threaten individual rights, women’s sports

**Submitted**

On Monday, Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita filed a **multistate lawsuit** against the Biden administration to stop the enforcement of new, expansive and unlawful interpretations of federal antidiscrimination laws.

Federal guidance issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and the U.S. Department of Education purports to resolve highly controversial and localized issues – such as whether schools must allow biological males to compete on girls’ sports teams, whether employers and schools may maintain sex-separated showers and locker rooms, and whether individuals may be compelled to use another person’s preferred pronouns.

“Hoosier parents rightly expect their children’s schools to follow common sense rules that reflect their values, such as maintaining separate bathrooms for boys and girls,” Rokita said. “Using the weight and perceived threat of federal agencies, the Biden administration has sought to circumvent the law and impose a radical leftist ideology on American families nationwide. We can’t let that happen.”

Rokita added that the “extremist positions advocated by the Biden administration also pose an existential threat to women’s sports.”

“Forcing girls to compete against biological males for spots on women’s sports teams robs them of opportunities to participate in athletics,” he said. “Not only that, but forcing girls to play against biological males endangers their very health and safety. What could be more disrespectful toward women than these kinds of policies?”

The federal agencies claim that the guidance simply implements the Supreme Court’s decision in *Bostock v. Clayton County*, but that decision did not address any of the issues covered by the guidance. The agencies have no authority to unilaterally resolve these sensitive questions, let alone to do so without providing the public with notice and an opportunity to comment.

The lawsuit against the Biden administration is led by Tennessee and joined by 19 other states.

“This case is about two federal agencies changing law, which is Congress’ exclusive prerogative,” said Tennessee Attorney General Herbert H. Slatery III. “The agencies simply do not have that authority. But that has not stopped them from trying. Even their attempts, as unlawful as they are, did not follow the Administrative Procedures Act.”

The multistate coalition asks the court to declare the EEOC and Department of Education guidance invalid and unlawful and to prohibit their enforcement.



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## High school football - Week 3

# Tigers win county clash with Millers

The first all-Hamilton County football clash of the season went down to the wire on Friday, as Fishers visited Noblesville at Beaver Materials Field for what was also the Hoosier Crossroads Conference opener for both teams.

The Tigers trailed the Millers after the first quarter, but took the lead in the second period, extended it in the third, then held off a Noblesville comeback in the fourth quarter to escape with a 16-13 victory.

"I thought our defense played outstanding," said Tigers coach Curt Funk. Fishers had to contend with a Millers offense that had scored 102 points in its first two games. Funk credited his team with holding the line in "some crucial situations there at the end" to get the win.

Noblesville scored first, marching down the field in the first quarter and finally getting in the end zone when Brayan Gómez Sánchez took the ball in from the one-yard line. Fishers answered in the second period when Carson Dunn took a six-yard rush in for a touchdown. Dunn then caught a two-point conversion pass from Dominic Oliverio.

Thus, the Tigers led 8-6 at halftime. Fishers put up another touchdown during the middle of the third period, when Luke Minns found Aidan Zimmer for an 11-yard pass play score. Oliverio then took a two-point run into the end zone.

"It was a great high school football game," said Millers coach Dave Sharpe. "The execution on the PATs was critical, obviously because of the final score. It made them play comfortably with the lead in the second half. I have to just give them tremendous amount of credit for having tremendous execution on third and long and fourth down in the second half."

Noblesville kept battling, and cut into Fishers' lead when Parker Bell punched the ball in from the two-yard line. Jack Letourneau's kick got the Millers within three. Both team's defenses stepped up after that: Noblesville broke up an end-zone pass with 5:03 left, then the Tigers stopped the Millers' final scoring drive.

"I am really just satisfied with how hard they played," said Funk. "I thought our offense made the plays they needed to. We've got some things that we got to fix. But these kids keep getting better and better every week and that's all we could ask for is that they keep being coachable and they keep improving."



Reporter photo by Kent Graham

**Fishers' Carson Dunn scored a second-quarter touchdown, then caught a two-point conversion pass to push the Tigers ahead during their game with Noblesville Friday. Fishers went on to win 16-13.**

Minns completed 16 of 22 pass attempts for 135 yards, while Dunn led the rushing with 96 yards. Luke Valerio and Zimmer both had five catches. Dawson Scally made 11 tackles (10 solo, one assist) on defense.

Logan Shoffner continued to pace Noblesville's offense, rushing for 136 yards.

"I felt like we had a lot of offensive momentum late in the game," said Sharpe. "It's a shame there's not a fifth quarter, because it would have been another dogfight. That's two evenly matched teams and there's obviously a good chance in sectionals we can meet back up. They just made a couple of big-time money plays on third down and we were just not quite there."

Fishers is 3-0 and will host Hamilton Southeastern next Friday in the Mudsock game. The Millers are 2-1 and go on the road to Westfield next Friday.



**Noblesville's Parker Bell (2) helped keep the Millers in the game by scoring a fourth-quarter touchdown. Also pictured for Noblesville is Jacob Long (72).**

### FISHERS 16, NOBLESVILLE 13

#### Score by Quarters

Fishers	0	8	8	0	16
Noblesville	6	0	0	7	13

Team Stats	FHS	NOB
First Downs	18	13
By Rush	11	13
By Pass	6	0
By Penalty	1	0
Rushes-Yards	42-167	48-252
Yards Passing	135	3
Comp-Att-Int-TD	16-22-1-1	1-2-0-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-35	3-23
Punts-Average	0-0.0	3-21.0

#### Scoring

**First Quarter**  
2:40 - Brayan Gómez Sánchez 1-yard run (kick failed)  
**Second Quarter**  
9:07 - Carson Dunn 6-yard run (Dunn

pass from Dominic Oliverio)

#### Third Quarter

7:25 - Aidan Zimmer 11-yard pass from Luke Minns (Oliverio run)

#### Fourth Quarter

9:25 - Parker Bell 2-yard run (Jack Letourneau kick)

#### Fishers individual stats

**Rushing:** Dunn 26-96, Oliverio 8-55, Lucas Minns 6-11, Luke Valerio 1-5, team 1-0.

**Passing:** Minns 16-22-135.

**Receiving:** Valerio 5-44, Aidan Zimmer 5-26, Jeffrey Simmons 3-54, Collin McPeck 2-11, Hunter Strole 1-0.

#### Noblesville individual stats

**Rushing:** Logan Shoffner 20-136, Alairic Rogers-Walton 7-31, Gage Guley 6-32, Gómez Sánchez 9-29, Parker Bell 6-27.

**Passing:** Guley 1-2-3.

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Sheridan put together a solid performance on both ends of the ball at Tri-Central Friday night, and that sent the Blackhawks to a 40-6 Hoosier Heartland Conference victory.

“I thought we played our best ball game of the year,” said Sheridan coach Bud Wright. “We’re getting better as we go.”

The young Blackhawks scored in every quarter, and only gave up one touchdown to the Trojans in the first period. Aiden Garrison got Sheridan’s first score on an 11-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Mason Robinson.

In the second quarter, Gavin Reners and Peyton Cross both rushed in for touchdowns, and that was enough to give the ‘Hawks an 18-6 halftime lead. The second half followed the same pattern, as it began with Garrison catching a 19-yard touchdown throw from Robinson. Cross then caught a two-point conversion pass, and Sheridan led 26-6 after three.

The Blackhawks opened the fourth quarter with another pass play touchdown. Cole Webel hauled in an eight-yard pass from Robinson to score. Camden Spencer completed Sheridan’s scoring by making a short run to the end zone with 16 seconds left in the game. Freshman Owen Bell kicked both extra points in the quarter.

“We were missing several kids with injury,” said Wright. “I hope we get them before long. We had kids stepping and doing a heck of a job for us.”

Reners led the ‘Hawks offense with 137 yards rushing, while Cross gained 82



Sheridan's Noah Ehrie (22) runs after making an interception during the Blackhawks' Friday night game at Tri-Central. Also pictured is Cole Webel (47).

yards. It all added up to a big win, and one that gave Sheridan a 2-0 record in conference play.

“Last year we got off to that bad start in the conference,” said Wright. “This year we’re getting off to a lot better start.”

The Blackhawks are 2-1 overall and continue HHC play next week by hosting Delphi.

Gritty Huskies stun Rensselaer, 26-21

For the past two weeks, the Hamilton Heights football team has had to make long bus rides home on Friday night.

But they have been happy rides. Friday’s trip home must have been especially nice, since the Huskies came back from a 14-0 first-quarter deficit to stun Class 2A No. 9 Rensselaer Central 26-21.

“Anytime you win, it’s awesome for the kids,” said Heights coach Jonathan Kirschner. He reflected on the past two weeks, starting with last Friday’s last-minute trip to Bluffton, where the Huskies picked up their first win of the season. Then it was a long trip this Friday.

Because of all this, Kirschner said his team is finding out it has the ability to fight through adversity.

“We have the will and the fortitude and the grit,” said Kirschner. “To their credit, these young men have found a way to fight through that adversity.”

The game started rocky for Heights,

as the Bombers scored twice in the first quarter to go up 14-0. The Huskies got on the board during the waning seconds of the period, as Trey Ehman punched the ball in from the one-yard line with nine seconds left. Jonathan Glenn made the extra-point kick.

Heights tied the game late in the second quarter after Gavin Bramel collected a six-yard touchdown pass from Guy Griffey. Glenn’s kick knotted the game at 14-14. But Rensselaer scored minutes later on a short run and went into halftime ahead 21-14.

The Huskies wouldn’t let the Bombers score again. Instead, Heights added one touchdown in each of the next quarters. Isaac Tuma went first, catching a six-yard pass from Griffey midway through the third period. That got the Huskies within 21-20.

Heights had a late drive stall out in the end zone, and Rensselaer took over. The

Bombers got the ball inside the Huskies 30, but the ball came loose and Heights recovered. The Huskies then marched down the field and scored the go-ahead touchdown when Bramel caught a 38-yard pass from Griffey with 1:04 left.

For the kickoff, Kirschner said Heights sent out its “elite kickoff team,” which covered the ball “like wild banshees.” The Huskies kept Rensselaer deep in its own territory, then sealed the game when Vincent Harley made an interception.

“It’s definitely a program win,” said Kirschner. “They have a storied history with football and they’re a really good football team.”

Ehman finished the game with 110 yards, while Griffey went 12-of-22 through the air for 165 yards and three touchdowns. Tuma led the receptions with eight.

Heights is 2-1 and begins Hoosier Conference divisional play next Friday when it hosts Northwestern.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 26, RENSSELAER CENTRAL 21				Heights Scoring	
Score by Quarters				First Quarter	
Heights	7	7	6	6	26
Rensselaer	14	7	0	0	21
Team Stats		HH	RC	Heights individual stats	
First Downs	16	16	14	Rushing:	Ehman 24-110, Griffey 4-16
By Rush	7	7	8		Chance Yeager 4-10, Dean Mason (1-minus 26).
By Pass	8	8	6	Passing:	Griffey 12-22-165.
By Penalty	1	1	0	Receiving:	Tuma 8-106, Bramel 3-55, Yeager 1-4.
Rushes-Yards	33-110	33-110	37-153		
Yards Passing	165	165	130		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	12-22-0-3	12-22-0-3	10-16-1-1		
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0	2-2		
Penalties-Yards	1-5	1-5	2-25		
Punts-Average	4-44.0	4-44.0	2-29.5		

SHERIDAN 40, TRI-CENTRAL 6				Second Quarter	
Score by Quarters				9:56 - Gavin Reners 4-yard run (kick failed)	
Sheridan	6	12	8	5:01 - Peyton Cross 10-yard run (kick failed)	
Tri-Central	6	0	0	0 - 6	
Team Stats		SHS	TC	Third Quarter	
First Downs	20	20	4	9:51 - Garrison 19-yard pass from Robinson (Cross pass from Robinson)	
By Rush	18	18	1	Fourth Quarter	
By Pass	2	2	2	11:53 - Cole Webel 8-yard pass from Robinson (Owen Bell kick)	
By Penalty	0	0	1	0:16 - Camden Spencer 3-yard run (Bell kick)	
Rushes-Yards	59-346	59-346	21-15		
Yards Passing	43	43	61		
Comp-Att-Int-TD	4-5-1-3	4-5-1-3	2-5-2-1		
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	3-2	1-1		
Penalties-Yards	4-40	4-40	1-10		
Punts-Average	1-39.0	1-39.0	5-31.8		
Sheridan Scoring		Sheridan individual stats			
First Quarter		5:23 - Aiden Garrison 11-yard pass from Mason Robinson (kick failed)		Rushing:	Renner 29-137, Cross 15-82, Noah Ehrie 2-51, Christian Clausen 5-45, Spencer 5-24, Robinson 3-7.

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East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Tampa Bay	85	50	.630	-
N.Y. Yankees	78	56	.582	6.5
Boston	78	59	.569	8.0
Toronto	71	62	.534	13.0
Baltimore	41	92	.308	43.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. White Sox	78	57	.578	-
Cleveland	67	65	.508	9.5
Detroit	64	72	.471	14.5
Kansas City	60	74	.448	17.5
Minnesota	58	76	.433	19.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Houston	79	55	.590	-
Oakland	74	61	.548	5.5
Seattle	73	62	.541	6.5
L.A. Angels	67	68	.496	12.5
Texas	47	87	.351	32.0

## National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Atlanta	71	63	.530	-
Philadelphia	69	65	.515	2.0
N.Y. Mets	67	67	.500	4.0
Miami	56	79	.415	15.5
Washington	55	78	.414	15.5
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Milwaukee	82	54	.603	-
Cincinnati	72	64	.529	10.0
St. Louis	69	64	.519	11.5
Chi. Cubs	61	75	.449	21.0
Pittsburgh	48	87	.356	33.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Francisco	86	49	.637	-
L.A. Dodgers	85	50	.630	1.0
San Diego	71	64	.526	15.0
Colorado	62	73	.459	24.0
Arizona	45	91	.331	41.5

No games scheduled on Friday

## Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Connecticut	21	6	.778	-
Chicago	14	14	.500	7.5
Washington	10	16	.385	10.5
New York	11	18	.379	11.0
Indiana	6	19	.240	14.0
Atlanta	6	20	.231	14.5

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## Western Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Las Vegas	20	7	.741	-
x-Seattle	19	10	.655	2.0
x-Minnesota	17	9	.654	2.5
x-Phoenix	16	10	.615	3.5
Dallas	12	15	.444	8.0
Los Angeles	10	18	.357	10.5

# Greyhounds fall to Center Grove



Carmel's Ethan Hall makes a run for the Greyhounds during their Friday game with Center Grove.

Carmel endured a frustrating night on Friday, as Center Grove came into town and beat the Greyhounds 41-14 in their Metropolitan Conference opener.

The defending Class 6A state champion Trojans led 10-0 after the first quarter, and held Carmel to negative rushing during the period. The ‘Hounds got back on track in the second period, as their defense stepped up and didn’t allow Center Grove any points. Meanwhile, Desmond Duffy got Carmel on the board by catching a two-yard pass from Lleyton Lukowski.

Ben Sponsler made the extra-point kick, and the Greyhounds were with-

in 10-7 at halftime. But the Trojans got going again, putting up 24 unanswered points to lead 34-7 by the fourth quarter.

Lukowski scored in the fourth quarter on a 10-yard run, with Sponsler again making the extra-point kick. The Trojans added a late touchdown to bring the score to the final margin.

Lukowski, filling in for injured Zach Osborne, had a solid game, going 12-for-25 and totaling 160 yards through the air, and also rushing for 53 yards. Jaedon King and Duffy both made five catches.

Carmel is 2-1 and continues MIC play next week at Pike.

CENTER GROVE 41, CARMEL 14

Score by Quarters				
Center Grove	10	0	17	14 - 41
Carmel	0	7	0	7 - 14

Team Stats	CG	CAR
First Downs	22	8
By Rush	15	2
By Pass	6	6
By Penalty	1	0
Rushes-Yards	47-385	38-20
Yards Passing	132	163
Comp-Att-Int-TD	11-15-0-1	13-30-2-1
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-63	1-13
Punts-Average	1-33.0	5-34.8

Carmel Scoring

Second Quarter

5:27 - Desmond Duffy 2-yard pass from Lleyton Lukowski (Ben Sponsler kick)

Fourth Quarter

7:08 - Lukowski 10-yard run (Sponsler kick)

Carmel individual stats

Rushing: Lukowski 9-53, Ethan Hall 9-minus 6, Nick Beidl 2-minus 9.

Passing: Lukowski 12-25-160, Jackson Kazmierczak 1-4-3, Solomon Williams 0-1-0.

Receiving: Jaedon King 5-99, Duffy 5-40, Reece Bellin 3-24.

# Friday night football scores

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Bloomington South 36, Terre Haute North 20  
Brebeuf Jesuit 40, Indianapolis Ritter 6  
Brown County 54, Cloverdale 14  
Brownsburg 28, Franklin Central 14  
Brownstown Central 49, Madison 35  
Carroll (Flora) 34, Madison-Grant 8  
Carroll (Fort Wayne) 40, Fort Wayne North 0  
Castle 49, Evansville Bosse 0  
Center Grove 41, Carmel 14  
Centerville 28, Park Tudor 13  
Central Noble 35, Fairfield 14  
Charlestown 60, Clarksville 14  
Chelsea (Mich.) 42, Angola 14  
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Decatur Central 17, Whiteland 6  
Delta 41, Lewis Cass 0  
East Noble 57, Huntington North 13

Eastbrook 42, Mississinewa 7  
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Jay County 63, Southern Wells 12  
Jimtown 53, Osceola Grace 6  
Knox 20, Highland 14  
Kokomo 42, Marion 14  
Lafayette Central Catholic 42, Northwest-ern 0  
Lafayette Jeff 62, McCutcheon 21  
Lake Central 14, Portage 7  
Lakeland 34, Prairie Heights 0  
Lapel 40, Shenandoah 21  
Lawrence North 20, Lawrence Central 6  
Lawrenceburg 63, Milan 13  
Leo 41, Norwell 7  
Linton-Stockton 34, Monrovia 8  
Lloyd Memorial (Ky.) 31, Providence 21  
Martinsville 38, Greenwood 21  
Merrillville 50, Crown Point 13  
Mishawaka Marian 48, Bremen 6  
Mishawaka 36, Goshen 7  
Monroe Central 19, North Decatur 18  
Mooresville 63, Plainfield 42  
Mount Vernon (Posey) 47, Princeton 7  
Munster 44, East Chicago Central 8  
New Albany 48, Jennings County 6  
New Haven 13, DeKalb 10, 20T  
New Palestine 42, Yorktown 14  
New Prairie 24, Lowell 14  
North Daviess 35, Eastern Greene 0  
North Harrison 28, Corydon Central 7  
North Judson 34, North Newton 12  
North Knox 47, Tecumseh 6  
North Posey 40, Southridge 28  
Northeastern 28, Winchester 8  
Northfield 48, Maconaquah 0  
Northridge 42, Wawasee 0  
Northview 16, Sullivan 13  
Oak Hill 56, Elwood 6  
Owen Valley 35, Indian Creek 7

Pendleton Heights 30, New Castle 26  
Perry Central 51, Crawford County 0  
Perry Meridian 21, Franklin 19  
Pioneer 12, LaVille 7  
Rochester 35, Whitko 6  
Rock Creek Academy 28, Indiana Deaf 26  
Scottsburg 40, Connersville 12  
Seymour 28, Columbus East 24  
Sheridan 40, Tri-Central 6  
Silver Creek 26, Floyd Central 0  
South Adams 42, Bluffton 32  
South Bend Adams 39, South Bend Riley 6  
South Bend St. Joseph 27, John Glenn 9  
South Dearborn 24, Batesville 17  
South Putnam 29, Tri 6  
South Spencer 55, Pike Central 0  
Southmont 13, Seeger 0  
Southwood 34, North Miami 6  
Speedway 43, Beech Grove 26  
Tell City 14, Forest Park 10  
Tippecanoe Valley 45, Peru 9  
Tipton 42, Twin Lakes 7  
Traders Point Christian 24, South Newton 12  
Tri-West 61, Frankfort 14  
Trimble County (Ky.) 44, Switzerland Coun-ty 6  
Union City 25, Hagerstown 9  
Union County 46, Knightstown 7  
Valparaiso 56, LaPorte 26  
Warren Central 42, North Central (Indi-anapolis) 0  
Warsaw 43, Plymouth 14  
West Central 20, Tri-County 7  
West Lafayette 69, Western 19  
Western Boone 49, Crawfordsville 6  
Westfield 42, Zionsville 21  
Wheeler 28, Calumet 8  
Whiting 35, Hammond Noll 7  
Winamac 35, Manchester 18