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# Adams County Cancer Center announces closure

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SEAMAN, Ohio — The Adams County Cancer Center (ACCC) has announced that it will be closing its doors on Oct. 13, 2026.

“This decision was not made lightly,” the ACCC stated in a press release. “Despite our best efforts, we can no longer sustain the practice. We understand that this news may be difficult and concerning, particularly for those of us who have entrusted

us with their care.”

The press release further expressed that the ACCC is grateful for “the trust you have placed in our physicians, nurses, and staff,” and that it has been an honor to serve the community.

The ACCC recommended that patients who need to arrange a referral, obtain copies of medical records, coordinate a transfer of medical information to a new provider or discuss questions about ongoing care should contact its office

as soon as possible.

“We sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern this closure may cause. Please know that we are committed to doing everything we can to make this transition as smooth as possible for you and your family,” the ACCC stated. “Thank you for allowing us to be part of your health-care journey. It has been a privilege to serve you, and we wish you and your loved ones continued strength, health, and peace.”



# Indictments handed down in Mason County

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Several individuals were recently indicted in Mason County.

Justin Tyrone Riley was charged for offenses that indictments allege took place between Jan. 1, 2022, and July 30, 2022.

Riley was charged with first-degree sexual abuse of a victim under the age of 12, which indictments allege occurred when he “subjected his daughter to sexual contact.”

His second count was first-degree rape of a victim under the age of 12, which indictments allege occurred when he “engaged in sexual inter-

course with his daughter who was unable to consent because she was under 12 years old.”

Riley’s final count was listed as incest.

Judge Jeffrey L. Schumacher signed a warrant of arrest on an indictment and set a bond amount of \$200,000.

Dustin Blake Chenault was charged with theft by deception in the amount of \$1,000 to \$100,000, which allegedly occurred when he “created the false impression that he intended to sell a vehicle,” according to indictments. They further alleged that Chenault received payments totaling \$1,000 and failed to deliver the vehicle.

Chenault was also charged with being a first-degree persistent felony offender due to prior convictions.

Schumacher signed a warrant of arrest on the indictment and set a bond amount of \$1,500.

The final indictment alleged that Gregory Frederick Williams committed second-degree forgery when, “with the intent to defraud, deceive, or injure Glenro, Inc., the defendant created and cashed two false commercial instruments, namely two counterfeit checks, totaling #7,532.94.”

Schumacher signed a warrant of arrest and set a bond amount of \$1,000.

# Mason Co. Fiscal Court proclaims Sept. 17-23 Constitution Week

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This week, the Mason County Fiscal Court signed a proclamation commemorating Sept. 17-23 as Constitution Week in the county.

Mason County Judge Executive Owen McNeill read the proclamation, which stated, “Whereas Sept. 17, 2026 marks the 239th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitu-

tion of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention, and whereas it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion and whereas Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States

of America designating Sept. 17th through the 23rd as Constitution Week.”

It was further stated that on Thursday, Sept. 17, there will be a children’s bell ringing at the time of the signing of the Constitution, as well as town displays, a banner in the front of the Mason County Fiscal Court-house and listening spots on WFTM.



Photo courtesy of Owen McNeill  
Mason County Judge Executive Owen McNeill signs a proclamation at the Mason County Fiscal Court, proclaiming Sept. 17 through Sept. 23 as Constitution Week in Mason County.

# Augusta Board of Education holds regular meeting

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AUGUSTA — On Thursday, Aug. 13, the Augusta Independent Board of Education held its regular meeting.

According to the meeting minutes, board members Matthew McCane, Chasity Saunders, Bob Snapp and Mike Taylor were present, while Laura Back was absent.

The minutes further state that during the meeting, board members reviewed the following items: an update on the progress of the multipurpose educational gymnasium; the principal and superintendent’s reports; the certified hiring of Career Technical Education (CTE) teacher Harrison Owens Crawford;

the classified transfer of school administrative assistant and school nurse Katie Holleran, high school special education paraprofessional Sommer Siler and CTE bus driver Tyler Sparks, assigned District Agriculture Education Week Coordinator. Additionally, the board discussed school activity account clerk Tina Sticklen’s assignment of duty and school administrative assistant Karla Hinson’s classified resignation.

The board took no action on these items.

According to the minutes, the board approved the following items: the amended classified and extra-duty salary schedules for 2026-2027, the board procedure early entrance petition form

and an early entrance request, the proposed property tax rates for 2026-2027, the adoption of the Kentucky Association of School Administrators (KASA) Five-Standard Superintendent Effectiveness Framework for 2026-2027, an emergency certification for a business education instructor for 2026-2027, two BG 22-521 change orders for the multi-purpose gymnasium and a pay application for Momentum Construction.

Several reports were also approved, including the monthly facilities report and a data security and data breach awareness report.

The meeting adjourned shortly afterward.

# Traveling turtle



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A turtle appears on a train traveling through downtown Maysville.



Ponto the office dog says:  
There’s many a pessimist who got that way by financing an optimist.

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