

Polar Plunge

Several faculty members, administrators and staff at Trimble County Junior/Senior High School did a Polar Plunge in support of Special Olympics Saturday at the Ohio River boat ramp in Madison, Indiana. It was a quick dash into and out of the roughly 45 degree water.



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Kerrie Stewart (left) and Brent Taylor react to the cold Ohio River water during Saturday's Polar Plunge for Special Olympics at the boat ramp in Madison, Indiana.



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Mila Consley strips down for her dip in the Ohio River



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Jenine Sullivan (front) and Alicia Jackson emerge from the Ohio River after completing their Polar Plunge on Saturday.



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The Polar Plungers strip off their wet clothes and try to dry off after emerging from the Ohio River.



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Mila Consley (left) and Shelbe Black dry off after their plunge into the Ohio River.



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Shelbe Black reemerges from the Ohio River, teeth chattering and show in hand.



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Wet footprints on the cement where the plungers returned from their dash into the cold river.



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Shelbe Black (left) and Kyle Helton compare reactions to a dip in a cold Ohio River during Saturday's Polar Plunge



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The group of Trimble County faculty, administrators and staff members who participated in the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Saturday at the Ohio River boat ramp in Madison, Indiana.



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Kyle Helton dries off after taking the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics.



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Whitney Farmer (right) and Mila Consley hustle out of the Ohio River after competing their Polar Plunge Saturday.

AG announces more funding to expand youth drug prevention

BY PAXTON MDDIA GROUP

FRANKFORT — Earlier this month, Attorney General Russell Coleman announced the Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission has approved additional funding to continue the success of Kentucky's first-ever statewide youth drug prevention effort, Better Without It (BWI).

Attorney General Coleman delivered remarks to the KYOAC regarding phase two of Better Without It. General Coleman outlined efforts to expand youth-led engagements and in-person programming in schools and community

organizations across the Commonwealth. The \$5,800,000 request was unanimously approved by the Commission.

Launched last year, phase one of BWI has made high-profile partnerships with student athletes like U of L guard, J'Vonnie Hadley, UK guard, Trent Noah and even the Wildcats Men's Basketball Coach, Mark Pope. To date, there have been more than seven million views of 'Better Without It' content on Instagram, Disney Plus, Hulu, and ESPN streaming.

"We've seen the BWI

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Bird flu detected in vulture at Corinth Lake

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The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) confirmed recently that "a preliminary non-negative result" for highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) was received for samples taken from a deceased black vulture collected at Corinth Lake in Grant County. HPAI is often referred to as avian flu or bird flu.

The vulture was one of several found along the shore of the lake and reported by Stephanie Lewis-Hardin on Jan. 7. Although some of the deceased birds had been "eaten on," no injuries were noted.

KDFWR Wildlife Disease

Biologist Kate Williams termed the result "a presumptive positive case," meaning "the virus's genetic material was detected in the initial test." However, she said, "Until confirmatory testing is completed, the preliminary result is always considered a 'presumptive' or 'suspect' positive."

KDFWR typically first submits samples to a regional veterinary diagnostic lab for the initial testing. In the case of non-negative results, such as the one received from the Corinth Lake bird, samples will be sent to one of two National Veterinary Services Laboratories

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LEGAL NOTICE

From the Chairperson of the Trimble County Planning and Zoning Commission; in accordance with KRS 424, KRS 100.211, and the Kentucky Open Records and Meetings Act you are provided with notification. The Trimble County Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the following proposed text amendments to the Trimble County Planning and Zoning Ordinance on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Trimble County fiscal court building. For more information, call (502)255-7196:

Under Section 250. Zoning Permit Procedure: "Applications for such permits made to the Enforcement Officer/Administrator shall be approved or disapproved within a reasonable time. Under normal circumstances, ten (10) business days shall be considered a reasonable time, provided that the applicant has submitted a complete application."

Under Appendix A. Definitions: Amending the Definition of Retail Sales: "engaging in selling goods or merchandise to the general public for personal or household consumption and rendering services incidental to the sale of such goods through the use of a retail establishment of storefront, not to include Direct to Consumer Sales."

Adding the Definition: Direct to Consumer Sales: "in the trade or business of selling (or soliciting) consumer products to any buyer on a buy-sell or deposit-commission basis for resale in the home or accessory structure and/or through social media, or on-line platforms not to include a permanent retail establishment or storefront."

Amending the Definition of Home Occupation: "On the premises, retail sales shall be prohibited; however, Direct-to-Consumer Sales as defined under this section shall be permitted by right".

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