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This year's Homecoming candidates are (from left) Matt Rabenberg, Jordyn Brownlee, Mason O'Malley, Brooke Blaschko, Riley O'Malley, Isabelle Factor, Brody Rud, Anabelle Davies, Dan Lozano and Paige Johnson.

TCU announces Homecoming candidates

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It may not look the same as previous years, but TCU will hold an adapted Homecoming week October 19 to 23. The high school announced its 2020 Homecoming candidates on Friday, Oct. 9.

Candidates were chosen by the senior class via a Google Form Survey.

The queen candidates are:
- Jordyn Brownlee, daughter of Melissa Brownlee and James Brownlee. Jordyn is involved in Business Professionals of America, and the TCU chapter of the National Honor Society.

- Brooke Blaschko, daughter of Mike and Sarah Blaschko. Brooke is involved in tennis, softball and the TCU ARTeam.

- Isabelle Factor, daughter of Cory and Laura Factor. Isabelle is active in basketball, softball, and Business Professionals of America.

- Paige Johnson, daughter of Melanie Johnson and Jason Johnson. Paige is active in tennis and basketball.

- Anabelle Davies, daughter of



Jordyn Brownlee

Brooke Blaschko

Isabelle Factor

Paige Johnson

Anabelle Davies



Dan Lozano

Brody Rud

Riley O'Malley

Mason O'Malley

Matt Rabenberg

Travis and Loni Davies. Anabelle participates in National Honor Society and the Weightlifting Club.

The king candidates are:
- Dan Lozano, the son of Gra-

ciela Lozano and Jesus Lozano.

- Brody Rud, the son of Daniel Rud and Amanda Grossman. Brody is active in wrestling, football and baseball.

- Riley O'Malley, the son of Kelly and Holly O'Malley. Riley participates in football and wrestling.

- Mason O'Malley, son of Ryan and Holly O'Malley. Mason partici-

pates in football.

- Matt Rabenberg, the son of Troy and Suzy Rabenberg. Matt participates in football and basketball.

All students in grades nine to 12 will cast their ballot this week for the king and queen through the same method.

The coronation will be held on Monday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center (PAC). The audience will be made up of parents/guardians (max of four) of the Royalty and any Titan senior who wants to attend. This will be live-streamed.

Some of the traditional activities and events for next week will be somewhat limited due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes no parades, pepfests, dances, medalion hunt in school or Pink Out volleyball game.

However there will be dress up days for students this week and next, a dodgeball tournament, powder puff football game, volleyball matches, and a football game with limited attendance.

TCU reports positive cases of COVID-19

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TCU schools informed parents and guardians on Monday of three lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) in members of

the TCU School communities.

According to Superintendent Lonnie Seifert, the three confirmed cases were reported over the past five days.

"We were only made aware of the three cases since late yesterday (Sunday) and this morning (Monday). The cases go back to individuals in the building last Wednesday up until this weekend, but as I indicated there is one classroom impacted and one activity impacted by the positive cases.

He noted that the district is working with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) on contact tracing and that families will be notified if their child has been identified as a close contact.

Seifert noted that the risk of exposure at school is the same as being in public.

"We have been reassured by MDH that the risk of exposure for other individuals present at school is no greater than the risk of contracting the virus in the general

community," he stated in a notification to parents and guardians.

Seifert said students who were not identified to have close contact with a positive case of COVID-19 will not be notified of every positive case. He advised that families should still monitor for symptoms of illness, stay home and consult with their physician to determine if medical evaluation is needed if symptoms are present.

He said the district is working closely with MDH and asks everyone to follow safety guidelines.

"We understand that this may create unease in our community. We have taken action to clean and sanitize our schools and are working closely with MDH to monitor each situation. We are asking all members of our community to minimize the spread of illness by wearing a face covering, maintaining social distancing, frequently washing hands, and staying home when ill," he said. "This is a challenging time and I know many of you may be feeling stress or anxiety. We will get through this together as a community, and will be stronger when we emerge."



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A float by CornerStone State Bank is pictured in a previous Torchlight Parade.

Torchlight Parade cancelled

In an announcement Tuesday on the Montgomery Torchlight Parade and Firework's social media page, organizers stated the Holidazzle-like event will be canceled in 2020. They said it is due to "the pandemic restrictions by our state government."

"We would like to thank everyone for your support of this event. Unfortunately after careful consideration due to the pandemic restrictions by our state government we have no choice but to cancel the parade and fireworks for 2020" the post stated.

Organizers plan to continue the

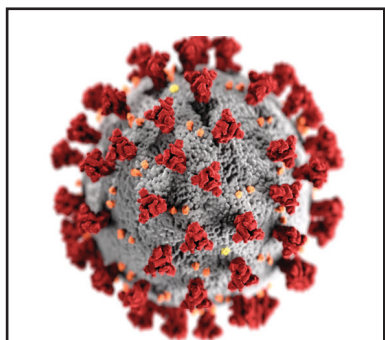
Medallion Hunt and the lighting contests for both residential and businesses this year, stating that more information will be available in a few weeks.

Montgomery's popular winter event was originally scheduled to be held on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020.

"We hope you will continue your support and participation in 2021. Save the date December 2, 2021," the statement read.



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Positive COVID-19 cases

County	Total	Deaths
Le Sueur	546	5
Rice	1,498	8
Scott	2,969	34
Waseca	878	9
State.....	114,574	2,151

Information from Minnesota Department of Health 10-13-2020

Calvary Church
October 23rd
6:30 PM
830 4th Ave. SW
New Prague

Men's Friday Night Fight
Fighting Together For Purity From Lust & Pornography
Special Guest Speakers From Broken Strength Ministries. Free Pizza Provided.
Please RSVP Online:
www.calvarychurchmn.org/friday-night-fight