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Asian nations dominate international test

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — Asian nations dominated an international test of mathematics and science skills, with South Korea and Singapore leading the pack. The results of the 2012 Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) were announced Tuesday by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

South Korea topped the list in both mathematics and science, followed by Singapore and Japan. The United States ranked 22nd in mathematics and 23rd in science. The OECD said that the results show that Asian students are performing better than their counterparts in other parts of the world.

The PISA test is a measure of students' ability to apply their knowledge and skills to solve real-world problems. It is taken by 15-year-old students in more than 70 countries. The results are used to help governments improve their education systems.

County tables cooling solution for IT department

BYRON CENTER — The Byron Center School District is looking for a solution to its IT department's cooling problem. The district's IT department is currently using a cooling system that is inefficient and expensive to operate. The district is looking for a more energy-efficient and cost-effective solution.

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Plains parade cancelled

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Roofing permits in Hutchinson return to normal

HUTCHINSON — Roofing permits in Hutchinson, Michigan, have returned to normal after a period of delay. The delay was caused by a shortage of permit reviewers. The city officials say that the permit process is now back to normal and that there are no further delays.

Police: Shooting probe in Topeka leads to 3 bodies

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Tyone United Methodist Church to host annual fundraiser dinner Saturday

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