

Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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Talk Sup Week 31 Review and Preview

April 25, 2022

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a happy holidays and relaxing spring recess. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup. Please remember that our schools will be closed next Monday, May 2nd in observance of Eid al fitr.



In <u>163</u> days, residents in Sayreville will have the opportunity to *Cool the Schools* when they vote on the **Facilities Improvement Bond Referendum**, which is scheduled to be voted on by the Sayreville community on <u>October 4, 2022</u>. To see the current presentation on the referendum, click <u>here</u>. To see all information pertaining to the referendum and the district district's strategic

approach to improving its facilities, click <a href="https://example.com/here-name="https://e



PTO Meeting Dates and Times

- Truman May 12th at 7 pm
- SUES April 27th at 7 pm
- $SMS May 10^{th} at 7 pm$
- SWMHS May 9th at 7 pm

Faculty Meeting Dates and Times

- Arleth May 10th at 3:40 pm
- Truman June 7th at 3:40 pm
- Eisenhower May 10th at 8:00 am
- Wilson April 26th at 3:40 pm
- SUES May 17th at 3:00 pm
- SMS May 10th at 3:00 pm
- SWMHS May 9th at 2:40 pm

Over spring recess, it was reported to us that two individuals from the high school, one from the middle school, one form the Arleth School, one from Campus Security, and two from the Buildings and Grounds Department have tested positive for COVID-19. After conducting contact tracing in accordance with New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) guidelines, no individuals were determined to be in "close contact" with the infected people. For more information on infections, click here to review our Student and Student COVID-19 Dashboards.

Today staff and parents **no longer have to complete the Oncourse daily health screening surveys**. However, we continue to request that parents:

- Do <u>not</u> send their child(ren) to school if they are symptomatic.
- Report to the administration and nurses at their child(ren)'s respective school(s) if their child(ren) are symptomatic, have tested positive, or were in close contact with an infected individual outside of school.
- Remind their child(ren) to practice appropriate hand hygiene
- Strongly consider participating in the school district's testing and vaccination programs.

Please remember that the Parlin Pharmacy is graciously offering all Savreville Public Schools staff, students and family members COVID-19 home rapid test kits for no or little out of pocket cost. While most insurances cover home rapid test kits at no cost, unfortunately we have learned that there are certain insurances which may not. However, if your insurance policy does not cover them, the pharmacy is offering our staff, students and family members a special price of \$9.99 per kit. Furthermore, while some policies may not immediately cover the cost of the kit, they may provide full reimbursement upon the submission of a receipt, which will be provided by the pharmacy. Use the links below to order a test kit. All student and family test kits will be available for pick up in the cafeteria at the Sayreville War Memorial High School on Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 – 4:30 pm. As previously reported by me, staff test kits will be delivered to the school designated in orders. If you have further questions, please contact the pharmacy via the following email: ParlinRx@Gmail.com. Click on the appropriate link below to order the test kits.

STUDENT/FAMILY HOME COVID-19 RAPID TEST KIT REGISTRATION LINK **STAFF** HOME COVID-19 RAPID TEST KIT REGISTRATION LINK

Please also remember that, as part of our district's Safe Return Plan, this Wednesday, April 27, 2022 we will resume voluntary staff/family and student/family COVID-19 testing with Back to School Solutions from 2:30 – 5 pm and voluntary vaccinations with the Parlin Pharmacy from 4-7 pm in the Sayreville War Memorial High School Cafeteria. Please also note that the pharmacy is also providing Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson booster shots. Likewise, they are now also providing vaccinations for children 5 years of age and older. However, in accordance with the CDC and NJDOH it is recommended that parents consult with their child's pediatrician prior to getting them vaccinated, especially those under that age of 12. Below, please find the tentative dates for both of these services throughout the fall. With regard to testing, since we do not test people who are demonstrating symptoms, if you are symptomatic, you should ask your healthcare provider for an appropriate testing location. If you are a staff member or the parent of a student who is interested in learning more information about how you and your residing family members can participate in this vital virus spreading prevention activity, click here. Please note that if you have already participated in testing with us, you only need to conduct a telemedicine appointment. If you have never tested with us in the past, you would need to register using the following link https://backtoworksolutions.com/SayervillePSD.html. Once you have conducted your telemedicine appointment, you will receive a prescription for the PCR test.

As mentioned above the Parlin Pharmacy will once again administer Flu and COVID-19 Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson and Johnson vaccine shots to anyone 5 years of age and older, as well as Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J booster shots, in the Savreville War Memorial High School Cafeteria. Naturally, any individuals under the age of 18 will need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian, who will need to provide signed consent for the vaccination. Therefore, anyone interested in receiving the vaccine must register online in advance by clicking here or by going to the Parlin Pharmacy website (www.parlinrx.com). Unfortunately, for safety purposes, no "walkins" will be permitted into the school. In fact, with in-district COVID-19 testing, all registered participants must report to Door 22 of the high school cafeteria (adjacent to the dumpsters), where they will be screened by our security team before being allowed into the vaccination room. Below please find the tentative dates and times.

COVID-19 Testing Schedule Via Back to School

Solutions

- Wednesday, April 27, 2022
- Wednesday, May 4, 2022
- Wednesday, May 11, 2022
- Wednesday, May 18, 2022
- Wednesday, May 25, 2022
- Wednesday, June 1, 2022
- Wednesday, June 8, 2022
- Wednesday, June 15, 2022
- Wednesday, June 22, 2022
- Wednesday, June 29, 2022

COVID-19 and Flu Vaccinations with the Parlin Pharmacy

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Tomorrow evening at **7:30 pm**, there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Cafeteria. During it, the district will hold the public hearing for the 2022-23 School District Budget. Therefore, the Superintendent will be making a brief presentation on it. To see the agenda for the meeting, click here. In order to access the live streaming of the meeting click here. Since the viewing of the live stream will be handled by YouTube, you must be viewing the stream on a browser or application that is live stream compatible. If you are unable to hear audio you may need to try a different browser/application. The live stream will only be available during the real-time duration of the meeting. Directions for public participation during the meeting will be provided on the above-mentioned live stream page of the website. Finally, if on Wednesday you wish to view it or other past-recorded BOE meetings, click here.



While I was not able to attend, on April 13th, the high school held the National Honor Society (NHS) Induction Ceremony. As is the case each year, the high school recognized and inducted the

amazing juniors and seniors who have demonstrated excellence inside and outside of the classroom this year. As always, the ceremony was rich with tradition and spirit, as the inductees took the time to thank the wonderful teachers in the district who were pivotal in their success. We commend and

thank Ms. Vasquez and Ms. Kruh, NHS Co-Advisors, and all the staff members who assisted her in coordinating such a memorable experience for our 2022 NHS students and their parents.





Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students continued to progress in learning and had a ton of fun doing so this past week. At the high





school, students and staff showed their school spirit during Spring Spirit Week, which featured Music Merch Day, Decade's Day, Jersey Day, Bomber Blue-Out Day, and concluded with the





Spring Athletics Pep Rally. In addition, School Resource Officer, Detective Kenney, demonstrated the dangers of impaired driving by having students in the Criminal Justice Club navigate mini vehicles through a special obstacle course. Finally, cadets from the Air Force Junior ROTC visited the middle school to

recruit 7th and 8th grade students. At the middle school, students in Ms. Kennedy's, Ms. Errico's, and Ms. Ciampa's classes had a blast participating in an egg hunt. At the Truman School, students and staff wore pajamas to raise funds for the team of Truman staff and





students who will be walking in the Parents of Autistic Children (POAC) Walk for a Difference on Sunday, June 5th. Lastly, in Project Before some of our preschool students added butterflies to their Holland Bulb Tulip Garden.



Last week our students, staff, and community members continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We begin by commending and congratulating the aforementioned SWMHS students who were inducted into the National Honor Society, along with the incredible teachers who they recognized for inspiring and making a difference in their lives. In addition, we congratulate and commend





Hunter Almeida, who was recently selected to be the SWMHS male recipient of the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) Sportsmanship Award. Finally, we once again commend and congratulate the members of the SWMHS Theatre Society who for the first time in school history earned varsity letters and junior varsity endorsements for their dedication and contributions to the productions this school year. Bomber Nation salutes these and all our students, staff, and community members for representing Sayreville in such an impeccable manner. They Rock!



In athletics, the SWMHS Girls and Boys Track and Field Teams improved their respective records to 3-0 on the season and continued to dominate invitational meets. For example, over spring break, Anthony Voto broke the SWMHS Discus throw record and won First Place during



the East Brunswick Invitational, and then later broke the school Shot Put throw record while winning First Place at the Colts Neck Invitational. Likewise, Zaimer Wright placed 3rd in the Long Jump during the East Brunswick Invitational, while Leah White placed 2nd in the Long Jump and 100 Meter Race at the Colts Neck Invitational. In addition, Ryan Donnamaria took 3rd Place in the High Jump, Sean Donnamaria won 3rd Place in the 400 Meter Race,



and Will Lewis and Amir Elkholy finished 3rd and 4th respectively in the Pole Vault at the Colts Neck Invitational. The SWMHS Baseball and Softball Teams won their first games of the season over spring break and in doing so combined their efforts to raise money for Autism Awareness. The Boys Team, which is now 2-8 on the

season, defeated Metuchen and Elizabeth High Schools last week, while also taking time to wash cars during a fundraiser. The Girls Team also notched its second victory of the season over spring break with a win over Edison High School. In Lacrosse, the SWMHS Boys Team defeated Neptune, Newark East Side, and Nottingham High Schools to improve their record on the season to an incredible 9-2. Similarly, the Girls Team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas High School to improve its record on the season to 4-3. Finally, prior to going on spring break, the SWMHS Boys Tennis Team defeated South Plainfield High School to earn its first match win of the season. Win or lose, all our amazing student athletes continued to compete fiercely and demonstrate the teamwork and sportsmanship that makes us all proud to be Bombers. Thus, we thank them and their coaches for their hard work, dedication, and the manner in which they represent SWMHS and our community. Please remember that you can see all athletic team schedules and view all the action by watching them on the live streaming links posted on the Athletics page of our website or by clicking here.

As per the <u>2021-22 School District Calendar</u>, and the <u>April Activities Calendar</u>, there will be a BOE Business Meeting tomorrow, April 26th. Please remember that our schools will be closed next Monday, May 2nd in observance of Eid al fitr.

On January 31, 2022, the Sayreville Public Schools officially opened registration for our free Full-Day Project Before Preschool and Kindergarten Programs. Therefore, parents of ALL eligible (must be 3 for preschool and 5 for kindergarten by September 30, 2022) preschool and kindergarten students are invited to visit our website in order to register via Oncourse Connect, our online registration software. The link to student registration will be clearly identified on our district website homepage (www.sayrevillek12.net) as "Student Registration". Once on this registration page, you can obtain pertinent information regarding the registration of all students including



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preschool and kindergarten students, and you can begin completing the online registration application by clicking on one of the following links noted in the 2022-2023 Project Before and Kindergarten text box: New Student Registration Preschool and Kindergarten or Returning Student Enrollment Update for students entering grades PreK and Kindergarten during the 2022-2023 school year.

If you or someone you know would like to **advertise** with us on our **website** and via **Bomber Blasts**, you should click **here** and submit an inquiry with *School Revenue Partners*. Naturally, we will continue to Bomber Blast activity information and community service announcements for our schools and the greater community at no cost. Likewise, if you would like to advertise on our **buses**, click **here**.

Have a great day and wonderful week.

Dr. Labbe