

## Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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### Talk Sup Week 5 Review and Preview

October 11, 2021

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup. Please also remember that we will **dismiss students early** today, **Monday**, **October 11**<sup>th</sup>, so that staff can participate in professional development.

Over the weekend one individual from the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES), one from the Wilson School, and one from the Truman School tested positive for COVID-19. After conducting contact tracing in accordance with Center for Disease Control (CDC) and New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) guidelines, individuals from SUES and Wilson were determined to be in "close contact" with the infected people. All have been formally notified and directed to quarantine.

Please remember that, as part of our district's **Safe Return Plan**, this Wednesday 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 individuals** <u>65 years of age and older</u>, as well as those <u>18 years of age and up with</u> <u>complicated middle conditions</u> or those who work in a high transmission risk occupation, including <u>all school</u> <u>district employees</u>, are now eligible for a <u>Pfizer</u> booster shot if they were <u>previously vaccinated</u> with the <u>Pfizer</u> <u>vaccine</u>. 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 <u>https://backtoworksolutions.com/SayervillePSD.html</u>. 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 **Pfizer**, **Moderna**, and **Johnson** and **Johnson** vaccine shots to anyone **12 years of age and older**, as well as **Pfizer booster shots** to applicable people (see above), in the **Sayreville 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 <u>here</u> or by going to the **Parlin Pharmacy** website. Unfortunately, for safety purposes, **no "walk-ins"** 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.

### <u>COVID-19 Testing Schedule Via Back to School</u> <u>Solutions</u>

- Wednesday, October 13, 2021
- Wednesday, October 20, 2021
- Wednesday, October 27, 2021
- Wednesday, November 3, 2021
- Wednesday, November 10, 2021
- Wednesday, November 17, 2021
- Wednesday, November 24, 2021
- Wednesday, December 1, 2021
- Wednesday, December 8, 2021
- Wednesday, December 15, 2021
- Wednesday, December 22, 2021

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Last Friday evening the Sayreville community celebrated Homecoming in Bomber Stadium. The highlight of the evening was the 34-6 win by the Bombers Football Team over conference rivals Piscataway. However, the evening also featured a wonderful performance by the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Marching Band and an

amazing demonstration of spirit, along with an exceptionally choregraphed halftime performance, by the SWMHS Bombers Cheer Team and the incredible cheer team alumni that joined them. We commend and thank Ms. Badami, the high school administration, and all our wonderful coaches and advisors for making the evening so entertaining and such a wonderful memory for all who participated and attended. Speaking of the SWMHS Marching Band, last Saturday evening they

also hosted the annual Night of a Thousand Stars Band Competition (A.K.A Home Band Show) in Bomber Stadium. Like Homecoming, it was a spectacular evening of wonderfully choregraphed band music. Although South Plainfield High School won the competition, the SWMHS Marching Band and Color Guard rocked the house and in my very biased opinion was by far the best band of the evening. We commend and thank the amazing SWMHS Band Parents, Dr. Caruso, Ms. Campbell, Ms. DiPaulo, and Ms. Jakubik, for everything they did to make last night such an extraordinary success and very memorable moment for all the student musicians and performers who participated, particularly ours.





Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students continued to progress in learning and have a ton of fun doing so this past week. Our students and staff at

the high school had a blast demonstrating their support for the fall sports student athletes and showing off their school spirit during the Homecoming Pep Rally.

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our elementary schools, our students and staff had a great time celebrating



the Week of Respect. Finally, at the Wilson, Arleth, Eisenhower and Truman Elementary Schools, students and staff had a tiempo fantastico celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month, as Spanish teacher, Señora Cook, coordinated projects in all elementary schools, including



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vibrant hallway displays with flags and artifacts from Spanish-speaking countries around the world. School displays and Spanish lessons also highlighted the contributions of famous Hispanic Americans, while introducing students to the Spanish language and culture. Classroom and specials teachers joined the celebration in their own classrooms.



This past week our students, staff, and community members continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We congratulate SWMHS seniors Andrian Kadykalo and Teja Bradshaw, who were crowned 2021 Homecoming King and Queen. We also congratulate Ms. Gassman, Science Teacher, who was named the SWMHS Teacher of the Month of October. Bomber Nation salutes these and all our students, staff, and community members for representing Savreyille in such an

our students, staff, and community members for representing Sayreville in such an

impeccable manner. They Rock!



In athletics, as noted above, the SWMHS Football Team crushed Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) powerhouse Piscataway High School 34-6 last Friday evening during homecoming. They are now 3-2 on the season. In addition, the SWMHS Boys Soccer Team rattled off three impressive wins against Colonia, John F. Kennedy, and Carteret High Schools last week to improve its record to 7-6. Likewise, the SWMHS Boys and Girls



Cross Country Team continued to run well at group meets last week. In addition, the SWMHS Field Hockey Team



defeated Old Bridge HS to earn its second win of the season. Finally, the SWMHS Girls Tennis Team beat Perth Amboy HS to notch its first victory 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>October 2021 Monthly Activities Calendar</u>, there will be a **BOE Business Meeting** on **Tuesday**, **October 19<sup>th</sup>**. During it, the district will present the annual State of the Schools Address. Please also remember that **today** we will **dismiss students early** so that staff can participate in professional development.

If you or someone you know would like to **advertise** with us on our **website** and via **Bomber Blasts**, you should click <u>here</u> 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 **busses**, click <u>here</u>. Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe

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