

Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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Talk Sup Week 14 Review and Preview

December 13, 2021

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a wonderful holiday weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup.

Over the weekend, it was reported to us that five individuals from the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES), three from the high school, three from the middle school, two from the Wilson School, one from the Arleth School, one from the Eisenhower 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 each school, with the exception of Arleth and the middle school, were determined to be in "close contact" with the infected people. At this time, all should have been notified and directed to quarantine. For more information on infections, click here to review our Student and Staff COVID-19 Dashboards.

Please remember that, as part of our district's <u>Safe Return Plan</u>, this <u>Wednesday</u>, we will resume <u>voluntary</u> staff/family and student/family <u>COVID-19</u> testing with Back to School Solutions from 2:30 – 5 pm and <u>voluntary</u> vaccinations with the Parlin Pharmacy from 4 -7 pm in the <u>Sayreville War Memorial High School Cafeteria</u>. Please also note that the pharmacy is also providing <u>Pfizer</u>, <u>Moderna</u>, and <u>Johnson and Johnson booster</u> shots. Likewise, they are now also providing vaccinations for children <u>5</u> years of age and older. However, in accordance with the <u>CDC</u> and <u>NJDOH</u> it is recommended that parents <u>consult with their child's pediatrician prior to getting them vaccinated</u>, <u>especially those under that age of 12</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 <u>here</u>. 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 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 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, December 15, 2021
- Wednesday, December 22, 2021
- Wednesday, January 5, 2022
- Wednesday, January 12, 2022
- Wednesday, January 19, 2022
- Wednesday, January 26, 2022
- Wednesday, February 2, 2022
- Wednesday, February 9, 2022
- Wednesday, February 16, 2022
- Wednesday, February 23, 2022
- Wednesday, March 2, 2022
- Wednesday, March 9, 2022
- Wednesday, March 16, 2022
- Wednesday, March 23, 2022
- Wednesday, March 30, 2022
- Wednesday, April 6, 2022
- Wednesday, April 13, 2022
- 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

- Wednesday, December 15, 2021
- Wednesday, December 22, 2021
- Wednesday, January 5, 2022
- Wednesday, January 12, 2022
- Wednesday, January 19, 2022
- Wednesday, January 26, 2022
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As I reported in last week's edition, this Wednesday, the country's longest veterans' parade – Wreaths Across



America's Annual Escort to Arlington National Cemetery, which kicks off on Saturday, December 11, 2021, will visit SWMHS for a student presentation to honor the brave women and men who have served our country in the military, particularly those who have died in combat, and their families. Therefore, the Sayreville Public Schools, in conjunction with the Patriotic Flags of Sayreville and Rolling Thunder National, cordially invite all local Gold Star Families, which are the immediate family member(s) of a fallen service

member who died while serving in a time of conflict; **Blue Star Families**, which are immediate family member(s) of a service member during a time of conflict; and **veterans** to attend the presentation. The presentation will begin promptly at **9:45** am in the **gymnasium** and will conclude **10:45** am sharp. **Due to limited capacity, all attendees must RSVP** in advance by emailing **2021WAA@sayrevillek12.net**. Upon receipt of individual reservations, specific information pertaining to parking and the presentation

will be provided. However, you can view the presentation in real time via the livestream that you can access by licking here.



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. Students from SUES, the middle school, and high school shopped for holiday gifts at Boscovs and then enjoyed a lunch together at Chick-fil-a. At the middle school, students in Ms. Duhigg's class followed recipes and made delicious reindeer and



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Grinch treats. In addition, students in Ms. Bobik's Science class made three-dimensional skin models. At the high school, students in Ms. Goldstein's Forensics class performed Play Doh John Doe autopsies, where they had to describe wounds using



medical examiner terms. Likewise, students in Ms. DiPaolo's Human Anatomy and Physiology class dissected a sheep heart. In addition, students in Ms. Gassman's Chemistry class performed flame tests to determine an unknown metal. Once they determined the metals, they combined them to create holiday flames. Finally, the faculty at the high school had a jolly time decorating their doors.



This past week our students, staff, and community members continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We begin by commending and congratulating, Ms. Obryk, Supervisor of Professional Development and Media Specialists, who was honored and recognized last week by the New Jersey Association of School Librarians as an Administrator of the Year. As part of the recognition ceremony, she joined other administrators of the year during a panel

discussion with media specialists across the state and other guests. Likewise, we congratulate and commend Rosemary Griggs, ASI Teacher and Instructional Coach at SMS, and Nicholas Taylor, TV Production Teacher at SWMHS, for being named New Jersey Secondary Teachers of the Year. Furthermore, last week the district identified the 2021-22 Governor's Educator of the Year (GEOTY) and Governor's Education Services Specialists of the Year (GESP) at each school in the district. Thus, the Sayreville Education Association (SEA), joined building administrators in recognizing and celebrating the below recipients. We congratulate and commend each one, as well as all the incredibly talented educators in our district, who work tirelessly to promote the success of all our students.

SWMHS	GEOTY	Joseph Pastva	
	GESP	Jennifer Sauter	
SMS	GEOTY	Kerry Kilbride	
	GESP	Lori Kirschbaum	
SUES	GEOTY	Sandra Kreminski	
	GESP		
Arleth	GEOTY	Jeanine Caccio	
	GESP		
Eisenhower	GEOTY	Kristen Boehm	
	GESP		
Truman	GEOTY	Laura Mages	
	GESP	Wendy Cacioli	
Wilson	GEOTY	Robin Schork	
	GESP	Jodi Knoll	
Project Before	GEOTY	Kristine Fritz	
	GESP	Jaqueline McGrade	

















In addition, we commend and thank Kerri-Ann Bresocnik, K-1 Teacher at the Truman School, and Dina Silvestri, K-1 Teacher at the Eisenhower School, who co-facilitated the writing of 136,512 letters for the "Believe In Unicorns Campaign" to raise money for the *Make A Wish Foundation*.

The letters were dropped off at Macy's last Friday evening. To learn more about this incredible cause and these amazing teachers, click here. Similarly, we commend and thank Christina Kiernan and

Victoria Haney, K-1 Teachers at the Truman School, who co-facilitated the raising of \$1,000 for the Sensory-Friendly Santa of Sayreville program, which provides children with disabilities an opportunity to enjoy the magic of the holidays with Santa Claus.



This year they welcomed 24 families to spend one-on-one time with Santa. The children had their pictures taken, opened gifts, and went home with snacks and sensory toys. Check out this News 12 segment about this extraordinary program by clicking here.



Finally, we commend and congratulate SWMHS art students Amanda Mackie, Kayla Sokolow, Shanice Raymond, Valentine Awuibe, Megan Corby, Lauren Ciudad and Tanveer Jassal, whose artwork was selected for a mural to represent the new Riverton residential and commercial project. The mural artwork created by each student showcased what they believe makes Sayreville so special. Bomber Nation salutes these and all our students, staff, and community members for

representing Sayreville in such an impeccable manner. They Rock!



In athletics, we commend and congratulate the following SWMHS football players who were named to the Division 5 First Team: Rodney Acquah, Denzel Osae, Santana Fonseco,

Division 5D - 1st Team						
Player	Grade	Position	School			
Rodney Acquah	12	LB	Sayreville			
Denzel Osae	12	LB	Sayreville			
Santana Fonseca	12	OL/DL/K	Sayreville			
Ryan Bouchard	12	OL/DL	Sayreville			
Osei Bonsu	12	DB	Sayreville			
Timmy Mayer	12	WR/DB	Sayreville			
Claude Blagogee	12	DL	Sayreville			
Caidan Holmes	11	DB/RB	Sayreville			
Connor Walsh	10	OL	Sayreville			
Zaimer Wright	10	RB/DB	Sayreville			

Ryan Bouchard, Osei Bonsu, Timmy Mayer, Claude Blagogee, Caidan Holmes, Connor Walsh, and Zaimer Wright. The SWMHS Boys Bowling Team improved its season record to 7-1 with match wins over Edison High School (HS) and South River HS last week. Likewise, the Girls Bowling Team defeated Edison High School HS, South River HS, and Monroe HS last week to improve their record on the season to 7-1. Finally, SWMHS Girls Swim Team defeated Mother Seton HS last week for their first match win of the season. Leah Barreiro, Kailyn Koonce, Caroline Astarita, Laila Abbassi, Bridget Broncales, Elizabeth Astarita, Olivia Cruz and Anoushka Banerjee won their respective races. Although the Boys Swim Team fell short of victory against St. Joseph's HS, Kyle Barreiro won his race. 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 2021-22 School District Calendar and the December Monthly Activities Calendar, there will be a BOE Business Meeting on Tuesday, December 21st. Please also remember that our students and staff will be dismissed early on Thursday, December 23rd so that they can get a head start on the holiday recess, which will begin on Friday, December 24th. Thus, our schools will be closed for instruction from December 24th through December 31st. Finally, please remember that the 1st

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Trimester Marking Period Report Cards for students in grades K-5 will be <u>viewable in Oncourse Connect on</u> December 17th.

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



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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 <u>here</u>.

Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe