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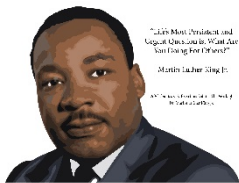
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## Talk Sup Week 19 Review and Preview

January 18, 2021

Good morning Sayreville and happy Martin Luther King Jr. Day! I hope you had a relaxing weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Review and Preview*. As you know, our **schools are closed** and there will be **no in-person or virtual instruction** today in observance of Martin Luther King Day.



As noted above, our schools are closed for in-person or virtual instruction today in observance and recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior. Therefore, if you have the chance, please take a moment today to reflect upon and to discuss with your family the amazing accomplishments of Dr. King and the profound impact he has had on our nation and culture, particularly how he taught us how to appreciate the differences in others and to protest peacefully against prejudice and discrimination so as to ensure equality and equity

for all citizens of our great country, particularly people of color. More than ever, this message needs to resonate in our nation.

There are no new COVID-19 positive cases to report to you since my broadcast email to the entire community last Friday. This week we will resume in-person instruction in **Phase 2b** for students in **grades K-5 and Cohort C** (preschool and MD/BD self-contained classrooms), and **Phase 2a** for students in **grades 6-12**. Therefore, since there will be no in-person nor virtual instruction today due to the Martin Luther King holiday, **tomorrow, January 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**, students in **grades K-5 Cohort A** will attend school for in-person instruction, while **K-5 Cohort B** does so on **Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**. Likewise, students in **grades 6-12 Cohorts A&B** will participate in in-person instruction this **Tuesday and Thursday**. Naturally, students in **Cohort C** (preschool and MD/BD self-contained classrooms) will attend school for in-person instruction on **Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday**. Below please find the calendar through the end of January and beginning of February.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
18 Schools Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Day	19 6-12 COHORT A, B, & C K-5 COHORT A & C	January 20 Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students	21 6-12 COHORT A, B, & C K-5 COHORT B & C	22 K-5 COHORT A & C
25 K-5 COHORT B & C	26 6-12 COHORT A, B, & C K-5 COHORT A & C	January 27 Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students	28 6-12 COHORT A, B, & C K-5 COHORT B & C	29 K-5 COHORT A & C



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<p><b>1</b> K-5 COHORT B &amp; C</p>	<p><b>2</b> 6-12 COHORT A, B, &amp; C K-5 COHORT A &amp; C</p>	<p><b>February 3</b> Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students</p>	<p><b>4</b> 6-12 COHORT A, B, &amp; C K-5 COHORT B &amp; C</p>	<p><b>5</b> K-5 COHORT A &amp; C</p>
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As you know, back in December New Jersey began vaccinating people for COVID-19 who were in what is referred to as Phase 1A, which consists of “healthcare personnel and long-term care residents and staff.” Last week, it was announced that “first responders and individuals at high risk (65 years of age or older with compromising medical conditions, including pregnancy and weakened immune system)” in Phase 1B could register to receive their first dosage. I have been informed that the last group in Phase 1B “additional frontline essential workers,” which includes school district personnel may be permitted to receive their first dose of the vaccination by the end of this month. Thus, no matter which phase you are in, if you have not already received or registered for a vaccine, I encourage you to preregister by clicking on the following link <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>.

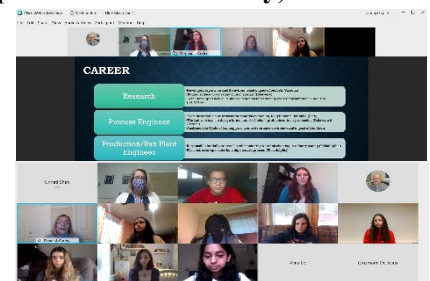
Please remember that all our staff, students, and their residing family members are strongly encouraged to participate in our free and easy-access COVID-19 **asymptomatic** testing on the dates and times noted below. Since **we do not test people who are demonstrating symptoms**, if you are symptomatic, you should ask your healthcare provider for an appropriate testing location. If you are a staff member interested in learning more information about how you and your residing family members can participate in this vital virus spreading prevention activity, click [here](#). Likewise, if you are the parent of a student who is interested in the same for you, your child(ren), and all your residing family members, click [here](#). Below please find the upcoming testing dates for January.

- Wednesday, January 20, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, January 21, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)
- Wednesday, January 27, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, January 28, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)
- Wednesday, February 3, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, February 4, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)
- Wednesday, February 10, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, February 11, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)
- Wednesday, February 17, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, February 18, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)
- Wednesday, February 24, 2021 (12:30 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family**)
- Thursday, February 25, 2021 (1:00 – 3:00 pm for **staff/family** and **3:30 – 5:30 pm** for **students/family**)



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. At the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS), students in Mr. Veres Advanced Placement Biology class actually extracted DNA from a strawberry. Similarly, at the Sayreville Middle School (SMS), Ms.

McCarthy's Honors Science students were visited by Stephanie Anderson, an





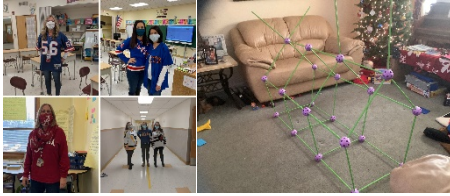
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Engineer from Dupont, who gave them a presentation about her career and her responsibilities as a Chemical Engineer with Dupont. Along with demonstrating their school spirit during Jersey Day, students at the Samsel, Upper Elementary School (SUES) particularly Jaden Scolaro, used their knowledge of the Lenape people to build

longhouses. In Project Before, our preschool students at Garden Friends had so much fun partaking in an activity called Science Eyes, in which they discovered that ice melts when you put salt on top of it. Likewise, preschool students at the Lightbridge Academy learned about opposites and then shared what they learned with their friends learning remotely from home.



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 resume its series of 2021-22 School District



Budget preparation presentations with the proposed 2021-22 Athletics, Curriculum & Instruction, and Schools Budget Presentations. 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](#).

Likewise, this Thursday (January 21<sup>st</sup>) evening at 6 pm we invite and encourage all interested parents to participate in the Virtual Advanced Placement (AP) Information Session for Students, which is being presented by the SWMHS Guidance Department. Participants will learn about our AP program, particularly the courses we offer, the workload required, summer work, and the required rigor. Along with the AP Application links, during the information session we will also provide online links for students and their parents to meet live with AP teachers and district supervisors for question and answer sessions. The information session will be presented on the Google Classroom platform. The class code is 2obz6ob. However, please note that only Sayreville accounts will be able to access the Google classroom. Parents/guardians will need to sign in with their son/daughter. The Google Classroom will remain available with the introductory PowerPoint, subject-specific videos, content related postings, and the AP applications for later viewing and reference. Email Ms. Sicola, Supervisor of Guidance, with any questions [donna.sicola@sayrevillek12.net](mailto:donna.sicola@sayrevillek12.net).

JANUARY 2021	
SAYREVILLE WAR MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR	SAYREVILLE UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CALENDAR
<p>MONDAY, JANUARY 4</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 5</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 7</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 8</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 9</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 10</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 11</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 12</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 14</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 15</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 16</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 17</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 18</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 19</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 21</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 22</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 23</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 24</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 25</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 26</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 28</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 29</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 30</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 31</p>	<p>MONDAY, JANUARY 4</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 5</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 7</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 8</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 9</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 10</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 11</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 12</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 14</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 15</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 16</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 17</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 18</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 19</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 21</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 22</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 23</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 24</p> <p>MONDAY, JANUARY 25</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 26</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 28</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 29</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 30</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 31</p>

As per our 2021-21 School District Calendar, which you can access by clicking [here](#), and the January Head of the Class Calendar, which you can see by clicking [here](#), please remember that there will be a **BOE Meeting** tomorrow (**January 19<sup>th</sup>**). Please also remember that the **2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period** for students in grades **6-12** will end **January 29<sup>th</sup>**. Likewise, **2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Progress Reports** for students in grades **K-5** will also be issued on **January 29<sup>th</sup>**.

As was the case last spring, the district is now permitted to provide **FREE** meals for **ALL** parents who wish to order breakfast and/or lunch for their child(ren). Therefore, if you would like to order **FREE** prepackaged bagged breakfasts and lunches daily, please do so on [My School Bucks](#) by clicking [here](#). For more information on how to

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order through [My School Bucks](#), [download the app](#), and to see the [delivery locations](#) as well as the [estimated times of delivery](#), click [here](#). Finally, to **apply for free and/or reduced lunch** for your child, click [here](#). Finally, if you have additional questions, please email Nancy Mannino ([nancy.mannino@sayrevillek12.net](mailto:nancy.mannino@sayrevillek12.net)), our director of Food Services.

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 **busses**, click [here](#). Lastly, if you or someone you know wants to **lease our facilities**, contact Deborah DeVico at [deborah.devico@sayrevillek12.net](mailto:deborah.devico@sayrevillek12.net).

Have a wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe