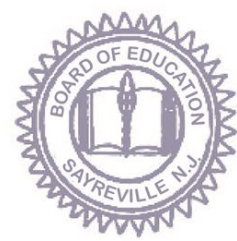




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Talk Sup Week 27 Review and Preview

March 15, 2021

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Review and Preview*.

Over the weekend we received notification that one individual from the Arleth School has 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, multiple individuals from the school were determined to have been in “close contact” with the infected person, and thus have been officially notified and directed to quarantine. For the most up to date information on the number of individuals who have tested positive or who have been determined to be in close contact with a person who has tested positive, please see the Student and Staff COVID-19 Dashboards, which are located on the School Safety and Security of our website and can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Today (Monday, March 15th), in-person learners in grades 6-12 will transition to **Phase 3** of our Restart of School Plan. Therefore, **Today, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday** of this week, **all in-person learners in preschool through 12th grade** will attend school for in-person instruction following the early dismissal schedule. In addition, beginning today, in-person learners in **grades 6-12** will be permitted to **eat a light lunch and/or snack in our cafeterias** during their lunch periods. Naturally, parents will continue to have the option of having their child(ren) participate in full-time remote learning rather than in-person instruction. Conversely, at any time **parents can request from their child’s principal** that their child(ren) transition from full-time remote learning back to in-person instruction. However, in such cases, it may take five calendar days for the change to be processed, as we may need time to make classroom and instructional preparations. Below please find the calendar for March.

MARCH				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 15 PreK-12 PHASE 3	16 PreK-12 PHASE 3	March 17 Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students	18 PreK-12 PHASE 3	19 PreK-12 PHASE 3
March 22 PreK-12 PHASE 3	23 PreK-12 PHASE 3	March 24 Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students	25 PreK-12 PHASE 3	26 PreK-12 PHASE 3
March 29 PreK-12 PHASE 3	30 PreK-12 PHASE 3	March 31 Remote instruction for <u>all</u> students	April 1 PreK-12 PHASE 3	2 Schools Closed for Spring Break

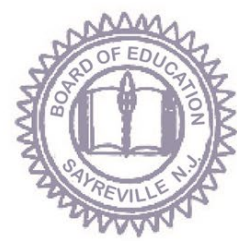
To review information about our Restart of School Plan, including our updated FAQs, click [here](#).



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If you have not already received or registered for a COVID-19 vaccine, I encourage you to preregister by clicking on the following link <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>. **Any staff members interested in being vaccinated at Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Hospital through our partnership with RWJ Barnabas should send me their requested information by this Tuesday evening.** 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](#).

- Wednesday, March 17, 2021 (12:30 – 5:30 pm for staff & family/students & family)
- Wednesday, March 24, 2021 (12:30 – 5:30 pm for staff & family/students & family)
- Wednesday, March 31, 2021 (12:30 – 5:30 pm for staff & family/students & family)

If you are a parent who is struggling to find a balance working from home and parenting, you may want to consider joining a free self-care support group every Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm as part of a special program offered by The Counseling Center called Pandemic Parenting. During sessions, you can share your thoughts, experiences, and fears with others who are feeling the same way in a safe and supportive environment. Click [here](#) for more information. In addition, Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Barnabas is offering free virtual events to assist parents and students in coping with the social and emotional challenges presented by the pandemic. Click [here](#) for more information. Finally, Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care (RUBHC) is providing a Covid Connect Helpline (833) 223-0011. It will provide and expand behavioral health treatment and support to individuals who are experiencing mental health and substance abuse issues related to the spread of the COVID-19 virus. A series of screening tools will be used to assess the caller's level of distress and mental health/addiction needs. University Behavioral Health Care will provide a warm handoff to licensed treatment providers throughout the state that offer telehealth services. To ensure successful service linkage, their staff will follow up with all callers. For more information, click [here](#) to watch a 1-minute video. If you have questions, please contact: Susan Brown, Director: browns@ubhc.rutgers.edu; or Irena Guberman, Program Manager: gubermir@ubhc.rutgers.edu.



Sayreville BOE Meeting
03-02-2021 Part 2
BOE Video - 49 views · Streamed 3 days ago

Tomorrow evening at **7:30 pm**, there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the SWMHS Cafeteria. 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.

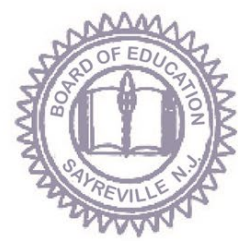
The live stream will only be available during the real-time duration of the meeting. Directions for public participation during the meeting will be provided on the above mentioned live stream page of the website. Finally, if on Wednesday you wish to view it or other past-recorded BOE meetings, click [here](#).



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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. In Project Before, our students and staff had a dynamite time learning about paleontology and dinosaurs, as well as leprechauns. At the Arleth School, students and staff had a ton of fun learning how to stay healthy and safe during Wellness Week. Finally, at the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES), our students and staff demonstrated their school spirit during Crazy Hair Day.



This past week our students, staff, and community members continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We begin by commending and congratulating the below members of the SWMHS Distributive Education Club of America (DECA), who were recently crowned New Jersey DECA State-Wide Champions in this year's New Jersey DECA Competition. They will all compete later this year in the DECA National Leadership Conference.

- Wade Guerra and Gargi Gupta- Mini Awards for Principle of Marketing
- Parth Patel- Mini Award in the Entrepreneurship Series
- Wade Guerra- Top 10 in Principle of Marketing
- Asha Amin and Mahi Patel- Top 10 in Hospitality and Tourism Operations Research
- Moe Akinrefon, Phillip Pazdur, and Wade Guerra- Top 10 in Sports Entertainment Operations Research
- Diya Shah, Mansha Katyal, and Natalie Paredes- SECOND PLACE in the Sales Project Event
- Masharib Imran, Aayush Mehta, and Aaryan Parikh- FIRST PLACE in the Start-Up Business Plan event
- Lasya Bhattiprolu and Neha Bhat- FIRST PLACE in the Community Awareness Project on Mental Health
- Michelle Lee, Karanveer Panesar, and Doris Lee- FIRST PLACE for the Community Service Giving Project Event

Likewise, we congratulate the members of both the SWMHS and Sayreville Middle School (SMS) Odyssey of the Mind (OTM) Teams who recently competed in their respective Regional Tournaments. All four SWMHS OTM Teams performed exceptionally and will advance to the State Tournament on April 3rd.

Problem 2: Virtual Odyssey

Tanisha Kore
Zachary Brown
James Hoffman
Prachi Kumar
Vanshi Patel
Ruchir Bodicherla
Vanya Jha

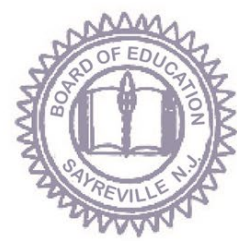
Problem 3: OMER and the Beanstalk

Muteeba Rizvi
Doris Lee
Muhtasim Noor
Ysabelle Dela Cruz
Khushi Patel
Sanika Karode



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Problem 4: It's a Trap

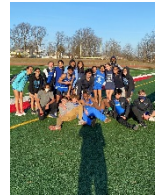
Rhena Johnson
Wade Guerra
Phillip Pazdur
Aaryan Parikh
Odeh Abassi
Roshan Mohanakrishnan
Khushi Patel

Problem 5: Superhero Socks: A Cliffhanger Beginning

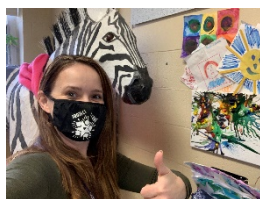
Justin Bruhn
Owen Cherney
Benjamin Wells
Rhena Johnson
Rohan Patel
Aaryan Parikh
Wade Guerra

Finally, at the Middle School Regional Tournament, both teams from SMS advanced to the State Final Tournament, with one team tying for first place. 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 SWMHS Girls Basketball Team players Stephanie Van Note and Brooke Holland on being named to the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) White Division First Team. Stephanie was also selected to the GMC All Conference Team. Last week the SWMHS Boys and Girls Swim Teams continued virtual match competition. Although the Girls Team lost matches against several strong GMC opponents, Julia Smagacz, Angela Tramontana, Leah Barreiro, Sara Caicedo, and Bridget Broncales won their respective races. Likewise, while the Boys Team was unable to notch wins against the same teams, Henry Lynch and Kyle Barreiro won their races. The SWMHS Boys and Girls Track Teams competed in their first meet of the year last week. Freshman runners Crystal Margotta, Zaimer Wright, and Sean Wilson won their respective races. 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. Although we now allow parents to attend indoor sports events, please remember that you can still 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 our 2021-21 School District Calendar, which you can access by clicking [here](#), and the March Head of the Class Calendar, which you can also see by clicking [here](#), there will be a **BOE Meeting tomorrow, March 16th**. In addition, please remember that the **2nd Trimester Marking Period** for students in **Grades K-5** will end on **March 17th** and **Report Cards** for those students will be issued on **March 25th**. Finally, please note that our schools will be **closed** for Spring Break and therefore there will be **no in-person** nor **virtual instruction** from **April 2nd through April 9th**.

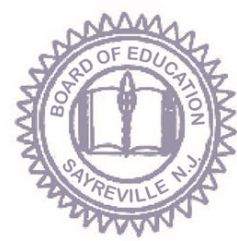


On January 29, 2021, the district officially opened registration for our **free Full-Day Project Before Preschool and Kindergarten Programs**. Therefore, parents of ALL eligible (**must be 3 for preschool and 5 for kindergarten by September 30, 2021**) preschool and kindergarten students are invited 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



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students including preschool and kindergarten students, and you can begin completing the online registration application by clicking on one of the following links noted in the **2021-2022 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 2021-2022 school year](#).

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 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), 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.

Have a wonderful week!
Dr. Labbe