



# Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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## Talk Sup Week 23 Review and Preview February 17, 2020

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable President's Day Weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Review and Preview*. As you know, our schools are closed today in Observance of Presidents' Day.

As I am sure that you were, the Board of Education and I were very shocked and troubled to learn from the Sayreville Police Department and the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office last weekend that a Sayreville Middle School (SMS) staff member was arrested on charges related to alleged sexual assault of a minor and possession of child pornography. Please know that the safety and well-being of our students is, has been, and will always be our highest priority. Therefore, we are cooperating fully with law enforcement in their comprehensive investigation. Likewise, we will continue to work collaboratively with them to ensure the safety of our students. On Tuesday, we will make counselors and therapists available for any of our students or staff who are experiencing distress related to this matter. Finally, please do not allow the alleged actions of this staff member to tarnish your feelings about our faculty and staff, as they are nothing less than amazing and are among the best in New Jersey.

In our schools this past week, the district held its annual English Language Learner (ELL) Night at the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES). If you are not aware of this very special activity, ELL Family Night focuses on technology tools to support language acquisition. Hence, our amazing ELL staff wowed the crowd with Achieve 3000, Duolingo, myngconnect, Seesaw,



BrainpopESL and Google Translate. In addition, Ms. Peduto, an ELL Teacher from Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS), amazed our ELL families with the magic of Google Translate. At SMS, the Sayreville Brain Injured Child (BIC) Foundation, Ms. Gordan, and over 40 students from the SMS Pre Vocational/Life Skills program showed kindness to children with special needs or committed a random act of



kindness through the school's pennant program as part of their "Be Kind Bingo with A Career" campaign. In the Media Center Book Café at SMS, students made reservations for a "Blind Date" with a book to celebrate Valentine's Day. At SUES, students in Ms. Friedenbergs and Ms. Tibbitt's Class took advantage of the mild and sunny weather last week to learn how to harness the energy of the sun with solar panels. In all our schools, especially the Truman Elementary School and Project Before, our students had a blast celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School. Along with that, the kindergarten students from Truman were visited by Kidzdent to learn about how to take care of their teeth. Lastly, in Project Before, our preschool students were thrilled to begin their Unified Sports Track Season.





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This week our students, their parents, and our staff continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We commend and congratulate SWMHS Auto Tech students Evan Brown and Devin Platt on placing 6th at the Universal Technical Institute Top Tech Challenge for Auto Mechanics. Both students will receive scholarships to a vocational and technical trade school. Furthermore, we commend and thank the adorable Natalie from Project Before who delivered a special chocolate treat to the Project Before staff in her Valentine's Day Dance dress last Friday.

Bomber Nation salutes and thanks these and all our students, their parents and our staff for representing Sayreville in such an impeccable manner. They Rock!



In athletics, we commend and congratulate the SWMHS Cheer Team for winning and being crowned "Grand Champions" at the Northeast National Cheer Competition in Wildwood yesterday. The seniors on the squad, along with those on the SWMHS Basketball Team were also honored last week during Senior Night. Likewise, the Junior Bomber Cheer Team was featured last week during their annual Junior Bomber Cheer Night.



Speaking of the Boys Basketball Team, they notched a big win last week in the first round of the Middlesex County Tournament. Similarly, the SWMHS Girls Basketball Team continued their second half of the season dominance with victories over John F. Kennedy High School (HS) and Monroe HS last week. They are now an amazing 16-7 on the season. We also congratulate Blake Bouchard (152lbs) and Jalen Roman (HWT) from the SWMHS Wrestling Team for winning First Place in the Junior Varsity (JV) Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) Tournament. We also congratulate



Matt Ontavia (152), who took Second Place and Paul Arias (152) for placing Third. The Varsity Wrestling Team also had an exciting win last week over



Franklin Township HS. Ryan Bouchard's dramatic and thrilling overtime takedown sealed the victory in the last match. Finally, while coming up just short of victory, the SWMHS Girls Bowling Team performed magnificently during their first-ever state playoff finals game. 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. To see this week's high school and middle school athletics schedule, click [here](#). Go Bombers!

As per the February Head of the Class Calendar, our schools will be closed today (February 17<sup>th</sup>) in observance of Presidents' Day. There will also be **BOE Business Meeting** tomorrow (February 18<sup>th</sup>) evening in the SWMHS Cafeteria at 7:30 pm. During it, the district will resume discussions on the 2020-21 Budget with the following presentations: Buildings and Grounds, Capital Projects, and Personnel. To see the agenda click [here](#).

The parents of ALL eligible (**must be 3 to being preschool and 5 to begin kindergarten by September 30, 2020**) preschool and kindergarten students are invited to visit our website in order to register for our **free full-day Project Before Preschool or Kindergarten** programs via **Oncourse Connect**, our online registration software. The link to student registration is clearly identified on our district website homepage ([www.sayrevillek12.net](http://www.sayrevillek12.net)) as "**Student Registration**". Once on this registration page, parents can obtain pertinent information regarding the registration of all students, including preschool and kindergarten students, and they can begin completing the online registration application by clicking on one of the following appropriate links noted in the 2020-2021 Project Before and Kindergarten text box: **Students New to Sayreville: New Student Registration Preschool and Kindergarten** or **Returning Students: Returning Student Enrollment Update, Grades PreK and Kindergarten**.

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Have a wonderful day and fantastic week.

Dr. Labbe