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Talk Sup Week 37 Review and Preview May 25, 2020

Good afternoon Sayreville and happy Memorial Day! I hope you had a nice and relaxing holiday weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Review and Preview*. Naturally, there is **no virtual instruction** today in observance of Memorial Day.



As we do each year at this time, we pause as a community and nation to salute and thank all the brave men and women in our nation's history who have sacrificed and dedicated their lives to protecting the liberties that make this country the greatest in the world. Furthermore, we also take the time to send our thoughts and prayers to the families of those courageous and selfless service women and men who have made the ultimate sacrifice for us and our country. Therefore, we pay homage to and commend all the brave men and women who are and have served our great nation. May God bless them and the United States of America!



As per my Off Day Update email to the community yesterday (click [here](#) to see it), tomorrow our administration, secretarial staff, and campus security monitors will return to assist in the process of collecting resources from and distributing personal items back to the parents of our students. In fact, we will be doing so for 12th graders at the high school this upcoming week. Vehicle drive-up schedules and social distancing requirements have already been sent out to those students and their parents. In addition, this week teachers are also welcome to return to their schools on a voluntary basis to gather and/or retrieve resources and/or to begin preparing their classroom for summer cleaning. Likewise, we will do the same for 8th graders at the middle school next week. We will complete this process during the week of June 8th for all remaining students at the high school and middle school, along with all students in the upper elementary school, K-3 elementary schools, and preschool.

One matter that I accidentally left out of Saturday's update was that due to the pandemic, the district has changed the criteria for students to be selected to participate in the Grade 6 Advanced Honors Math Program. If you are unfamiliar with this program, it provides selected 6th graders with the opportunity to challenge themselves in a higher-level math course. Thus, for the 2020-21 school year, students will be selected based on the following criteria: NJSLA- M grade 4 score, average of Form A and Form B benchmark scores, and teacher recommendation score. There will be **no** District Advanced Honors Mathematics Admission Test administered this year. Students who are accepted into this program will be emailed letters of acceptances via student email addresses beginning June 1st, 2020. If you have any questions please email Ms. Maharana, Supervisor of Math Instruction (mala.maharana@sayrevillek12.net).

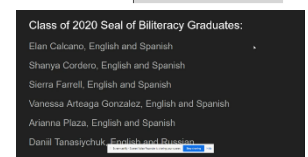
2019-2020 TOTY



SWMHS Students Rise Up

If you did not have a chance to attend the third Sayreville Board of Education **Virtual** Business Meeting held on Tuesday, May 19th, here is what you missed. During the presentation portion of the meeting, we presented to the Board and public a video in order to recognize, honor, and celebrate our **2019-20 Governor's Educators of the Year** and the **Sayreville Education Association Educational Support Professionals of the Year**. Similarly, we will did the same to recognize and honor the accomplishments of our **students at SWMHS**, particularly the Top 10 Students, Middlesex County School Boards

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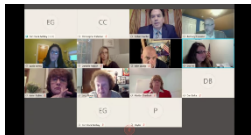
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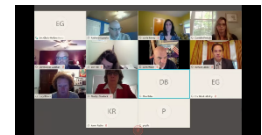
Association Unsung Heroes, and Middlesex County Secondary Association Outstanding Student of the Year. Finally, in a separate video, we also recognized and celebrated the students at SWMHS who earned the [New Jersey Department of Education Seal of Bi-Literacy](#). To view each video, click on their titles.



Sayreville BOE Meeting
05-19-2020 Part 2

The Board then immediately moved the action items from the Superintendent’s Report onto the Board Agenda and approved all of them. To see the Agenda click [here](#). To see the Agenda Addendum click [here](#). Finally, to see the video of the meeting, click on each part [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#). Along with other motions, on the Finance and Infrastructure portion of the agenda, the Board of Education approved the renewal rates for medical coverage provided by Horizon, prescription coverage provided by CVS/Caremark, and dental coverage provided by Delta Dental and Healthplex Dental for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Likewise, it approved a contract with CVS/Caremark for self-insured prescription coverage. In addition, the BOE rejected all bids received in response to Bid # 2020-21-01 for transportation services for the 2020-2021 school year received on May 13, 2020 due to high cost and gave its approval for the district to advertise for the rebidding of them.

On the Governance portion of the agenda, the BOE adopted a memorandum of agreement between the Sayreville Board of Education and the Sayreville Administrator Association (SAA), dated May 12, 2020 and authorized the administration to finalize the collective bargaining agreement between the SBOE and SAA covering the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Likewise, it adopted a memorandum of agreement between the Sayreville Board of Education and the Sayreville Education Association (SEA), dated May 6, 2020 and authorized the administration to finalize the collective bargaining agreement between the SBOE and SEA covering the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. On the Personnel portion of the agenda, the Board approved motions to hire new certificated staff for both the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years and to transfer a certificated staff member for the 2020-21 school year. In addition, the Board of Education appointed and welcomed back Mike Wojcik as the new Head Boys Basketball Coach at SWMHS for the 2020-21 school year. Similarly, it appointed personnel for the 2020 Middle School Credit Completion Summer School program and personnel to perform [Summer IEP Work](#) from June 15, 2020 through August 31, 2020. Finally, the BOE approved the renewal of employment for all certificated administrators, [faculty](#) and [full-time](#) and [part-time](#) paraprofessionals for the 2020-21 school year. Click on each for more details.



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During the open BOE discussion portion of the meeting, Mr. Esposito and Ms. Hill, Business Administrator, reviewed what was discussed during the last BOE Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting. Likewise, Mr. Callahan did the same with regard to the last Personnel Committee Meeting. Mrs. Bloom also reviewed the latest news from the Middlesex County School Boards Association. Lastly, when asked about it by Mrs. Batko, Dr. Labbe reviewed the SWMHS graduation and SMS 8th grade promotion ceremony plans.

During the Open Public Comment portion of the meeting, a parent commended and thanked the district for the way in which it has been communicating with parents during the pandemic.

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 16th at 7:30 pm**. Since we may still be living under quarantine then and thus not be permitted to leave our homes for anything that is not considered “essential,” we will more than likely hold this meeting virtually. If you would like to see the agenda for this meeting, it will be posted in the evening on our website on Friday, June 12th. In addition, a complete copy of the **May 19th meeting minutes** will be posted on

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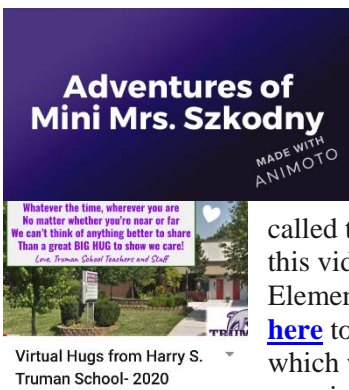


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the BOE Meeting Minutes page of the website once they are approved by the BOE during the next BOE Meeting on **June 16, 2020**.

As they have been since the beginning of the pandemic, our amazing group of Operation BStrongSayreville volunteers once again prepared and delivered over 3,000 meals, many devices, countless student work packets, and toilet paper, paper towels, and tissues for anyone who needed such last week. Due to the school district being closed for virtual instruction today in observance of Memorial Day, this week we will deliver meals and supplies on **Tuesday and Thursday**. For more information pertaining to the ordering and delivery of meals and supplies this week, see my [BStrongSayreville Off Day Update email](#), which I sent to the community on Saturday evening. As per it, remember that we are also allowing community members to refill **one 12-ounce** container of hand sanitizer in the main vestibule of SWMHS from 8 am – 12 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays.



This past week our amazing staff and students were hard at work producing more impressive and inspiring videos. Click [here](#) to enjoy this adorable kindergarten video produced by Ms. Szkodny entitled, “The Adventures of Mini Mrs. Szkodny.” Likewise, you are going to love the video that Miss Melissa (Krzastek) made for her preschool students, called the “Adventures of Leo the Lion.” See it [here](#). Check out this video of students and staff from the Eisenhower and Truman Elementary Schools sharing virtual hugs by clicking [here](#). Click [here](#) to see the latest edition of the Arleth Guess Who Video, which was updated with more staff. Finally, click [here](#) to see this amazing Tik Tok video made by Ms. Boyd’s SWMHS students

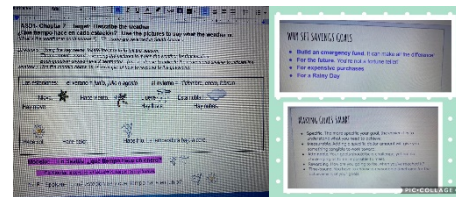


The Adventures of Leo the Lion



Arleth Guess Who

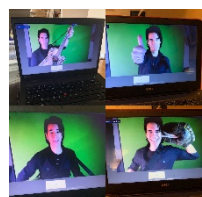
during a special meeting.



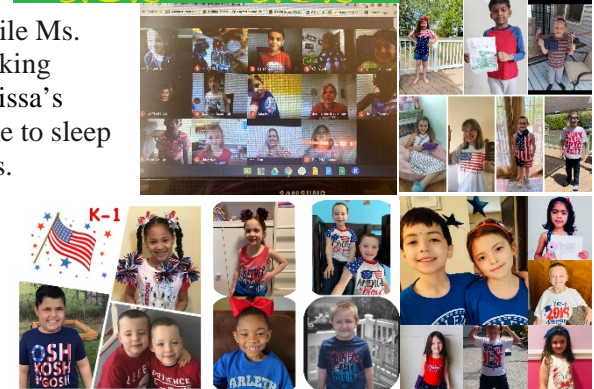
This week our students and staff continued to impress us with online learning. At SWMHS, Ms. Loch and Ms. Pesci had students describe the



weather around the world in Spanish for their Spanish I classes, while Ms. Rehan taught her students the importance of saving money and making smart goals for their future. In Project Before, along with Miss Melissa’s class learning about fairytales, Miss Jackie’s class BEARly had time to sleep this week with all the fun it had learning about zoo animals, and Ms. Priyanka’s class learned about opposites and when doing so actually had dessert instead of breakfast. At the Truman School,



along with sharing virtual hugs with Eisenhower, students and staff had the time of their life rocking out during an amazing virtual concert by Mr. Ray. Click [here](#) to see it. Finally, the students at both Arelth and the Samsel Upper Elementary School showed their school spirit by wearing red, white, and blue.



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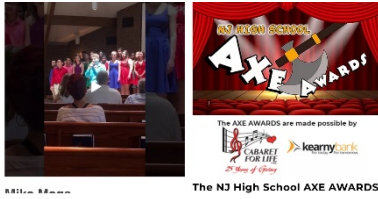
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This week our students, their parents, our staff, and other Sayreville community members continued to impress and inspire us with their amazing accomplishments. We begin by once again commending and congratulating the following SWMHS students who will receive the NJDOE Seal of Bi-Literacy on their diploma: Elan Calcano, Shanya Cordero, Sierra Farrell, Vanessa Arteaga Gonzalez, Ariana Plaza, and Daniil Tanasyichuk. In addition, we congratulate and commend Michael “Mags” Magielnicki, who was nominated for Best Actor in a New Jersey High School Musical by the Axelrod Performing Arts Center. In fact, since the public will be voting to select the winner, if you have not done so already, please cast a vote for Michael by clicking [here](#). Furthermore, we commend Michelle Lee, Zoha Shah, and Karanveer Panesar from the SWMHS Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA), who created an exceptional public service announcement (PSA) as their project for the International Leadership Conference. The purpose of their PSA is to educate the community as to what actions are necessary if in the unfortunate event that someone near them is suffering from blood loss or even a gunshot wound. Check it out by clicking [here](#). Lastly, we once again congratulate the incredible students in the SWMHS Future Business Leaders of America Club, in which 45 students won honors for 17 award-winning projects during the New Jersey JFBLA State Leadership Conference Awards and Recognition Ceremony on May 22nd. See them all below.

3D Animation	Saaim Khan, Rohan Patel, Aarsal Shaikh	Champion
Business Financial Plan	Ojas Chitnis, Neev Mistry	Champion
Community Service Project	Stephany Fernandes, Minal Patel, Iman Shahid	Champion
Digital Video Production	Maura Garnett, Angela Pistilli	Champion
Partnership with Business	Stephen Farley, Aaryan Mehta, Anthony Monderine	Champion
Public Service Announcement	Navam Kaul, Mueez Khan, Nihar Patel	Champion
American Enterprise Project	Dayna Park, Kruti Patel, Monali Patel	2nd Place
Computer Game & Simulation Programming	Elan Calcano, Gabriel Costa, Cesar Espejo	2nd Place
Hospitality Management	Katarzyna Jedruchniewicz, Simran Patel, Lily Quackenbush	2nd Place
Impromptu Speaking	Christian Qilon	2nd Place
Parliamentary Procedure	James Johnson, Sami Junaidi, Shivam Patel, Carlos Rodriguez	2nd Place
Banking & Financial Systems	Abigail Chandrika, Srilakshmi Kanthaswamy, Tiayna Saunders	3rd Place
Emerging Business Issues	Ummekulsum Alishah, Ann Murickan, Krina Patel	3rd Place
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Local Chapter Annual Business Report	Ojas Chitnis	4th Place
Broadcast Journalism	Gabriel Gonzalez, Caroline Koniarski, Phillip Real	5th Place
Intro Business Presentation	Arianna Gandhi, Ananya Kondur, Shreya Patel	5th Place
Marketing	Motunrayo Akinrefon, Muhtasim Noor	5th Place

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

Have a good day and week, and if you can, **please stay home**. May God bless you and your family and keep you healthy and safe.

Dr. Labbe