



Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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Talk Sup Week 9 Review and Preview

November 4, 2019

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

Last Tuesday morning and evening, I had the privilege of attending the Sayreville Middle School (SMS) Coffee with the Principal Meetings. During them, I presented to the parents and staff members in attendance the district's proposed facilities strategic plan, particularly the options for a potential referendum, which among other improvements, includes the installation of air conditioning. Likewise, I visited and gave the same presentation to the faculty and staff at the Wilson Elementary School last Tuesday afternoon. Finally, on Wednesday evening I attended and made my presentation during the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Parent and Community Meeting. As I have been noting for the past several weeks, as well as during each of the 17 presentations that I have made, today we are asking you and all members of the Sayreville community to complete a [brief electronic survey](#), which we hope will provide us with the direction to take with regard to a potential referendum to improve our facilities and install air conditioning. In addition, we will place advertisements in the Suburban and Home News Tribune asking for community members who do not have children in the district to complete the survey. Therefore, if you have not already done so, I invite you to complete it by clicking [here](#). In addition, if you did not have the opportunity to attend any of my presentations, please click [here](#) to view it. Lastly, to view the page on our website dedicated to informing the public of our strategic plan and potential referendum, click [here](#). On November 17th, we will close the survey so that we can collect and analyze the data in preparation for a presentation that we will make to the Board of Education on November 19th. On November 13th, we will also provide preliminary data from the Survey to the SPAC and Blue Ribbon Committee during our joint meeting scheduled for that evening at 7 pm.



As you may or may not know, last week I began serving as the acting Principal at the Arleth Elementary School last Monday and will probably remain there in that capacity until the end of November. Thus, last Friday I had the opportunity to attend the annual Boo Bash at Arleth. Words cannot possibly express how impressed I was with how incredibly organized the event, which



featured a "trunk or treat" in the parking lot, refreshments in the media center, and a DJ and dancing in the gymnasium, was. Hence, we commend and thank the amazing PTO at Arleth, as well as the faculty and support staff there, for all they did to make this event such a frightfully fun experience for all who attended, particularly me. While



I did not have the opportunity to attend, last Tuesday at Truman the school Cultural Committee proudly presented a Diwali Celebration. If you did not know, Diwali is known as the Festival of Lights. According to many of those in attendance, the "Colors of India" performance presented by the Cultural Committee during the celebration was both dynamic and electrifying. Similarly, last Wednesday at Wilson the veterans from the Sayreville's American Legion visited for an early Veterans' Day assembly. We thank them and all the veterans of our armed



services for their dedication, service, and sacrifice!



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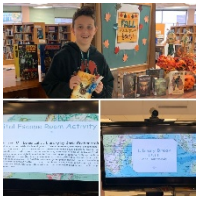
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In other happenings in our schools this past week, our students and staff at all our schools celebrated Halloween in grand fashion. In fact, the students at Wilson took part in



the first ever Pumpkin Patch Throwdown to celebrate Halloween fun in the gym. In addition, the students at the Samsel Upper Elementary School participated in Spirit Week and Red Ribbon activities, along with more cool science experiments. Lastly, students from SWMHS practiced their vocational skills by working in the library and kitchen, and they also took a trip to Davidson's Mill Pond.



This past week our students and staff continued to impress us with their amazing accomplishments. We congratulate 6th grader Michael Shipman, who won the SMS Library Escape Room Challenge last week. In addition, we commend and congratulate Colonel Spare, Master Sergeant Knowlton, and the SWMHS AFJROTC Color Guard for their amazing presentation of our nations colors during the National Anthem at the Philadelphia Eagles football game yesterday in Philadelphia. Bomber Nation salutes them! HUA!



As per the November Head of the Class Calendar, please remember that the **1st Marking Period** for students in **grades 6-12** ends on **November 15th** and that **report cards** for these students will be populated in Oncourse Connect on **November 22nd**. In addition, please note that our **schools will be closed** for students on **November 5th** so that our staff can participate in professional development, **November 7th and 8th** so that our staff can attend the New Jersey Education Association Convention, **November 11th** in Observance of Veterans' Day, and **November 28th and 29th** in observance of Thanksgiving. Likewise, remember that we will **dismiss our students and staff early** on **November 27th** so that our staff and parents can get a head start on holiday traveling and preparations. Finally, please note that there will be a **BOE Business Meeting on November 19th**.

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@savrevillek12.net.

Have a wonderful week of school!

Dr. Labbe