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Talk Sup Week 8 Review and Preview

October 28, 2019

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



Last Monday evening, I had the privilege of attending the Arleth Elementary School PTO Meeting. During it, 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 Arleth and the Truman Elementary School last Monday afternoon. Finally, on Tuesday evening I attended the Wilson Elementary School PTO Meeting.

Along with making the above mentioned facilities improvement strategic plan presentation to the parents in attendance, I also addressed concerns that they expressed to me about the installation of donated portable air conditioning units, along with the turnover of staff at Wilson during the first couple of months of school. As noted below, this week I will be presenting to the staff at Wilson, as well as to the parents at the middle school and high school. As I have noted in each presentation, on Monday, November 4th, we will ask 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.

PTO/Parent Meeting

SMS - 10/29/19 in the Cafeteria at 9:30 am and 6:30 pm. SWMHS - 10/30/19 in the Auditorium at 6:30 pm.

Faculty Meetings

Wilson -10/28/19 in the AP Room at 3:45 pm.



In other happenings in our schools this past week, our students at Truman transformed pumpkins into their favorite storybook characters. In addition, officers from the Sayreville Police Department visited the kindergarteners at Truman to celebrate Kindergarten Fall Fun Day with them. Among other funfilled activities, they participated in apple tasting, pumpkin investigations, and candy-corn letter making. Similarly, the kindergarten students at Wilson



showed off their alphabet recognition skills by decorating pumpkins like something that started with as assigned



letter. In Project Before, our preschoolers participated in STEM lessons and then had a ball later at their Monster Mash Halloween party. Students at the middle school also engaged in some very interesting and fun science lessons, as the



students from Ms. Komm's 7th Grade Science class experimented with model



lungs to discover how the respiratory system works. Similarly, the students in Ms. Lozano's Forensics Science class studied how fingerprint structures are used to identify people. At the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES), the students and staff

demonstrated their school spirit by wearing patterned clothing. Lastly,





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at Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS), staff and students performed impressively during the first ever Acoustic Night, and several students visited the Cooks Market in the Rutgers University Gardens.



This past week we learned that Dante Davis, a proud 2019 graduate of SWMHS, was hospitalized as he awaits a heart transplant. Unfortunately, we were also informed that he could be in the hospital for up to a year while waiting for a heart to be donated to him. Therefore, please join me in sending out your most positive thoughts and prayers to Dante and his family. Also, if you are interested in assisting him and his family



during this very challenging time, a Donors Choose fund was recently set up in Facebook for him by a very caring community member. To access it, click here.



In athletics, the SWMHS Boys Soccer Team improved its record to 7-12 with big wins last week over St. Joseph's and John F. Kennedy High Schools (HS). Similarly, we congratulate the SWMHS Field Hockey Team, which participated in the state playoffs for the first time since 2003 last Monday and beat Old Bridge HS. In addition, we congratulate senior SWMHS Girls Tennis players Liana Masangkay and Grace Ekpe on their amazing Sayreville Tennis Careers, and Coach Provenza and the rest of the



team for a successful 8-7 season. Furthermore, although the Bomber Varsity Football Team fell just short of victory against South Brunswick HS last Friday, the Freshman Football Team defeated South Brunswick during an exciting 41-32 shootout. Finally, we congratulate Sayreville Middle School runners Shawn Wilson, who won the Boys



Division, and Mikayla Gonzalez, who finished in 3rd Place in the Girls Division, at the Greater Middlesex Conference Middle School Cross Country Championship. 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 October Head of the Class Calendar, our students will celebrate **Halloween** with class parties and parades on October 31st. Looking forward to November, 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 7^{th} and 8^{th} 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**.

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Have a wonderful week of school!

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