



# Sayreville Public Schools

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### Week 14 Talk Sup Review and Preview

December 10, 2018

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

As I am sure that you were, the Board of Education and I were very troubled to learn from the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office last Friday that a Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) staff member was arrested on charges related to alleged inappropriate interactions and contact with students in and out of school. To read the press release that was posted last Friday afternoon by the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office, click [here](#). While I understand that people may be upset by the fact that the school district did not send out notice of this matter before it was released by the Prosecutor's Office, and is providing very limited details about it and the investigation, please know that since this is a criminal matter, we were and are still not permitted to share any information about it with our school community. In fact, if we were to have informed our parents earlier or subsequently provided any details about the investigation, I could be charged with a criminal complaint for impeding or obstructing a criminal investigation. However, 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. Finally, we have and will continue to make available counselors and therapists for any of our students who are experiencing distress related to this matter.



Last Tuesday I had the honor and privilege to attend the Truman Elementary School PTO Meeting. During the meeting I discussed with our parents how the district was preparing for the 2019-20 School District Budget and noted that the district will continue to utilize the additional state funding that it has received for the past three years to increase school security and make improvements to our facilities and infrastructure. In addition, the parents expressed concern about late busses and asked if the schools could send out broadcast emails with their Tweets when buses are going to be late. Likewise, they asked if the Board would be reconsidering the inclusion of "courtesy bussing" in future school district budgets. Some parents also stated that there is a need for a crossing guard between Ernston and Washington Roads for students walking home from SWMHS later in the afternoon after participating in co-curricular activities and Athletics. Similarly, they expressed concern about the timing for crossing high school students in the morning and afternoon who park in Kennedy Park. Lastly, the parents asked if a sidewalk could be constructed on Washington Road across from the little league baseball fields and on the same side as ShopRite, and if the Borough or school district could clear the sidewalks in front of the borough playground, which is located next to Truman, during snowstorms.



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This week our amazing students continued to impress and inspire us with their accomplishments in and out of the classroom. All last week our students district-wide celebrated Computer Science Education Week (CSEW). This is an annual program dedicated to showing students in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade the importance of computer science education. Organized each year by the Computing in the Core Coalition and Code.org, CSEW is held in recognition of



the birthday of computing pioneer Admiral Grace Murray Hopper (December 9, 1906). We would like to commend and thank Ms. Atiyah Conry, Computer Science Teacher at SWMHS, for

designing and implementing several events during the week, such as "Honor of Code" and "Bring a Friend to Computer Class." In athletics, the SWMHS Boys Bowling Team continued their impressive bowling by taking 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Edison Township Classic Tournament. We congratulate them and our Girls Bowling Team, which took 4<sup>th</sup> Place in the same tournament. Bomber nation salutes our talented bowlers and all



our amazing student athletes. Go Bombers!

Please remember that our students will be released early this afternoon (December 10<sup>th</sup>) so that our certificated staff can participate in professional development. As per the December Head of the Class Calendar, there will be a **Superintendent Parent Advisory Council (SPAC) Meeting at 7 pm on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.** This is one of the two meetings that are open to all members of the public to attend. In addition, there will be a **Parent University Workshop on Technology Resources at 7 pm on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** and a **BOE Business Meeting on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.** Also, report cards for students in grades K-5 will be issued on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Likewise, please also note that students and staff will be **released early on December 21<sup>st</sup>.** Lastly, please remember that schools will be closed from December 24<sup>th</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup> for Winter Recess.

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](mailto:deborah.devico@sayrevillek12.net).

Have a wonderful week.

Dr. Labbe

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