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Week 15 Talk Sup Review and Preview

December 17, 2018

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable weekend. In addition, I hope our Jewish families had a very happy Hanukah! Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Review and Preview*.

Last Wednesday evening the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council (SPAC) met in the Selover Conference Room. We began the meeting by giving updates on transportation, pests, and by reviewing the data collected from the Springboard Education Before and After School Care Survey that we asked our parents to complete several weeks ago. Below please find a summary of the results. To see the complete survey data click [here](#).

Question	Very/Satisfied – Strong/Agree	Dissatisfied/Very – Disagree/Strongly
How satisfied are or were you with the services provided?	74%	15%
Efficient procedures for dropping off or picking up my child(ren) from Springboard Ed are or were in place.	87%	5%
Springboard uses a consistent method of communicating with parents.	74%	10%
Springboard responds to parent concern	66%	12%
I have been able to reach a Springboard staff member when necessary.	73%	7%
Springboard staff interact with students and parents in a professional manner.	82%	8%
Springboard provides children with adequate time to work on their homework.	76%	7%
Springboard provides a certified teacher to assist my child(ren) with his or her homework.	52%	12%
Springboard provides adequate support to my child with his or her homework.	63%	16%
Springboard provides adequate support for children with disabilities.	35%	8%
Springboard provides children with adequate time for physical activity.	77%	12%
Springboard provides children with adequate supervision during physical activity to ensure their safe behavior.	74%	5%
Springboard provides children with other engaging and enriching educational opportunities/activities	71%	9%
The cost of Springboard's service is reasonable.	55%	32%
If given the opportunity, I would like to explore the services offered by other potential before and after care service patrons.	47%	29%

During the meeting we also briefly discussed the arrest of the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) staff member. Dr. Labbe strongly conveyed that despite this incident, the children in Sayreville are working with the most child centered, hard-working, and dedicated people that he has ever had the privilege of working with during his 24 years of service in education. Likewise, he discussed the principal vacancy at SWMHS due to the well-deserved retirement of Mr. Brown, and the plans that the district has developed to identify both his short-term and long-term replacement.

In addition, Dr. Labbe provided an update to the Council on the measures that the district has and will continue to take this and next year to enhance school safety and security, which includes the potential hiring of a School Safety and Security Specialist in February; the construction of secure retention vestibules at SWMHS,

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Sayreville Middle School (SMS), and the Samsel Upper Elementary School (SUES) this summer, and at Eisenhower, Truman, Wilson, and Arleth during the summer of 2019; the installation of metal detectors at all schools beginning this January; and the installation of student swipe kiosks, along with the implementation of procedures to use them to screen all students at the high school and middle school later this school year. He also discussed preparations for the 2019-20 Budget, which includes the district's strategic plan for renovating and refurbishing district facilities, such as using this and future budgets to replace and repair windows and roofs, beginning with the Eisenhower School this year; using Energy Saving Improvement Program (ESIP) monetary incentives to replace lighting and mechanicals; and the development of a potential referendum to transform the Selover School into a preschool, construct a bus and buildings and grounds compound, and to install solar panels. If you are unfamiliar with ESIP, it is a program that was created for government agencies, like school districts, to make energy related improvements to their facilities and pay for the costs using the value of energy savings that result from the improvements. Under Chapter 4 of the Laws of 2009 (the law), the "Energy Savings Improvement Program" (ESIP), provides all government agencies in New Jersey with a flexible tool to improve and reduce energy usage with minimal expenditure of new financial resources.

Lastly, Dr. Shediack, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, answered a question with regard to when the school counselors at the high school begin and how they prepare Sayreville War Memorial (SWMHS) students for the college application process. Mr. Glock-Molloy, Assistant Superintendent of Information, Technology, and Operations, and Mr. Gluchowski, Sayreville Middle School Principal, also addressed an inquiry about what the district does to thwart students from smoking or vaping in bathrooms at the middle and high schools. Lastly, Mr. Gluchowski and Dr. Labbe responded to questions about the amount of time children, particularly in grades K-8, have to eat lunch after waiting in lines to purchase it. In fact, for the SPAC meeting on January 9th, Dr. Labbe will ask the Director and Assistant Director of Food Services to attend.



This week our amazing students continued to impress and inspire us with their accomplishments in and out of the classroom. Throughout the past several weeks the students at all our schools impressed us with their vocal and instrumental talents while performing in school or community concerts. Naturally, our incredibly talented high



school and middle school choirs and bands were remarkable during their respective Holiday Concerts on December 12th and 13th. In the elementary schools, on December 6th the Truman School 3rd Grade Chorus performed magnificently for the Middlesex County Retired Teachers Association at the Grand Marquis. The Eisenhower School 2nd and 3rd Grade Chorus also gave a wonderful performance during their December 6th Holiday Concert. Likewise, the Arleth Elementary School Chorus "brought down the house" during their concert on December 11th. In addition, for the first time ever, the Eisenhower Kindergarten and 1st Grade Chorus also performed amazingly for parents and staff during their Holiday Concert on December 11th. Lastly, during the



Wilson School Holiday Spectacular Show all the students who sang and performed did so marvelously. We commend and congratulate all our student performers, as well as all district music teachers for entertaining us

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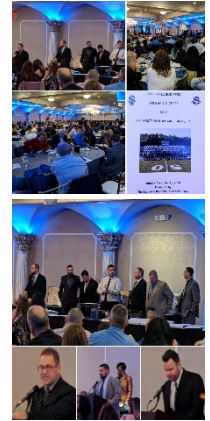
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with beautiful tunes and melodies during this holiday season, and most importantly, for filling our souls with the holiday spirit. Bravo to ALL!



In athletics, the fall sports season concluded yesterday afternoon with the SWMHS Football and Cheer Teams Banquet. However, since early November all other fall athletic programs celebrated excellent seasons, recognized their amazing student athletes, and honored their extremely dedicated coaches and incredibly supportive parents. In fact, we commend and thank our coaches and our respective parent booster clubs for taking the time to meticulously plan each banquet, and for all the assistance, support, and encouragement that they provided to our student athletes in all our programs this fall season. Finally, we congratulate these student athletes for terrific seasons and commend them for the manner in which they represented the high school and our school district.



While the winter season is still young, the SWMHS Wrestling Team began where they left off last year by defeating Highland Park High School and by winning the Old Bridge Ice Breaker Tournament. In addition, the SWMHS Boys Basketball Team is now 1-1 with a big win last week over Edison High School. Similarly, while the Girls Basketball Team loss to Edison during their first game of the year, they are expecting another strong season. Bomber nation salutes all our talented student athletes. Go Bombers!

As per the December Head of the Class Calendar, there will be a **BOE Business Meeting tomorrow (Tuesday, December 18th) evening at 7:30 pm.** During the presentation portion of the meeting we will recognize and honor the SWMHS Football Team for their NJ Group 5 Central Sectional and Central/Southern Regional Championships. We will also recognize and honor the three SWMHS sophomores who placed 10th in the nation during last summer's FBLA National Conference in Baltimore, MD. In addition, we will kick-off our budget preparation season with the Food Services Budget Presentation. To see the full agenda, click [here](#). Also, please remember that **report cards for students in grades K-5 will be issued on Thursday, December 20th.** Likewise, please also note that students and staff will be **released early on December 21st.** Lastly, please remember that **schools will be closed from December 24th through January 1st for Winter Recess.**

As we all know, the holiday season is a time for giving. However, it is also a time to recognize and demonstrate our appreciation for the wonderful gifts that have been bestowed upon us. That said, I am forever grateful to be able to serve such a wonderful school district and community. In fact, I am humbled to have the opportunity to work with the most polished, hard-working, and dedicated administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, and support staff members. Furthermore, I feel blessed to be able to bear the fruit of our labor and witness the growth and remarkable development of our amazing students. They truly are the gift that keeps on giving. Hence, on behalf of the Sayreville Board of Education and Administration, we wish you and your entire family a blessed and very happy holidays. Enjoy those gifts and have a happy New Year!

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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.

Have a wonderful week, a happy holidays, and a relaxing winter recess!

Dr. Labbe

DECEMBER 2018

SAYREVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

NOTICE FOR SCHOOL CLOSING

Delayed opening, early dismissal or cancellations due to inclement weather will be made via:
Cable TV Channel 22, News 12 News Jersey,
Facebook, Twitter or at www.sayrevillek12.net



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Sat - HS - SAT Testing 3 Eis - Five Below Proceeds begins & Giving Tree kick-off SUES - Pajama Drive & Holiday Craft Event MS - CASA Collections end	4 Eis - Bello's Proceeds Wil - Holiday Shop & Texas Roadhouse proceeds SUES - Pajama Drive & Holiday Craft Event	5 Arl - Sadecky's Puppet Show Eis - Snow Flake sale begins Wil - Holiday Shop SUES - Pajama Drive & Holiday Craft Event	6 Eis - Chorus Concert Wil - Holiday Shop & Willabees 3:30pm SUES - Pajama Drive & Holiday Craft Event	7 Pre-K - Snow Ball 6:30pm (SUES gym) Wil - Holiday Shop & Crazy Hat Day SUES - Pajama Drive & Photo retakes HS - Madrigal Dinner 7:00pm 8 Sat - Eis - Five Below Proceeds ends HS - ACT Testing & Madrigal Dinner 7:00pm
10 Eis - Holiday Shop MS - Book Fair EARLY DISMISSAL for STUDENTS PLC for STAFF	11 Arl - Holiday Workshop Sale & Holiday Chorus Concert 7:00pm Eis - Holiday Shop & Winter Concert 6:00pm SUES - Texas Roadhouse proceeds MS - Book Fair	12 Superintendent Parent Advisory Council (SPAC) Meeting 7:00pm Selover Conference Room OPEN meeting - All are welcome Arl - Holiday Workshop Sale Eis - Holiday Shop MS - Book Fair HS - Holiday Concert 7:00pm	13 Parent University-Tech Resources 7:00pm @ SWMHS Media Center CANCELED Arl - Holiday Workshop Sale & Poinsettia Sale pick-up Eis - Holiday Shop Wil - Holiday Spectacular Show 7:00pm SUES - Flannel Day MS - Book Fair & Holiday Concert 7:00pm (HS Auditorium)	14 Pre-K - Polar Express Day Arl - Holiday Workshop Sale Eis - Holiday Shop & Giving Tree ends Tru - Winter Dance 7:00pm Wil - Wear Wilson school gear or colors SUES - School Store, History Bee & Panera Proceeds MS - Book Fair
17 Tru - Holiday Workshop & Chorus Concert at SUES 7:00pm * * * * * 	18 Eis - Willabees 3:30pm & Snowflake Sale ends Tru - Holiday Workshop MS - Holiday Fair & Harlem Wizards Assembly Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm - SWMHS	19 Tru - Holiday Workshop SUES - Willabees 2:45pm MS - Holiday Fair * * * * *	20 Pre-K - Surprise Visitor Arl - Polar Express Day Eis - Class Parties & Polar Express Night 7:00pm Tru - Chorus Concert & Sing-A-Long Wil - Class Parties SUES - Character Ed Luncheon MS - Holiday Fair Report Cards Issued - Grades K-5 Progress Reports Grades 6-12	21 Arl - Class Parties Tru - Class Parties SUES - Class Parties MS - Pep Rally for Students * * * * * EARLY DISMISSAL WINTER RECESS
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