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Talk Sup Week 36 Review and Preview

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Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup Review and Preview. Please remember that **this afternoon** we will **dismiss students early** so that our staff can participate in professional development.



Last Wednesday evening I attended the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Spring Choral Concert. This year the Choir, under the vocal direction of Mr. Craft, magnificently sang several show tunes or songs from movies. My personal favorites were “All that Jazz” from the hit Broadway show and movie *Chicago* and “Time of My Life” from the award winning Broadway show and movie *Dirty Dancing*. We commend



and congratulate the amazing student vocalists on the SWMHS Choir and commend and thank Mr. Craft for the many hours of instruction and direction that he provided them. They Rock!



On Thursday, I was thrilled to be asked to participate in the SWMHS Renaissance Barbeque that we held to honor and thank our many students who earned all As on their 3rd Marking Period Report Cards. Since I was asked to grill for the students, I treated them to some undercooked hamburgers and overcooked hot dogs.☺ Seriously, we commend and thank all the SWMHS staff members who contributed to the success of the barbeque, especially Ms. Lascala, Ms. Charmello, Ms. Messina,



Ms. Venturelli, and Mr. Rice, for the hard work and meticulous attention to detail that they devoted to making this activity so special. Likewise, we commend and thank the amazing Renaissance students for the hard work, dedication, and sacrifices that they have made and continue to make in order to be the very best students at SWMHS. They truly are role models for all.



On Saturday morning, I also had privilege to attend the SWMHS National Honor Society (NHS) Breakfast. As I noted in last week’s Talk Sup, each year our NHS students hold this fundraiser for the Brain Injured Child Foundation. However, rather than the traditional pasta dinner, which it has served for many previous years, this year our students and staff prepared and served a delicious pancake breakfast in



the cafeteria. In fact, close to 400 tickets were sold for this event. We congratulate and commend our incredible NHS students at SWMHS for making the breakfast such a grand success. Moreover, we commend and thank Ms. Victorero, NHS Advisor, for planning and coordinating the breakfast, as well as Ms. Zurawski, Mr. Cifelli, Mr. Howard, and Mr. Goscienski, for their hard work in preparing and cooking it.



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Last week I reported to you that the Sayreville Middle School (SMS) hosted an ASI Title 1 Family Literacy Night. However, when doing so I failed to mention that mathematics was also featured in this activity, as many students and parents took the time during it to participate in a celebration of mathematics that was designed by the amazing ASI and math teachers at the middle school. The night started with a presentation on i-Ready that makes the promise of differentiated instruction a practical reality for teachers and students. In a single program, i-Ready integrates powerful assessments and rich insights with effective and engaging instruction in mathematics to address students' individual needs. There were also several gaming centers to demonstrate the instructional strategy used by the mathematics teachers in their daily instruction. Some of the gaming centers incorporated memory games, fraction games, and Legos just to name a few. The gaming centers were differentiated, scaffolded, and personalized to engage the students and parents during the ASI night. We extend our sincere appreciation to Ms. Maharana, Supervisor of Mathematics, Mr. Gluchowski and the middle school administration, and of course all our wonderful middle school ASI and math teachers who took part in making this activity so special.



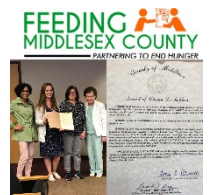
This past week many different activities took place in preschool through 5th grade throughout the district. For example, last Thursday evening more than 200 preschool students and their parents participated in the first ever STEM Night at Project Before. We commend and congratulate Ms. Burns,



Supervisor of Preschool, and the amazing preschool staff at Project Before for all they did to make the evening so successful. Similarly, at the Arleth School students participated in Book Shares Day, Armed Forces Day, and their amazing chorus, led by Mr. Zorner, Music Teacher, performed wonderfully at the Sayreville Police Memorial. At the Truman School, students and staff kicked off their A-Z Countdown with Astronomy Day. At Eisenhower, the remarkable artwork made by students throughout the school year was showcased while the chorus performed for audiences during its first ever Arts Festival. Finally, at Samsel 4th and 5th grade students participated in Career Day and School Beautification Day last week .



During this past week, our students and staff continued to impress and inspire us with their incredible accomplishments. Congratulations to SMS 7th grader Katya Kraus, who was recently accepted into the Duke University Talent Identification Program after she scored a 1110 on the SAT test that she took last March. By the way, she happened to be the only 7th grader in Middlesex County who took the SATs this spring. In addition, we congratulate SWMHS senior Preet Kadakia, who was recently selected to be a recipient of the 2019 Allergan Foundation Scholarship, which is given each year to outstanding National Merit students. We also commend the students, staff, and parents at the Truman School who were recognized by the Middlesex County Food Pantry for collecting over 2,500 pounds of food for the pantry, which was the most in





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Sayreville and one of the top ten schools in Middlesex County. Finally, last Friday SWMHS art students Brianna Bates, Tisha Madhok, and Alyssa Reif were honored at the Project for Empty Space Gallery in Newark where their artwork was exhibited in the 4th Annual Heroin and Opioid Art Exhibition sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Agency.



In athletics, the SWMHS Boys and Girls Track Team once again impressed everyone with outstanding performances at the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) Championships last week in Old Bridge. In fact, freshman Leah Williams-White won the Triple Jump and Samantha Kamara became the GMC shot put champion! Ruth Itua also had an incredible day as she took 2nd Place in the 100 Meter Dash, 3rd in the 200 Meter, 3rd in the 400 Meter and anchored the 4x100 Meter Relay Team to a 2nd Place finish. Likewise, junior Tommy Lewis ran a personal record best 1:56.6 in the 800 Meter Dash, which is only .1 shy of a school record. In addition, Additionally, Adijah Simmon took 2nd Place in the Discus, Miranda Porta won 3rd Place in the 100 Meter High Hurdles, and Allison Prieto placed 6th in the 400 Meter Hurdles. Finally, the SWMHS Bombers Baseball Team celebrated Senior Day during a game at Somerset Patriot Park over the weekend. Go Bombers!



As per the May Head of the Class Calendar, please remember that **all** students will be **dismissed early** on **today (Monday, May 20th)** so that our staff can participate in professional development, and that **all** our schools will be **closed** on **Monday, May 27th** in observance of Memorial Day. In addition, there will be a **Board of Education Business Meeting** this **Tuesday (May 21st)** evening in the SWMHS Cafeteria at 7:30 pm. During it, the Board and administration will recognize and honor the 2018-19 Governor's Teachers of the Year, Education Specialists of the Year, and Education Support Specialists of the Year, along with ASI Teachers Barbara Coyle and April Magistro, who earlier in the year were recognized as New Jersey Exemplary Elementary Educator Award.

Please note that all money owed to the district Food Services Program must be paid in full by June 1, 2019. To pay off your child's account you child can either bring cash/check to the cafeteria registers in their school or pay online to MySchoolBucks. Remember that in accordance with Sayreville BOE policy, any negative balance at the end of the school year will result in **denying access** to the parent/guardian and **child for electronic grade reporting, scheduling, and other related pupil information systems.** In addition, all SWMHS seniors must pay off charges before receiving their **cap and gown for graduation.**

Please remember that online registration via InfoSnap ([Click here](#)) for our [Summer Enrichment](#) and [Camp XL](#) programs is open this morning. [Click on each to find information on both programs.](#) Each offers a variety of different thematic **activities** and **trips.**

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Have a wonderful week!
Dr. Labbe