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Talk Sup Week 19 Review and Preview

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Good morning Sayreville and happy Martin Luther King Jr. Day! I hope you had a relaxing weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup Week Review and Preview*.



As you know, our schools are closed today in observance and recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior. Therefore, if you have the chance, please take a moment to reflect upon and to discuss with your family the amazing accomplishments of Dr. King and the profound impact he has had on our nation and culture, particularly how he taught us how to appreciate the differences in others and to protest peacefully to fight against prejudice and discrimination so as to ensure equality and equity for all citizens of our great country, particularly people of color.

On Friday the district identified and celebrated the below 2017-18 Governor's Educator of the Year (GEOTY) and Education Services Specialists of the Year (ESP) at each school in the district. We congratulate and commend each one, as well as all the incredibly talented educators in our district who work tirelessly to promote the success of all our students.

High School	GEOTY	Christine Nappe
	ESP	Kristen Hartnett
Middle School	GEOTY	Margaret Fallon
	ESP	David Fischer
Samsel/Project Before	GEOTY	Laura Hornlein
	ESP	Alexandra DeCicco
Arleth	GEOTY	Jean Magner
	ESP	Kara Schlaline
Eisenhower	GEOTY	Cynthia Good
	ESP	Regina Howard
Truman	GEOTY	Irene Werner
	ESP	None Chosen
Wilson	GEOTY	Daniel Toye
	ESP	Pamela Schleck



While I was unable to attend, last Wednesday evening the Sayreville War Memorial High School Counseling Office presented Junior Night in the SWMHS cafeteria. If you are unfamiliar with this activity, it was designed and implemented for the purpose of providing vital information about college and post-secondary planning so that parents can assist their 11th grade students in successfully navigating through the college application and post-



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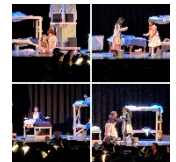
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secondary planning process. In fact, the presentation, which you can access by clicking [here](#), clearly defined the role of the school counselor, student, and parent in this process. Additionally, it provided an extensive “Junior To Do List.” Finally, the 2018 New Jersey College Open House Schedule was shared with all in attendance. To see it, click [here](#). We commend Ms. Sicola, the district Supervisor of Guidance, and all her very dedicated and hard-working counselors at the high school for this invaluable presentation.



On Friday I attended the Sayreville Middle School Music Department production of *Annie*. It is naturally the theatrical adaptation of the classic story “The Little Orphan Annie,” and was the 13th annual musical production led by Joyce Campbell and Patsy Palma, both of which are teachers of music at the middle school. Also assisting in this production were retired middle school music teacher Marie Malara, retired art teacher, Russell Jorgenson, and former student, Kelly Cibrian. Through the dedicated fundraising performed by the Sayreville Middle School PTO, the students that took part in this unbelievable theatrical experience had the privilege of participating in a Broadway-like show with all the amenities. In fact, rather than recorded music, the music for the production was actually performed by a pit orchestra. Furthermore, the sets and costumes were vibrant, authentic, and parallel to that of which you would see in a Broadway show. Moreover the acting, singing, and dancing performed by our middle school students, led by Hailey Block, who played Annie, and Grace Herrick, who played Mrs. Harrigan, was incredibly impressive and quite inspiring. It was clear in the performances of all our students that they and the wonderful middle school staff that assisted them, worked tirelessly during the first four months of the school year to prepare this masterpiece. Thus, Bomber Nation salutes and thanks everyone who took part in this magical production. Bravo!!



This past week, the amazing staff, students, and parents in the Samsel Upper Elementary School Community demonstrated exceptional citizenship and generosity. The faculty and support staff donated almost 50 backpacks and dozens of personal care items that will go to support Senator Vitale's "Stand for Children Backpack Campaign." The backpack and items collected are for children who are suddenly removed from their homes due to an unsafe situation. They will hopefully bring a sense of security to children at a time when they are most vulnerable and in need. In addition, the students in Ms. Giorgianni's and Ms. Wilkes's classrooms made a snowman to sell to staff to raise money for upcoming Fun Day activities. Each student painted a one foot tall wooden post and then decorated each one as a unique snowman. The snowmen sold out almost immediately, as the students raised a whopping \$360. The students also donated a portion of the proceeds from each snowman to the Sayreville Sensory Friendly Santa GoFund Me drive.





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As they do each week, our remarkable students at SWMHS continued to impress everyone with their amazing accomplishments. The artwork of Advanced Art student Katrin Makarets will be showcased in an exhibition at Gallery 524 in New York City from January 19th through the 21st. The exhibition is a benefit for Visual Aids, a non-profit organization that is celebrating its 20th anniversary. We are so proud of you Katrin! In addition, the Varsity Cheerleaders took first place in their first competition of the season in Monroe.



Furthermore, both the Boys and Girls Winter Track Teams were crowned Greater Middlesex County (GMC) White Division Champions for the 2nd and 3rd consecutive years respectively. Likewise, in a very dramatic comeback win over Colonia High School, the SWMHS Wrestling Team clinched a GMC White Division Championship. Finally, both the Girls and Boys Basketball Teams had big wins on Saturday over New Brunswick High School.



Our winter sports teams will be back in action this week. The Wrestling team will wrestle at New Brunswick High School on Wednesday evening and then again on Saturday at South River High School. The Boys Basketball Team will play away at North Brunswick High School on Tuesday, home on Thursday against John F. Kennedy High School, and away against Rahway High School on Saturday. Similarly, the Girls Basketball Team will play at home against North Brunswick High School on Tuesday, away at John F. Kennedy High School on Thursday, and away at Bishop George Ahr High School on Saturday. Finally, the Girls and Boys Swim Teams will be back in the pool against Bishop George Ahr High School on Wednesday, the Boys and Girls Bowling Teams will bowl against Woodbridge High School on Friday afternoon, and the Track Teams will compete in meets on both Thursday and Friday.

As you will note from the January Head of the Class Calendar, while we will **not** dismiss students nor staff early in preschool – 3rd grade, please remember that this **Wednesday evening (7-9 pm)** we will make up the **Parent Teacher Conferences** that we cancelled last Monday. In addition, the Eisenhower and Arleth Elementary Schools will host their Winter Wonderland/Festivals on Thursday evening. Likewise, on Thursday evening the SWMHS Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) club will hold Unity Night. Finally, please remember that we will have an **early dismissal for students on Monday, January 22nd** so that our faculty can participate in professional development.

This Tuesday there will also be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the SWMHS Cafeteria at 6:30 pm. Click [here](#) to see the agenda. During the meeting, Samuel Klein & Company, the auditor of record for the school district, will review the 2016-17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Auditor's Report. In addition, the district will introduce, review, and ask the BOE to approve the 2017-18 School District Goals. Finally, during the Open Discussion portion of the meeting, the Board will review and discuss all supply (600) expenditures budgeted in the proposed 2018-19 School District Budget.

Have a wonderful Martin Luther King Day and week! Dr. Labbe

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