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Talk Sup Week 7 Review and Preview

October 24, 2022



Good morning Sayreville and happy Diwali! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable holiday weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup, my weekly newsletter. Naturally, our schools will be **closed** today in observance of Diwali.



Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students had a ton of fun learning last week. At the Samsel Upper Elementary School, students and staff had a great time at the PTO Fall Festival, in which parents and staff members decorated their cars for the trunk or treat. Students also had a ball participating in a book tasting with Ms.

Loihle in the library/media center. Likewise, English language learners were hard at work developing their language proficiency with Mr. Miller. At the middle school, students practiced coding with jack-o-lanterns. In addition, Mr. Howard, Social Studies Teacher, visited Ms. Ciampa's class to read spooky Halloween stories to them. At the



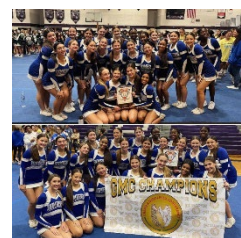
high school, students had a blast hiking the trails at Cheesequake State Park where they also enjoyed a picnic with their peers. Additionally, students in Ms.

Giorgianni's, Mr. Ganu's, and Mr.

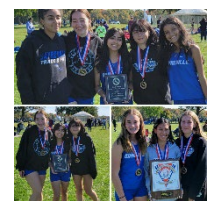
Gliddon's classes designed pumpkins that they purchased on a farm trip. In the

Bombers Beyond 28-21-Year-Old program, students enjoyed a

community learning experience lesson on honeybees when they visited Casola Farms. They also enjoyed a tasty lunch at Mayor Mac's Café, which is a part of the Woodbridge Township Public Schools' Rise Program. Finally, in Project Before, our preschool students at the Cheesequake and Selover Schools had an amazing time searching for the Great Pumpkin in a pumpkin patch that was created and funded by the wonderful Project Before PTO.



In athletics, we congratulate the SWMHS Cheer Team for being crowned the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) Red Division Champions this past weekend. In addition, the SWMHS Girls and Boys Cross Country Teams continued to impress us with outstanding performances last week during the GMC Champions Meet. On the Girls Team, Angeleah Lepre, Crystal Margotta, and Molly Logan won medals. The Junior Varsity Girls Team took 2nd Place, as Lasya



Bhattiprolu, Isabelle Diaz, Dayannara Medina Nunez each medaled. On the Boys Team, Muhtasim Noor medaled and placed 27th overall. Furthermore, the Sayreville Middle School (SMS) Boys and Girls Cross



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Country Teams also ran impressively during the Middle School GMC Championship at Thompson Park this past weekend. Damien Oliver medaled for the boys finishing 10th out of 91 runners. The girls team finished 5th overall with medals being earned by 4th place finisher Katarina Lubucchiarico, 8th place finisher Sophia Stanley and 14th place finisher Diya Yeruva. Liliana DiMaggio-Nagy and Emma Farrell also ran season best times to assist in the successful showing. The SWMHS Boys Soccer Team improved its record to 10-7 with a victory over Monmouth Regional High School (HS) last week. Likewise, the SWMHS



Girls Soccer Team defeated Somerset Tech HS and Middlesex HS last week in the GMC Tournament to earn its seventh and eighth wins of the season. Lastly, the SWMHS Field Hockey Team also secured its sixth win of the season with a victory over Franklin HS last week. We congratulate Ameeka Patel and Jillian Borbeau for being named to the GMC 1st Team and Rhenya Johnson, Ryan Schlaline, Morgan Moskal, Jill Borbeau, Ameeka Patel, and Mackenzie Hastings for being named to the GMC White Division 1st Team. 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. Please remember that you can see all athletic team schedules and view all the action by watching them on the live streaming links posted on the Athletics page of our website or by clicking [here](#).



If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting held on Tuesday, October 15th, here is what you missed. Gianna Pesci from Sayreville War Memorial SWMHS and Morgan Koonce from the Sayreville Middle School SMS began the meeting by providing their respective Student Council Representative to the Board of Education Reports. Next,



Mr. Esposito expressed his opening remarks and the passing of the referendum, as did Mr. Walsh, who also shared a few district highlights. During the presentation portion of the meeting, the district presented the annual State of the Schools Address, which included a review of the 2021-22 District Goals, including the district's 2021-22 New Jersey Student Learning Assessment results; an introduction of the 2022-23 District Goals; the introduction of the 2023-24 Budget Development Calendar; and a review of the school district's final 2022-23 HIB ratings. To see the slide show presentation, click [here](#).

The Board then moved the action items from the Superintendent's Report onto the Board Agenda and approved them all. To see the Agenda, click [here](#). To see the Agenda Addendum, click [here](#). To see all attachments, click [here](#). To view the video of the meeting, click [here](#). Among other motions, on the Vision 2030 Finance and Infrastructure portion of the agenda, the BOE approved an agreement for professional services with the Spiezle Architectural Group, Inc. for projects district-wide that fall under the scope of the October 6, 2022, Referendum at a total cost of \$6,265,000. It also approved to amend the 2019 Long Range Facilities Plan to include school facilities improvement project plans related to parking areas at the SUES and the stadium at SWMHS, and authorization for the Spiezle Architectural Group Inc, to make the



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submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district. Lastly, the BOE approved the acceptance of the Perkins Federal Grant funds in the amount of \$7,500.

On the Student Achievement portion of the agenda, among other motions, the BOE approved revised Grades 4-8 Health Curriculum Guides. Likewise, on the Governance portion of the agenda, the Board of Education approved the 2022-23 District Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (PEOSH) Program Indoor Air Quality Plan. Click [here](#) to review it. It also approved the [2022-23 School District Goals](#) and the [2023-24 Budget Development Calendar](#). Click on each, to review them. Finally, the Board approved [BOE Policy 2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction](#) and [Regulation 2425 – Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program](#); and [Policy 5512 – Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying for a First Reading](#).

On the Personnel portion of the agenda, as well as other motions, the Board of Education accepted the retirement of Karen Bryan, Teacher at the Wilson School, effective July 1, 2023. It also appointed new certificated and non-certificated staff for the 2022-23 school year. Likewise, the Board approved the transfer of non-certificated staff for the 2022-23 school year. The BOE also appointed teachers for the Special Education Literacy and Math Academies. Similarly, it appointed personnel for Unified Sports Program.

During the Board Discussion portion of the meeting, Mr. Fernandez commented about the new Health Curriculum Guides, particularly how they address child nutrition. He also reviewed what was discussed during the last Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting, as did Mr. Walsh for the last Personnel Committee Meeting, Mrs. Bloom for the last Student Achievement Committee Meeting, and Mrs. Pieloch for the last Governance Committee Meeting. Mrs. Bloom also shared news from the Middlesex County School Boards Association and Mr. Fernandez did the same with regard to the Sayreville/South Amboy Rotary Club.

During the Open Public Comment portion of the meeting, a parent asked when the new Grades 4-8 Health Curriculum Guides will be implemented and what the process will be to opt her children out of it. In addition, the spouse of a former staff member commented about her employment

The next meeting will take place on **November 15, 2022**. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on the district website on **Friday, November 11th**. A complete copy of the **October 18th** meeting minutes will be posted on the BOE Meeting Minutes page of the website once they are approved by the BOE during the next regular business meeting on **November 15, 2022**.

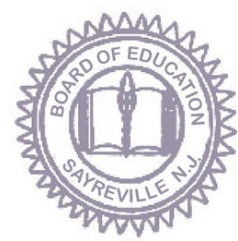
As per the [2022-23 School District Calendar](#), which you can view by clicking on it, on **Tuesday, November 15th**, there will be a **Board of Education Business Meeting** in the new **Samsel Upper Elementary School Board Meeting Room**. Please remember that all our schools will be **closed for students** on **November 8th** in observance of Election Day and so that our staff can participate in a full day of professional development. They will also be **closed for students and staff** on **November 10th and 11th**

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in observance of Veterans' Day and so that our staff can attend the NJEA Convention, and on **November 24th and 25th** in observance of thanksgiving. Likewise, please note that we will **dismiss students and staff early** on **Wednesday November 23rd** so that they can get a head start on the holiday weekend. Finally, please remember that the **1st Marking Period** for students in **grades 6-12** will end on **November 15th** and that report cards for those students will be issued on **November 23rd**.

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 **buses**, click [here](#).

Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe