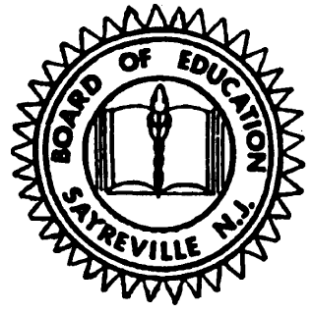


HEAD OF THE CLASS

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The Sayreville Board of Education congratulates the following students and staff who are at the

Head of the Class

**MR. JAMES CRAFT
MS. KELLY PURCELL
MRS. DENA MAZUR
MRS. AMANDA TAYLOR
MR. DEDRICK DYE
MRS. HEATHER MAKELY
MRS. CHRISTINA ZROWKA**

Congratulations to the 2019-20 Governor's Educators of the Year selected from each of the district's schools as exemplary role models of their profession.

**MS. KAILA O'DONNELL
MRS. LORI DOBRZYNSKI
MRS. MICHELLE DIPAOLO
MRS. TARA GIARRAFFA
MRS. MEG CARDILLO
MRS. LAURA MIHALENKO**

Congratulations to the 2019-20 Governor's Educational Services Specialists of the Year selected from each of the district's schools as exemplary role models of their profession.

MS. ERIN HILL BOARD BUSINESS OFFICE

Congratulations on another successful district audit which included no findings or recommendations. In addition, the exit conference with the auditor included references to Sayreville's financial practices and budgetary planning being those of a "model district."

DR. PAUL CARUSO

Congratulations to Dr. Caruso and the SWMHS Concert Band for their magnificent performance at the Central Jersey Music Educators Association Honors Band Concert at SWMHS.

SWMHS STUDENT COUNCIL

Congratulations also go to the SWMHS Student Council, which recently represented the high school at the NJASC Winter Convention and were awarded a plaque for 55 years of being an "Honors School."

SWMHS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MRS. DONNA SICOLA

On Monday evening, January 13, the High School Guidance Dept. held Junior Night. This was designed to provide vital information about college and post-secondary planning so parents can assist their 11th grade students in navigating the college

application and planning process. Thank you to Mrs. Sicola and her dedicated, hard-working counselors for providing this invaluable workshop.

STEPHEN FARLEY

Special thanks to SWMHS Junior Stephen Farley who was the enabling force behind a special opportunity for our Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) students to visit the Goldman Sachs Global Headquarters in New York. The trip featured presentations by a vice president, a managing partner, and a panel discussion by analysts and associates from Goldman Sachs.

BOARD MINUTES

As we begin a new calendar year, the Board is already involved in the planning for the next school year through the annual budget process. Dr. Labbe has submitted to the Board of Education the proposed budget for the 2020-21 school year and the Board utilizes its meetings in the beginning of the calendar year to meet with senior level administrators to discuss their educational plans for the upcoming year and the resources required to achieve those objectives.

Among the budgetary discussions in January, the Board expressed a desire to elevate the priority of expanding the Fountas and Pinnell reading series into the fourth and fifth grades as it views the program as one of the pillars which support our educators in achieving the significant increase in language arts performance demonstrated at the elementary level. The Board also discussed pathways at the high school for non-college bound learners and how we support those students with additional programs as part of both a short and long-term strategy. Finally, the Board also discussed the athletics program at the middle school and how additional offerings would result in greater participation while bolstering the high school participation in future years as well.

Throughout this time, the Board continues to make plans for a referendum scheduled for September 29, 2020, to provide air conditioning to all district schools, window and building envelope upgrades, as well as the needed infrastructure to serve our 18-21 year old special education students in district which would result in significant ongoing savings to the Board versus an out of district placement. These improvements would also allow us to bring these special students "home" to complete their Bomber education!



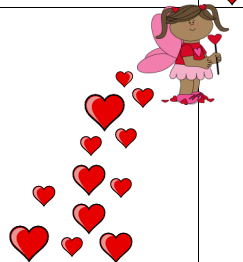
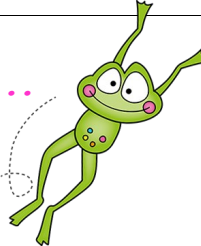
FEBRUARY 2020

SAYREVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

NOTICE FOR SCHOOL CLOSING

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



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>3 Eis - Valentine Gram sale begins & Kid's Heart Challenge Tru - Valentine Candy Gram sale begins SUES - Gertrude Hawk fundraiser begins</p>	<p>4 Pre-K - PTO Meeting 7:00pm Arl - Box Tops contest begins Eis - Kid's Heart Challenge</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm - SWMHS</p>	<p>5 Eis - PTO Meeting 6:45pm</p>	<p>6 MS - Brain Challenge program</p>	<p>7 Arl - Book Fair & Family Science Night 6:00pm Tru - Valentine Candy Gram sale ends Valentine Day Dance 7:00pm MS - Student Faculty Volleyball 5:00pm HS - Variety Show 7:00pm</p> <hr/> <p>8 Sat - HS - ACT Testing</p>
<p>10 Arl - Book Fair Wil - Gertrude Hawk fundraiser begins</p> <p>EARLY DISMISAL for STUDENTS PLC for STAFF</p>	<p>11 Arl - Book Fair MS - Candy Sale permission slips go out</p> <p>Report Cards Issued - Grades 6-12</p>	<p>12 Arl - Book Fair SUES - After School Programs begin & Willabees 3:00pm</p>	<p>13 Arl - Book Fair Tru - PTO Meeting 7:00pm Wil - Willabees 3:30pm</p>	<p>14 * Snow date - HS - Variety Show</p> <p>Pre-K - Valentine's Day Celebration Arl - Book Fair Eis - Valentine Gram delivery Wil - Wear Red & School Store</p> <p>100th Day of School</p> <hr/> <p>15 Sat - Arl - Box Tops contest ends</p>
<p>17 SUES - Bubba's Proceeds Night</p> <p> Presidents' Day SCHOOLS CLOSED</p>	<p>18 Eis - Willabees 3:35pm</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm - SWMHS</p>	<p>19 Pre-K - Recycle Magic Show SUES - PTO Meeting 6:30pm</p>	<p>20 Tru - Cat in the Hat presentation SUES - School Spirit - Superhero Day</p>	<p>21 Arl - Golden Awards & Comedy Night fundraiser 7:00pm Eis - Tricky Tray 5:45pm Tru - Jump Rope for Heart Wil - International Night 6:30pm SUES - School Store MS - Candy Sale permission slips due</p>
<p>24 Arl - PTO Meeting 7:00pm & Gertrude Hawk fundraiser begins</p>	<p>25 Wil - PTO Meeting 7:00pm MS - Candy pick ups</p> <p></p>	<p>26 SUES - Spring School Photos MS - Candy pick ups</p>	<p>27 Arl - Read Across America Eis - Spring Picture Day & FFN - Game Night 6:45pm</p>	<p>28 * Snow date - Eis - Tricky Tray Eis - Read Across America Wil - Wear Wilson gear or colors & Gertrude Hawk fundraiser ends SUES - Character Ed Luncheon & Family Movie Night 6:00pm</p>
		<p></p>		<p><i>Leap Year ...</i></p> <p></p>