



# Springfield 2022-2023

## Superintendent's Report

October 3, 2022

#SPSCompassionate&Extraordinary

# Springfield Public Schools Vision & Mission

## *Vision:*

Cultivating compassionate and extraordinary learners!

## *Mission:*

Springfield Public Schools will challenge every student through meaningful, engaging experiences — empowering all students to flourish and contribute in an evolving world.

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# Report Overview

- Community Updates
- Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) School Self-Assessment Report
- SEL & Week of Respect
- Pre-School Expansion Update



# October Celebrations

Visit our website under “Latest News” to learn more.

<https://www.springfieldschools.com/>



Thanks to Ms. Reynolds our Media Specialist for Resources!



# Start with Hello & International Peace Week!

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This year for Peace Week, students participated in a variety of school wide activities. Some created pinwheels and peace doves and others created individual peace signs with words of peace. All unique peace signs and messages were collected then displayed to represent a school culture of peace. Start with Hello Week activities included, students sharing their interests and hobbies, students participating in random acts of kindness as well as pledging to say hello and be respectful and kind to one another!





# Week of Respect October 3-7th

At the beginning of the school year, SEL events encourage students to take small but powerful actions to promote inclusion, build resiliency, and promote kindness within the school community. New Jersey's Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act designates the week of the first Monday in October each year as a "Week of Respect." Springfield Public Schools observes the week by providing grade-appropriate instruction and programs focusing on preventing harassment, intimidation, or bullying.



Individual school counselors have shared activities with families and will continue to reach out with the specific activities that are planned in the future at each school.

**2021- 2022**

**New Jersey Department of Education**

**Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights**

<b>Location</b>	<b>2021 - 2022 Self-Assessment Grade (Out of 78 Points)</b>
Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center	74
James Caldwell School	68
Thelma L. Sandmeier School	65
Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School	67
Jonathan Dayton High School	68
District Grade	68



# In Our Schools

## **JDHS Fall Pep Rally!**



## **JDHS Student & Family Activities Night!**





# Pre-School Expansion Updates

- Currently in process:
  - Placing Orders for Classroom Materials and Furniture
  - Interviewing and Hiring New Staff (Teachers, Aides)
- Next Steps:
  - Survey of current families regarding participation
  - Planning Ongoing with Teachers & Leaders
- Implementation will occur when staffing is complete and classrooms are ready, and concrete dates will be provided when hiring has been completed.



# Parent Workshops

**PARENT WORKSHOP:**  
**PROTECTING CHILDREN IN A HYPER DIGITAL AGE**

October 5th, 2022  
Westfield Library  
550 E Broad St, Westfield, NJ 07090  
7pm to 9pm  
[Register Online @ ucnj.org/youth](https://ucnj.org/youth)

Presentation by: Union County Division of Youth Services  
Liz Repking Cyber Safety Consulting Founder  
Assistant Prosecutor Tracy Boyd, Juvenile Unit

**DID YOU KNOW.....**

- Nearly 43% of kids have been bullied online.
- Only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.
- 15% of teens using cell phones say that they have received sexually suggestive nude images of someone they know via text.
- 1 in 25 youths received an online sexual solicitation in which the solicitor tried to make contact.

**TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED.....**

- Dangers children are susceptible to online
- Teens and sexting
- Popular apps and how to use them safely
- Safety settings & restrictions for phones & computers
- Cell phone monitoring
- Gaming issues & concerns
- Building healthy technology in the home

For More Information: 908-558-2520

**JDHS  
Financial Aid  
Night!  
Thursday,  
October 6th  
6:30 PM  
JDHS Auditorium**

Save the Date!  
Author Andrea Brenner  
JDHS Auditorium  
December 8th, 7 PM





# Coach Fabiano Marks 300th Win!

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# Varsity Athletic Updates

Football: 3-2

Boy's Soccer: 7-3

Girl's Soccer: 7-1

Volleyball: 11-1

Girl's Tennis: 8-1

