

Springfield 2022-2023

Superintendent's Report

April 24, 2023

#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.

Report Overview

- Welcome Sophie Abramowitz, Student Representative Report
- Around Town!
- Athletics Update
- SSEP Student Artist Recognitions
- Referendum & Bond Sale Report
- Calendar Reminders
- Public Hearing on the FY 23-24 Tentative Budget

Student Representative Report
Sophie Abramowitz, 12th Grade
Vice President, JDHS Student Council

Around Town!



On Friday, April 21st, 36 students from **FMG's Student Council and National Junior Honor Society** visited OSCAR, One Step Closer Animal Rescue, in Sparta, New Jersey. Students were given a tour of the facility, and learned about the adoption process. Prior to the visit, Student Council sponsored a collection drive, where students throughout the school donated supplies that the shelter needs including food, toys, towels and treats. Student council also made a monetary donation from funds raised at the Halloween Dance! Thanks to Ms. Collins, Ms. Reynders, Ms. Zambolla, and Ms. Chou!

Around Town!



JDHS Students Nominated for the Leadership in Student Journalism Award! *The Dawg Print* students from left to right are as follows: Diana Elguera-Tapia (Politics and Foreign Affairs Editor), Suki Vadali (Editor in Chief), and Adriana Rivera (Editor in Chief). Thanks to Mr. DiNicolo for his leadership!



In honor of Earth Day, **JDHS Environmental Club** spent an afternoon at Liberty State Park picking up garbage from the shoreline! Thanks to student President Ella Bertolotti and Advisor Mr. Davison!

Athletics Updates

Baseball: 6-5, Union Catholic 4/25 Away

Softball: 7-4, Summit 4/25, Away

Girls Lacrosse: 3-3, Morris Catholic 4/25 Home

Boys Lacrosse: 1-6, Parsippany Hills 4/26, Home

Boys Tennis: 4-3 (Awaiting Tonight's Score!) Gov. Livingston 4/26
Away

Track & Field:

Congrats to Colin Riley, Meghan Kreineberg, Simran Bhujle, and
Alex Jean Baptiste!

4/26 vs. New Providence

4/29 Penn Relays



Mission 17

Patch Art Competition



Skylab



Apollo-Soyuz Test Project



Space Shuttle

**Mission patches
have been part of
human spaceflight
since the days of
Project Mercury in
the 1960s.**

The SSEP Mission Patch competition allows communities to engage in another authentic aspect of the space program, and broadens SSEP to be more appropriately designated as a STEAM education initiative – Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics.



Mercury



Gemini



Apollo

Mission 17 Semifinalist Designs





Emily Tavares
5th Grade, JCS

Valery Arias
7th Grade, FMG



Congratulations! Your Mission Patches are on their way to the
International Space Station!

Emily Tavares

5th Grade, JCS



Valery Arias

7th Grade, FMG



Referendum Update

- March 14th: Special Election
- March 30th: Election Certified- Bond Passes with Significant Support!
- April 4th: Rating Call with S & P Global
- April 11th: District Rated AA+ for 2023
- April 20th: Bond Sale

Referendum Update

Board of Education of the Township of Springfield

\$32,872,000 School Bonds, Series 2023

Bid Date: April 20, 2023
Dated & Delivery Date: May 9, 2023
Bonds Due: May 1, 2025 - 2043

Rating: S&P: "AA+"
Insurance: None
Tax Status: Tax-Exempt (Not BQ)

Bond Sale Bid Results

Bidder	Premium	Gross Interest	Net Interest	NIC	Rank
Roosevelt & Cross, Inc.	\$986.16	\$14,141,290.50	\$14,140,304.34	3.585693%	1
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	\$953.29	\$14,438,849.78	\$14,437,896.49	3.661156%	2
Fifth Third Securities	\$784.78	\$14,523,002.00	\$14,522,217.22	3.682538%	3
Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc.	\$0.00	\$14,665,554.22	\$14,665,554.22	3.718885%	4
Fidelity Capital Markets	\$0.00	\$14,748,546.89	\$14,748,546.89	3.739930%	5
BNY Mellon Capital Markets LLC	\$139.94	\$14,820,067.56	\$14,819,927.62	3.758031%	6
UBS Financial Services Inc.	\$0.00	\$14,820,067.56	\$14,820,067.56	3.758067%	7
RBC Capital Markets, LLC	\$0.00	\$14,820,067.56	\$14,820,067.56	3.758067%	8

Referendum Update

- April 11th: Engineer Walkthrough at Walton for Stormwater Management
- April 21st: Architect & Engineer Meeting to Review Preliminary Timeline
- Pending in May: Meeting with Security Consultants

Partnerships!

- Caldwell Playground Equipment Delivered, Pending Installation
- Ruby Field Scoreboard



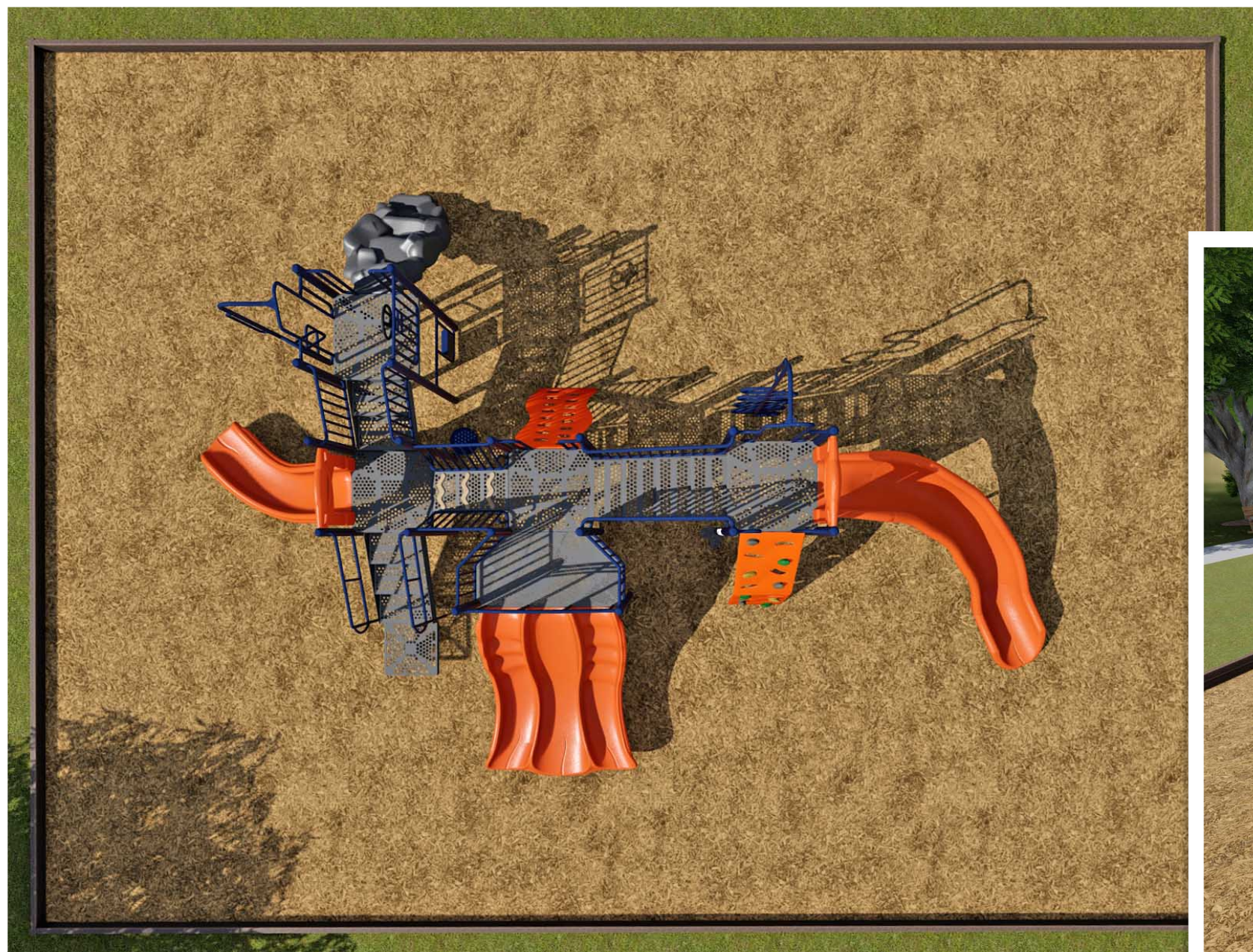
New Playgrounds!

Utilizing State Preschool Aid for New Early Childhood (ages 3-5) Playgrounds at Walton & Sandmeier!



Walton Playground Restoration

Pending Bid Opening for Ground Restoration
Playground Replacement Ordered to Serve Ages 5-10



Calendar Reminders

Friday, May 26th is a Give Back Day- Schools Closed

Tuesday, June 6th is Election Day and Give Back Day- Schools Closed

June 20th- FMG Moving Up Ceremony

June 21st- JDHS Graduation- Early Dismissal All Schools

Last Day of School June 22nd- Early Dismissal All Schools

Celebrations



In April, our schools and staff wore blue for world autism awareness



March 13 to April 15



May 1 to May 31

Celebrations

Check your PTA/
PTSO Websites for
information!



May 8th- May 12th

Budget Hearing