

## Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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## Talk Sup Week 1 Review and Preview

September 11, 2023

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup*, my weekly newsletter. Remember that next week, we will hold **Back to School Nights** at each school beginning with the **upper elementary school** on **September 18**<sup>th</sup>, all **K-3 elementary schools** on **September 19**<sup>th</sup>, **Project Before** and the **high school** on **September 20**<sup>th</sup>, and the **middle school** on **September 21**<sup>st</sup>.

With the high temperatures that led to early dismissals last week, some parents asked how the district was progressing with the "Cool the Schools" referendum projects. Thus, I am pleased to report to you that Phases 1-4 out of 7 have already begun and should be completed by the end of this school year. Since the duct work and preparations for Phase 1, which includes the installation of HVAC at the Truman School and the second floor at the high school, was finished prior to the beginning of the school year, the phase will be completed once we receive the classroom and rooftop units, which have a lead delivery time of 20 and 50 weeks respectively, along with the necessary electrical switchgears and circuit breakers, which also have a lead delivery time of about 50 weeks. Phase 2, which includes the replacement of windows at the Selover School, Arleth School, and the middle school, as well as the refurbishment of bathrooms and the construction of a secure vestibule at the Selover School, is also underway and will hopefully be completed by the end of the calendar year.

Phase 3, which includes the replacement of roofs at the Arleth School, Wilson School, upper elementary school, middle school, and high school has also begun and should be completed by this spring. Phase 4, which involves the electrical infrastructure upgrading at each school, has also begun, and will be finished once we receive the aforementioned switchgears and circuit breakers. Additionally, Phase 5, which includes the installation of HVAC at the upper elementary school and middle school; and Phase 6, which includes the replacement of windows at the Wilson School, upper elementary, and high school, will go out for bid later this month. Likewise, Phase 7, which includes the installation of HVAC at Arleth, Wilson, Eisenhower, and Selover, along with the first floor of the high school, will go out for bid this December. Therefore, all projects should be complete by December 2024, the earliest, or by the summer 2025, the latest. To monitor the monthly updates on all construction, check out our dashboard by clicking here.

If you have not done so already, please assist the district in developing a new four-year Vision 2030 Strategic Action Plan by clicking on one of the following links that best describes your role in the community: SPS - Strategic Planning Survey for Staff, SPS - Strategic Planning Survey for Parents/Guardians, and SPS - Strategic Planning Survey for Community Members; to complete a brief survey. Likewise, remember that on Saturday, September 30, 2023, the district will be hosting an Education Summit for anyone in the Sayreville community, including you, to participate in. During the Summit, participants will construct goals in the following domains: Finance and Facilities, Technology, Security, Student Achievement, and Culture and Climate, based upon the survey feedback provided by you, our staff, and other members of the community. If you would like to participate in the development of our



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2023-2027 Strategic Action Plan during our September 30<sup>th</sup> Education Summit, please RSVP by emailing me at Richard.labbe@sayrevillek12.net.



Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students had a very productive





and fun first week of learning. At all our schools, our staff embraced the triumphant return of our students.

This past week, our students, staff, alumni, and community members continued to impress us with their remarkable accomplishments. We commend and congratulate Eisenhower 1<sup>st</sup> grader Kennedy Magliaro, who over the summer won 1<sup>st</sup> Place for her grade level (kindergarten) in the Sayreville Shade Tree Commission Art Contest. We also commend and congratulate Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS) Math Teacher Jennifer Vasquez, who was selected by her peers as the Teacher of the Month of September at the high school. Bomber Nation salutes all our students, staff, and community members for representing Sayreville in such an impeccable manner. They Rock!



In athletics, The SWMHS Girls and Boys Soccer Teams won their first games of the year last week over

and Huzaifa Ibrahim from the SWMHS



Woodbridge and Piscataway High Schools (HS) respectively. The Girls are 1-0 on the season while the Boys are 1-1. Likewise, the SWMHS Field Hockey Team is also 1-0 on the season thanks to their 6-0 victory over South Plainfield High School last week. The SWMHS Football Team got back on the winning track last week with an impressive 55-0 win over New Brunswick HS. They are now 2-1 on the season. Finally, Crystal Margotta, Kyle Garcia,

Boys and Girls Cross Country Team placed during the varsity race at the Trial of Miles Opening Night Meet. In addition, Morgan Koonce, Diya Yoruba, Neithan Cardozo Rojas, Hershil Vaidya, and Damien Oliver medaled in the Freshmen Race at the Trial of Miles Opening Night Meet. 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 way they represent SWMHS

and our community. Please remember that you can see all athletic team schedules by visiting the Athletics page of our website or by clicking <u>here</u>.



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As per the 2023-24 School District Calendar, and/or the September 2023 Monthly Activities Calendar, which you can view respectively by clicking on each, on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Board of Education Business Meeting in the Samsel Upper Elementary School Board Meeting Room. In addition, during the week of September 18<sup>th</sup>, we will hold Back to School Nights at each school beginning with the upper elementary school on September 18<sup>th</sup>, all K-3 elementary schools on September 19<sup>th</sup>, Project Before and the high school on September 20<sup>th</sup>, and the middle school on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Likewise, please note that students and faculty will be dismissed early on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Finally, please remember that our schools will be closed on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Yom Kippur.

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 wonderful first week of school!

Dr. Labbe