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Talk Sup Week 3 Review and Preview

September 25, 2023



Good morning Sayreville! I would like to wish our Jewish families a blessed Yom Kippur! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable holiday weekend. Welcome to another edition of *Talk Sup*, my weekly newsletter. Naturally, today <u>our **schools**</u> are **closed** in observance of Yom Kippur.

This **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 **2023-2027 Strategic Action Plan** during our September 30th Education Summit, **please RSVP by this Wednesday**, **September 27th** by emailing me at **Richard.labbe@sayrevillek12.net**.



We were thrilled last week to see so many parents attend Back to School Night at all our schools across the district. As you know, in order to promote the most positive learning outcomes for our students, it is essential that we cultivate a partnership in which parents and



teachers work as one to educate our students. The amount of parental participation last week clearly demonstrated the commitment by the parents of our students to work collaboratively with our educators.



Before the Sayreville War Memorial High School Back to School Night last Wednesday evening, the parents of 12th grade students attended our annual Senior Parent Presentation, in which the high school counselors presented a fall college application kickoff meeting to help parents navigate the college application process. In addition, Dr. Mala Maharana, Supervisor of Mathematics Instruction, and Ms. Suzanne Capraro, Supervisor of English Language Arts Instruction, provided an informational session for parents to discuss the mandatory New Jersey Graduation Performance Assessment and the alternate pathways for

graduation. To see the Senior Parent Presentation, click <u>here</u>. To review the 2023 Graduation Test Pathways Presentation, click <u>here</u>.



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Thanks to our magnificent teachers and instructional staff, our students had a very productive and fun week of learning. At the Arleth School, students and staff celebrated Trusting Thursday. They also recognized many "upstanders" and showed off their green and kind message shirts to promote unity. With the help of their "All Stars" they also kicked off "Start With Hello Week," where they demonstrated the many ways to say hello. At the high school, students in Mr. Gliddon's Wood Shop class recycled old furniture to make





wooden recycling and trash container covers. In Bombers Beyond, students took a tour of an emergency

medical services vehicle and facility and later took the time to help a local senior



citizen resident clean up her yard with the help of one of our awesome bus drivers. At the middle school, 7th grade students in Ms. Bobik's Science Class used the scientific method to test their hypothesis on which dish detergent would render the biggest bubble ring. Students used a straw to blow the biggest bubble into different soap dishes, creating a ring of soap for them to measure. With their partners, they measured the soap rings and recorded their



qualitative and quantitative data. In Project Before, at the Selover School, students exercised their fine motor skills in Ms. Matty's Class. In Ms. Heather's class, students learned about apples, studying them







with "science eyes" and stamping them into beautiful works of art. Likewise, at the Cheesequake School, students read *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* in Creative Literacy Labs. In addition, they created their own alphabet tree and worked on matching letters.



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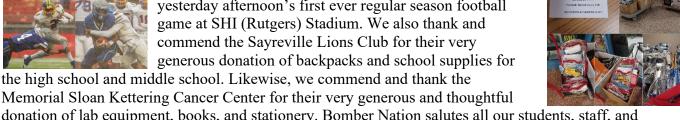
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This past week, our students, staff, alumni, and community members continued to impress us with their remarkable accomplishments. We commend and congratulate

the SWMHS Cheer Team and Marching Band for braving the weather and performing outstandingly despite it during yesterday afternoon's first ever regular season football game at SHI (Rutgers) Stadium. We also thank and commend the Sayreville Lions Club for their very generous donation of backpacks and school supplies for



donation of lab equipment, books, and stationery. 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 Soccer Team continued it dominant undefeated season with impressive wins over St. Thomas Aguinas and Colonia High Schools (HS) last week. They are now 6-0 on the season. The SWMHS Boys Soccer Team improved its season record to 2-2-2 when it tied John Paul Stevens HS last





week. The SWMHS Boys Cross Country Team ran to a 2nd Place finish while the Girls Cross Country Team took 3rd Place at the Garret Invitational last week. Junior Molly Logan, senior Crystal Margotta, and sophomore Angeleah Lepre all medaled for the Girls Team, while senior Rohan Vaidya medaled for the Boys Team. In addition, the

SWMHS Field Hockey Team won its second game of the season last

week against Piscataway HS with a little help from a rainbow. Likewise, the SWMHS Girls Tennis Team defeated Colonia HS last week to earn its second victory of the season. Finally, while they fought hard in the nasty weather, the SWMHS Football team came up just a little short of victory against North Brunswick High School during yesterday afternoon's football game at SHI (Rutgers) Stadium. 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 here.

Tomorrow evening at 7:30 pm, there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the new Board Room at the Samsel Upper Elementary School. To see the agenda for the meeting, click here. To access the live streaming of the meeting click here. Since the viewing of the live stream will be handled by YouTube, you must be viewing the stream on a browser or application that is live stream compatible. If you are unable to hear audio you may need to try a different browser/application. The live stream will only be available during the real-time duration of the meeting. Directions for public participation during the



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meeting will be provided on the above-mentioned live stream page of the website. Finally, if on Wednesday you wish to view it or other past-recorded BOE meetings, click <u>here</u>.

As per the <u>2023-24 School District Calendar</u>, and/or the <u>September 2023 Monthly Activities Calendar</u>, which you can view respectively by clicking on each, tomorrow, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 26th</u>, there will be a **Board of Education Business Meeting** in the Samsel Upper Elementary School Board Meeting Room.

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 week!

Dr. Labbe