

# Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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#### Talk Sup Week 19 Review and Preview

#### January 22, 2024



Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup, my weekly newsletter.

Although we were not able to open schools on Tuesday and Friday last week due to the hazardous weather, we would be remiss if we did not commend our amazing Buildings and Grounds staff for the superb job they did plowing, shoveling, salting and preparing our school grounds so that we could open safely on Wednesday and so that our students could participate in scheduled athletic and co-curricular activities on Saturday.



Thanks to our magnificent instructional staff, our students had a very productive and fun week of learning last week. In Project Before at Cheesequake, students and staff participated in the first annual Dress Like a Snowman Day where they dressed up to bring on the imminent snow.

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



impeccable manner. They Rock!

Bellamy, the Media Specialist at the Truman School for the incredible arch and storefront that he constructed for the Truman School Media Center. He actually made the arch with old and dilapidated books that he replaced with brand new copies. We also thank the amazing Truman School PTO for purchasing the wood for both the arch and storefront. Bomber Nation salutes all our students, staff, and community members for representing Sayreville an



In athletics, the SWMHS Boys and Girls Indoor Track and Field Teams performed well at the Greater Middlesex Conference (GMC) Championships, particularly the Girls Team. In fact, the Girls Team won the GMC White Division Championship for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Individually, Zaila Khan won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Shot Put, Molly Logan took 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in the 800 Meter and 6<sup>th</sup> in 3200 Meter Races, Mo Akinefron placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the Shot Put, and Kellie Koranteng placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the Pole Vault. For the Boys Team,

Xavian Pena won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Shot Put. In addition, the SWMHS Boys Basketball Team continued their dominance, as they defeated Woodbridge and North Plainfield High Schools (HS) last week to improve their season record to 11-4. Likewise, the SWMHS Wrestling Team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas HS to

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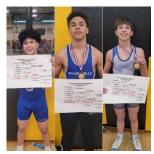
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earn its 9<sup>th</sup> match win of the season. Furthermore, Matthew Brown, Lucas Tang, and Grady Walsh from the Sayreville Middle School (SMS) Wrestling Team won their respective weight divisions to become GMC Champions. Finally, the

SWMHS Cheer Team had a blast cheering with the Junior Bombers Cheer Team during Winter Junior Bomber Night. 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>.

Tomorrow evening at **7:30 pm**, there will be a Board of Education (BOE) Business Meeting in the **Board Room at the Samsel Upper Elementary School**. During the meeting, the Board will resume publicly reviewing and discussing the 2024-25 School District Budget with the following budget presentations: Individual Schools and Curriculum and Instruction. The district will also present the 2023-24 Cycle 1 School Safety Data and the 2022-23 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Audit Report. To see the agenda for the meeting, click <u>here</u>. In order to access the live streaming of the meeting click <u>here</u>. 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 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>, which you can view by clicking on it, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period for students in grades 6-12 will end on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Likewise, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Progress Reports for students in grades K-5 will be issued and viewable in Oncourse Connect on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

If you or you know would like to **advertise** with us on our **website** and via **Bomber Blasts**, you should click <u>here</u> 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 <u>here</u>.

Have a wonderful week, blessed and most joyous holidays, and relaxing and enjoyable winter recess!

Dr. Labbe