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Talk Sup Week 25 Review and Preview

March 4, 2024

Good morning Sayreville! I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable weekend. Welcome to another edition of Talk Sup, my weekly newsletter. Please remember that **<u>today</u>** we will **dismiss students** <u>**early**</u> so that our staff can participate in professional development.

Last Friday morning, Ms. Sicola, Director of School Counseling Services, and Mr. Gluchowski, Principal of the Sayreville War Memorial High School (SWMHS), introduced in rank order by grade point average and honored the Top 10 Students from the SWMHS Class of 2024. Thus, below please find the name of each remarkable child. As Ms. Sicola and Mr. Gluchowski noted during their celebratory breakfast last Friday, we recognize that the amazing academic accomplishments of these students could not have happened if it were not for the proficiency, competency, and hard work of their incredibly dedicated and talented teachers and counselors, and the never-ending support and assistance that they have received from their wonderful parents. As we have done in the past, these students will also be recognized and honored during Senior Awards Night, as well as a Board of Education Meeting in the spring.

- 1. Jai Desai Valedictorian
- 2. Shriya Patel Salutatorian
- 3. Ameeka Patel
- 4. Amoli Patel
- 5. Ruhi Patel
- 6. Shakil Ashrafi
- 7. Shriya Meda
- 8. Kristy Garcia
- 9. Bianca Lewandowski
- 10. Riva Babaria





Thanks to our magnificent instructional staff, our students had a very

productive and fun week of learning last week. At the Truman School, students in Ms. Greene's class were recognized for their exemplary performance and success in My Math Academy. In this nationwide contest, their class will be visited by Shapey, the My Math Academy mascot, to celebrate their outstanding accomplishment. At the Arleth

School, students and staff participated in Pink Shirt Day to show kindness and stand up to bullying. They also recognized this week's Golden Award Winners.



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At the upper elementary school, students in Ms. Paul's class participated in an escape room activity after reading about the Leap Year. They had a great time finding the questions around the classroom and breaking the codes to escape. In

addition, students and staff celebrated Dr.

Seuss' birthday with crazy hair/hat/sock day. In Project Before at the Selover School, students and staff were hard at work getting ready for the March Read Across America Month. At the Cheesequake School, students and staff celebrated Leap Year by dressing up in green.





At the high school, students in the LEO Club had a blast visiting the United Nations in New York City. In addition, the staff and students literally had a ball playing Dodgeball



in a charity event for the Lymphoma and Leukemia Society, in which they raised a total of \$1,000. Lastly, the Theatre Society was hard at work preparing for their musical production of Tuck Everlasting, which will take place on March 15th and 16th. Tickets are still available. Get them at www.showtix4u.com.

This past week, our students, staff, alumni, and community members continued to impress us with their remarkable accomplishments. Along with the previously mentioned Top 10 Students from the high school, we congratulate SWMHS Science Teacher Tyneesah Stokes for being selected as the Teacher of the Month of March by her

colleagues at the high school. In addition, we commend and thank the Sayreville Bombers team of staff who participated in the Seaside Polar Bear Plunge last Saturday, and raised \$2,677 which all went towards the Special Olympics of New Jersey. We also thank all who supported and donated to this wonderful

cause. We especially thank Cheryl Araneo, who was the top raiser with \$687. Although they may still be recovering from frostbite, they are already looking forward to next year's plunge. Bomber Nation salutes all our students, staff, and community members for representing Sayreville an impeccable manner. They Rock!



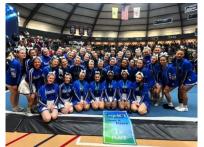
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In athletics, we congratulate the SWMHS Competition Cheer Team for winning First Place in Game Division and Second Place in the All-Mega Music Division during the Impact Cheer and Dance Competition. Win or lose, all our amazing student athletes continued 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 **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: Technology and Personnel. 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, there will be **BOE Business Meetings** on **Tuesday**, **March 5th**, **Tuesday**, **March 19th**, and **Tuesday**, **April 2nd**. Please also remember that <u>today</u>, **Monday**, **March 4th**, we will **dismiss students** <u>early</u> so that our staff can participate in professional development. Please also note that **3rd Marking Period Progress Reports** for students in grades 6-12 will be issued on **March 5th**. Likewise, the **2nd Trimester** for students in grades **K-5** will end on **March 14th** and **Reports Cards** will be issued and viewable in Oncourse Connect on **March 21st**. Finally, please remember that **our schools will be <u>closed</u>** for spring recess from **March 25th through March 29th**.

On January 29, 2024, the district officially opened registration for our **free Full-Day Project Before Preschool and Kindergarten Programs**. Therefore, parents of ALL eligible (**must be 3 for preschool and 5 for kindergarten by September 30, 2024**) preschool and kindergarten students are invited to visit our website in order to register via **Oncourse Connect**, our online registration software. The link to student registration will be clearly identified on our district website homepage (<u>www.sayrevillek12.net</u>) as "<u>Student Registration</u>". Once on this registration page, you can obtain pertinent information regarding the registration of all students including preschool and kindergarten students, and you can begin completing the online registration application by clicking on one of the following links noted in the <u>2024-2025 Project</u> <u>Before and Kindergarten</u> drop down menu: <u>New Student Registration Link</u> or <u>Returning Student</u> <u>Registration Link</u>.

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Have a great day and wonderful week!

Dr. Labbe