



Springfield 2023-2024

Superintendent's Report

May 13, 2024

#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

- Student Representative Report & Athletics Update
- 22-23 HIB Grade Report
- Board Agenda Highlights
- Calendar Updates



Springfield Public Schools

HIB Grade Summary

2022-23 School year

District-wide HIB Grade Summary

School	HIB Programs, Approaches or Other Initiatives	Training on the BOE-Approved HIB Policy	Other Staff Instruction and Training Programs	Curriculum and Instruction on HIB and Related Information and Skills	HIB Personnel	School-Level HIB Incident Reporting Procedure	HIB Investigation Procedure	HIB Reporting	School Grade
EVW	14	7	13	6	9	6	12	5	72
JCS	13	7	12	6	8	6	12	6	70
TLS	11	9	11	5	8	4	11	5	64
FMG	11	8	12	6	8	5	12	6	68
JDHS	10	8	14	5	9	6	11	5	68

Edward V. Walton School

Domain	Score	Highest Possible
Programs, Approaches, or other Initiatives	14	15
BOE HIB Policy Training	7	9
Other Staff Instruction & Training Programs	13	15
Curriculum & Instruction on HIB & Related Information & Skills	6	6
HIB Personnel	9	9
School-Level HIB Reporting Procedure	6	6
HIB Investigation Procedure	12	12
HIB Reporting	5	6
Total	72	78

James Caldwell Elementary

Domain	Score	Highest Possible
Programs, Approaches, or other Initiatives	13	15
BOE HIB Policy Training	7	9
Other Staff Instruction & Training Programs	12	15
Curriculum & Instruction on HIB & Related Information & Skills	6	6
HIB Personnel	8	9
School-Level HIB Reporting Procedure	6	6
HIB Investigation Procedure	12	12
HIB Reporting	6	6
Total	70	78

Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary

Domain	Score	Highest Possible
Programs, Approaches, or other Initiatives	11	15
BOE HIB Policy Training	9	9
Other Staff Instruction & Training Programs	11	15
Curriculum & Instruction on HIB & Related Information & Skills	5	6
HIB Personnel	8	9
School-Level HIB Reporting Procedure	4	6
HIB Investigation Procedure	11	12
HIB Reporting	5	6
Total	64	78

Florence M. Gaudineer Middle

Domain	Score	Highest Possible
Programs, Approaches, or other Initiatives	11	15
BOE HIB Policy Training	8	9
Other Staff Instruction & Training Programs	12	15
Curriculum & Instruction on HIB & Related Information & Skills	6	6
HIB Personnel	8	9
School-Level HIB Reporting Procedure	5	6
HIB Investigation Procedure	12	12
HIB Reporting	6	6
Total	68	78

Board Agenda Highlights

Referendum Funded Security Updates

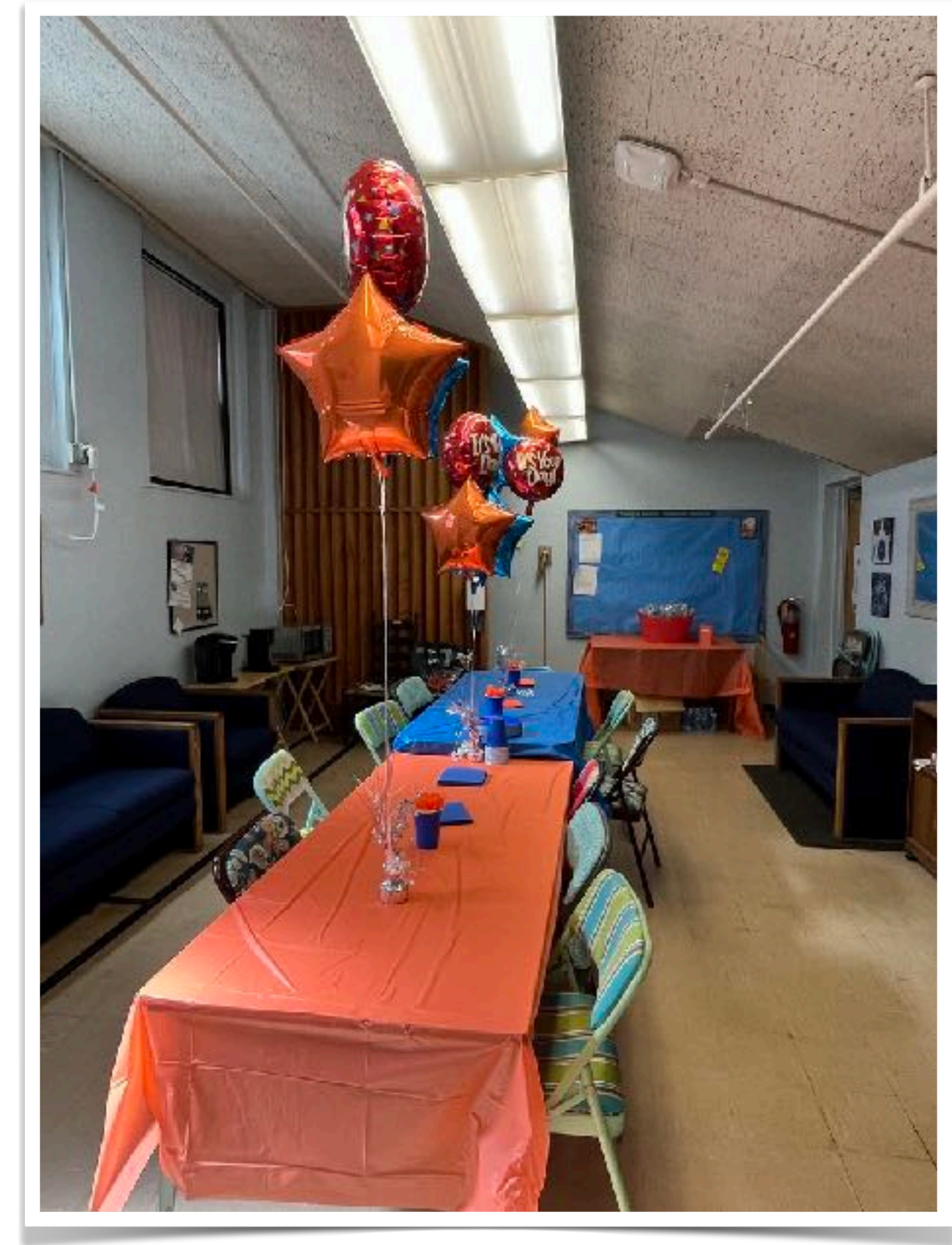
- New cameras throughout all five schools
- New external cameras
- Uniform and scalable camera management
- Redundant infrastructure upgrades
- Select external lock upgrades
- Work to begin in Summer 2024

Sandy Hook Promise Partnership

Sandy Hook Promise envisions a future where children are free from shootings and acts of violence in their schools, homes, and communities.

- “Start With Hello” program utilized in our schools every year
- “Say Something” program applied in 2022-2023 and accepted for 2024-2025 cohort
 - Use of the *Say Something* Anonymous Reporting System
 - Professional Development

Thanks to the PTAs/PTOs for Educator Appreciation!



Among the Best!



Congratulations to the JDHS Top 20!
Thank you the Lions Club for recognizing our students!

NJ Elementary All-State Chorus



Natasha Pesantez (5th grader at Thelma L. Sandmeier)
Claudia Sarris (5th grader at Thelma L. Sandmeier)
Violet Thomas (5th grader at James Caldwell)
Lianna Vasserman (5th grader at Thelma L. Sandmeier)
Ms. Amanda Livesey, Music Teacher

Performances to Celebrate!

Orchestra!



Dance!



5th Graders!



In Our Schools



FMG Discovery students held their annual Expo, showcasing their hard work in creating new or improved products that can solve real-world problems!



Today, Caldwell students learned about making responsible decisions and teamwork with the DialedAction BMX Team!

In Our Community



**Celebrate 75 Years of
The Springfield
First Aid Squad**

SATURDAY
June 1, 2024
10 AM to 3 PM

A fun community event
for the whole family!

FREE ADMISSION

- ▶ Games & Prizes
- ▶ Food Trucks
- ▶ Dog Adoption Day
- ▶ Ambulance Tours
- ▶ Car Seat Safety Checks
- ▶ And So Much More!

10 N. Trivett Ave
Springfield, NJ 07081

We look forward to seeing you there!

SPRINGFIELD FIRST AID SQUAD
Emergency Medical Services
Est. 1949

To find out how to volunteer,
please email or call us at:
Membership@SpringfieldFAS.org
973-908-8EMS Ext. 2



SUP PRESENTS
JUNETEENTH
CELEBRATING FREEDOM

JUNE 21, 2024

CHISOLM COMMUNITY CENTER
100 S SPRINGFIELD AVE,
SPRINGFIELD, NJ 07081

TIME: 4:30PM-7:30PM

SRD
Springfield
Recreation
Department

**RENAISSANCE
CHURCH**

Mental Health Month

SPTS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TOOLKIT

This Toolkit, available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole provides information for parents/caregivers on common mental health issues, warning signs, and available resources. Its purpose is to help them understand how to advocate for their child, communicate more effectively with involved staff, and respond to concerning behaviors in a timely manner. The Toolkit is designed to be distributed through schools and mental health professionals.



Please visit our website where you can find more information about this resource, our mission, and other programs offered by SPTS.

The Toolkit is a comprehensive, yet concise, list of what to DO, what to ASK, and what to EXPECT.



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TOOLKIT GOALS:

Increase Parental Knowledge

The Toolkit aims to increase parental knowledge of behavioral and emotional health issues and when to be concerned.

Assist Parents in Speaking with their Children

The Toolkit provides parents with conversational language to speak with their children about behavioral and emotional health issues.

Provides Resources

The Toolkit highlights local and state resources, including the NJ Children's System of Care, and provides an infographic to describe options/levels of care families can seek.



For more information contact Emily Sullivan at Emily@SPTSUSA.org or 732-410-7900.

Thank you for building resilient youth every day and joining our efforts to set families up for success. This resource is provided at no cost to you and is funded through Department of Children and Families and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) COVID-19 Community Recovery Grant Program.

Mental Health 101

Pediatrics



GENERAL FACTS

- In 2023, 28% of youth received consistent therapy / treatment for their depression.
- One in six U.S. children aged two to eight years (17.4%) had a diagnosed mental, behavioral, or developmental disorder.
- Mental health problems in youth often go hand-in-hand with behavioral risks like increased risk of drug use, experiencing violence, and higher risk of sexual behaviors that can lead to HIV, STDs, and unintended pregnancy.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT

Mental health affects our emotional, physical and mental well-being. A better understanding of it will help individuals learn how to deal with the stresses of life, our friendships, relationships, making healthy choices, and getting through daily activities.

MENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES

Some natural ways to positively stimulate your mind is by: getting outside, going for a walk, coloring, spending quality time with friends or family, practicing self-care, exercising, doing things that make you happy and taking time to put your phone down!

AVOIDING STIGMA

Stigma is when you put shame on certain things and that happens a lot with mental health. Breaking stigmas can begin with conversations with your doctor or a trusted adult, researching about mental health and learning that is more common than most people think and learning to validate your feelings!

TEENHEALTHFX.COM

A website best for individual's ages 12 and up! It is a website where you can ask anonymous questions on any topic and a healthcare professional will answer it! You can also find information on general topics, non-traditional career information pages and resources in NJ and nationally.

For information on Adolescent and Medicine, scan here.

on Teen



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“Community Updates” Includes a full list of workshops for families.

Mark Your Calendars!

2023-2024 Updates

Friday, May 24th: Schools Closed- Inclement Weather Give Back Day

Tuesday, June 4th: Schools Closed- Elections

Wednesday, June 19th & Thursday, June 20th: Early Dismissal

Thursday, June 20th: Last Day of School

Friday, June 21st: Schools & Offices Closed- Juneteenth

Tuesday, June 25th: Summer Programs Begin

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Celebrations



Springfield Public Schools is proud to observe

Memorial Day

REMEMBER AND HONOR

This nation will remain the land of
the free only so long as it is the
home of the brave

