

Sussex-Wantage Schools District Newsletter

February 16, 2024

Calendar of Events

February

2/16: **EARLY DISMISSAL**
(Fac/Staff PD)

2/19: **SCHOOL CLOSED**
President's Day

NEW TIME!!

2/29: BOE Meeting 6pm

March

3/ 8 Young Author's Conference

3/28 **EARLY DISMISSAL**
(Fac/Staff PD)

3/29- 4/5 **Spring Break**



2023-2024

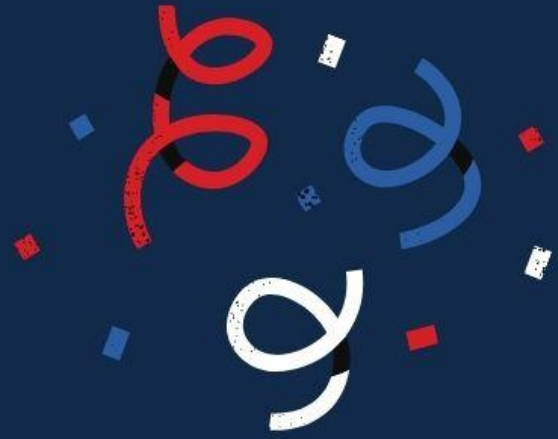
School Calendar

The 12-month calendar is available to print on our website

[12-month Calendar](#)

Don't forget to check

out our website www.swregional.org



NO SCHOOL PRESIDENT'S DAY

MONDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2024



SUSSEX WANTAGE REGIONAL

BOE

MEETING

FEBRUARY 29, 2024

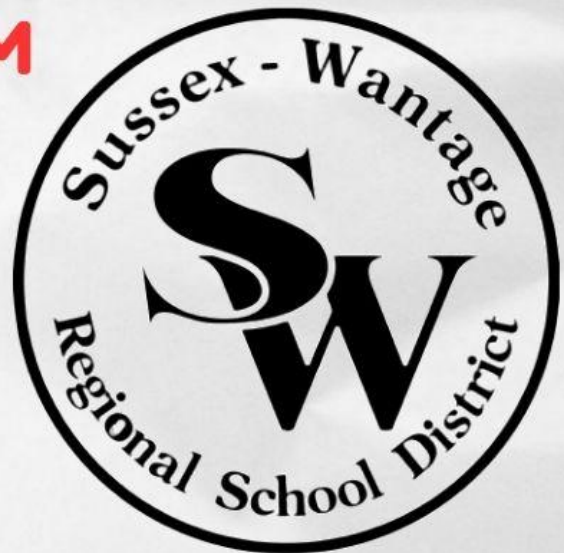


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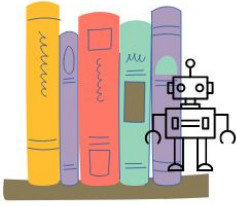
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See District page for link

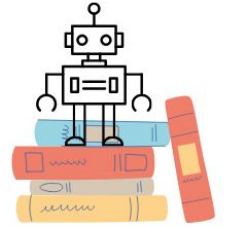
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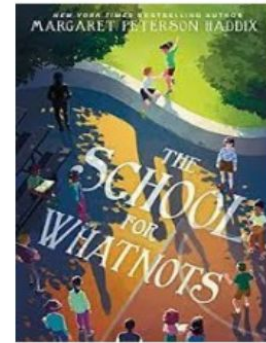
One Book, One Community Presents:



YOUNG AUTHORS' CONFERENCE 2024



**MARCH 9
2024**
9AM-12 PM



STORYTELLING SESSIONS - BOOK FAIR - WRITING WORKSHOPS

FRANKFORD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

2 PINES ROAD
BRANCHVILLE, NJ

Online and Paper Registration Links are Available at:
<https://onebookonecommunitysussex.org/>



Sponsored by: The One Book, One Community Project and supported by the school districts of High Point Regional, Frankford Township, Lafayette Township, Montague, and Sussex-Wantage Regional.

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Gene Meli melig@frankfordschool.org



YOUNG AUTHORS' CONFERENCE 2024

March 9, 2024

Location: Frankford Twp. School
2 Pines Road
Branchville, NJ 07826

What is it? The Young Authors' Conference is an opportunity for readers and writers, kindergarten-12th grade, to share their love of reading and writing with other students and friends. It is also an opportunity to participate in mini-sessions designed to expand writing skills and support a love of reading.

When: March 9, 2024, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Who sponsors? The One Book, One Community Project is sponsored by the High Point Regional, Frankford Township, Lafayette Township, Montague, and Sussex-Wantage Regional school districts.

What is the purpose? The purpose of the conference is to motivate and stimulate creative writing, to provide recognition for original work, and to encourage a love of reading.

Who may attend? All Sussex County students in grades K-12. A registration fee is required for participation. Parents are not required to stay.

What to bring? Everyone should bring an original written work to share. There will be books to purchase at a Scholastic Book Fair.

Registration with t-shirt is due by Wednesday, Feb 7, 2024. All others are due Wednesday, Feb 14, 2024.

Please print clearly:

Name of Young Author _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Grade _____ School _____

Cost: ___ \$12.00 per person (non-refundable) includes conference registration and snack

___ \$24.00 per person (non-refundable) includes conference registration, snack, and t-shirt

(To be guaranteed a t-shirt, registration must be received by February 7, 2024)

T-shirt sizes: Child: Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___

Adult: Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ XL ___ XXL (\$1.00 extra) ___

Are there any medical conditions the organizers of the Young Authors' Conference should be aware of?

*I authorize my child to attend the Young Authors' Conference in 2024. In the event of a MEDICAL EMERGENCY, I understand every effort will be made to contact me. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give my permission to the Young Authors' Conference to hospitalize, and/or secure treatment for my child as named above. ****Please note: there will not be a nurse on the premises*****

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

The Young Authors' Conference has my permission to use or shoot my child's photograph publicly to promote the event. I understand that the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and/or social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee, or other compensation shall become payable to me because of such use.

I Consent to the above statement

I DO NOT Consent to the above statement

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Please mail forms to and make checks payable to High Point RHS, Adult & Community Education, Attn: Jessica Briggs, 299 Pidgeon Hill Rd, Wantage, NJ 07461 (Everyone will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive one by March 1, 2024 please email [Seamus Campbell at scampbell@hpregional.org](mailto:scampbell@hpregional.org))

Get your SMS YEARBOOK!



SCAN ME

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/sussexmiddle2024>



Get your CEL & WES YEARBOOK!



2023-2024

CE. Lawrence, Wantage School and all preschools will be included

Sale Starts: Wed, February 21st **Ends:** Wed, March 27th

ORDER ONLINE at www.schoolannual.com

CLICK on "Buy student's yearbook"

ENTER : WANTAGE SCHOOL, Wantage, NJ

PLACE your order!

Jostens[®]

Students OF THE MONTH

January

6th Grade- Andrew Huffsmith

7th Grade- Joseph Cosh

8th Grade- Anna Elko





TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT MULTIPLE
BUS ASSIGNMENTS AND BUS PASSES
ARE NOT PERMITTED DURING ANY
SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE BE SURE TO
NOTIFY THE TRANSPORTATION
DEPARTMENT IN WRITING OF ANY
CHANGES TO YOUR CHILD'S BUSSING
NEEDS, I.E. DAYCARE, BABYSITTER,
ETC. SENT TO SUSSEX WANTAGE
TRANSPORTATION, 27 BANK ST.,
SUSSEX, NJ 07461, EMAILED TO
BDUVALL@SWREGIONAL.ORG OR FAXED
TO 973-702-0764.**



Click [here to view school menus](#)

All Families, now is the time to deposit funds for your child(ren)s breakfast and or lunch. Payments can be made online to **PaySchoolsCentral** or checks can be made payable to: Sussex-Wantage Regional SD Cafeteria Account and include your child(ren)'s name on the check.

Directions for adding money via PaySchoolsCentral can be found on the [district website](#).





DISTRICT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

THE DISTRICT USES REALTIME NOTIFICATION AS ITS PRIMARY MEANS OF COMMUNICATION FOR SCHOOL CLOSINGS, EMERGENCIES AND GENERAL NOTIFICATIONS. PARENTS/GUARDIANS WILL NEED TO UPDATE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION IN THE PARENT PORTAL. SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY ISSUE LOGGING INTO YOUR PARENT PORTAL ACCOUNT PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL SECRETARIES FOR ASSISTANCE.



**STAY
INFORMED**

PTO News

SUSSEX-
WANTAGE

PTO
Join Us



**CLICK HERE
TO JOIN
TODAY**

SWPTO's Father-Daughter Dance is back by popular demand! This event will sell out due to capacity limits. Get your tickets early!

<https://zfrmz.com/sedYw0iTIUYw6ayocllx>



**Friday, February 16th
6-8pm**

The image features a background of various chocolates, including round candies, a chocolate bar, and a chocolate-covered nut. At the top center is a black square with a white border containing the text "Gertrude Hawk" in a serif font and "CHOCOLATES" in a sans-serif font below it, with a decorative flourish. A green banner with white text reads "FUNDRAISING". Below the banner, the text "SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER" is written in large, bold, green, sans-serif capital letters.

Gertrude Hawk[®]
CHOCOLATES

FUNDRAISING

**SUPPORT OUR
FUNDRAISER**

The SWPTO is pleased to offer Gertrude Hawk Chocolates as part of our Fundraising program this year. It's easy to participate! Simply set up an account and share the link so friends and family can shop our Spring Catalog.

Go to: www.fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com and use
Organization ID # 119604.

Sales run NOW through February 19. Thank you for your support!



Sussex Wantage PTO

GROUP NAME

Dear Supporters,

We are pleased to offer Gertrude Hawk Chocolates as part of our Fundraising program this year. We are holding a **Spring Chocolate Sale**. It's easy to participate! You can shop the enclosed catalog OR shop online.

Online orders placed within the sale dates can choose to have their orders delivered for free with the main shipment. Out of town friends and family can choose to send their orders directly to their home (shipping fees apply). Simply set up an account and share a link so friends and family can shop our Spring Catalog virtually. **All web orders require credit card payment, that's money YOU DON'T HAVE TO COLLECT!**

If you are submitting a paper order form keep the bottom copy and brochure for your records. **Paper order forms should NOT include any online sales.** Total dollars sent in should equal Grand Total Amount on order form.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Sussex Wantage PTO

Online orders that are being shipped to a home can be placed up until 3/17/24.

Sell and earn prizes! Every student who sells at least ONE ITEM will receive a PRIZE! Levels are based on total sales. If you submit a brochure order and also sell online, your child's name must match exactly to earn their prize.

We are Raising Funds For: **Student Activities**

Our Fundraiser is From: **TODAY and ends on Feb. 19th**

Our Organization ID # is: **119604**

Estimated Delivery Date: **The week of March 18th**

Parents! Here's how to get started

- Go to fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com
- In the "I am a Parent" block, click "**SEE MY OPTIONS**"
- Click "**START ADDING A SELLER**"
(You'll be prompted to create an account or login)
If you do not have a Gertrude Hawk Chocolates account you must create one to add a seller
- Click "**MY SELLERS**" in the left side column
- **ADD** your seller
- **SAVE** your seller
- Share the **ORGANIZATION ID** above and **SELLER NAME** with family and friends

<https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fr-home-new>

<https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fr-parent>

Community Events



Friends of Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge

Invite you to come to the Great Backyard Bird Count

Saturday, February 17

10 AM to 1 PM

**Owens Station Crossing
136 Owens Station Rd
Sussex, NJ**

Help us count all birds seen at the refuge. Get tips on bird identification and bird feeding, take a guided walk. Kids can make a bird feeder.

Walk to Liberty Loop will start at 10:30 AM. Bring binoculars or borrow a pair from the Friends.



How many birds can you find?

27th Annual Great Backyard Bird Count
Feb 16-19, 2024
birdcount.org

Take part in a global survey of birds happening in February. No experience necessary. All ages welcome.

Come join this group effort to see how many birds are wintering in the Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge. Participate for a few minutes or stay for the entire time.

www.friendsofwallkillriver.org

(973)702-7266 ext. 15

Community Events

Spring Recreation Softball Registration is NOW
OPEN for Kindergarten to 9th grade!
Registration closes 2/28. Please go to
www.highpointsoftball.com to register.



Community Events



Your Year of

Adventure

- ✓ Gear up for cool field trips.
- ✓ Join new friends on a neighborhood project.
- ✓ Explore the outdoors.

Try new things, discover another side of yourself, and have fun with your crew as you make unforgettable memories together. Join your local Girl Scout community, today!

Become a Girl Scout



New troops are forming now.
Become a Girl Scout or Troop Leader
(we provide the training needed).

Please contact Claire Crowder
ccrowder@gsnnj.org or (973) 248-8200

www.gsnnj.org

**Interested in joining
Girl Scouts?**

**Ask us about
registration and how
you can volunteer!**

girl scouts
of northern
new jersey

Community Events

**REGISTER NOW
FOR SPRING '24**



DIVISIONS OF PLAY

- T Ball - ages 5-6
- Coach Pitch (AAA) - ages 7-8
- Minors (Player Pitch) - ages 9-10
- Majors - ages 11-12
- Juniors - ages 13-14

- Early Bird Registration Until 1/31
- Normal Registration Until 3/1
- No Late Registration!!!



REGISTER AT www.SWLLBaseball.com
Volunteers and Coaches are always needed!!!
Please consider helping out to continue our program's success.



Opening Day
April 20



**SUSSEX
WANTAGE
LITTLE LEAGUE**



Email us at
info@swllbaseball.com





iHeartCraftyThings.com

Email Beckie Sajban

bsajban@swregional.org with newsletter submissions