



CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending February 22, 2019

Celebrating Black History Month

The students in the Cherry Hill Public Schools have commemorated Black History Month in a variety of ways UPCOMING EVENTS

- and there is more celebrating to come!

As we approach the final week of February, we also approach the wrap-up of Black History Month, which our students have embraced not only with their attention to lessons and stories, but with their participation in creative endeavors to teach others about the contributions of black Americans to our society. Throughout the District this month, students have been treated to read-ins, role playing, classroom visits from community members, and the Living Black History Museum at Cherry Hill High School West.

Some of our high school students also shared their talents at the New Jersey Department of Education's 2019 Black History Month Celebration, "Breaking Barriers through Education – Our Heritage, Our Future," on February 21 at the New Jersey War Memorial in Trenton. Along with several CHPS colleagues, it was my great honor to attend the event and witness our students perform before a large audience. Cherry Hill High School East sophomore Joy Thomas sang the prelude to the program, the moving and inspirational "High Above" by India Arie. Student dancers from Cherry Hill High School East performed the West African dance Mandjani, and students from Cherry Hill High School West presented "A Journey through Music," a combination of vocals and dance, pictured above. All of these students have set the bar incredibly high for future DOE Black History Month Celebrations. Their professional-level performances left the audience wanting more, and we could not be prouder of the way they represented our District! For video snippets of their performances, please visit my Twitter feed, @JustSmithCHPS.

Tomorrow, February 23, be sure to come out to see additional student performances at Cherry Hill High School West from 2-6 pm for the Black History Celebration "A Seat at the Table – A History of Firsts," sponsored by the Cherry Hill African American Civic Association (CHAACA). The program will feature CHPS student performers from elementary through high school. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

We also are excited for the recognition of the student winners of the CHAACA Essay/Poster/Video Contest at the upcoming Board of Education Action Meeting on Tuesday, February 26. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please tune in to the <u>live stream or watch the archived video later on our YouTube channel</u>.

VEX Robotics NJ State Championship

February 23 from 7 am-7 pm Cherry Hill High School East DiBart Gym 1750 Kresson Road

Black History Month Celebration "A Seat at the Table - A History of Firsts"

February 23 from 2-6 pm Cherry Hill High School West 2101 Chapel Ave.

Full Day Kindergarten Community Information Session

February 25 from 1-3 pm
Trinity Presbyterian Church,
Community Room 499 Marlton
Pike East

Community Forum Regarding Bond Referendum

February 25 @ 7 pm Cherry Hill High School West Media Center Please RSVP by February 5

Board of Education Action Meeting

February 26 @ 7 pm Malberg Administration Building 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Full Day Kindergarten Community Information Session

February 27 from 7-9 pm Malberg Administration Building 45 Ranoldo Terrace

RESCHEDULED: Full Day Kindergarten Community Information Session

February 28 from 7-9 pm Jewish Community Center, Social Hall 1301 Springdale Information about these and other events and happenings are always posted on our various communication platforms. Please be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Check our Community Bulletin Board for events of interest in the larger Cherry Hill community. For keeping up to date with District and school events, be sure to download our free District app from the App Store or Google Play – then customize it to feed your school's information, in addition to District information, directly to you. Have a question for us that's also of interest to the larger community? Submit it via our Quick Question portal for a publicly posted answer!

WE all have a great deal to celebrate in our diverse, talented student community! Please stay connected and attend the many events – theater, music, sports and club competitions – between now and the end of the school year. You will be inspired by our students at every grade level!

Enjoy the weekend!

Justin Smith

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Assistant Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

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Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

March 4 @ 6 pm Cherry Hill HIgh School East Media Center 1750 Kresson Road

Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

March 4 @ 6 pm Cherry Hill HIgh School East Media Center 1750 Kresson Road

Business & Facilities Committee Meeting

March 5 @ 6 pm
Stockton Elementary Media
Center
200 Wexford Drive

Community Forum Regarding Bond Referendum

March 10 @ 1 pm Rosa Middle School Cafeteria Please RSVP by February 5



Registration for 2019-2020 SACC Opens March 20

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year's School-Age Child Care (SACC)



Dates for Kindergarten Registration and Middle School



Enrollment for Summer Enrichment Camp Program Now Open program will open on March 20, 2019. Registration will be available on www.chclc.org

SACC is available at all K-5 schools, with Before Care from 7-8:45 am and After Care from 3:30-6 pm, Monday through Friday when school is in session. SACC offers a variety of ageappropriate activities for all participating students.

The registration deadline is July 1, 2019. Space is guaranteed for those families in good financial standing. The completed registration packet, along with a \$30 Registration Fee is payable at Registration. September tuition is due by August 1, 2019.

For additional SACC information, please call (856) 429-6564 and press 4.

Open Enrollment Information Now Available

Kindergarten and first grade registration (for children entering public school for the first time) for the 2019-2020 school year will begin on February 1, 2019. Children must be five years old on before October 1, 2019 in order to be eligible for kindergarten. Dates for registration at specific schools, as well as information on the registration process, are available online.

Applications to Rosa International Middle School will be accepted from February 19, 2019 at 8:30 am through March 1, 2019 at 4 pm at the Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

Additional information on Middle School Open Enrollment also is available online.

Enrollment is now open for the CHPS Summer Enrichment Camp Program, which will run from June 24 through August 15, 2019 (closed July 4) for children who will enter grades 1 through 6 in September 2019.

Please note: the camp is not open on Fridays, as the school district is closed on Fridays during the summer.

Non-resident employees of the Cherry Hill Board of Education may enroll their children in the camp.

Deadline to enroll is March 29, 2019. Camp Information Flyer, Registration/Deposit form, the "Important Registration Information" pages, the camp shirt form, the behavior management policy, and the appropriate payment form are available for downloading from the District web site, or contact the STEP Office for forms and assistance. Telephone: 856-429-6564 ext. 2.

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