

UPDATES FROM THE PRINCIPALS



MARCH
EDITION

WHAT'S
HAPPENING?

Dear Seaford Middle School Families,

As we step into March, Dr. Morey and I are excited to welcome some new faces to our Seaford Middle School team! Please join us in welcoming our new permanent substitutes, Dan Smith (Music) and Lindsay Paris (ELA), as well as our guidance counselor leave replacement, Kassidy Mullins. We're thrilled to have them on board and look forward to their contributions to our school community.

February was filled with exciting events and meaningful moments. We wrapped up Marking Period 2 and officially kicked off Marking Period 3, marking the halfway point of the school year. This was a great time for students to reflect on their progress and set goals for the months ahead.

Our Spirit Week brought incredible energy to the building, with students and staff showing off their school pride through themed dress-up days and friendly competitions. The week ended on a heartfelt note with PS I Love You Day, an initiative dedicated to spreading kindness and raising awareness about mental health. Throughout the day, students engaged in activities focused on inclusivity, empathy, and the power of a simple act of kindness. The hallways were filled with messages of support and encouragement, reminding everyone of the importance of looking out for one another.

Seeing our school community come together to create a positive and supportive environment was truly inspiring. Additionally,

we want to give a special shoutout to Ms. Robilotto, Ms. Busch, and Mr. Scaldaferri for making PS I Love You Day such a meaningful experience for our students. After a busy month, everyone enjoyed a well-deserved Winter Break, a perfect opportunity to recharge and prepare for the second half of the school year.

As we move into March, Seaford Middle School has an exciting lineup of events that highlight both academic excellence and community recognition. On March 8, our Science Olympiad team will put their skills to the test as they compete against other schools, showcasing their hard work, teamwork, and passion for science. We wish all our participants the best of luck! On March 14, our 8th graders will take part in Career Day, an invaluable opportunity for students to explore various career paths and engage with professionals from different industries. Through discussions, they will gain insight into potential future careers, helping them make connections between their education and the real world.

On March 19, we are proud to celebrate Ms. Dolan, who will be recognized as the American Legion Seaford Middle School Teacher of the Year. In addition to being a dedicated and innovative educator, Ms. Dolan is the driving force behind Student Council, where she empowers students to become leaders and active members of the school community. Under her guidance, Student Council has organized countless initiatives that promote school spirit, service, and student engagement. Whether she is leading by example in the classroom, mentoring colleagues, or working to create opportunities for student involvement, Ms. Dolan's impact is felt throughout Seaford Middle School. Her commitment to academic excellence and student success makes her truly deserving of this prestigious recognition, and we are thrilled to celebrate her achievements. March promises to be a month filled with learning, leadership, and celebration!

Thank you,
Joe Polite - Assistant Principal

EXPLORING THE FUTURE: 8TH GRADE CAREER DAY AT SEAFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

On March 14, Seaford Middle School will once again host our annual 8th Grade Career Day, an exciting opportunity for students to explore future career paths and engage with professionals from various industries. This event is a cornerstone of our efforts to help students connect their education to real-world experiences, giving them insight into potential careers and the skills needed to succeed. Organized and facilitated by Ms. Hoy, Career Day runs seamlessly thanks to her dedication and careful planning, ensuring a meaningful and engaging experience for all students. We are eagerly looking forward to another successful event this year!

Preparing for the Day

Career Day isn't just about listening—it's about engagement. In their ELA classes, students take time to prepare by selecting industries of interest and crafting thoughtful interview questions for our guest speakers. This preparation encourages them to be Communicators, actively listening and asking thoughtful questions to deepen their understanding of various professions.

A Community Effort

One of the highlights of Career Day is the incredible lineup of guest speakers, many of whom have strong ties to the Seaford community. Presenters include Seaford community members, family members of Seaford Middle School staff, and dedicated volunteers from outside the community—all of whom share a passion for giving back and inspiring the next generation. Their diverse backgrounds allow students to hear firsthand about different career paths, challenges, and successes. By engaging with professionals, students practice being Networkers, learning how to build connections that can help them in their future academic and professional pursuits.



The Career Day Experience

Throughout the day, students rotate through three different speaker sessions, engaging in conversations about daily responsibilities and the education and skills required in various professions. This structure allows them to explore multiple fields and consider a variety of future possibilities, pushing them to be Innovators as they think about how their interests and talents might shape their own career paths.

A Lasting Impact

Career Day doesn't end when the speakers leave. After the event, students reflect on their experiences and select the speaker they felt most connected to. They then write a thank-you letter, which Ms. Hoy ensures is delivered to each presenter. This follow-up helps students practice being Reflective, considering what they've learned and how it applies to their own futures.

At Seaford Middle School, Career Day is more than just an opportunity to explore careers—it's an event that encourages students to embody what it means to be a Seaford Scholar. As Communicators, they engage in meaningful discussions with professionals, asking thoughtful questions and actively listening to diverse career experiences. They step into the role of Networkers, learning the value of building connections and fostering relationships that could shape their futures. The experience also challenges them to be Innovators, inspiring them to think creatively about how their own skills and interests align with different career paths. After the event, students take time to be Reflective, considering the insights they've gained and expressing gratitude through thank-you letters to speakers who made an impact on them. Above all, Career Day encourages students to be Risk Takers, stepping outside their comfort zones to explore new possibilities and envision their futures with confidence.

Thanks to Ms. Hoy's leadership, the dedication of Ms. McCrystal, Ms. Waterbury, and Ms. Weir in preparing students through their ELA classes, and the generosity of our guest speakers, Career Day continues to be an enriching experience that inspires and prepares our students for the road ahead. As they navigate this event, our 8th graders embody what it means to be a Seaford Scholar, ready to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the future. We can't wait to see them in action on March 14 as they engage in this exciting and meaningful event!



