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Preparing All Children for College and Career

Together We Can!

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Happy Thanksgiving!
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Ghosts and Knights Unite at Sportsmanship Breakfast

Paterson Public Schools administrators, coaches and local officials joined with football players from the Eastside High School Ghosts and the John F. Kennedy High School Knights at the annual Sportsmanship Breakfast on Tuesday morning. The event was held in anticipation of the 94th annual Thanksgiving Classic, when the two teams will square off on Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m. at Bauerle Field. All of the speakers at the event, including Mayor Andre Sayegh, invoked the message that no matter what the outcome of the game, we are all one Paterson.



On Monday! Workshop at PCCC on Attending the College for Free (if You Qualify)

On Monday, Nov. 26, at 3:30 p.m. at 90 Delaware Ave., a workshop will be held that will review the details of the Community College Opportunity Grant. The grant can help cover college tuition and fees for the Spring 2019 semester for qualifying Passaic County residents. For more information, contact Maritza Davila at 973-684-6307 or mdavila@pccc.edu.

Paterson Public Schools District Helps Launch CAPS Program



Superintendent Eileen Shafer joined with Rosie Grant, executive director of the Paterson Education Fund, Rev. Kenneth Clayton, pastor of St. Luke's Church and president of St. Luke's Community Development Corporation (CDC), and other community leaders to launch the new citywide College and Apprentice Program for Success (CAPS) program. The CAPS program will give Paterson high school students places to go after school where they will be able to get personalized assistance to plan for college and career. The program will also provide students

online access to a variety of resources including college and career workshops and help with completing college and scholarship applications, writing essays and personal statements, completing financial aid applications, choosing which colleges to apply to, and pursuing apprenticeship opportunities with local trade unions. At a press conference on Monday, Nov. 19, Superintendent Shafer announced that the district would contribute \$13,000 to staff the computer lab that will open at St. Luke's CDC in early 2019.

Superintendent Shafer Joins Local Officials In Naming "Tim Thomas Way"

Superintendent Eileen Shafer was among local officials on Tuesday who welcomed NBA Superstar and Paterson native Tim Thomas. Thomas was a three-time All-American at Paterson Catholic High School before becoming *The Sporting News'* Freshman of the Year when he played for Villanova University, and before beginning his illustrious NBA career with the Philadelphia 76ers. He returned to Paterson's 11th Avenue where the street was renamed, "Tim Thomas Way."



Flipping for Flipped Instruction



Alyssa Learn, a sixth grade science teacher at New Roberto Clemente (NRC) Middle School joined NRC's Professor in Residence Dr. Betsy Golden in presenting a workshop on "Flipped Instruction" at the College of Education at William Paterson University (WPU). Flipped instruction is an approach through which students view videos – both those available online and those created by their instructors – as homework and then arrive in class the next day prepared to tackle creative projects and activities. Teachers who attended learned about the strategy and then had time to search the web for existing videos or create their own.

Autumn in New York -- Time for Saturday Math!

Public School 29 Principal Jorge Ventura and teachers Deirdre Karcher (PS 29), Rocio Allan (PS 29), and Rosemarie Pereira (New Roberto Clemente) joined William Paterson University Professor in Residence Dr. Betsy Golden for a Saturday session of Bank Street Saturday Math. The team was involved in hands-on activities and exploration of their own mathematical beliefs.



Astronomy for Beginners!



Fourth grade science teacher Jennifer Crocker welcomed astronomer Ken Taylor to her classes at Dr. Hani Awadallah School. Students learned about beginner's astronomy, how to become an astronomer, and they watched a slide show about planets, stars and deep space objects. Everyone was amazed to find out how to find out what constellations could be seen in Paterson's sky at night.

Public School 27 Students Win Fire Prevention Contest

Public School 27 stood tall and proud as six of their students were awarded certificates and trophies as winners of the Paterson Municipal Guidance Council's annual Fire Prevention Poster/Coloring Contest.

Pictured are, from left, Camila Escamilla and Zainab Siddique, Grade K, Mahdi Marshes and Shanelle LaMarque, Grade 3, and Josiah Hall, Grade 2.



D.M.C. Visits Public School 27



One half of the hip hop group Run-D.M.C., Darryl McDaniels, visited the fifth and sixth grade students at Public School 27 to share his story. The students were mesmerized as D.M.C. spoke about what hip hop music is really about. He stressed the importance of education and the power of positivity throughout his speech, and even taught them the power of words as they learned how to rap about themselves.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 21: Annual Thanksgiving Football Game

6:00 p.m. at Bauerle Field: JFK "Knights" vs. Eastside "Mighty Ghosts"

Nov. 22 & 23: Thanksgiving

District Closed

Nov. 26: Attend PCCC Information Session

3:30 p.m. at 90 Delaware Ave., cafeteria

Nov. 27: Report Card Distribution

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for all other Pre-K-8

Nov. 27: High School CHOICE Open House

4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Academy of Health Science (HARP) Open House

Nov. 29: Report Card Distribution

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for grades 9-12

Nov. 29: Community Meeting with NJ Attorney General Grewal

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at New Roberto Clemente School

7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at Dr. Hani Awadallah School

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