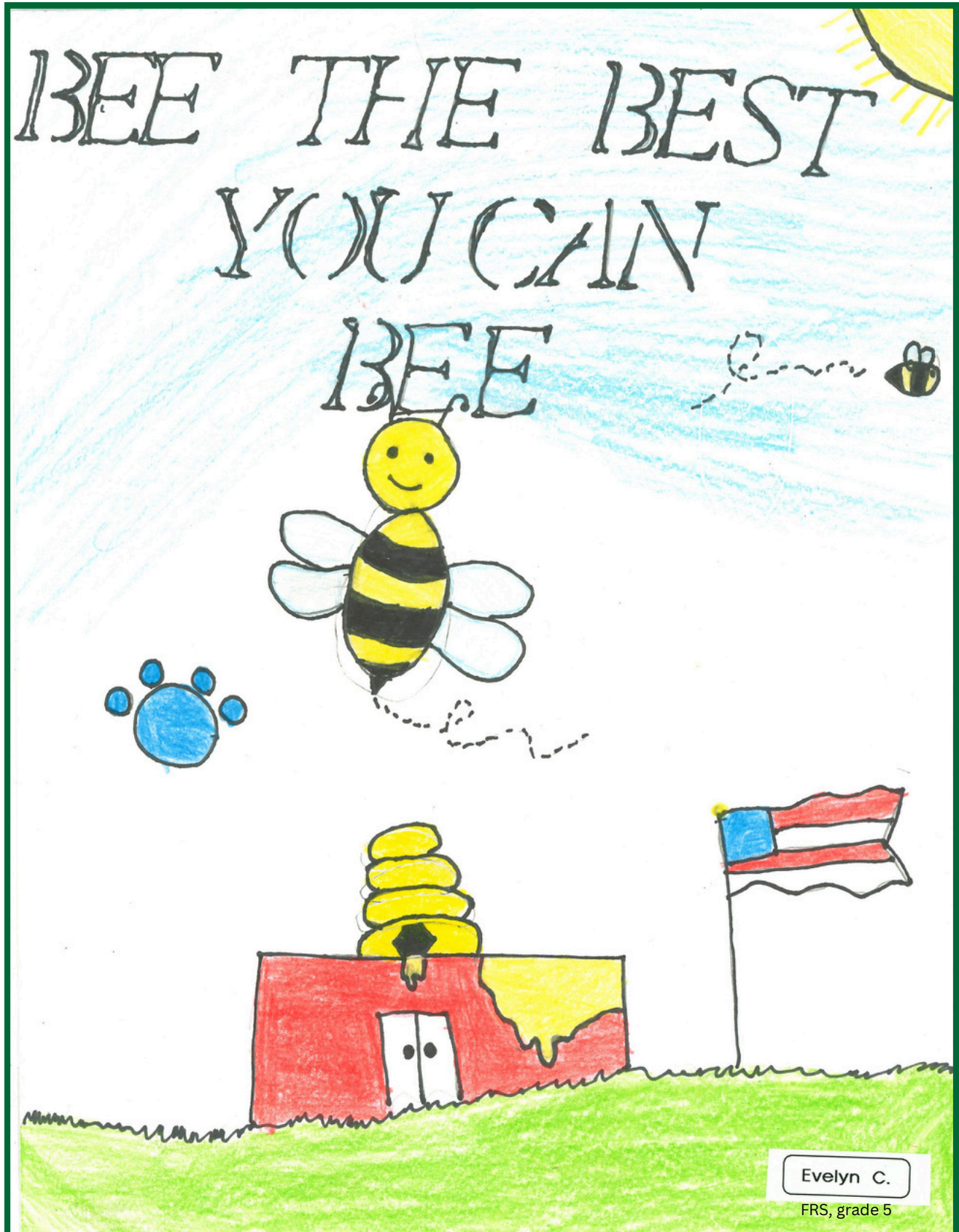


Superintendent's Report

March 2026



Evelyn C.

FRS, grade 5

Student Enrollment for February 2026

SCHOOL	ENROLLMENT	ATTENDANCE
Mill Pond Elementary School	630	92%
Cedar Creek Elementary School	437	93%
Forked River Elementary School	450	93%
Lanoka Harbor Elementary School	442	94%
Lacey Township Middle School	826	93%
Lacey Township High School	1054	91%
Special Education (Out-of-District)	31	
*OCVTS – M.A.T.E.S.	27	
*OCVTS – Performing Arts Academy	25	
*OCVTS – Academy Law & Public Safety	15	
TOTAL	3,937	



March 2026

Seniors of the Month

**AMELIA MAZUR
RUSSELL DAVIES**

Vocational Senior of the Month

DANICA GIARDINA

Unsung Hero

LILY ALLEN

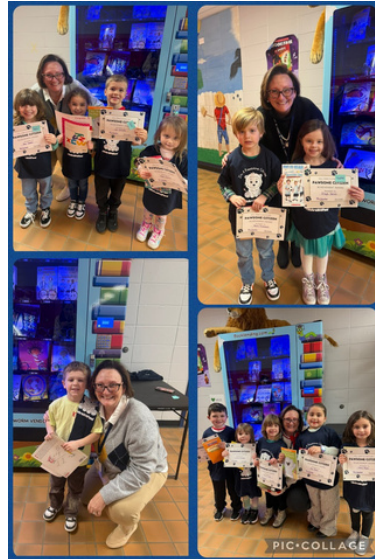


Mill Pond News



Pawsome Citizens

Our Mill Pond students continue to work hard at being kind, respectful and responsible. They love receiving their cubby coin and taking a trip to the book vending machine! Nothing is better than getting to ROAR about our awesome Mill Pond students!



Thanks to our wonderful PTA!!

Our PTA worked hard this past month to provide our students and families. They also set up the community room with a beautiful display of books from Scholastic. Students had the opportunity to visit with their class and during our family night to purchase a book or two.



Read Across America

What a fun week celebrating the love of reading! Throughout the week, the halls of Mill Pond were filled with students dressing as their favorite Dr. Seuss character, wearing their hair in crazy yet creative styles, and enjoying the read alouds from many in the building, and partnering with classes for fun reading activities. We opened our doors to parents, grandparents, siblings, and volunteers from the Women's Club of Lacey. It's not a Seuss celebration without green eggs and ham!



100 Days Smarter



Mill Pond students celebrated their 100th day in school in a variety of ways! We had 3, 4, and 5 years old come off the buses with gray hair, glasses, and some canes. We sent them home the night before with a youthful glow and they arrived as if they went through a time machine! Some students wore a collection of 100 things creatively displayed on their shirts, while others displayed their favorite 100 items on posters. We had Zero the Hero arrive in kindergarten!



Cedar Creek News

Students of the Month

Itzy Beltran

Bradley Brocco

Abby Christian

Evie Christian

Bryson Copes

Finn Freiday

Macerick-Chase Hahn

Jorge Hernandez

Jaxson Javins

Helena Kayiales

Avery Laffey

Devon Leary

Ethan Linke

Roman LoBosco

Jack McDonald

Aubrianna Sleeper

Nicholas Tomaini

Cameron Torres

Donovan Velazquez

Silas West

Zachary Wilson



CCS Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Cedar Creek Teachers,
Mrs. Jennifer Ewart and Ms. Jessica
Shaffer! They were selected as the CCS and
LTSD Teachers of the Year! We appreciate
all they do!





CCS Celebrates 100 and 101 Days of School

Students and staff at CCS celebrated 100 days of school. Students in first grade celebrated 101 days of school and students in fifth grade celebrated being 1,000 days smarter!



CCS PTA Literacy Night



“Thank you, Lacey Elks!” -3rd Grade Students
Every third grade student received a copy of the book, Freckle Juice, from the Lacey Elks!



Mrs. Ewart’s Class Showcases Learning About Presidents



Forked River News

Special Area Students of the Month

Art - **Jaykob Steen**

Library - **Isla Saunders**

Music - **Alexander Sousa**

PE - **Kyle Morris**



Thank you to the FRS PTA for hosting a Book Fair for all of our students during the week of February 17th. It was great to see so many students excited about reading! I would also like to thank our PTA for their continued fundraising efforts which provides value-added educational resources and experiences for our students!

The third and fourth grade Battle of the Books finals took place on February 17th and 18th. Mrs. Paris, our school librarian, serves as our Battle of the Books coordinator each year. Together with the help of our special area staff, our 3rd and 4th grade teachers, and many other staff volunteers, as well as our PTA, this annual event was a big success! Congratulations to all teams who participated in this year's Battle of the Books finals and our two winning teams, Mrs. Weaver's Dream Readers and Mrs. Coller's Cobras!



The Forked River School staff, in conjunction with our PTA, hosted a Literacy Fair on Thursday, February 19th in the evening. Students and their families had a chance to visit and engage in fun, literacy-themed activities as part of our celebration of literacy ahead of Dr. Seuss's birthday and our nationwide participation in Read Across America!

Teacher of the Year



Congratulations to Mrs. King, the Forked River School's 2026-2027 Teacher of the Year! Thank you, Mrs. King, for your expert instruction, dedication, and nurturing care for our students! Congratulations to all of the Lacey Township School District's Teachers of the Year!

Chinese Lunar New Year

Our first-grade teachers, with help from our special area teachers and our fifth-grade teachers, hosted a Chinese Lunar New Year celebration in our all-purpose room. The story of the Chinese Lunar New Year was read aloud and followed with a delicious snack of authentic Chinese Cuisine. Our 5th grade students, who serve as mentors for our first-grade students, enjoyed the festivities together.



Family Game Night

On March 4th the Forked River School PTA hosted a Family Game Show night for our students and their families. It was a fun night of friendly competition between our students and their families as they competed in an interactive game show setting!



Literacy Events



Dr. Seuss's birthday was celebrated at the Forked River School on March 2nd. Our staff and students dressed in their favorite Dr. Seuss attire! Guest readers and literacy-themed interactive lessons were arranged for the educational benefit of our students! Our third-grade students participated in a Read Across America poster contest hosted by the Women's Club of Lacey Township.

The Lacey Elks generously joined in on our literacy celebrations this month by sending guest readers to our third grade classes to read the first chapter of the classic children's story, Freckle Juice, by Judy Blume. They then gave a free copy of the book to each of our third-grade students as a gift to allow them to finish reading the story all on their own. We would like to thank Ellen Vidal and all of the members of the Lacey Elks for their generous donation!

Community Service

Our Scholarship Committee continues to host staff fundraisers for the benefit of this year's graduating Lacey Township High School seniors as well as other community-based causes to help those in need.





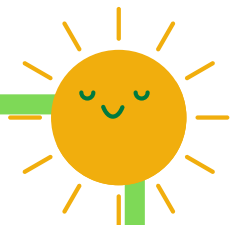
Forked River School Superstar Citizens of the Month



Teacher	Student	Teacher	Student
Mrs. Bergman	Emma Mantilla	Mrs. Lavorgna	Makayla Cornetto
Mrs. Camaligan	Draya Matos	Mrs. Mooney	Zoe Adams
Mrs. Coller	Radley Mobilio	Mrs. Mulligan	Mac Urban
Mrs. Crepezzi	Christopher Schoemer	Mrs. Nachman	Jacob Staples
Mrs. DeNigris	Isiah Koza	Mrs. Schubiger	Jade Hamilton
Mrs. Flynn	Rylee Del Piano	Mrs. Tilton	Brielle Napier
Mrs. Halliday	Adeline Strawder	Mrs. Weaver	Bodhi Wilson
Mrs. Latwis	Zoey Nepper		

Safety Patrol Students of the Month

Brielle Napier
Gracelynn Peters
Sofia Lezama
Daviani David Echavarria
Victoria Santiago
Jacob Staples
Ashlyn Nehila
Benjamin Ruggiano
Julissa Matilde Torres
Jackson Ruhl
James Slevin



Morning Announcers

Shaylah Henchy
Ana DiMaria

Lanoka Harbor News

Students of the Month

The following students have been selected as Lanoka Harbor's Students of the Month for February 2026. These students were chosen for their outstanding work, dedication, and achievement.

Henry Conigliaro

Amy Pine

Callie Fraser



Kids Heart Challenge

In February, Lanoka Harbor School was thrilled to support the American Heart Association by teaching our students and families how to care for their hearts through the Kids Heart Challenge program. Students were asked to spread awareness and help raise money to fight heart disease and stroke.

Over the past few weeks, students enjoyed learning about their hearts with the Heart Heroes while raising money to help fund lifesaving research. With a few more days to go, our school has done an amazing job! We have raised \$13,648.45 in donations, 230 students have registered, and 44 students completed Finn's Mission! We are almost at our goal of \$19,000.00 in donations! We are happy to report that Lanoka Harbor School has completed the principal's challenge goal and has earned \$500.00 towards PE equipment! Thank you to all who have contributed. We are always amazed by the generosity of our Lanoka Harbor School Family!

Music in Our Schools Month



To help Lanoka Harbor School celebrate music in our schools month, LHS students will be participating in March Mania. Mrs. Ferruzza will choose two students from her music classes each day to be *The Music Students of the Day*. These students will be chosen based on their hard work and good behavior in the area of music. In addition, one recorder student of the day will be chosen daily and one band or chorus student will be chosen each day by Mrs. Meelheim and Mrs. Ferruzza. At the end of the week, one class from each grade level will be chosen as *Music Classes of the Week*.

All students are reminded to do their best in music class and practice their recorder/band instrument!

HAPPY MUSIC MONTH!

American Legion Poster Contest

American Legion District 250th Anniversary Poster Contest was held this month. We are proud to announce that LHS had 2 winners. The first place winner is advancing to the County Level. We would like to congratulate:

1st place - **Logan Henderson**

2nd place - **Quinn Riker**



Art Show



March is Youth Art Month, and the Ocean County Library is holding a student art show to celebrate. Artwork created by Lacey Township School students will be displayed at the Lacey Branch for the entire month for the the community to enjoy!

The following artists will represent Lanoka Harbor School:

Jonathan Acevedo-Fernandez

Isabella Aguilar

Liliana Aguilar-Vivaldo

Liam Alcoriza

Paetyn Anderson

Ella Andrews

Leah Apanel

Joe Arruda

Ciara Barker

Jaxon Barras

Calum Battipaglia

Bennet Battipaglia

Lucas Bianchi

Xander Bozarth

Jatson Brewer

Sophie Case

Jayseen Clark

Carson Coghlan

Tighe Collins

Haley Cooney

Carmella Coulter

Joshua Dapiran

Mason Delaney

Jason DeNoia

Kolton DePasquale

Wesley DiDonato

Christopher Donadio

Kyren Dooley

Cayleb Dooley

Maverick Erickson

Madison Feeney

Michael Finnila

Adriana Giberson

Juliette Gorda

Kateryna Huerta

Emma Keelen

Bodhi Kelleher

Finn Kiely

Lilly Kozlowski

Kevin Lange

Rosalia Larkin

Ashton Lauria

Kyla Manuwald

Cooper Martinson

Lindi Materia

Cormac McAndrew

James McGowan

Camryn Mitschke

Rory Mitton

Nora Mitton

Gunnar Moore

Kora Pfluger

Avery Phillips

Joseph Phillips

Myles Guerrero

Hayden Hamby

Emma Hans

Micah Heilala

Judah Heilala

Blake Horton

Rosemarie Ramos

Andrew Razenko

Brianna Reid

Mateo Reyes

Caitlin Rigney

Rayne Rodriguez-Timmerman

Susasna Sacramento

Hailey Schrimmer

Gavin Schroeder

Marina Scott

Declan shaw

Teigen Sturdivant

Alina Sturdivant

Kaiden Terry

Michael Trapanese

Mia Useche

Lilah Verwey

Marly Watson

Mateus White

Leia Wilson



Middle School News

What's New!

Students and faculty are excitedly stepping into the third marking period with great enthusiasm! A heartfelt thank you to our outstanding PTC for hosting yet another fantastic honor roll ice cream celebration. There's a real buzz around school as athletes and coaches eagerly prepare for the upcoming spring sports season.

Congratulations to the following students for earning Perfect Attendance recognition for Marking Period 2:

Ella Ottoson

Jackson Schwartz

Hunter Fracasso

Reese Platvoet

Stella Gonzalez

Jayden Rose

A special thank you to the PTC for generously donating the gift cards that made this outstanding recognition possible.

March

8th Grade Student of the Month Claire Hess

Claire is an outstanding 8th-grade student who does very well in her classes, shows strong character, and is committed to her school community. She works hard in her Honors classes and consistently demonstrates responsibility and dedication to her learning. Claire faces challenges with a positive attitude and determination. Her teachers appreciate her friendly nature, kindness, and willingness to support others, making her a positive role model and leader among her peers. Congratulations to Claire!

March

8th Grade Student of the Month Ryder Schultz

Dylan is an outstanding 8th-grade student who works hard, shows respect to others, and stays actively involved in all Honors classes and school sports. He approaches challenges with a positive attitude and determination, setting a strong example for his peers. A good friend to everyone around him, Dylan is always smiling and making responsible choices. His teachers value his kindness, positive energy, and willingness to support others, making him a true leader in the school community. Congratulations to Dylan!

Clubs / Activities

- Special Olympics Unified Champions Game Night was held at LTMS in February. Over 60 students participated in the inclusive event!
- NJHS is in the new member application phase. We are still collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities, and collecting new or lightly used sneakers for our fundraiser.
- Yearbook Club continues photographing school events and developing page layouts for this year's edition. Members are meeting regularly to review and organize remaining sections as production moves forward and preparations begin for distribution. Families are reminded that they may still submit photos for consideration and order a yearbook.



Big Brothers Big Sisters

Middle school and high school students participating in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program met at Lacey Middle School on February 11 to build some robots with Snapology, a Lego-inspired STEM activity. Students worked together to follow blueprints on an iPad to build their robot, then experimented with making the robot move, light up, and make sounds. The Middle School media center came alive with creativity, innovation, and shared experience as different grade levels interacted and helped each other through the building process. The students had a great time working with each other and the robots! Thank you, Big Brothers Big Sisters for making this awesome activity available to our students!



Volleyball

The PTC Volleyball Tournament, along with the continuation of the Battle of the Classes, was an exciting evening featuring 19 teams competing while demonstrating great teamwork, strong school spirit, and impressive volleyball skills. In February, we also held a Hoops for Heart half-court shooting contest during PE classes. Congratulations to **Emily Riccio, Ryder Trout, and Analeise Curley** for making their shots! Funds raised from the event were donated to the American Heart Association as part of the American Heart Challenge.

The Student Council had a busy month! Students facilitated a clothing drive and hosted penny wars which raised \$300. The Student Council also promoted the PTC Volleyball Tournament which was a huge success this year - especially when the staff team finally defeated the students' team of champions. Our spirit week sparked great creativity among students and culminated in a fabulous Pep Rally on March 13th. The Student Council also sponsored the annual Pi Bee which was scheduled for March 12th. Preparations continue for the 8th grade dance- it is going to be a memorable night for our students!



High School News

DECA

LTHS DECA students did a wonderful job representing Lacey at the State Conference. Notably, Lacey was the only school in Ocean County represented at this year's event. While none of our members advanced to the DECA International Competition, we want to recognize these three outstanding students who represented our school with professionalism and pride and received many compliments throughout the conference.

- **Samantha Subokow** demonstrated great dedication and professionalism throughout the conference and represented Lacey extremely well in her event and interactions with judges and other competitors.
- **Leyna Bohlayer** earned 1st Place in the Instructional Area for Apparel & Accessories Marketing Series at the District Conference.
- **Madeline Sullivan** earned 3rd Place in the Instructional Area for Hotel & Lodging Management at the District Conference.

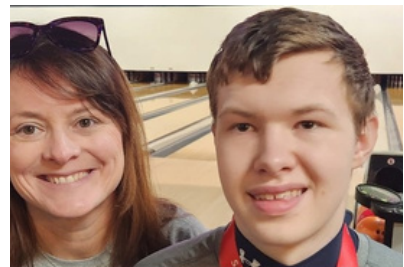
Congratulations to these students for their hard work and for representing Lacey so positively. Recognition also goes to Linda Pearce, who did an outstanding job preparing and supporting these students for success both at the conference and in their future endeavors.



Special Olympics



The Special Olympics competition for the Central Region of New Jersey. Christopher Kenny and Demos Tsarnas won Silver Medals and will be advancing to States on March 28 in New Brunswick.



2026 Science Fair Awards

Applied Art A & B – Projects in this category include three-dimensional models of a noncommercial nature.

Applied Art A

- Honorable Mention: **Gianna Verge**, How do Genetics Affect Melanin Production?
- Honorable Mention: **Emma Quaranta**, How Does Cardiomyopathy Affect The Actin And Myosin Proteins
- 3rd Place: **Joshua Lee**, How Carbon Capture Helps Fight Climate Change
- 2nd Place: **Madalyn Moore**, How does Osgood-Schlatters Disease Effect the Human Body?
- 1st Place: **Jon Hernandez**, Staph Disease: Hidden Bacteria assassin

Applied Art B

- Honorable Mention: **Dan Lytle**, Why Does Pneumothorax Recur
- 3rd Place: **Leah DeRosa**, Sports Injuries: What Factors Contribute to ACL Injury?
- 2nd Place: **Maddie Sullivan**, The Lever's Limit: The Ulnar Collateral Ligament and its Limit
- 1st Place: **Landon Cline**, The Purpose of r^4 : Applying Poiseuille's Law to Albuterol-Induced Bronchodilation

Demonstration of a Scientific Principle A & B – A project that supports the explanation of a scientific principle and has moving parts.

Demonstration A

- Honorable Mention: **Mason Jimenez**, How Do Different Metals Stand Up To Sweat?
- Honorable Mention: **Grace Risk**, How Different Drinks Affect Your Teeth
- Honorable Mention: **Braylon Sabolchick**, Chlorinated Water vs. Salt Water
- Honorable Mention: **Jayden Alemany**, Tommy John Surgery
- 3rd Place: **Mollie Cordivari**, Natural vs. Synthetic Dye Durability and Safety
- 2nd Place: **Delia Paken**, How Does the Amount of Water in a Glass Affect the Pitch of Sound Emitted?
- 1st Place: **Jillian Cox**, Are Bioplastic Bags Just as Effective as Petroleum Based Plastic Bags?

Demonstration B

- Honorable Mention: **Olivia Miller**, Exposure to Ultraviolet Radiation on the Cellular Level: A Demonstration of Disease Flares in Dermatomyositis Patients
- Honorable Mention: **Jake Platvoet**, How does a torque converter regulate engine torque?
- Honorable Mention: **Michael Grande**, Genetic Engineering and The Use of CRISPR
- 3rd Place: **Brooke Fitzgerald**, The Impact Atmospheric Conditions Have on the Corona Phenomenon
- 2nd Place: **Melia Lange**, The Role of Arterial Plaque in Hypertension and Blood Flow Dynamics
- 1st Place: **Tatianna Febles-Perez**, Advancing Transplantation: A Comparison of Scaffold Types

Media– This category includes videos, filmstrips, or slides of a serious nature that describe the structure or function of biological organisms, chemical substance, or the application of a scientific principle.

- 3rd Place: **Nathan Richardson**, What happens during the wound healing process
- 2nd Place: **Corey Lobdell**, Physics Behind the Football
- 1st Place: **Ava Wagner**, The Physics Behind Breaking A Concrete Slab

2026 Science Fair Awards

Computer Science/CADD - Projects in this category demonstrate the instructional applications of computers through an educational program and must be original work.

- 1st Place: **Ethan Nagalo**, Press Start to Learn About the Physics of Aircraft

Green Project – This category includes projects that focus on environmental responsibility.

- 3rd Place: **Dalton Johnson**, Future of Filtration
- 2nd Place: **Mackenzie Langan**, Environmental Impacts of Fertilizers: Is slow-release actually better
- 1st Place: **Leyna Bohlayer**, Is the Hawaii 104 Act Effective

Classical Experiment/ Original Invention A/B – This type of project involves the development of a classical experiment or an original invention in accordance with the scientific method.

Classical A

- Honorable Mention: **Beatrice Perry**, Which type of paint is the most durable?
- Honorable Mention: **Annabelle Sologuren**, Do Antioxidants Protect Cells From Damage?
- 3rd Place: **Joe Bianco**, Can a home-made water filter be more effective than a water filter from a fridge?
- 2nd Place: **Luke Audet**, Bacterial growth at LTHS
- 1st Place: **Liam Fichter**, The Effect of Fertilizer and Rising Temperature on the Microbiome of Marine Habitats

Classical B

- Honorable Mention: **Chris Reid**, CFD analysis of an engine
- Honorable Mention: **Ryan Brewer**, Does Wearable Motion Sensing Technology have an Impact on our Physical Activity
- Honorable Mention: **Michael Austin**, Machine Learning and Sentiment Analysis in Financial Markets
- 3rd place: **Lynsey McGovern**, Optimizing Structural Design: A Cost-Strength Analysis of Truss Bridges
- 2nd Place: **Danille Pasqua**, How Does Occupational Therapy Improve Grip Strength?
- 1st: **Olivia Schwartz**, Comparing Immune-Regulatory Proteins Across Species to Predict Xenotransplantation Compatibility

Best in Show – Although there were many fine projects submitted to the Science Fair, this project stood out above them all.

- 1st Place: **Ava Flanagan**, How Effective are NAE, NAIHM, and Organic Chicken Standards at Preventing Antibiotic Resistance



SENIOR OF THE MONTH

AMELIA MAZUR

Lacey Township High School's Senior of the Month for March is Amelia Mazur.

Amelia Mazur is a student who exemplifies the qualities of character, leadership, and dedication that make a meaningful impact within the Lacey Township High School community. Throughout her high school career, Amelia has consistently demonstrated maturity, integrity, and a strong sense of responsibility in everything she undertakes. She approaches her academic work with determination and curiosity, always striving to challenge herself while maintaining a thoughtful and positive attitude in the classroom.

What truly sets Amelia apart is the way she leads by example. As Secretary of the Student Government Association, she plays an important role in supporting her peers and helping to organize initiatives that strengthen the school community. She is dependable, collaborative, and always willing to step in where help is needed. Amelia's leadership style is not defined by titles, but rather by the respect she earns from others through her work ethic, kindness, and willingness to support those around her.

Amelia also demonstrates a genuine commitment to service and community involvement. Through her participation in organizations such as Interact Club and the Elks Club Antler Volunteer Program, she has dedicated significant time to helping others. Her willingness to volunteer reflects a compassionate nature and a belief in giving back to the community that has supported her. Amelia approaches service not as an obligation, but as an opportunity to make a positive difference.

In addition to her academic and leadership commitments, Amelia has been deeply involved in athletics. Her experiences as a multi-sport athlete have further shaped her character, reinforcing the importance of teamwork, perseverance, and accountability. Whether on the field or in the classroom, she brings a positive attitude and encourages those around her to do their best.

Above all, Amelia is known for her strong character. She is respectful, hardworking, and grounded, and she consistently carries herself with humility and confidence. Her ability to balance numerous responsibilities while remaining supportive of her peers speaks to the kind of person and leader she has become.

For her leadership, character, and the positive example she sets within the school community, Amelia Mazur is a very deserving recipient of Senior of the Month recognition.

SENIOR OF THE MONTH

RUSSELL DAVIES

Lacey Township High School's Senior of the Month for March is Russell Davies.

Russell Davies has been named Senior of the Month for March, an honor that reflects both his character and his commitment to excellence. Russell has distinguished himself as a student who consistently balances responsibility, leadership, and dedication in everything he does. Whether in the classroom, on the baseball field, or in the community, he represents the values of hard work, discipline, and teamwork that define an outstanding senior.

A three-year Varsity baseball player, Russell has become well known among teammates and coaches for his reliability and supportive attitude. He leads by example, showing up prepared, working hard, and encouraging those around him to give their best. His strong sense of discipline and commitment to his team has helped him grow not only as an athlete but also as a leader who understands the importance of collaboration and perseverance.

Outside of school, Russell generously gives his time to support others in the community. He volunteers with Little League baseball players, helping younger athletes learn the fundamentals of the game while also modeling sportsmanship and dedication. He also volunteers with PROUD PAWS, demonstrating his willingness to give back and make a positive impact wherever he can.

In addition to his academic and athletic commitments, Russell works at a family-owned restaurant, successfully balancing his job, schoolwork, and extracurricular activities. His excellent time-management skills allow him to meet each responsibility with focus and determination. After graduation, Russell aspires to become a heavy machine operator, and there is no doubt that his strong work ethic, reliability, and positive attitude will help him achieve great success in the future.

Congratulations Russell on Senior of the Month!!!!!!

VOCATIONAL SENIOR OF THE MONTH

DANICA GIARDINA

The administration and faculty of Lacey Township High School are proud to recognize Danica Giardina as our Vocational Senior of the Month for March.

Danica began her vocational journey this year as a senior in the Engineering Technology Program at the Ocean County Vocational Technical School's Jackson Center. From the very beginning, she has immersed herself in the program with enthusiasm, determination, and an eagerness to learn.

Danica truly thrives in the Engineering Technology Program. Her instructors often describe her as a teacher's assistant because of the depth of knowledge she absorbs and her willingness to support and assist her peers. She approaches every project with focus and precision, demonstrating both technical skill and a genuine passion for the field. Her dedication to mastering complex concepts and hands-on applications sets her apart and reflects her strong work ethic.

Academically, Danica has consistently excelled throughout her high school career, earning recognition on both the Honor Roll and High Honor Roll every marking period. She has successfully balanced the rigor of her academic coursework with the demands of a specialized vocational program, proving herself to be both disciplined and motivated.

Looking ahead, Danica plans to complete her second year in the OCVTS Engineering Technology Program and then pursue further training at a trade school to continue sharpening her Manufacturing Engineering skills. With her drive, intelligence, and passion for the industry, there is no doubt she will achieve great success in her future endeavors.

Congratulations, Danica, on this well-deserved recognition. We are incredibly proud of all you have accomplished and look forward to seeing all that you will achieve in the years to come.

UNSUNG HERO

LILY ALLEN

The Matthew Blum Unsung Hero Award is awarded to a person who has exemplified unselfish acts within his or her community.

For the month of March, SGA's selection for this award is someone who has made an everlasting impact on our school. She has pursued her academics with ambition and determination. Over the past four years, this person has been a four-year member of the STEM Academy, showcasing her passion for knowledge and academic excellence. She has also been on the Lacey Varsity Gymnastics team for the past four years, helping the team become undefeated B-South champs this past fall. Outside of high school, she spends her time as a coach at Ignite Gymnastics here in Lacey, helping young gymnasts master their skills through motivation and merit. Further she is a member of the National Honor Society here at LTHS, emphasizing her commitment for volunteering and helping others in the community. She is someone who is never seen without a smile on her face, and always shines with positive energy in any room that she is in.

For these reasons, SGA is proud to announce that our March Unsung Hero is Lily Allen. Congratulations Lily and keep up the great work!