

SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE TRSB – APRIL 16, 2015

Atkinson Academy

- We have finished up our Smarter Balance testing.
- We enjoyed a delightful concert on Wednesday night featuring 1st year, strings and band students. Atkinson hosted Lynn Plourde, an author today. She has already given an all school assembly and is now meeting with various grade levels.

Danville Elementary

- Danville fifth graders are studying about the American History in Social Studies. In preparation for the annual fifth grade field trip to Boston historical sites, students participated in a Distance Learning workshop where the students were assigned characters who played important roles in the original Thirteen Colonies. The environment, civic responsibilities, and economic hardships were all studied in preparation for this interactive learning session. The lesson was facilitated by characters from the American Museum of History who interacted with students, also in character. The students were very engaged; it was a meaningful event for the students.

Pollard School

- This year's Run of the Savage 5K race was a great success. This was the 9 month anniversary of Chief Savage's passing. In this year's race we were just short of 600 people cross the finish line including many Pollard School families and staff. Our oldest runner was 90 and our youngest was 1! This year we earned about \$14,500 for the Jimmy Fund (a final number will come in May). THANK YOU to Pollard Staff, all those that attended, Dr. Earl Metzler for the school district's continued support... and special thanks to Alexis Vengren!
- DARE Graduation will be held for Pollard's 5th grade on Thursday, April 23rd at Pollard School at 6:30 PM.
- Wednesday, April 8th the Plaistow Police Department sponsored a Prescription for Danger Parent Information Night. Due to the weather it was not that well attended however the message was well received and quite powerful and we are urging them to a similar information night in the fall.
- Liz Felder, TLC Teacher, was nominated by a parent for Teacher of the Year 2016. She attended a recognition luncheon at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord Tuesday, April 14th. She will learn if she moves to the next level sometime next week.
- PTA-is sponsoring a "Dancing with Your Star" parent/student event for Grades 3-5 on this Friday, April 17th from 6-8. This is a great event where students can bring a parent or other special adult , have their picture taken and have some fun.
- Our second grade students all participated in the musical "How Does Your Garden Grow" last Thursday, April 9th at the PAC. Pictures and a video of the entire play can be found on our website. The play was dedicated to Shirley Toscano, our second grade teacher retiring at the end of the year.



Sandown Central

- We are continuing with our Smarter Balance Assessments in Math with grade 5 this week along with assessing our grade 4 in English Language Arts!
- We are looking forward to the elementary Family Literacy Night at the PAC from 5-7 pm on April 16th
- The Sandown Central Arts Night will be held April 22. A Music and Art show will be preformed!
- Sandown PTA Father and Daughter Dance April 17th from 6:30-8:30 at Sandown North.

Sandown North

- No report submitted.

Middle School

- The TRMS Student Senate has been raising funds for the past week for the Jimmy Fund. Teachers and students have contributed toward this cause. Red Sox tickets, a Red Sox cap and tickets to Canobie Lake have been offered as raffle prizes.
- Spring sports teams have been selected and students will begin game action this week. The track team is in Derry on Wednesday. Good luck and have fun!
- 6th graders have wrapped up Smarter Balanced testing. Things went smoothly. Grade 8 begins next week.
- High school transition events have started. This week 9th graders visited the middle school and spoke about their freshman experience. This Friday there is a senior panel assembly at the PAC for grade 8 students. These annual events help students gain insight into entering high school.

High School

- **April 18 - Project Hope "Strut for a Cure Fashion Show"** - HS Gym and cafeteria doors open at 6:15pm show starts at 7:00 pm, \$10.00 adults - \$5.00 students.
- **April 21 - Early College Planning Seminar** - K-8 grades 6:30 pm PAC Recital Hall
- **April 27 - May 1** - Spring Break Week
- **April 27 - April 30 - TRSD STEAM Science Camp** - 20+ 4th graders from around the district, 2 elementary teachers, handful of High school students to act as mentors. STEAM camp in which kids will spend 4 days learning scientific concepts, then applying that knowledge to design and engineer 4 different projects that they get to take home. The theme of the days/projects will be energy. 9 AM- 12 Noon high school science rooms.
- **May 4-8 - AP Testing** - **Monday** - Chemistry, Environmental Science, **Tuesday**- Calculus, **Wednesday** - English Literature and Composition, Physic 1 (Algebra-Based), **Thursday** - Computer Science A, Spanish Language and Culture, **Friday** - United States History, European History, Studio Art.
- **May 11- 5 - AP Testing** - **Monday** - Biology, **Tuesday** - United States Government and Politics and French Language and Culture, **Wednesday** - Statistics, **Thursday** - World History,
- **May 21 - AP Testing** - Make Up testing
- **TRHS Model UN Team**

At the UMass Lowell Conference the team won the *Best Delegation Award* signifying that they were the best performing school out of the other seven schools in attendance. The following students received the highest honor by being awarded *Best Delegate*: Miranda Kryskow - represented Czech Republic in

the Economic and Social Council, Cailee Griffin - represented Jordan on the Security Council, Jake "Leonard" Chaput - represented Greece on the NATO Council, Cameron "Maximus" Magner - represented Jordan in the World Health Organization. The following students received a second place award of *Outstanding Delegate*: Christopher Williams - represented Poland in the NATO Council, Christopher Durkee - represented China in the High Commission of Human Rights. The following students received the award of *People's Choice*, which some argue is in fact the most honorable award because the honorees are chosen by all members within each committee: Brianna Hankel - United Nations Environmental Program serving as the delegate from Poland, Christopher Williams - on the NATO Council serving as the delegate from Poland and Christopher Durkee - with the High Commission of human Rights Council serving as the delegate from China. In addition, there were three students who received *Honorable Mention*: Benjamin Longchamp - for his performance in the United Nations Environmental Programme serving as the delegate from China, Jaimie Bissonette - for her performance in the Economic and Social Council serving as the delegate from Israel, and Taylor Gilcrest - for her performance in the United Nations Environmental Programme serving as the delegate from Israel.



- **2015 YMCA Youth and Government Model Legislature -**

Mr. Ryan Richman was overwhelmingly impressed by the performances of all eight of our delegates at the conference. The students wrote compelling legislation on important issues ranging from gun safety to state budgets to physician assisted suicide. Several of the students' bills made it through the committee, where most bills tend to die, including:

Cameron Magner - Vehicle Safety for Passenger Canines

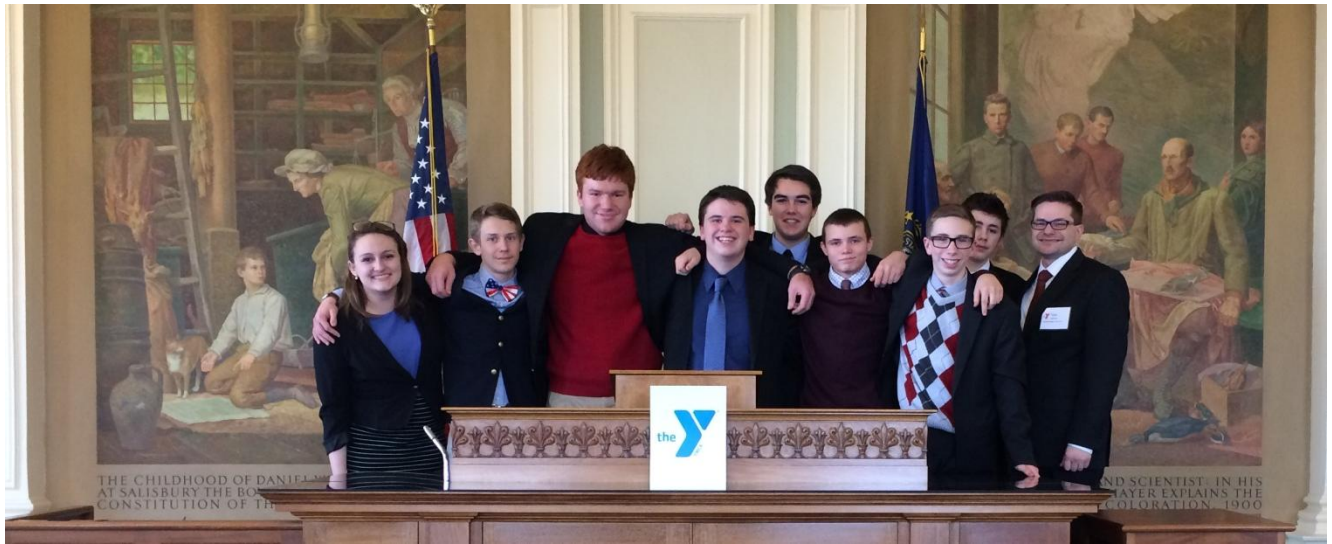
Jake Chaput - Bill on establishing state-owned casino

Sam Putnam - bill on requiring gun locks in households with an individual with one or more mental disorder, deemed so important by the Senate that they unanimously overrode a Governor's veto to ensure its passage; an event that is extremely rare at Youth and Government.

Linnie McGuire - Death with Dignity Act was passed unanimously by the Senate and hailed as the best written bill they dealt with this session. The Governor agreed and it was nominated for a legislative award

Jake Chaput - served as House Chaplain and was personally and publicly praised by Governor Maggie Hassan in her address to the convention for his invocation

Sam Putnam - won the *Best Lobbyist Award*, the first Timberlane has won at Youth and Government in our three years of attendance.



Athletics

- Spring Sports have begun. Our teams and coaches are working hard at representing our school and community very well.

Performing Arts

- The New Hampshire Music Educators' Spring Conference & All State Music Festival takes place this weekend in Concord, NH. Back in November, over 1,000 students from across the state auditioned in the hopes of being accepted into these elite ensembles. Congratulations to our forty-three Timberlane band, orchestra, and chorus students who will be participating in this year's 3-day festival. The total number of All State participants is 53, if you count our 10 All State Guitar students who performed at a January festival.

NH All State Band

Quinn Averill-bass sax, Brian Desjardins-alto sax, Hannah Donnelly-flute, Laura Erickson-bass clarinet, Cole Gallagher-trombone, Renee Gallant-clarinet, Nolan Hennessey-trombone, Andrew Howard-tuba, Michaela Kosta-bassoon, Daniel Main-percussion I, Nolan McGurn-french horn, Margaret Miller-oboe, Harrison Szczapa-percussion I, Emily Tomasi-french horn, Madelynne Torosian-bass clarinet.

NH All State Orchestra

Brendan Bourque-trombone, Alyson Caruso-bass viol, Amy Clark-violin, Sarah Cronin-violin, Josh Grambow-cello, Mya Hollins-french horn, Allison Laporte-violin, Benjamin Longchamp-tuba, Theresa Machermer-violin, Brendan McGuirk-trumpet, Julia Perelgut-violin, Matthew Perry-percussion I, Siobhan Sheehan-violin, Aurora Sidor-violin, Angela Simmons-bass viol, Jarrod Solloway-violin, Annie Steenson-french horn, Joy Steenson-violin, Emma Theberge-cello.

NH All State Mixed Choir

Adam Caezza-tenor, Candace Deleon-soprano, Toby Jon Esposito-bass, Amanda Kenerson-alto, William Lavoie-tenor, Natalie Livingston-alto, Amber Malkin-alto, Colin McCarthy-tenor.

NH All State Women's Choir

Kaitlyn Jones-soprano.

- Washington, D.C. Music Department Tour 2015 - Staff and students are getting ready for their trip to Washington, D.C.; One hundred eleven students and twelve chaperones will depart bright and early on Saturday April 25th for their four day adventure.

- Plans for this year's Memorial Day Celebrations in Sandown, Atkinson and Plaistow have been finalized. On Monday, May 25th, Timberlane's High School Band, directed by Kenneth Clark, will march in the Plaistow Parade, at 10:00 am, and then again in the Sandown Parade at 12:30 pm. *(Thank you, Kevin Major for moving the Sandown Celebration 30 minutes later to provide a window for transportation).* The Middle School Band, directed by Kurt Schweiss, will participate in the Atkinson Parade, at 10:30 am, with refreshments at the Fire Department following the ceremony.
- Our High Musical Production of Sweeney Todd-School Edition, is just around the corner. Performance dates are May 7, 8, and 9 at 7:00pm with a Saturday Matinee at 1:00pm. Tickets are on sale now at the PAC Box Office – 603-257-5257 or online at www.mktix.com/trpac.

- PAC EVENTS:

Ronan Tynan, the internationally renowned Irish Tenor, gave a spectacular performance to the sold-out crowd at the Timberlane Performing Arts Center on March 29th. Ronan charmed the audience with his extraordinary voice and tales of his Irish family and upbringing. It was a great afternoon enjoyed by all.

The Timberlane Jazz Festival was a great success – five hours of fantastic live jazz music with performances by the Volare Jazz Band, The Bedford Big Band and The Freese Brothers Big Band. Steve Marvin and The Hal McIntyre Orchestra topped off the afternoon with an amazing tribute to Frank Sinatra.

- UPCOMING MUSIC/DRAMA EVENTS

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| April 16, 17, 18 | All State Music Festival |
| April 23 | Milkmen – Improvisational Comedy |
| May 7, 8, 9 | HS Musical – Sweeney Todd |
| May 12 | HS/MS Guitar & Rock Ensemble Concert |
| May 13 | Elem/MS Orchestra Concert |
| May 18 | HS Chorus Concert |
| May 19 | HS Jazz Concert |
| May 20 | HS Orchestra Concert |
| May 25 | Memorial Day Parades |
| May 27 | HS Band Concert |
| May 28 | HS Music Awards Night |
| May 29 | HS Drama Awards Night |
| June 1 | HS Chamber Concert |
| June 5 | Milkmen- Improvisational Comedy |
| June 9 | MS Band Concert |
| June 10 | MS Chorus Concert |
| June 18, 19, 20 | HS One Act Comedies – <i>(The play “You Can’t Take It With You” originally scheduled for these dates, has been rescheduled to the 2015-2016 school year).</i> |