



ELIZABETH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 2026



ELIZABETH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Every Child, Achieving Excellence

Gifted & Talented Program Application

Apply by April 10





Panorama Family Survey

February 17 –
April 24



FAMILY SURVEY

PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY BETWEEN
FEBRUARY 17th
THROUGH **APRIL 24th**

SURVEY IS LESS THAN
5 MINUTES

SURVEY IS AVAILABLE
IN MULTIPLE
LANGUAGES

WE WANT TO
HEAR FROM **YOU!**

FEEDBACK FROM OUR
FAMILIES
IS IMPORTANT!

USE YOUR PHONE TO
SCAN THE CODE
TO ACCESS THE SURVEY



surveys.panoramaed.com/elizabeth/spring26family/surveys



ENCUESTA FAMILIAR

POR FAVOR RESPONDE ENTRE
el 17 de FEBRERO
HASTA **el 24 de ABRIL**

LA ENCUESTA SOLO TOMA
5 MINUTOS

LA ENCUESTA
ESTÁ DISPONIBLE
EN MÚLTIPLES
IDIOMAS

¡QUEREMOS
SABER DE **USTED!**

¡SU OPINIÓN
ES MUY
IMPORTANTE!

PARA ACCEDER LA ENCUESTA
USE SU CELULAR PARA
ESCANEAR EL CÓDIGO



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DISTRICT FINANCIAL AID NIGHTS



**STUDENTS & PARENTS
MUST BRING LAPTOPS**



**APRIL 21
MAY 12**

5:00PM - 7:00PM



**JOHN E. DWYER
TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
123 PEARL STREET**

FAFSA:

- ▶▶▶ CREATE FSA ID PRIOR TO ATTENDING AT WWW.FAFSA.GOV
- ▶▶▶ MUST BRING LAPTOP & TAX DOCUMENTS FOR FAFSA COMPLETION WORKSHOPS

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ▶▶▶ INFORMATION, APPLICATIONS & ASSISTANCE COMPLETING WILL BE PROVIDED

▶▶▶ **PRESENTATIONS IN ENGLISH & SPANISH** ◀◀◀



High School Junior Seminar

April 18



JUNIOR SEMINAR

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR
THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

Open to ALL High School juniors & parents.

APRIL 18TH

8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

J. CHRISTIAN BOLLWAGE
FINANCE ACADEMY
447 Richmond Street

REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE SERVED



STUDENTS & PARENTS
SCAN THE CODE
REGISTER TODAY



WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

- Demonstrated Interest and How to Get the Most Out of College Fairs/College Visits
- The College Application Process & Common Application
- How to use SCOIR for College Planning & Building a College List
- College Essays, Personal Statements & Tutor.com
- Exploring College Majors, Career Planning & Building a Strong Resume with Extracurriculars
- Time Management & Stress Reduction for College Applicants



SEMINARIO PARA LOS ESTUDIANTES DE UNDÉCIMO GRADO

PREPARANDO A LOS ESTUDIANTES PARA
EL PROCESO DE APLICAR A LA UNIVERSIDAD

Abierto a TODOS los estudiantes del grado 11 y sus padres.

18 de ABRIL

8:30 AM – 1:00 PM

J. CHRISTIAN BOLLWAGE
FINANCE ACADEMY
447 Richmond Street

SE SERVIRÁN
REFRESCOS



ESTUDIANTES & PADRES
ESCANEEEN EL CÓDIGO
REGÍSTRENSE HOY



TALLERES DISPONIBLES:

- El interés demostrado y como sacar el máximo provecho de las ferias y las visitas universitarias
- El proceso de aplicar a la universidad y la solicitud común
- Como usar SCOIR para su planificación universitaria y como crear una lista de universidades
- Los ensayos universitarios, las declaraciones personales y Tutor.com
- Eligiendo una especialización, la planificación profesional & creando un buen curriculum con actividades extracurriculares
- La gestión de tiempo & la reducción del estrés para los solicitantes de la universidad



High School Selection 2026 Information Sessions

April 6 – April 16

Halsey Health and Public Safety Academy

699 South Street**
4/6/2026

Jefferson Arts Academy

27 Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza
4/7/2026

Hamilton Preparatory Academy

1003 North Broad Street**
4/8/2026

Elizabeth High School – Cicarell Academy

40 Morrell Street
4/9/2026

Edison Career & Technical Academy

625 Summer Street
4/13/2026

Dwyer Technology Academy

227 Center Street**
4/14/2026

Bollwage Finance Academy

447 Richmond Street
4/15/2026

JVJ STEM Academy

417 Union Avenue**
4/16/2026

** address of 9th Grade Academy



High Schools Registration

April 10 – April 24





COMMUNITY
connect

2026 Citywide Earth Day Cleanup

April 22



MAYOR J CHRISTIAN BOLLWAGE,
THE CITY OF ELIZABETH AND THE NJ CLEAN COMMUNITIES COUNCIL
PRESENT



GO ELIZABETH NJ
250
Stories that Shape America: Elizabeth, NJ

2026 EARTH DAY CLEANUP



APRIL 22ND



CITY HALL 9AM - 2PM

BUILD A TEAM!

Choose an area that needs
cleaning and make a
difference!
(Register by April 6th)



SCHEDULE:

9-10AM: REGISTRATION,
DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES &
DEPARTURE TO CLEANUP SITES

10AM-NOON: CLEANUP

12:30PM - 2PM: LUNCH &
AWARDS AT PETERSTOWN
COMMUNITY CENTER
(418 PALMER ST)

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER A TEAM,
EMAIL KELLY:
[KELLY.CONTRERAS@ELIZABETHNJ.ORG](mailto:kelly.contreras@elizabethnj.org)
SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!



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8th Grade Promotion Ceremonies

June 24 - June 25





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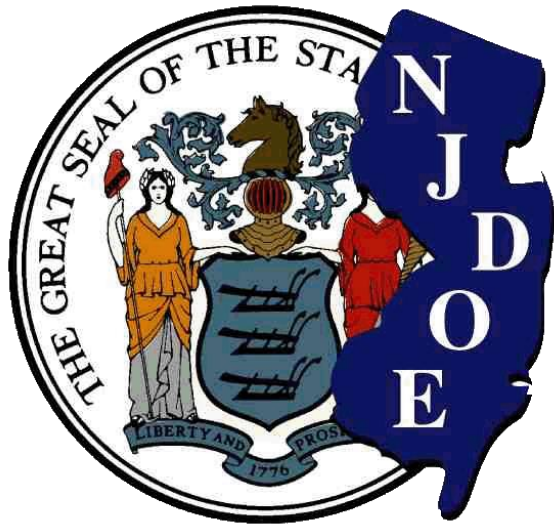
High School Graduation/ Class Award Ceremonies

June 24-June 25





Student Assessments Update



Spring 2025 Assessment Updates

Assessment	Date(s)	Participants
ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs	February 2 – March 27	All Multilingual Learners (MLs)
Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)	April 21	11 th grade students and 12 th grade students who have not yet taken the assessment for graduation
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)	April 7 – May 22	Students in grades 3-8 and 11 in place of NJSLA
Advanced Placement (AP)	May 4 – May 15	High School students enrolled in AP courses
NJ Student Learning Assessment (NJ SLA) ELA, Math, Science	April 27 – May 22	Students in grades 3-8 and high school Specific dates per grade level are on the District Website

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EPSS

News From Central

Elizabeth Public Schools, Elizabeth, NJ

EPS HOSTS AMISTAD COLLABORATIVE FORUM AT SCHOOL NO. 30



Elizabeth Public Schools recently hosted the Amistad Collaborative Forum at Chessie Dentley Roberts School No. 30, dedicated to celebrating the district's leadership in multicultural education and the successful implementation of the Amistad mandate. The event served as both an informative session and a celebration of the district's commitment to infusing the African American experience into the curriculum.

EPS HOSTS AMISTAD COLLABORATIVE FORUM AT SCHOOL NO. 30 (CONT.)



Elizabeth Board of Education President Maria Carvalho welcomed guests to the forum, and we highlighted how the district has evolved from meeting the Amistad mandate to becoming one of the state's premier models for its implementation. The forum featured guest speakers and videos from influential leaders, including New Jersey State Assemblywoman Annette Quijano, Associate Director of the New Jersey Amistad Commission Trevor Kyle Melton, and DLH Enterprise Consultant Dr. Davida Lindsay-Harewood, who was introduced by EPS Director of Curriculum and Instruction Sam Etienne.

EPS HOSTS AMISTAD COLLABORATIVE FORUM AT SCHOOL NO. 30 (CONT.)

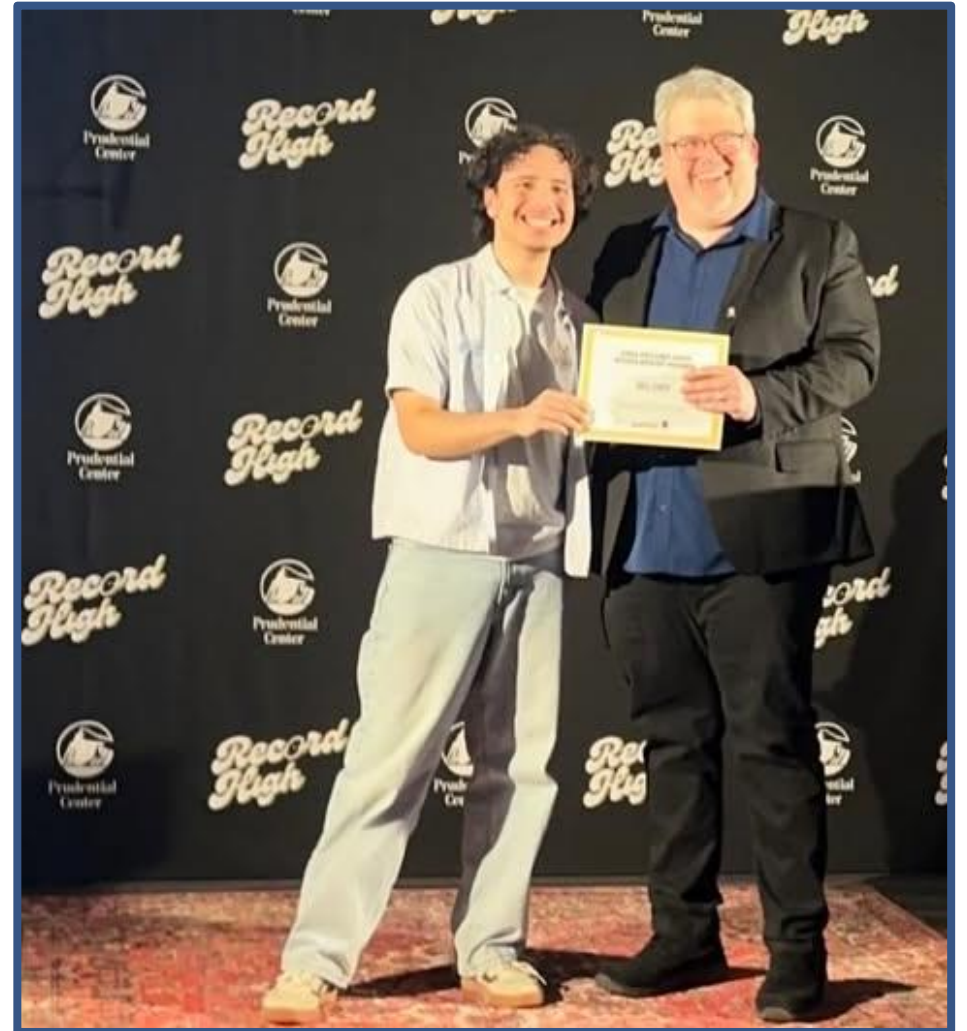


Attendees viewed several demonstrations of learning, including a social studies integration video introduced by EPS Social Studies Supervisor Bruce Elflein and a performing arts integration video introduced by EPS Visual & Performing Arts Supervisor Tracy Monteiro. The evening concluded with EBOE Member Jerry Jacobs thanking the panelists for their participation and acknowledging the achievement of fifth-grade students from Woodrow Wilson School No. 19 who recently earned first and third-place honors at the Amistad Commission's African New Jersey History Day as well as a question-and-answer segment with the panelists.

JEFFERSON ARTS ACADEMY SENIORS EARN 2026 RECORD HIGH AND DEVILS YOUTH FOUNDATION ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



Thomas Jefferson Arts Academy senior Gael Chica has been selected as a recipient of the 2026 Record High and Devils Youth Foundation (DYF) Annual Scholarship Award. The DYF partners with Record High, a contemporary music education program, for an annual scholarship program, awarding \$1,000 to New Jersey high school seniors who demonstrate notable talent in music (vocal, instrumental or composition) and leadership roles within their local communities.

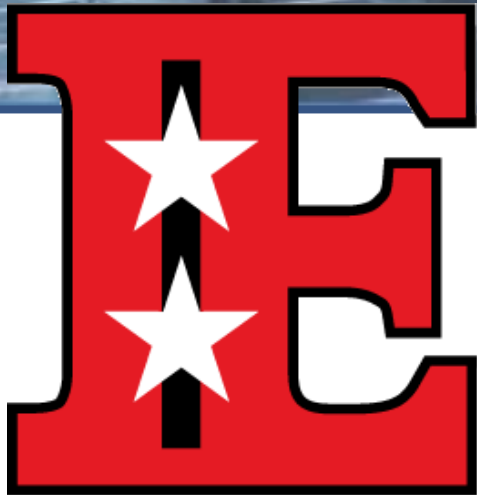


EPS PARTICIPATES IN GROUNDBREAKING OF CARRINGTON TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COMPLEX, FUTURE HOME OF ELIZABETH VARSITY TENNIS

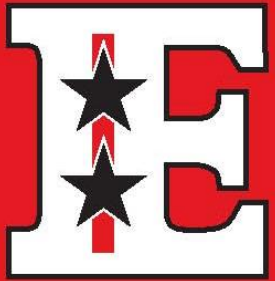


The City of Elizabeth, in partnership with Union County, broke ground on March 9 on the Arthur Carrington Tennis and Pickleball Complex. The outdoor tennis and pickleball complex will eventually be the home of Elizabeth’s varsity tennis teams. Among those to participate in the groundbreaking were former professional tennis player, Elizabeth native, and complex namesake Arthur “Art” Carrington, New Jersey Lieutenant Governor Dr. Dale G. Caldwell, Union County Commissioners Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, Lourdes M. Leon, and Stanley J. Neron, City of Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollwage, Elizabeth City Council members Carlos Cedeño, William Gallman, Jr., Nelson Gonzalez, Patricia Perkins-Auguste, and Carlos Torres, Elizabeth Board of Education Members Stephanie Clervoyant-Noel, Jerry D. Jacobs, and Isaias J. Rivera, Elizabeth Public Schools Assistant Superintendents Dr. Jennifer Cedeno, Rafael A. Cortes, Jr., and Judy Finch-Johnson, EPS School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Harold E. Kennedy, Jr., and EPS students.

EHS WINTER COLORGUARD WINS 2026 MID-ATLANTIC INDOOR NETWORK SCHOLASTIC A COMPETITION



The Elizabeth High School Winter Colorguard team, in their fifth competition of the season, finished in first place out of fourteen teams with a score of 80.44 in the 2026 Mid-Atlantic Indoor Network Scholastic A competition at Bridgewater Raritan High School. The team demonstrated significant improvement from their first event of the season, increasing their overall score by 10 points.



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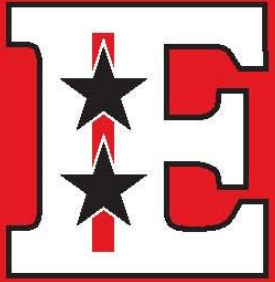
**ELIZABETH VARSITY BOYS TRACK AND FIELD
MEMBERS RECEIVE ALL-AMERICAN HONORS**

**NIKE INDOOR NATIONALS
2026 ALL-AMERICAN**

ALL-AMERICAN
SHUTTLE HURDLE RELAY TEAM
6th Place - 31.99
M. Kayingo • J. Cadet • R. Barthelemy • E. Penick

Big E T&F

Elizabeth Varsity Boys Track and Field members Moses Kayingo, Jaydan Cadet, Roodberry Barthelemy, and Ezekiel Penick earned All-American honors at the 2026 Nike Indoor Nationals as members of the Shuttle Hurdle Relay Team, finishing 6th overall with a time of 31.99. Competing against top programs from across the country, the team demonstrated exceptional teamwork, discipline, and athletic excellence on a national stage, representing their program with distinction.



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**ELIZABETH VARSITY BOYS TRACK AND FIELD
SHINES AT NJSIAA MEET OF CHAMPIONS**

CONGRATULATIONS

NJSIAA Meet of Champions – State Finals



JAYDAN CADET

2nd PLACE – NJ RUNNER-UP

Boys Triple Jump

Big E T&F

CONGRATULATIONS

NJSIAA Meet of Champions – State Finals



EZEKIEL PENICK

7th PLACE – BOYS LONG JUMP

NJSIAA State Finals · Meet of Champions

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NJSIAA Meet of Champions – State Finals



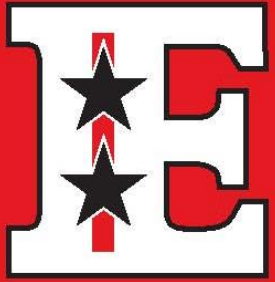
8th PLACE – BOYS 4x800 RELAY

NJSIAA State Finals - Meet of Champions

D. Simon · G. Quaglia · J. Camacho · M. Herrera

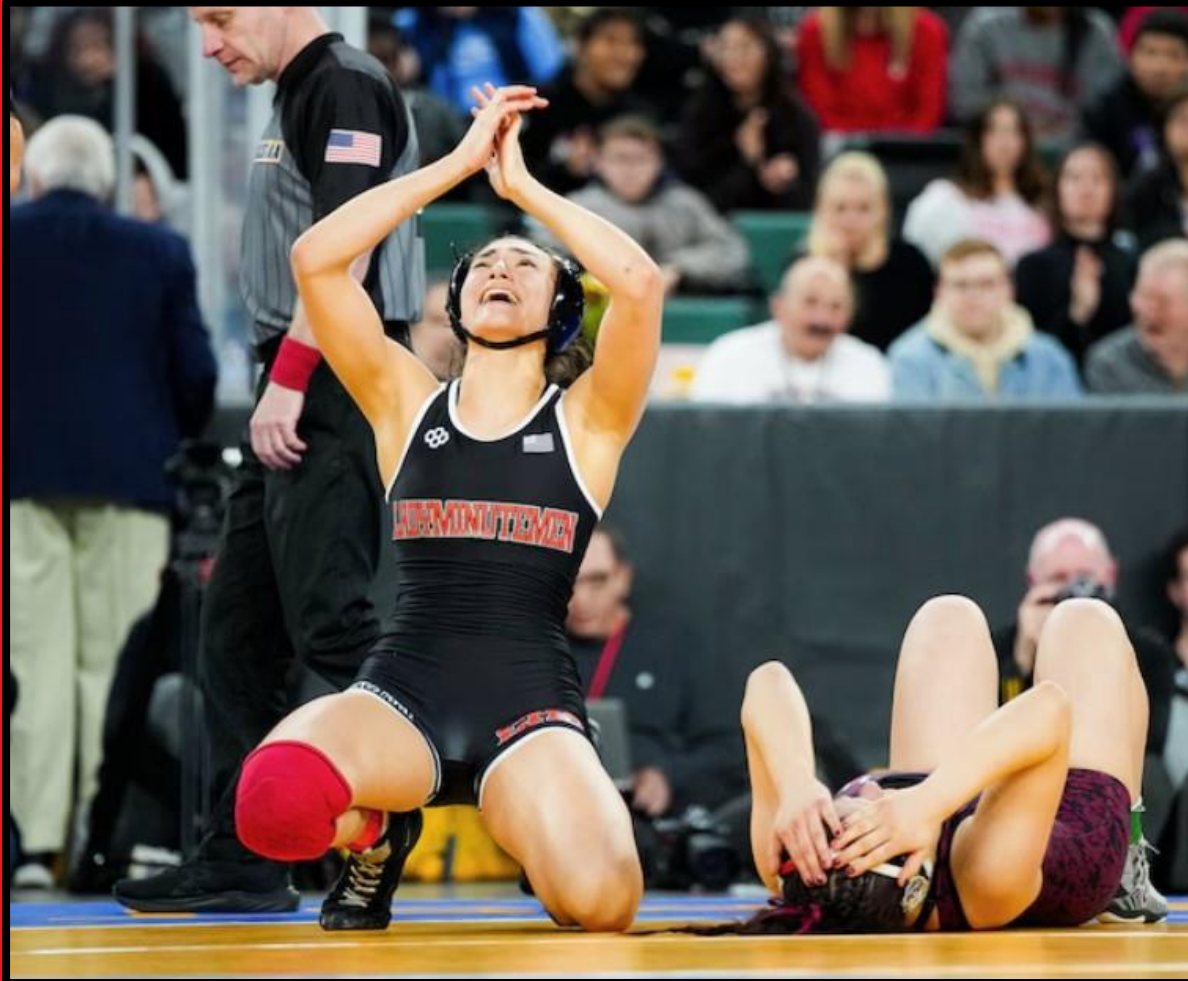
Big E T&F

Elizabeth Varsity Boys Track and Field had an exceptional showing at the 2026 NJSIAA Meet of Champions, with several of our competitors displaying hard work, determination, and competitive spirit in finishing among the top athletes in the state. Jaydan Cadet was the state runner up in the triple jump, Ezekiel Penick finished 7th in the state in the boys long jump, and the 4x800 Relay Team, consisting of Davian Simon, Giuseppe Quaglia, Jeangel Camacho, and Matthew Herrera finished 8th overall in the state.



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ELIZABETH WRESTLER BECOMES SECOND NJSIAA STATE CHAMPION IN ELIZABETH HISTORY



After an upset over previously undefeated top seed Mia Spadavecchia of Westwood in the semifinals by way of pin, senior girls wrestler Valeria Ramirez pinned Bayonne's Mariana Puzycki in the first period to win the 138-pound state title. The two wrestlers had developed a competitive rivalry during the season. Ramirez lost to Puzycki in January's Lady Minutemen Tournament before claiming the District 5 championship over her by pin. She would then finish runner-up in the Region 2 championship in a pin loss to Puzycki. Having one win against two losses on the season to Puzycki, Ramirez was able to get her revenge in the final to top the podium for the 138-pound weight class. She is just the second state champion in school history.



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