



## CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending May 6, 2016

# Thank You Teachers!

**We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week this week to recognize the excellence of the instructional staff in the Cherry Hill Public Schools.**

I would like to share my open letter to the teachers with the entire community.

*Dear Cherry Hill Teachers,*

*Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that I was inspired to become an educator.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that my children are enrolled in our district.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that I have been so challenged, so motivated, so inspired, so driven, so proud, so amazed, and so thankful during the past thirteen years.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that I beam with pride when I share with folks where I work.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that our students receive a preeminent education.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that our district is recognized locally, regionally, and nationwide for achievements in the classroom, in the theater, on the stage, on the athletic playing fields, and in various genres of publication.*

*It is because of Cherry Hill Teachers that I feel so*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Cherry Hill East One Act Play Festival

May 6 @ 5pm  
Cherry Hill East Auditorium

### Cherry Hill West One Act Play Festival

May 6 @ 6 pm  
Cherry Hill West Auditorium

### BOE Work Session

May 10, 7 pm  
Malberg Administration Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace

### Stars Over Africa

May 11, 7-9 pm, Rosa Gym

### TEDx Youth@CherryHillHSEast Event

May 11, 6-9 pm @ Cherry Hill  
High School East  
This is a licensed [TEDx event](#)  
featuring professional  
researchers and a showcase of  
East's science programs  
[Limited tickets available via  
email](#)

### Cooper Spring Carnival

May 14, noon-4 pm  
Cooper Elementary School  
Playground Area

### Philadelphia Soul Arena Football Game Fundraiser

May 14, 6:30 pm Wells Fargo  
Center  
Portion of proceeds benefits  
CHPS

*thankful and grateful today.*

*Continue to inspire, continue to learn, continue to mature in your craft.*

Regards,

**Joe Meloche**

As we continue through the busy spring, make sure to thank our teachers for the dedication that they demonstrate to our children's success. I encourage you to thank others with whom you come in contact for the work that they perform as well. Thank your mail carrier, thank the cashier at the store, thank the folks at the dry cleaner, thank the receptionist at the doctor's office, thank the building custodian.

Be thankful, share your thankfulness – nice matters.

Happy Mother's Day to all of those who are mothers or fulfill that role in someone's life!

Joseph Meloche

Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

P.S. Be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for the very latest happenings around the District. Our [District Events Calendar](#) on the [District web site](#) is a great resource for updates about upcoming events. You'll find the [2015-2016 School Year "Overview" Calendar](#) here. For events and activities in the Cherry Hill Community, check out our [Community Bulletin Board](#) on our web site. And visit our [YouTube channel](#) for videos from around the District.

[Tickets available online](#)

## BOE Action Meeting

May 24, 7 pm

Malberg Administration Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace



Cherry Hill East's  
A Cappella



CHPS Athletes  
Have Impressive



Community, Police

## Group, Stay Tuned, Earns Multiple Honors

Cherry Hill High School East's a cappella vocal ensemble, Stay Tuned, has wrapped up a successful 2015-16 performance and competition season.

In January, East's vocal department hosted the International Competition of High School A Cappella (ICHSA) Quarter Finals, attended by more than 1,000 music fans. Stay Tuned took second place, advancing to the Semi-Finals, which were hosted by *Pitch Slapped* realty show rivals Highlands Voices from Highlands High School. In the semi-finals, Stay Tuned placed second in a field of eight of the top a cappella groups in the Mid-Atlantic region.

In March, Deke Sharon, their *Pitch Slapped* mentor, invited Stay Tuned to perform as a featured ensemble alongside stars from the *Pitch Perfect* movies and a cappella groups from all over the world. One week later, Stay Tuned were featured guest performers at the International Competition of College A Cappella (ICCA) Semi-Finals at the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia where they wowed the sold out audience and college performing groups with their performance.

Stay Tuned finished the competition season taking first place in Moorestown High School's "A Cappella for Autism." They also won the award for Best Choreography. Senior Doobee Synn and junior Jeff Wang won the award for Best Vocal Percussion.

## Showings at Penn Relays

Congratulations to the Rosa International Middle School boys 4 x 100 meter relay team, who won the Penn Relays South Jersey Championship race on April 29 with a time of 47.72.

The team of Paul Bruce, Jakob Michel, Anthony Mathis and Tirek Austin-Cave, pictured above, was one of only nine middle school teams from across the state who advanced to the championship. This is the first time a Rosa team has placed first in the Penn Relays.



Congratulations also go out to Cherry Hill High School East senior Aaron Groff, pictured above, who placed 7th in the 3,000-meter run at the Penn Relays with a time of 8:26.57.

## & Bike Safety Poster Contest Open to Grades K through 8

The Cherry Hill Alliance on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Cherry Hill Township, and the Cherry Hill Police are sponsoring a poster contest for students in grades K-8 to illustrate and represent the theme "Community, Police & Bike Safety."

One grand prize winner from grades K-5 and one grand prize winner from grades 6-8 each will receive a bicycle. One prize winner from each grade K-8 will receive a helmet. Prizes will be awarded the evening of National Night Out, Tuesday, August 2.

Entries must be submitted - [with an official entry form](#) attached to the back of the poster -- to the student's school nurse by Friday, June 3.

Stay Tuned and the many outstanding ensembles at Cherry Hill East will hold their final performance of the year, the Spring Choral Concert, May 19 at 7:30 pm in East's auditorium.

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