

The Importance of Expressing Appreciation

WE have celebrated a couple of “official” appreciation events in the Cherry Hill Public Schools this week. Opportunities abound for us to keep the kudos going in smaller ways, always.

Today marks the end of Teacher Appreciation Week, not just in the Cherry Hill Public Schools, but nationwide. It was my great pleasure to thank our teachers and honor my first teacher – and one of my favorites – my mother, in [a short video](#) this past Monday. I often say our best resource in this district is the human resource. This is especially true of our teachers, who not only foster our children’s excitement for learning, but foster relationships with them to help them discover their talents, passions and capabilities to pursue all through life.

Also this week was School Nurse Appreciation Day, and I was happy – in another [short video](#) – to express my gratitude for our 21 nurses’ hard work and dedication. Our nurses are key to our children’s success throughout their school years, offering warmth and caring to the hundreds of students who walk through their door every day. Their work spans far beyond administering band aids and ice packs. They are advocates for overall health and wellbeing, experts at spotting potential health issues and helping families find the appropriate next steps for care.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cooper School Carnival

May 19 from noon-4 pm
Cooper Elementary School
1960 Greentree Road

Board of Education Action Meeting

May 22 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

SCHOOLS CLOSED

MEMORIAL DAY
May 28, 2018

Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

June 4 @ 6 pm
Malberg Administration Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

June 4 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

Business & Facilities Committee Meeting

I hope you were able to thank some teachers and school nurses this week for all that they do. And I hope the spirit of gratitude stays with you as you go about your daily life. We can all make the world a more pleasant place by extending a “thank you” – just two simple words – to those we see every day, to those we speak to over the phone or via email, and to those with whom we have lost touch, but who have touched our lives in a positive way. If you recall a teacher who had a positive impact on your life, or the life of your child, send that teacher a note today, I can guarantee that it will be cherished.

This is also the season for many events honoring our students’ academic accomplishments, as well as enjoying the school year’s final concerts, theater performances, sports events and banquets. I hope to see many of you at these events, there is so much for us to celebrate and to cherish as a community. Additionally, we will hold one more Coffee & Conversation before the end of the school year – on June 6 at High School East from 7-8:30 pm in the Little Theater. Please join me, and bring your favorite beverage and your questions!

In order to keep up with all that’s going on in the next few weeks, please stay connected with us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#). Submit questions via our [Quick Question](#) portal. And let’s please remember to present our best selves wherever we are, whether in person or on social media. Our children, whether they are small or are becoming young adults, watch how we behave, always. And one more reminder: The best source for information about the school district is the school district. I am always grateful when folks take the time to contact me, or us, to ask for clarification and for information. One of my favorite activities to engage in conversation with members of the community.

In closing, I would like to wish a Happy Mother’s Day to all in our community who are mothers or who fulfill that role in someone’s life. Your value is beyond measure, as teacher and as nurse, as counselor and as confidant. THANK YOU!

Regards,

June 5 @ 6 pm
Malberg Administration
Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

June 5 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration
Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

Board of Education Work Session

June 12 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration
Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

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Elementary Honors Band Performs In Concert

Congratulations to the students who participated in the 26th Annual Elementary Honors Band Concert at Shawnee High School on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Students pictured (not in order) are Sean L., Chloe L., Brynne Y. (flutes), Erin C., Mira W., Brooke W., Michael L. (clarinets), Ryder H., Susannah L., Nathan L., Maya S., Kayla T. (trumpets), Ryan A., Emily D. (trombones), Grant M. (baritone), Andy C. (percussion), and an unnamed student.

Instrumental music teachers pictured are Dr. Richard Beckman who teaches at Sharp and Bret Harte Elementary schools, Mrs. Christine Macaulay, teacher at Clara Barton and Richard Stockton Elementary schools, and Mr. Jacob Weber teacher at Johnson and Paine Elementary Schools.



Summer Reading Titles and Assignments Now Available

The [2018 Summer Reading titles and assignments](#) for rising 6th through 12th graders are now available online.

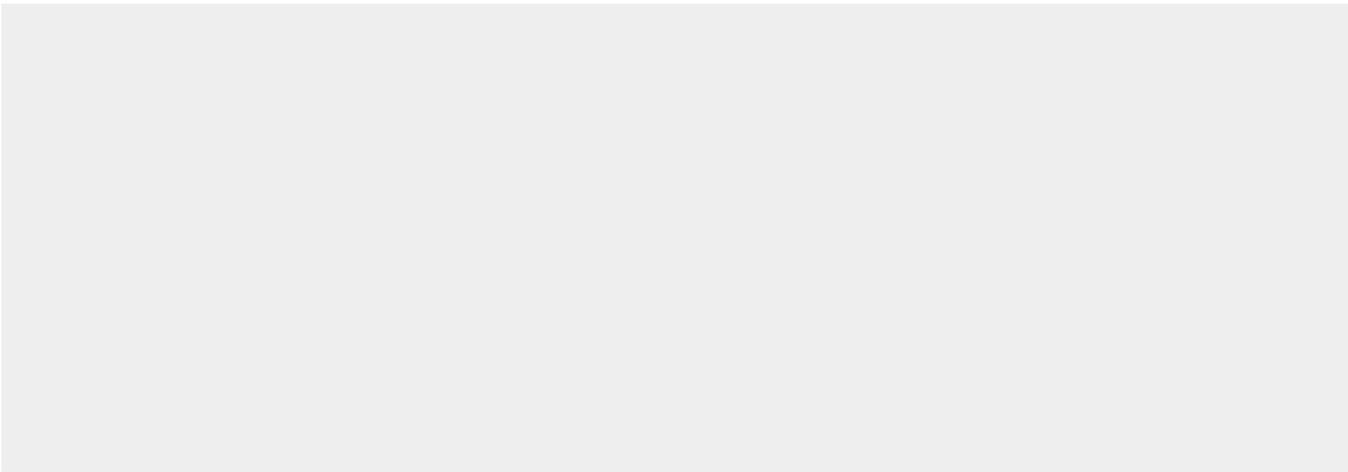


Cherry Hill East Student Named to All State Jazz Ensemble

Congratulations Cherry Hill High School East junior Ben Kornak, who was selected as the only drummer in the state of New Jersey in the All State Jazz Ensemble.

Rehearsals will begin in the fall of 2018, and will culminate in concerts in November in Atlantic City and Newark.

Congratulations again to Ben on this stellar achievement!



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