

CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS



CHPS Weekly

District News for the week of March 27, 2015

Great Opportunity to Hear Renown Speaker on Student Success

Angela Duckworth, PhD, Cherry Hill High School East alumnus and researcher on student success, will be presenting her thoughts on “grit” and its key role in long-term success.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cherry Hill High
School West's
Production of
Disney's Mary Poppins
March 27 & 28, 7 pm
March 28, 2 pm

In less than a week, the Cherry Hill Public Schools will be taking Spring Recess, a time that – we hope – will offer rest and relaxation to our school community. As you are marking your calendar for post-break events, I hope you will highlight our upcoming evening with Angela Duckworth, PhD, on April 16. Dr. Duckworth is well known for her research on what she calls “grit,” and how it is key for student success.

She explains: “Grit is passion and perseverance for very long-term goals. Grit is having stamina. Grit is sticking with your future, day-in, day-out. Not just for the week, not just for the month, but for years. And working really hard to make that future a reality. Grit is living life like it’s a marathon, not a sprint.”

Our teachers and staff in the Cherry Hill Public Schools are devoted to helping students develop grit through our curriculum, our schools’ culture and support from their teachers, staff and peers.

I invite you to join us for Dr. Duckworth’s fascinating and interactive presentation on grit on Thursday, April 16 at 7 pm in the Cherry Hill High School West New Auditorium. Parents will be able to participate in a questionnaire and will walk away with the tools to help encourage grit in their children.

There is no charge for admission to the program, sponsored by the Cherry Hill Public Schools and the Cherry Hill Alliance on Drug and Alcohol Abuse. Registration is suggested but not required by emailing Alliance@CHTownship.com, or contact Linda Dombrowski, Director, Cherry Hill Alliance On Drug and Alcohol abuse at (856) 488-7889 or with any questions.

[You may view Dr. Duckworth’s well known TED Talk on grit by clicking here.](#)

To keep up with our district news, including the departments in our former “e-news” – Up Front, District News, School News, Upcoming Events and Community News - [please click here](#). Check our [Activities Calendar](#) on the [District web site](#) for updates about upcoming events and follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). You'll find the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 District Calendars [here](#). And visit our [YouTube channel](#) for videos from around the District.

Spring Break

April 3-12

SCHOOLS CLOSED

Dr. Angela Duckworth's Presentation on Grit

April 16, 7 pm

Cherry Hill High School West

And please continue to [send us any news](#) about what's happening in the District!

Enjoy this last weekend of March, which we all hope goes out like a lamb!

Sincerely,



Maureen Reusche, Ed. D.

Superintendent



Cherry Hill East Students Bring Home Wins from Science Fair

Congratulations to the 27 Research in Science students from Cherry Hill High School East who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd at the Coriell Science Fair, a tri-county science fair held at Camden County College.

Twenty-two of the East students will compete at the Delaware Valley Science Fair, a tri-state competition held March 31-April 2 at the Greater



Cherry Hill School District Earns ENERGY STAR Recognition

The Cherry Hill Public Schools joined the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR Low Carbon IT Campaign by enabling the power management, or sleep mode, on their computers and monitors.

If all office computers and monitors in the U.S. were set to sleep when not being used,



Horace Mann Elementary Institutes "Earth Hour"

The Horace Mann Elementary School Green Team led the effort Friday, March 27 to their part in the national Earth Hour.

Earth Hour is a global movement uniting people to protect the planet. By asking individuals, cities, landmarks and business to turn their non-essential lights off for one hour and

Philadelphia Expo Center
in Oaks, PA.

The students' goal is for at least one student to advance to the Intel International Science Fair, which will be held next month in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[Click here for a list of the students, their projects and their awards.](#)

Good luck to all at the upcoming competitions!

the country could save more than 44 billion kWh or \$4 billion worth of electricity and avoid the greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of about 5 million cars each year.

The school district joins the ranks of leading businesses and organizations who are participating in the ENERGY STAR Low Carbon IT Campaign, including the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Dell, Inc., HP, Microsoft, OfficeMax and the City of Portland (OR) Public Schools.

Power management enables computers and monitors to go into a low-power sleep mode after a period of inactivity. Power management has the potential to save up to \$ 50 per computer annually. Despite the significant savings, according to Lawrence Berkeley National Labs, only five to 10 percent of U.S. organizations have deployed these settings on computers.

commit to reducing their environmental impact, we are showing everyone that the world's environmental issues don't have to overwhelm us. Small things we do every day can make a better future.

For Horace Mann's Earth Hour, all classes followed "lights out" for one hour, including all technology. Instruction continued in an "earth friendly" way, as pictured above during library time, when reading was done by the light of the windows instead of overhead lights.

The national Earth Hour is on Saturday, March 28 from 8:30-9:30pm. The Mann community strongly encourages you and your family to take part. [More information about Earth Hour is available by clicking here.](#)

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