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#### **Food for Thought**

"Life isn't about finding yourself; it's about creating yourself." ~ George Bernard Shaw

#### FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT CLERK REGARDING **RECOGNITION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

What does a board member do?

According to the New York State School Boards Association, a school board member takes on one of the most important citizen responsibilities-overseeing the education of a community's youth. From Pre-School days to high school graduation day, the Board of Education is instrumental in decisions that need to be made and tough challenges that require working collegially as a single entity for the success of each and every student.

These individuals are volunteers—and they dedicate their time and talent selflessly in creating a shared vision for the future of education.

Our South Huntington Board of Education works continuously in setting the direction to achieve the highest student performance; they demand rigorous accountability for student achievement results and support a healthy school culture for work and learning. Seven individuals-all very different from each other-working together for our South Huntington learning family.

At this evening's Board of Education meeting, the Board will be recognized by students, administration, teachers, staff members and community stakeholders providing their appreciation and gratitude to have these fine individuals serve on behalf of our children. We are indeed blessed to have each one and further blessed to have such a rich history of board members who have served our community with such concern and care.

The public is welcome to attend this evening's meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the James Kaden Administrative Offices or through the link available on the website, www.shufsd.org

#### Superintendent's Corner

Thank you to all of the students, faculty, staff, and community members who participated in this past weekends' Homecoming celebration. The multitude of events, beginning with spirit week, and culminating with an amazing carnival, pep rally, bonfire, and star-studded parade, are a beautiful reflection of the rich traditions that make South Huntington shine. There was something special in watching our community celebrate as nearly a century of tradition was showcased for all to enjoy. The reality is that "nobody does Homecoming like the Wildcats," and our spirit is a model for school districts throughout the region.

We look forward to seeing the teamwork that manifested these past weeks continue as our district excels to even bigger and better things in the weeks and months to come.

#### **News from Deputy Superintendent/Business Dr. Joseph Centamore**

Congratulations to the following Walt Whitman students selected to the 2021 NYSCAME/Suffolk High School All County Festival. This is bittersweet, as reflected in the subsequent announcement from NYSCAME cancelling the event.

Alexa Beaubrun - Treble Choir - Soprano I



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Joseph Cenzoprano - Chorus - Bass I Haylee Caserta - Chorus- Soprano I Raymond Nazario - Chorus - Bass I Gianna Vozza - Orchestra - Flute Jordan Logue - Chorus - Alto 2 Angela Shedlow - Band - Flute Edward Pena - Chorus - Tenor 2 Quinlan Sellers - Chorus - Bass I

#### Dance Teams

At Homecoming this past Saturday, our student dancers were on full display. Both the Whitman Varsity Dance Team, as well as the Stimson Middle School Dance Team, proudly marched in the parade. At halftime, the Varsity Dance team performed two fabulous routines, including a wonderful collaboration with the Stimson Middle School Dance Team. The Varsity Dance Team will be performing again at this Saturday's football game, as well as on Monday, November 1st, at Birchwood's Academic Pep rally.

#### Marching Band

It was an incredibly busy and highly successful weekend for the Whitman Marching Band. After setting the tone with a wonderful parade performance, they then had an outstanding halftime show. This momentum carried over into Sunday, where they took first place in their division in the US Bands New York State Championship, which was held at Walt Whitman High School and hosted by our incredible Marching Band Parents Association. It is now on to Syracuse, where the Band will compete this Sunday at the New York State Field Band Conference (NYSFBC) Championship.

From Friday's carnival, bonfire and Powder Puff Football game, to Saturdays' Hall of Fame Induction, parade and the numerous athletic contests, to Sunday's Cheerleading Tournament and Marching Band Championships, the spirit, pride and especially commitment of our South Huntington community was on full display.

It is with heartfelt appreciation and admiration that I acknowledge and thank our Facilities Office, custodial, grounds, maintenance and security staff; our Transportation and Nutrition staff; our advisors, directors, supervisors, coaches and sponsors; our Board of Education, administration, teaching and support staff; our parent volunteers from all organizations; our families and community...and...especially our amazing students who are simply the absolute best!

#### News from Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, Dr. John Murphy & Dr. Gayle Steele

Balanced Literacy Training at the Intermediate Level

This week, teachers in Birchwood and Maplewood have been participating in Balanced Literacy Professional Development sessions. We are happy to have Mrs. Enid Martinez return to South Huntington for this on-site training. Mrs. Martinez has worked with educators across the nation teaching strategies for strengthening students' reading and writing skills. Mrs. Martinez has worked with our K-2 and ENL staff for the past seven years. She will shift her focus to the intermediate level, as this will support our efforts with aligning curriculum across grade levels.

#### 21st Century Learning Programs & Activities

In an effort to keep students engaged and active, South Huntington has continued to update its list of supplemental resources that parents and students can utilize outside of the classroom. Given the deficits faced by so many, these resources are beneficial in providing students remediation and academic support. Please click on the links provided below to learn more about these resources and how they can assist your child outside of the classroom.

New programs:

 <u>Scholastic Literacy Pro</u> (k-5) <u>Xtra Math</u> (k-5)

#### Additional programs available for home:

- Keyboarding Without Tears
  - iReady My Path

#### Upcoming Parent Workshops

As discussed in previous newsletters, South Huntington is continuing to provide information and training to parents on various digital tools and technologies utilized within the classroom. These tools allow parents to be an active part of their child's education through the review of academic and attendance reports.

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Please see below the upcoming training that will be provided to parents wanting to participate. All these training sessions will be virtual, allowing parents to participate from the comfort of their home. We ask that you please click on the links provided to sign up for the event before classes become full. If you have any questions regarding this, we ask that you please contact the office of curriculum and instruction at 631-812-3100.

#### Chromebook 101:

November 3, 2021- Chromebook 101- English- 7 PM- E. Weis https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYqdO2spjkpHNbWNW5ZqFkS6TcKbs-3YcnN

November 3, 2021- Chromebook 101- Spanish- 7 PM- P. Ramirez https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIrcu6rpzgqEtB9o6anLUr0gqqc7cqV-9VSp

#### ClassLink 101:

November 8, 2021- ClassLink 101- English- 7PM- S. Wyhowanec https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJctdeChrjsrGdHoEkYp\_JW1JnmcY3Y-QL8\_z

November 8, 2021- ClassLink 101- Spanish- 7PM- P. Ramirez https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUpdOGrrT4iGdPf4LZ9HkuRJNzP2EFpLKOv

#### <u>Seesaw 101:</u>

November 23, 2021- Seesaw Elementary- English- 7PM- B. Hall <u>https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJApfuChrDwuG9N0Q8V9PES-</u> <u>rdRrQKGs8CONx</u> November 23, 2021- Seesaw Elementary- Spanish- 7PM- A. Lopez <u>https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvdemsqTMrHtRaLqUf-54kga4zXseY-</u> wNjD

#### Silas Wood Library/Makerspace is almost complete

South Huntington is proud to announce the completion of the Silas Wood Makerspace. After a couple of months of construction, the Makerspace is ready to be utilized by our Silas Wood students and staff. Students will have the ability to create and engage in such fields as Computer Science, Engineering and Coding. This space will house many activities that will allow students to self-explore exciting topics and programs. We look forward to sharing the wonderful activities students will be participating in the weeks to come.

## Some Thoughts from Assistant Superintendent for Student Services April Poprilo

As the holiday season approaches, our building-level social workers are coordinating collections to ensure that families in need have access to food and other resources. A very special thank you to the South Huntington Teacher Association (SHTA) for donating gift cards in a total amount of \$500. On behalf of the Student Services Department, I want to convey our gratitude for SHTA's generosity and continued partnership with supporting our students and families.

If you are a local business or organization that can contribute to the holiday collection with gift cards or food, then please contact either Mrs. Stacey Fletcher, WWHS social worker, <u>sfletcher@shufd.org</u>, or Mrs. Ventura Trent, District-wide social worker, <u>vtrent@shfusd.org</u>.

## News from David Barth, Supervisor of Physical Education, Health, Athletics & Recreation

The Fall playoffs are in full swing for many of our programs. Playoff brackets and schedules can be found by visiting the Section XI website (<u>http://</u><u>www.sectionxi.org/v3/Brackets.asp</u>). Good Luck to our teams and individual competitors as they represent Walt Whitman. Make sure to follow along on Instagram (@WaltWhitmanAD) for scores and updates.

Congratulations to Girls Volleyball, Field Hockey, Girls Soccer, Boys Soccer, Boys Golf, Girls Swimming, and Tennis programs for competing in the post-season. Senior Golfer **Jonathan Holleran** was just one of 38 golfers from across Suffolk County to qualify for the Section XI championship. He will compete next Tuesday at Smithtown Landing- Good Luck Jonathan!

Though it may be hard to believe, the winter sports season is almost upon us. Registration on Final Forms (<u>https://southhuntington-ny.finalforms.com/</u>







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) is open for all levels. Tryouts begin at Stimson on Monday, November 8, 2021, and at Walt Whitman on Monday, November 15, 2021.

Visit our Athletics website for updated scores, sports offered, coach's contact information, and more. All events taking place in the Walt Whitman North Gym, South Gym, and on the Turf Field will be live-streamed on the NFHS Network (www.NFHSNetwork.com).

#### News from Mr. Kenneth Costa, Principal of Walt Whitman High School

The Walt Whitman High School students and staff would like to thank our amazing community for coming out and supporting all of the Homecoming activities, starting with a districtwide spirit week, culminating with a performance by our talented WWHS Marching Band at U.S. Band Competition this past Sunday. With nearly 2,500 people on campus this past weekend, the sense of community and Whitman Pride was evident at each event. The Wildcat Homecoming "Pawty" could not have been possible without the support of Dr. D'Elia and his cabinet, Ms. Bradie Bohlan and Ms. Kelsey Rice, the class advisors and their officers, the Walt Whitman High School staff and administration, and of course, our study body. This was memorable event that will only grow in the years to come.

As we enter the "giving season," Walt Whitman HS students continue to give back to our community. **Angelina Blankson**, an eleventh grade student and member of RYLA, created a drive to create Community Care Packages for those who are homeless and/or currently living in domestic abuse shelters. Angelina's goal is to create a minimum of 50 packages that would be distributed throughout the holiday season.

These individual packages will include socks, personal hygiene products, gift cards, and pamphlets on mental health and substance abuse. Each wing of the high school would donate a specific item over the course of 3 weeks, starting on Wednesday, October 27th. A special thank you to the Huntington Rotary, who donated gift cards, and Ms. Hanovich for overseeing the Care Package Drive. A portion of the proceeds will be going back to Long Island Against Domestic Violence Center for families in need.

Each wing of the high school will be collecting a specific care item:

100 Wing Leader, Ms. Laurie Augier in room 111: Dental hygiene - Toothbrush and toothpaste and deodorant

200 Wing Leader, Ms. Kaitlin Liegey in room 211: Non-alcoholic baby wipes and tissues

300 Wing Leader, Ms. Eleanor Troy in room 305: Feminine hygiene products 400 Wing Leader, Ms. Angela Biancamano in the Gym: Lip balm/Chapstick and unscented, mini lotion bottles

500 Wing Leader, Ms. Kathleen O'Neill in the Leadership Room: Socks and gloves

600 Wing Leader, Ms. Cathy Henselder in room 623: Brushes and combs for all hair types

Please do your part in supporting our community and helping those in need.

I thank you in advance for supporting all of our students, and please remember to support our various parent/student organizations and boosters.

"Be curious, not judgmental." ~ Walt Whitman

#### News from Mr. Eddie Smith, Principal of Stimson Middle School

Each of our math teachers were asked to select a student who is doing great work overall. The students listed below were designated **"Math Student of the Month"** for October. Each teacher had such kind words to say about their student.

**Oscar Amaya** - "Oscar is always willing to lend a helping hand whenever needed, eager to participate and is diligent with his work. It is a pleasure having Oscar in class." - Ms. McGrattan

Giuliana Bausano - "Giuliana always does all of her work, participates on a daily basis and is a model student." - Ms. Nolan

Anastasia Brathwaite Williams - "Anna is always willing to try new things, and helps other students around her when she's accomplished her work." - Mr.







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Principal of Silas Wood Sixth-Grade School Silas Wood is aglow this week as students and staff support Red Ribbon Week

School will be closed on Tuesday, November 2nd, Election Day, and will also be closed on Thursday, November 11th in observance of Veterans Day.

Each year, our Silas Wood Community comes together in the most amazing way to ensure that every student and their family has access to a wonderful Thanksgiving meal! Once again this year, we hope to support all of our families-in-need

Jacobo Castano Ramirez - "Jacobo is polite and cooperative and always will-

Jayden Castro - "Jayden is polite, always participates in class, completes his assignments, assists and supports his classmates." - Ms. Pascucci

Isabella Galindo - "Isabella is a hard-working and dedicated student. She is a role model to her peers. She always demonstrates respect for others and comes to class each day with a positive attitude." - Ms. Kaufman

Andrea Guiza Ulloa - "I am proud to nominate Andrea for student of the month! Andrea is always willing to help a classmate and continually puts forth her best effort in both Math LAB and our BL class. Her enthusiasm for learning is evi-

Yakira Lopez - "Yakira has been a model student since day one. She is very conscientious of her classwork and homework. Yakira will often do additional

Sophia Luebker - "Sophia is always willing to help out and has gone above and beyond to help a student catch up from a day they were absent. She asks thoughtful and deep questions. The quality of her classwork and homework are

Justin Norris - "Justin is a hard-working student and always comes to class with a smile on his face. He puts his best effort forward and demonstrates respect to his peers and teachers." - Ms. Kaufman

**Amber Pendel** - "Amber always comes in cheery and prepared to work. She's always very pleasant and willing to help out. Her work ethic is superb." - Ms.

Ana Pichardo Chacon - "Ana is a hard-working, respectful student. She is always eager to participate and challenge herself." - Mr. Goldman

Suhani Rahman - "Suhani is very polite and cooperative and always willing to

Kelly Rodriguez - "Kelly led her group during a Math activity by making sure all students were on task and involved. She is always offering help to teachers and

Shayaan Siddiqui - "Shayaan is a hard-working, respectful young man. He is always ready to participate and add to the class." - Mr. Goldman

**Brooke Striga** - "Brooke always enters class with a positive attitude, eager to learn. Her positive energy creates an environment where other students enjoy

Ryan Tabibzada - "Ryan goes out of his way to help others in class. He puts in great effort, always wants to answer questions and really seems to like to

Just a friendly reminder that this Friday is the Stimson Halloween Dance, from 6-8 PM. Drop off will be in the back of the building, and pick up will be in the

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(a number which is greater than ever before), through our Thanksgiving Holiday Food Drive. Food donations are our primary method of supplying our Thanksgiving Holiday Food Drive. Our 2021 Food Drive will begin on November 4th, and run until November 22nd. As not everyone may wish to donate foodstuffs, we are providing a GIVE BUTTER link, below, for monetary donations beginning at \$1 on up to whatever amount you may wish to contribute. All donations will help this worthwhile cause! Debit or credit card, PayPal, or Venmo can all be utilized for GIVE BUTTER donations. Last year, our Silas family generously donated nearly \$550! With that generosity in mind, we are setting a goal for this year of \$700, all for food-basket items or for \$25 gift cards to be used for turkeys or other Thanksgiving-meal items. We invite you to share the link with family and friends: <a href="https://givebutter.com/SWtgivingFoodDrive21">https://givebutter.com/SWtgivingFoodDrive21</a>

Silas Wood school photos have been sent home with students; we hope you love your portraits! Retake photos (Friday, November 5) will be offered to all students who were absent on the original photo days or ordered photos and are not happy with the photo that was taken. <u>Original photos must be returned on retake day to sit for a retake photo</u>. ALSO, PLEASE NOTE THAT WHILE YOU NEED NOT ORDER ANY PHOTOS, HAVING THIS PICTURE TAKEN IS **REQUIRED** FOR ALL SILAS WOOD STUDENTS AS IT WILL BE USED FOR

ID TAGS AND FOR YEARBOOKS, and this is the last opportunity to have this done! So, if your photo was not taken on our original photo days, please be sure to get your photo taken on your retake day. Also, note, that if you didn't order photos and would like to place an order, please go to ClassAct.com and use Code SILASWOOD21R. If you cannot order online, please contact Class Act directly at 718.338.2322; students may also request a photo order form from their homeroom teacher.

The PTA "Reflections" competition is open and accepting entries through Monday, November 1st. Last year, our students were honored through the County and State levels. We hope to match those accomplishments or, hopefully, even go to the Nation-





poster attached with a link and QR code for more information. Note that Reflections is all virtual this year, except for visual arts for which you should submit your project to the Silas Wood front office. If you have any questions please email, Gerri Striga <u>silasstimsonptareflections@gmail.com</u>.

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Wishing all Silas Wood families an Enchantingly-Eerie Halloween on Sunday, October 31st. Stay safe and well during all your exciting activities.

#### News from Mr. Anthony Ciccarelli, Principal of Birchwood Intermediate School

Our Birchwood students are invited to participate in our October Costume Spirit Day to take place on **Friday**, **October 29th**. Students will be permitted to wear an appropriate costume to school if they choose to.

Costumes must be appropriate for elementary school. Keep in mind that if the weather is good, students will be expected to participate in recess and physical education, so please make sure your child is able to move freely and safely while wearing his/her costume. We will continue to follow our safety protocols during the school day. Students will still be required to wear their protective masks during the school day.

The following will not be permitted: Costumes that depict violent characters or blood; Costumes that do not follow the district dress code and are too revealing; Masks (other than the masks used on a daily basis for student safety); Face-paint; Items resembling weapons; Inappropriate writing/ language on clothing.





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Thank you to all our families and staff that marched with us at the Homecoming Parade. It was great to see all of you showing off your South Huntington and Birchwood Spirit!

If you have not returned your child's Emergency Dismissal Form, please do so as soon as possible. It is important that in case of an emergency early dismissal, the bus driver knows who can take your child off the bus, if you are unable to make it to the bus stop. If we do not have a form and you are not at the stop, your child will come back to Birchwood to wait until you can pick them up

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#### Birchwood will be holding virtual parent-teacher conferences on Tuesday, November 23rd, and Wednesday, December 1st. Both of these days will be half days of school for all our students. We will also hold a virtual parent-teacher conference from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm on Monday, November 29th. If you have not done so already, please reach out to make an appointment with your child's teacher(s).

Please label all jackets, sweatshirts, hats, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc., so we can return them to your child if they get misplaced.

#### News from Mr. William Hender, Principal of Maplewood Intermediate School

Last week we had a wonderful Spirit Week, and our Homecoming festivities were amazing. It was wonderful to see so many Maplewood students throughout the weekend. A special thank-you to all those who marched in the Homecoming Parade, we had an outstanding turn-out!

This week the spirit at Maplewood continues, as we have many PTA events scheduled. The week kicks off with our Scholastic Book Fair, and concludes with our Family Fun Trunk or Treat Party on Friday at 6:30 in the Maplewood Parking lot. Also don't forget to join this Friday, October 29th, at 1:15 PM, as we hold our first Fall Festival Parade. We are really looking forward to all the excitement here at Maplewood.

This year, the Maplewood Speech Department is collecting socks to donate to our local Veterans at the Northport V.A. Community Living Center. Please consider donating a new pair or two of men's socks from now until Tuesday, November 9th, to show our gratitude to local Veterans. Socks can be dropped off in boxes by the main entrance at Maplewood. Thank you in advance for all of your help!

## News from Dr. Annie Michaelian,

Principal of Oakwood Primary Center The District's Homecoming activities were truly a special experience for all of our Oakwood students, families, and staff! Thank you to all of our staff who helped with games at the Carnival and a special thank you to all of our students, staff and families who joined us to proudly march holding Oakwood Primary Center's Homecoming banner in the parade!

The excitement continues this week with Oakwood's Halloween Parade on Friday. This year our plan is to host this annual tradition on the back field of Oakwood. This would provide additional spacing and enable our families to view it. Please inform your child's teacher if you plan to attend. Unfortunately, if the weather does not cooperate and we need to move the parade indoors, we will be unable to accommodate any guests. We are watching the weather carefully and will make decisions as close to Friday as possible. Whether the parade is held indoors or outdoors, we are working to capture some excitement through a live streaming option for our families. More information and details will follow later this week.

We are continuing to practice our safety drills at Oakwood. The students and staff have been doing an excellent job in reviewing the procedures for keeping safe during a practice drill.

As the weather changes, please be sure to send your child to school with a sweatshirt or jacket for outdoor time. Please be sure to label all of these per-



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Our SBM team is partnering up with our PTA to host Oakwood's 2nd Annual *Trunk or Treat* event on Saturday, October 30th, from 11am-1pm in Oakwood's parking lot. The day is sure to be packed with fun. Come see our mascot, Willie the Wildcat, Trick or Treat safely, and listen to festive tunes by our DJ! Once again, if the weather does not cooperate, we will be sending out information to our families for rescheduling on our rain date.

On Tuesday, we had a very successful first day of our Coding and Design Club at Oakwood. Our Second Grade Coders were very excited to be a part of this special after school activity.

In support of World Kindness Day on November 13th, please consider supporting the SEPTA Smile Gram Fundraiser. Information has been sent home regarding this very special opportunity to put a smile on our students' faces!

Oakwood is posting new pictures on our social media accounts on Instagram and Twitter. We are very excited to share all of the wonderful things happening to enhance and build on the home-school connection. If you are interested in following us, please see the information below:

Instagram: oakwood\_primary\_center Twitter: @Oakwood\_PC

Wishing everyone a fantastic week ahead! #theoakwoodway

#### News from Mr. Mitchell Levy, Principal of Countrywood Primary Center

South Huntington and Countrywood school spirit were certainly on display this past weekend. It was great seeing so many of our Countrywood students, families and staff at both the Friday night Carnival, as well as Saturday's Homecoming Parade. We were extremely impressed that our students had the stamina to not only walk the entire parade route, but also proudly display our banner and even manage to keep the Countrywood chant going throughout the parade. This is a very special school and district, and it was heartwarming to see even our youngest students supporting district festivities.

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, many of the students in our Dual Language program have been working on projects showcasing their countries of origin, as well as famous people from these countries. Tuesday afternoon we were proud to put our school's wonderful diversity on display, as all students at Countrywood had an opportunity to come and visit the All Purpose Room where these beautiful projects were displayed for all to see. In addition, staff brought in artifacts from various countries and the Hispanic Heritage Club from Walt Whitman High School came and performed a Latin Dance Medley of Bachata, Cumbia, and Merengue. In addition, students from the club dressed up in costumes to represent iconic Hispanic celebrities like Celia Cruz, Frida Kahlo, Romeo Santos, Marc Anthony, Sonia Sotomoayor, Selena and many others for our students. We are proud of the many countries that our students, families and staff are from, and we enjoyed showcasing them for all to see.

We are all still doing our "sun dance" for Friday's Halloween Parade, and are hopeful that we can hold the parade outdoors and welcome our parents and visitors. Please be reminded that in the event of inclement weather, and we have to move the parade indoors, we will, unfortunately, not be able to accommodate our families for the event. The good news is that either way, the event will be live-streamed with the help and support of our Public Relations Department. Please be on the lookout for the live-stream link which will be shared via Parent Square.

As we get further into the Fall, please be reminded that whenever possible, we will continue to go outside for recess. With that in mind, please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play. In addition, our lost and found is growing so this is a good time to remind your child to check for any lost or misplaced items.

We wish you a wonderful week ahead!

News from South Huntington Educational Foundation, SHEF

















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Faculty Reminder: The guidelines, requirements, information, and application for this year's Faculty P.I.E. grants can be found on <u>SHEFINC.ORG</u>. Educators may request up to \$500 in support for their project by completing the <u>SHEF</u> <u>2021-2022</u> Faculty PIE Grant Application no later than November 10, 2021, and recipients will be announced shortly thereafter.

#### **News from SEPTA – Maureen Basedow**

Please join SEPTA and our Supervisor of Academic Technology, Ms. Fulton, on November 9th, 7 PM, at JKAO. She will present great computer programs and technology for our students. Thank you to Mr. Levy and Dr. Michaelian for having SEPTA introduce our pilot SMILE GRAM fundraiser. LOOK OUT for November 1st, we will be sending out our Holiday Raffle for a \$500 TD BANK Gift Card. Mark your calendar for December 1st, 2021, at 7 PM, for the "Parent Burnout" webinar, with Parent-to-Parent and SEPTA. As always, please become a member and see all the exciting events and programs SEPTA is doing for our students.

#### **District PTA Council News**

This year's PTA Discount card has all your local favorites. Just \$10 per card, it can pay for itself after one use. Use every time you make purchases between now and Nov. 2022. Ask a PTA representative at your school for a card.



SH PTA Council welcomed our littlest Wildcats to the Homecoming "Paw-ty," with a coloring station to create their own Wildcat mask. Thanks to all who stopped by and participated!



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