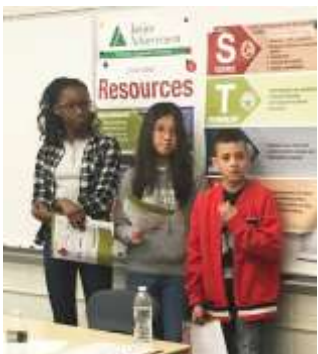


PHS FILMMAKING STUDENTS RISE TO THE TOP



PHS Television Broadcasting & Digital Filmmaking students made the top 10 USA finalists in the Panasonic Kid Witness News competition. With 553 schools worldwide in 19 countries competing, our students explored "The World Through Their Eyes." Using our state-of-the-art, high definition equipment, PHS students earned top spots for one Public Service Announcement, "D.A.B. Destroy All Bacteria" and one Human Interest story, "Snap Judgement." The top 10 videos from each video category will be judged by a group of industry VIPs, with the winners representing the USA in international competition. More good news for PHS film students came from the Ten Day Film Challenge, where our students scored three films in the top 30 from over 150 entries. The awards are on April 13 at Regal Cinema in Burlington, NJ. Congratulations to teachers Susan Pascullo and Brittany Bickerton, Practical Arts Department Chair Tom Wolverton, and their award-winning students!



QUIBBLETOWN STUDENTS GET MEDIA TECH SAVVY

Quibbletown seventh graders in Media Tech finished their Olympic Unit, where they first researched countries that participated in the Winter Olympics and created a travel brochure. Next, they competed in groups. They selected and researched an Olympian and developed an interview. Then, using their iPads and Quibbletown's new Green Screen room, the students acted as both the interviewer and the Olympian to create a final broadcast video.



SCHOR STUDENTS COMPETE IN ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

On Saturday, March 3, Schor Middle School's three Odyssey of the Mind (OotM) teams traveled to Sayreville War Memorial High School to participate in first annual Gateway Regional Odyssey of the Mind tournament. This is Schor's second year participating in the international creative problem-solving competition that encourages students to explore their true potential and bring knowledge and ideas to life. OotM solutions require students to perform in both the arts and sciences. One Schor team told the tale of a formerly famous emoji by embodying three other emojis performing specific tasks. They also had to include a choreographed dance and a technical representation of texting—all without speaking. A second Schor team created a mockumentary from a classic story that included both classic and new characters, live and behind the scene action, interviews, and voiceovers. A third Schor team created a hangout in a galaxy far away that included food, three original creatures, a worker, entertainment, a futuristic map, and a quest for Space Treasure. Congratulations to our Schor students!



PHS STUDENT WINS GOVERNORS AWARD

Following review of her portfolio and application, PHS student Avia Hurley was awarded an Art Educators of New Jersey (AENJ) scholarship! Avia will be honored at the NJ



Governor's Awards in Art Education ceremony, in Trenton on May 22. This is a tremendous honor for Avia, her teacher Dorothy Amme, and for Piscataway High School. Congratulations on this amazing accomplishment!

PRINCIPALS MEET WITH ACTING NJ COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Arbor Principal Janelle Williams, King Principal Dr. Alex Gray, and PHS Principal Jason Lester witnessed history when they attended the confirmation hearing for Dr. Lamont Repollet, New Jersey's next Commissioner of Education. The principals spent the day sharing information and ideas with educators from across the state.



KING STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN ST. JUDE'S MATHATHON

Martin Luther King School participated in the annual St. Jude's mathathon again this year by completing a booklet filled with grade appropriate math problems. The math workbook was a great supplement to the existing curriculum and a fun way for students to show what they know. The students also sought sponsorship from family and friends, raising \$2,075 this year—an amount that represents a child's chemo treatment at St. Jude's. Overall, the donations raised from King School throughout the years exceed \$80,000! King students and families once again prove "It's Cool to be Kind at King!"



MATH POTENTIAL STUDENTS SCORE!

Sixth grade mathematics potential students from across all three middle schools participated in a contest provided by The Math League. Each participating student completed a rigorous 35 question assessment in a timed 30 minute testing session. When the assessments were scored and the results tabulated, the overall high score was achieved by Enzo Milla of Conackamack Middle School. Congratulations to Enzo and his teacher Mr. Weglarz for a job well done!



RANDOLPHVILLE'S "GO FISH!"

Randolphville students, families, and staff look forward to its yearly spring



musical. Under the direction of music teacher Mr. Matthew Worden, the talents of Randolphville students in grades one through three were on full display as they performed "Go Fish!" at the PHS PAC. Students worked hard to learn catchy songs and humorous dialogue that told the story of a tiger shark and her quirky group of friends who learn that the world would be a boring place if we were all the same.

PWAY 5K IS ON APRIL 29

The annual Pway 5K will be held on Sunday, April 29, at 9am. Online registration is available until April 23; online registration guarantees a commemorative T-Shirt. There will be a Fun Run for kids 10 and under, and babysitting is provided during both the race and the Fun Run. This community-wide event supports Project Graduation.



EISENHOWER PLAYS BRAIN WASH

On March 27, Eisenhower PTO sponsored a Family Fun Night where our students and parents participated in the "Brain Wash Game Show." The hosts posed trivia questions to students about math, science, grammar, current events, and pop culture and participants buzzed in to answer the questions. Students, parents, siblings, and staff all had a great time playing the game!



PHS MUSICIANS HEAD TO DISNEYWORLD

The Piscataway High School Music program is headed to Disney World April 10-15! While enjoying the warm weather and Disney World attractions, students in the performing ensembles will have an opportunity to participate in workshops led by professional Disney performing artists and clinicians, as well as give a performance at Disney Springs. In preparation for this performance, as well as for their final concerts of the year in Pway, music students have taken part in workshops taught by professional musicians from notable ensembles such as the NJ Symphony and the Pennsylvania Ballet, and by Dr. Brandon Williams, a choral music education professor from Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University. We wish the groups well as they head out on tour – sharing our Piscataway Pride with others.



FBLA SUCCEEDS AT STATES

PHS FBLA students closed out their season with exceptional results at the State Leadership Conference, placing second in Banking & Financial Systems, second in Scrapbook, and fourth place in Hospitality Management, Sales Presentation, and Business Ethics. In addition, PHS Junior, Joanne Plaras, was selected as State VP of Membership for 2018-2019. More than a dozen members of the team will go on to Nationals in Baltimore this summer. Congratulations to the entire team and advisors Greg Michaels and Susan Leacy.



PWAY EDUCATION FOUNDATION HOSTS DESIGNER BAG BINGO

On Friday, April 27, the Piscataway Education Foundation hosts Designer Bag Bingo with a bonus Tricky Tray. In addition to 12 games of Bingo, attendees have more ways to win prizes like Disney tickets, camp discounts, restaurant and event gift cards, craft supplies, and more! Purchase advance tickets at Community Pass and save!



PHS STUDENT NAMED NJ SCHOLAR

PHS student, Elsa Hammerdahl has been accepted into The New Jersey Scholars Program, a tuition-free five-week summer program for rising NJ high school seniors held at the Lawrenceville School campus. Only 39 students are selected to attend the program, which creates an intense, interdisciplinary intellectual experience that challenges students to think in a new way — relating disciplines instead of dividing them. Scholars participate in lectures and small-group seminars where they actively engage with the disciplines.



KNOLLWOOD TEACHERS HOLD EDCAMP

Knollwood Elementary held an EdCamp for teachers on April 10, 2018. A participant-driven conference—or "unconference"—Edcamps are designed to provide participant-driven professional development for K-12 educators.

Topics ranged from Infusing Technology to Student-Centered Learning Strategies. This is just one example of Knollwood teachers collaborating to tap into students' full potential and enhance the learning experience for all.



GRANDVIEW ROBOTICS BUILDS EARLY INTEREST IN CODING

Third grade LEAP students at Grandview School recently built robots. Students learned to read directions, follow diagrams, and use tools to assemble a smart robotic crab. The robots can detect edges and when placed perpendicular to the table edge, make swift turns to avoid falling off! After observing their robot work its way around desks and tables, the students were challenged to build a maze of desks and then an obstacle course for their robot to navigate through. At a later date, students will disassemble the robots so next year's class can build and enjoy them. The table top robot kits are a product of 4M and were available during the Technology Day/Hour of Code held at Schor School in December.

