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JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SPECIAL END-OF-SCHOOL-YEAR EDITION

Congratulations to the Class of 2022!

A Message from Superintendent, Mrs. Jeanne Howe: Wow, where did the school year go to?! Once again, this school year presented many Covid-related challenges, but March brought the end of mandatory masking and the return of smiling faces and personalities. Our students excelled and our staff provided the valuable tools for our students to succeed. Slowly, our community returned to "normal".

The creation of the *Falcon Flyer* in January gave me the opportunity to share the district's good news on a monthly basis. It is a great reminder of the many good things take place in our district. I look forward to the return of the *Falcon Flyer* in September.

I would like to congratulate the Class of 2022 and wish them success and happiness in their upcoming journey.

White Rock fourth-graders played kickball against the Jefferson Township Police Department. The children loved participating and modeling their valuable skill of teamwork. The event was held as a reward for the students who worked hard this school year. (*top-right*)

Stanlick School is very proud of this year's Girls on the Run team. (second-right)

Cozy Lake staff getting their groove on and celebrating tye-dye day.

JTHS Renshi Matt Van Wolput and SRO McGowan taught self-defense to the senior girls. They were taught to loosen the hold, break free, and create space to run. Many techniques were taught to strike and kick the attacker. Each skill was demonstrated and then practiced to ensure proper execution.

(Below left) Class of 2022 Valedictorian Emily Barlow, and (Below Right) Salutatorian Erica Wurster, and their parents.





NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT

Ellen T. Briggs: The Jefferson Consolidated PTA sponsored an assembly for students with Jenkinson Aquarium. The aquarium brought a penguin to Briggs School. Students learned all about the penguin, its natural habitat, and what it eats, and got to see the penguin as it walked all around our all-purpose room. (*top-right*)

Arthur Stanlick: Under the guidance of Mrs. Platz, Janice Ravidran, Catherine Jacob, Casey Cumberton, and Madison Castle achieved a first place affirmative victory at the 33rd Morris Area Debate. *(second-right)*

Cozy Lake: After-school clubs *Morning Magic* and *Afternoon Adventure* concluded this week. Much appreciation to teachers Mrs. Cinnamon, Mrs. Baker, and Mrs. Carline for teaching these incredibly important after-school activities to our students.

White Rock: In celebration of the Spring season, our fourth and fifth-grade band and chorus performed a wonderful concert for the parents and students. Our music teachers Mr. Tiedemann, Ms. Kirscher, and Mr. Rothstein worked very hard with our children to prepare for this special performance. *(third-right)*

Middle School: Art Students have been busy at work. Seventh and eighth-grade students finished their "Pop Art Candy Bar" projects in which they learned: how to measure and resize dimensions of a candy bar; use the 'grid method' to transfer their label designs; mix and match colors using tempera paint; build sculptural 'skeletons' for their 3-dimensional candy bars; and wrap their sculptures to create a convincing giant candy. In reflecting on the process, students relayed it was satisfying to see the label look exactly like their candy, others claimed the sculptural portion to be the most challenging part. (fourth-right)

High School: The Environmental Academy and Architecture classes visited Duke Farms. Sustainability, repurposing a hay barn, and a green vegetable roof garden were some of the wonderful elements seen at the farm. Students applied their knowledge of National Parks, environmental journalism, and nature sketching during the visit. On behalf of Dr. FitzGerald, Mr. Smith, Mr. Flatierre, Mr. Nicholas, and Mrs. Vandigriff, thank you to the bus drivers for getting us to our destination and back home safely, Nurse Mrs. Kraljevich for her care and concern for the group, and the students for their hard work and dedication towards preserving and protecting our environment. Congratulations to Dr. FitzGerald on her retirement as she leaves us changed and prepared to continue the work that she started. Welcome Mrs. Varner and Mrs. Montgomery to the team and looking forward to meeting the incoming freshmen. (*fifth-right*)

Wishing all members of our Falcon Family a wonderful summer!





