



Jefferson Township High School Newsletter

Jefferson Pride

8th Annual AP District Honor Roll Recipient



JTHS Happenings:

- Academic Honor Societies Induction
- ASL Lip Sync Battle
- Jr. Semi-Formal
- Service Night
- Spring Choral Concert
- Spring Band Concert

English Connection: Ms. Wnuk

From Mrs. Maxwell: All seniors are currently working on individual 20Time projects. Based on Google’s Genius Hour, 20Time allows students to pursue an interest of their choosing. After pitching ideas to their classmates and teacher, students begin researching what is necessary to bring this idea to fruition and planning how to effectively utilize their time. In addition to documenting progress through pictures and videos, students are maintaining blogs to not only show the process and progress, but also to reflect on their project and make changes if necessary. Some of this year’s projects include upcycling clothing, creating a YouTube channel with a series of videos focused on correcting myths about the deaf community, reducing a household’s carbon footprint, learning the artistic technique of stippling, spreading happiness through random acts of kindness, and learning self-defense techniques. Students will create a final reflective presentation focused on what was learned throughout the process of the 20Time project.



Congratulations to the Top 20 of the Class of 2019!



AP Language: The AP Language class attended a Field Trip to The Cloisters Museum. This museum specializes in European medieval architecture, sculpture and decorative arts, with a focus on the Romanesque and Gothic periods.



Mr. Barrieres conducted his final concert on May 30th. He will be greatly missed!



Exceptional Connection: *Ms. Fritzky*

Mrs. Seader brought animals from her farm on May 16th and she and her students ran a petting farm. The petting farm was originally intended for the Teens and Tots program for their Spring Festival. When she brought the animals to school, each of her classes came out during their class time and helped by walking the horses, assisting the children with handling the small animals, and running errands such as getting water and setting up the area. Mrs. Seader has been bringing her animals in and running the petting farm for the last three years. Over the years it has grown so that all students with special needs are invited to come out and assist with running it. This year, Mrs. Seader brought a pony named Sota and a mini pony named Raven. In addition, there were two guinea pigs named Michelle and Michael, 3 bunnies named Snowflake, Thumper, and Bandit, two chickens, and two ducks.



Business Department Connection: *Ms. Villa*

Media center: Our media center just made arrangements with the public library across the street to do inter-library book loans. Tricia Lindstedt has already had one of her classes borrow books from them.

Below, are some pictures of 3D printouts, designed by our students.



Business: DECA students attended the International Career Development Conference in Orlando, Florida. Students participated in the THRIVE Leadership Conference. Students worked on developing their collaboration, communication, and critical thinking skills. There were 21,000 students from all over the world in attendance.

Our business students have started their Shark Tank projects, and hope to see you at their presentations as a guest “Shark”!



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Social Studies, Fine Art, & Technology Education Connection: *Mr. Papa*

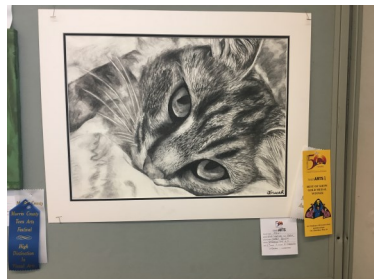
Social Studies Department:

A number of students in Social Studies classes experienced an authentic learning experience as they visited museums this past week in New York City. Mr. Boyle and Mr. Eastman led a group of students to visit the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City. Mrs. Farris and Mr. Hough led a group of US History students to tour the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum.



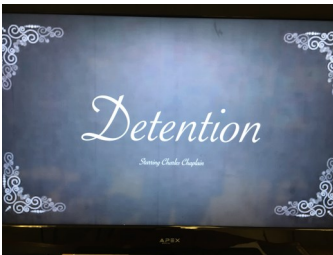
Art Department:

Many of the Visual Art students attended the 2019 Teen Arts Festival held on the campus of CCM. Several students won awards with high distinction for the artwork they had on display. A special award was presented to Gabby Frueh for the drawing of her cat "Maui" which was selected as one of Best in Show. Her work will be displayed at the State Teen Arts Festival, and could be selected to be part of a traveling exhibit!



Video Production:

Congratulations to our Video Production students who won the 1st Place Video Production distinction for their short film titled "Detention" at the 2019 Teen Arts Festival held on the campus of CCM.



We are so proud of the incredible work of our students and teachers.

Science Connection: *Mr. Hiben*

As we wind down the school year, science classes are busy finishing their curricula. In many courses, students have started or are close to starting their final exam lab practicals or projects. These may take the form of research papers, the creation of experiments and data analysis, laboratory skills assessments etc. When paired with the traditional final exam we get a much more balanced view of what our students know and can do. Although challenging, our students have risen to the challenge over the past several years.

Best of luck to all students as we approach the completion of marking period four!

We're on the web! Visit us at www.jefftwp.org, follow us on Twitter @jthsfalcons & like us on Facebook.

Guidance Connection: *Mr. Flatierre*

The month of May has been a busy one here in the School Counseling Department! Students have been very busy with testing. The month started out with the SATs, where we had over one hundred students participate. It then continued with the administration of the many AP exams we offered, spanning over two weeks. Kudos to Mrs. Staples for all of her hard work coordinating the AP exams! Needless to say, many of our students have been busy.

May 1st was National College Decision Day; the day for college-bound graduating seniors to make their decisions on what college they will be attending in the fall of 2019. We celebrated by encouraging the students and staff to wear college apparel. It was wonderful to see and hear where all of our seniors plan on attending. We were also able to honor the top twenty graduating seniors at the annual Top 20 Dinner. Congratulations to all of these students on a job well-done!

This month, we were honored to help Brittany Boetticher with her Girl Scout Gold Award by showing the film *Suicide: The Ripple Effect* to the students and staff at the high school. Brittany has worked very hard to complete this initiative, and we are very proud of the work she has done. If you'd like to learn more information about Brittany's project, you can read about it in the Jefferson Chronicle: <http://www.thejeffersonchronicle.com/jeffersons-golden-girl/>

The end of the school year is almost here, which brings warm weather and often times anticipation for the summer break. It is an exciting time, but we would like to encourage the students to finish the year strong and do their best to be successful.

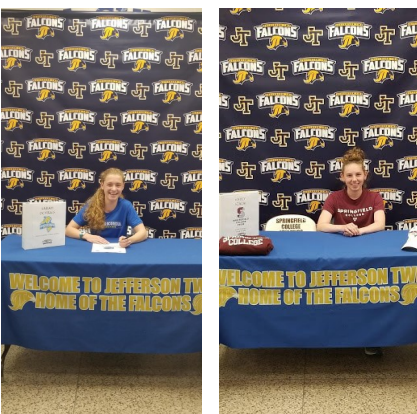
Athletic Connection: *Mr. Koch*

The JTHS Girls Lacrosse program will be hanging a banner this season. A year removed from a 1-win season, the Falcons improved to an impressive 12 and 5 record going 6 and 0 in NJAC play. Their banner will now reflect 2019 as they were crowned the NJAC Colonial Division Champs. Their team also included 4 All-Conference First Team members, 3 All-Conference Second Team members, an All-Conference Honorable mention, an All-County Third team member, and finally an All-County Honorable Mention.

Boys Lacrosse will also hang a banner after repeating as Pooley Division Champs going 8-0 in division play for the first time in history. The boys boast 5 first team All-Pooley, 2 first team all NJAC, 4-Second Team All-Pooley, and 2-Second Team All-NJAC.

Boys Volleyball joins the party and will hang the first ever NJAC Divisional Championship banner in history. The boys went 17-4 this year with a perfect 8-0 in the conference. NJAC honors are forthcoming.

Congratulations to Carly Wurster who joined the 150 hit club this season in Softball.



Congratulations to the Golf team qualifying for the State Sectionals and to Zach Costanzo and Tommy Heslin who were first and second team All-League, respectively.

Senior Baseball players Luke Foth and Justin Randzio celebrated their intent to continue their academic and athletic career in College. Foth will join Manhattanville College in NY and Randzio will attend Washington College in MD.

Senior XC & Track & Field duo will also compete at the next level. Sara DeVries, NJSIAA Scholar-Athlete award winner, will run for Misericordia University while Emily Szalai will run for the Springfield College Pride.

