



Jefferson Pride

JTHS Happenings:

- Underclass Awards
- Senior Prom
- Athletic Awards
- Senior Awards
- Senior Breakfast-Field Day
- Lip Dub
- Graduation

JTHS Class of 2017

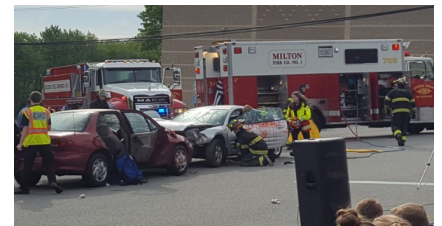
Dear Jefferson Township High School Community, I would like to congratulate the class of 2017. Their graduation was outstanding, and they had perfect weather for a wonderful event. To our students that are going to college, the armed forces, and the working world we congratulate you. We are looking forward to you coming back and sharing the knowledge you have gained from these experiences. As we close out the 2016-17 School year I would like to extend a sincere thanks to all of the parents, community members, staff and students. Thank you for your continued support in making this past school year a success. Enjoy a well deserved break and time off for the summer we look forward to seeing everyone again in September for the start of the 2017-18 school year. - *Dr. Plotts*



National Honor Society Students prepare for their lip dub performance.

School Connections: Mock Accident

We had our semi-annual Mock Accident on Tuesday May 23rd. Student participants, as well as those from the Fire and Rescue squad demonstrated the consequences of unsafe driving and the dangers of alcohol consumption during the Prom season.



Unified Track :

This year JTHS has a new team called Unified Track. The purpose of Unified Track is to create a team that is inclusive and welcoming of all student athletes, regardless of ability. The athletes and their buddies practiced for months for their first ever meet on Wednesday, May 23 at 5:00. The meet was a heartwarming event, as our team competed against Morristown and Pequannock High School's Unified Track team right here at JTHS.



Seniors Enjoy Field Day

Language Arts & Media Curriculum Connections

JTHS celebrated English Language Arts in June! Students engaged in synthesis and reflection learning activities as English classes wrapped up for 2016-2017 school year. The 9 Honors classes created stunning bulletin boards that emphasized the importance of the novel, *Great Expectations*. The students were assigned a setting from the text and were required to depict associated themes and



Freshman Honors Great Expectations Student Bulletin Boards



Gatsby Gala

symbols throughout a visualization on a bulletin board. AP Language students completed a similar project with *1984*. Finally, the 10 Honors classes put on the smashing Gatsby Gala. It was quite an event! Congratulations to Ashley Hutchinson, Sydney Blanchard, Aimee Cheff, Gianna Scarpa, Tyler Wagoner, Alex Morici, Katie DeBell, Amirrah Fuller, and Peyton Riegel who were all recognized by the English Department during the JTHS June awards ceremonies.



Freshman Honors 1984 Bulletin Board

Athletics Connection



Kevin Hughes & Mr. Kalish at the NJSIAA Awards

ATHLETIC AWARDS (Given out at Senior Athletic Awards banquet June 6, 2017)

The first award is the Distinguished Service Award given to a community member that serves our athletes and the athletic department. The recipient this year was: Eric Wilsusen. There are many scholar athlete awards that are disseminated at this time of year by outside organizations. Some of these seniors have already received their recognition at a banquet and some will receive recognition at the Senior Awards Night Ceremony. The recipients were:

- Ashley Hutchinson – Sussex County and Morris County Scholar Athlete
- Shaun Bishop – Morris County Scholar Athlete
- Kevin Hughes – NJSIAA Scholar Athlete
- Halle Music and Stefan Knapik - NJAC Scholar Athletes
- Victor Schiavo – Marine Corp Distinguished Scholar Athlete

The recipients of the Neil Hahn award for participating in three varsity sports their senior year are: Emilio Alheidt, Ashley Hutchinson, Jake Sobieski, Matthew Wacker, Logan Holleritter, Kayla Scherlacher, Jalen Torres, Julia Grlica, Chris Naiman, Britney Tester, Ethan Boyd, Brandon Magnotta, & Ashley Tester.

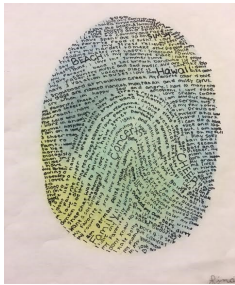
The "JT" Award is given to a senior that garnered 12 varsity letters during their high school athletic career. We had one recipient: Ashley Hutchinson

Lastly, individual awards were also disseminated as follows:

- Unsung Hero Award: Sarah Young and Matt Wacker
- Coaches Award: Clare Bohn (Softball) and Logan Holleritter (Football, Basketball and Lacrosse)
- Sportsmanship Award: Kara Cannarozzi (Field Hockey) and Connor Brown (Football and Basketball)
- Team Most Valuable Player Award: Isabel Seise (Softball) and Brandon Magnotta (Football, Basketball & Baseball)
- Individual Sport Most Valuable Player Award: Kelsey Pollard (Cheerleading) and Jalen Torres (Football, Indoor Track and Outdoor Track)

And our most prestigious award The 2nd Lieutenant John Thomas Wroblewski Award which comes with a one year membership to Black Bear fitness donated by Rick and Katy Leonard: Ashley Hutchinson

Fine and Studio Art, Related Arts & Social Studies

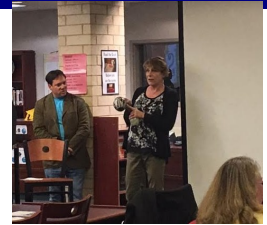


*Linsey Keppler
Grade 9*



*Maggie Frank
Grade 12*

Visual Art: On Thursday, June 8th the Jefferson Arts committee held their annual art show in the JTHS media center. Student artwork was displayed for all of the attendees to view. Mrs. Corriea and Mrs. Simler both spoke about their student's art, as well as, presented some of their own art work. The night was a huge success for the Visual Art department at JTHS.



Mrs. Corriea



Mrs. Simler

World Language, ESL and Music Connection

Music: The Chamber Choir went on their annual Spring Tour. They toured and performed in Newport, R.I., Boston and Cape Cod.

Spanish: Spanish 2 students have written Murder Mysteries for their Final Projects. These who-dunnits have been creative, entertaining, and have been a showcase of the Spanish 2 year of study. Spanish 1 students are creating autobiographical videos. They are doing an amazing job.

French: This book has been translated into more languages than any other book in the world, other than the Bible. Do you know what it is? Our French IV Honors students know. They have been reading and discussing *Le Petit Prince* for a few weeks now as they continued to uncover the wonders of this French literary gem. Our French AP students took the national test in May, then delved into Francophone music, and helped plan and run an incredible hands-on, cultural day at our French Village. Every high school French student got to participate in the French Village activities which included sampling French cheeses at the café; drawing copies of famous Francophone works of art; learning more about the Tour de France and other athletic events; describing current French fashion designers' latest designs and even modeling a Tahitian dress, a dress from Cameroun, and more at our café photo booth. Plus, they put in order pictures of courses in a French meal and set a table properly for an elegant dinner. They also spoke in French to get their mail at our French post office and got to play a French game. It was fantastique! Thanks go out to our French Club, too, who helped make the day happen. Our French II students have been busily applying their skills to tell some very creative stories about various pictures and scenes, including switching back and forth between future, present, and past tenses. And now...we are all gearing up for the exams and a great summer vacation. Bonnes vacances!



Chamber Choir in Boston



French Village

Science Connections

To an outsider, it may be tempting to think that progress slows in the final weeks of school, but check out any science classroom and you will see plenty of activity. As we wind down for another school year, students and faculty are busy finishing their curricula. With the NJ Biology Competency test (NJBCT) behind us, the last hurdle that remains is preparing for final exams. Students are seeing, and will continue to experience more emphasis on performance tasks and lab practicals as we continue shifting our teaching practice to better address the rigors of the NGSS.

In other news, Ms. Beshlian recently provided a day's worth of lessons to students at Cozy Lake School using the Star Lab, a portable planetarium. It was a big success! Her fellow Earth Science educator, Mrs. Kirshenbaum planned and implemented, along with many students, an "Earth Science Day" at White Rock, which was equally fruitful. Kudos to both teachers for making a difference!



Earth Science Day at White Rock School.

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*Brittney Ajaj and CJ Leonardo Display Student Success at JTHS!
Article By: Amanda Ventre, Junior Student*

Brittney Ajaj and CJ Leonardo are both juniors at JTHS and are showing true passion for social change through strong influence in the school atmosphere. These students have started a club entitled "Disney Imagineers Club" where members get a chance to better their community through service. These very inspiring students have claimed that as a club the main goal is to "positively impact the world and prove that anyone can make a difference."

Disney Imagineers Club, advised by Mrs. Kathryn Kula, aspired to complete many service projects which primarily benefit hospitalized children. Ajaj and Leonardo have come up with many ideas together including visiting hospitals in the pediatric wing, a costume drive for Halloween, Disney themed cards around holidays for those who are ill and possibly even contributing to the "Make a Wish Foundation." In addition to benefitting children, this club widens their impact by plans to visit local nursing homes and help to give a boost in moral to any individual who may be in need of it.

Interested students can help out Ajaj and Leonardo's efforts by joining the Google Classroom page. The code to join is tlbc4g.

Exceptional Connection

Mrs. Vanderbok, Mr. Mattessich, and Ms. Seader's classes enjoyed a pancake event that provided an opportunity to socialize appropriately while enjoying a great meal. The students and staff had a great time. Ms. Wildermuth and Ms. Seader's Career and Consumer classes will be hosting a Career Fair next week for their juniors and sophomores. For the last month these students have been working very hard on researching a career of their choice. They have made a poster, created a resume and cover letter, and have prepared a speech to showcase their career choice. Mrs. Ciaraffo's Math for Personal Finance class hosted the Teen's n Tot's program at a mock store. The children got to purchase toys in the store, and her student's had to make the transaction, calculating sales tax and change. Mrs. Mason's English 11 class is currently comparing and contrasting dystopian societies. Students are able to list the elements of a Dystopia, discuss the many masks of citizenship, and the students are able to identify the savagery of human nature. Students have studied 1984 and the Lord of the Flies and are able to analyze the similarities and differences between the settings.

School Connections: Robotics Students Get a New Robot

Douglas J. Meyer Detective Corporal of the Morris County Sheriff's Office Bomb squad came to the High School on May 30 to talk to students and do a demonstration with their current robot. Also, two bomb disposal robots were donated to the robotics team. The robots will go to great use for students to have the opportunity for learning about real life applications of robotics.



Technology Connection

The students taking the AP Spanish and AP French exams used the computers to successfully complete the exams. The HS teachers are beginning to create their final exams using Performance Matters. Computers are being utilized in full force since the last day of PARCC. Several classes are implementing Link it! as a trial.