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Section I: Good News

- **JTHS Held the National Honor Society Induction on November 7th. Congratulations to the students that were welcomed into the society: Elise Bencivengo, Bryan Dunphy, Edria Garganian, Ajay Gobind, Bailey Hedges, Tyler Hontz, Alyssa Ligotti, Sean Majury, Lea Mazzacano, Rudhra Merchant, Stephanie Nwankwo, Kayla Parisi, Robert Cizak, Alexandria Forlenza, Jessica Gamble, Toni Nordone, Casey Obaytek, Jessica O'Malley, Jenna Piccotti, Emily Ricciardi, Yves Turgeon, Erica Albertson, Alyssa Argondizzo, Juliana Aromin, Catalina Bahamondes, Morgan Beaudoin, Danae Benfatti, Cassidy Blaha, Reagan Bonforte, Amber Brinck, Morgan Brown, Emily Brunner, Abigail Buccieri, Alivia Catania, Owen Cheevers, Aimee Cheff, Cassandra Coyle, Edward DiTomasso, Alexandra DuHaime, Candice Faust, Jack Fitzpatrick, Patrick Flynn, Gabrielle Frueh, Felicia Gall, Kayla Gitter, Cassidy Holston, Samantha Iversen, Matthew Johnson, Melissa Karim, Helena Kateris, Kailyn Kerr, John Knox, Lindsey Latoracca, Nicole Lee, Hannah Maynard, Ian McAndrew, Hananh Naiman, Deanna Natale, Kiersten Nicolosi, Amanda Novack, Olivia Oberman, Patricia Orlandoni, Emily Parete, Anjali Patel, Lauren Reuter, Rebecca Schultz, Nicholas Smeilus, Ashley Struck, Sarah Sweet, & Christina Young.**
- **On Thursday, November 15th JTHS held a Mini-College Fair. There were representatives from approximately 45 schools.**
- **The Environmental Science Academy hosted their Semi-Annual Open House. Prospective parents and students attended, and were given an overview of the academy, as well as a tour of the building.**
- **Congratulations and a big thank you to the members of the Chamber Choir and Wind Ensemble who braved the cold, wind and snow on Saturday at the Veterans Day ceremony in town.**
- **Members of the FBLA are preparing for the toy drive and working on regional competition.**



Home of the Falcons

- **Congratulations to Sarah DeVries on a great race at Holmdel Park. Sarah finished 19th in the State Group Championships among a very strong field.**
- **Poems from two JTHS students, Krista Smith and Tyler Hayes, were selected from thousands of submissions and published by the American Library of Poetry in an anthology titled Futures.**
- **Congratulations to "Elevate A Cappella" for being accepted into the Quarterfinal round of the International Championship of High School A Cappella. Elevate will perform on Saturday, February 16 in Toms River, NJ.**
- **The Media Center was open for Maker Space during the week of November 26th to make some special snowflakes. This is part of a new series of "Makerspace Challenges" the Media Center is holding.**
- **Congratulations to our senior, Carrie Wolfe, on her commitment to Caldwell University.**
- **Please share in our congratulations to John Vernieri for his acceptance into the Morris County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post #140 Program.**
- **The sophomore and junior Academy for Environmental Science students will be going on a field trip to Duke Farms on Thursday, Nov 29.**
- **The French Club is hosting "Cafe au Lait" this Thursday 11/29, at 6:00pm in the Upper class Cafeteria.**
- **Our Transition senior students went on a field trip to County College of Morris on Thursday, Nov 29.**
- **The field hockey coat drive ends Tuesday, December 11th. All coats will be donated to the Jersey Cares organization. The bin is located in the HS by the main office.**
- **Kean University visited with students on Wednesday, 11/27.**
- **Seton Hall University and Ramapo College hosted an Instant Decision Day on the 29th.**
- **The Fall Drama *See How They Run* was a huge success. Performances were on November 30th & December 1st. The cast and crew once again did a stellar job. The action packed comedy delivered entertainment for all.**
- **JTHS students attended a JETS Business Day on Tuesday, the 27th. Students were given tours of the stadium, and discussed the intricacies of the JETS organization.**
- **Our Transition senior students attended a field trip to County College of Morris on Thursday, Nov 29.**
- **The Hour of Code started as a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to show that anybody can learn the basics of coding and to broaden participation in the field of computer science. It has since become a worldwide effort to celebrate computer science. Students will join**

over 100 million students around the globe that write their own code using JavaScript, Blocks, Python, and other programs. The JTHS Media Center will be celebrated the hour of code the week of December 3rd through 7th.

- Teachers and administrators who attended the Pequannock Tech Summit had the privilege of experiencing a keynote from Weston Kieschnick, the author of *Bold School: Old School Wisdom + New School Technology = Blended Learning that Works*. His message is about using the great things we already do (old school) and blending them with innovative educational technology (new school). On Thursday, 12/13, from 4-5pm Weston will be holding a kickoff to a webinar series. We will be viewing the webinar in the media center.
- Mrs. A. Brown and the Tomorrow's Teachers students participated in the 2018 Future Teacher Academy sponsored by the College of Education at Kean University. The students viewed multiple presentations by current Kean education students and university staff. Our senior Falcons interacted with other teacher cadets from high schools across New Jersey. The interdisciplinary workshops included multiple, content-based activities.
- On Wednesday, December 5th the PDP had their monthly outreach with the freshmen during their Academic period.
- On Friday, 12/14 Guy Budinsak will be visiting JTHS to speak to students who are already committed or have ambitions to join the military. Guy was the lieutenant for Seal Team 3, popularly known as Chris Kyle's team.
- JTHS students attended the tomorrow's leadership conference at Sussex Tech on December 4th.
- On December 4th William Paterson University came to JTHS for an instant decision day. All 10 of the students who applied were accepted. They will be coming back in March to meet with Juniors who are interested in attending the university.
- Service Night was held on December 5th. Students made holiday cards to send to St. Jude Hospital and placemats for the senior center in town.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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Science	James Knapik
Video Production	Bill Wilson
Video Production	Vinny Colicchio
English	Eva Alexander
Mathematics	Gavin Babula
Mathematics	Thomas Brennan
Physical Education	Madison Poulas
Social Studies	Tyler Cole
World Language	Leah Demko
World Language	Olivia Demko
Music	Joel Spiridigliozzi
Business	Samantha Colella