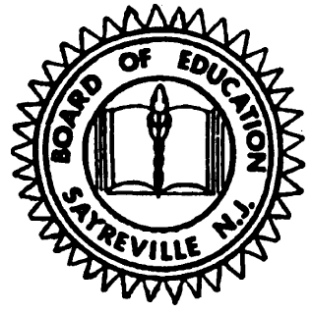


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WELCOME BACK!

The Sayreville Board of Education would like to welcome students, parents, faculty, and staff back to a new and exciting school year! Indeed, there is much to be excited about. We also extend a warm welcome to our new staff members and thank you for sharing your talents and love of learning with Sayreville's children.

Special thanks also go to our custodial and maintenance staff for their work over the summer months in getting our schools ready for the upcoming school year. We also extend our thanks to our technology team who continue to perform the necessary summer maintenance and technology upgrades which keep our computer networks and related technology running smoothly.

For other information about what is happening in the Sayreville Public Schools throughout the year, you are encouraged to visit our district's website at <http://www.sayrevillek12.net> The Sayreville Board of Education congratulates the following students and staff who are at the

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TRUMAN SCHOOL STAFF AND STUDENTS

On May 5, 2016, Truman Elementary School was recognized at the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders Meeting to receive recognition as being one of the top fifteen schools in Middlesex County for collecting food for M.C.F.O.O.D.S. (Middlesex County Food Organization and Outreach Distribution Services). They collected 1,500 pounds of food! Congratulations to the Truman School for their generosity and caring.

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ALEXIS CANNON
WADE GUERRA
KAROLINA HANULEWICZ
CRISTAL MARTE
ALLISON McCracken
MRS. AMY WELLS

The Samsel Upper Elementary School is happy to report that six of their 5th Grade students were selected to attend the CJMEA (Central Jersey Music Education Association) Elementary Honors Chorus. Top students from choruses all around central NJ met together on Saturday, May 21st to rehearse and prepare a selection of choral music and then perform a concert that afternoon.

SAYREVILLE/POAC WALK PARTICIPANTS

On Saturday, May 21, 2016 several hundred people participated in the first annual Sayreville/POAC's (Parents of Autistic Children) Walk for A Difference at Sayreville War Memorial High School. The event, which was planned and coordinated by the Multiple Disability Program special education teachers at both

the Samsel Upper Elementary School and Sayreville Middle School, included a resource fair, food and activities for anyone that was touched by someone with autism. Over 60 staff members volunteered their time for this event. Over 500 people attended with 32 registered teams participating. As a district, we raised \$32,000 for POAC. These monies allow POAC to continue to provide training to teachers, staff, community helpers and families as well as provide free programs for children with autism and their families.

SAYREVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL 8TH GRADERS SAYREVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO

On May 20, 2016, 327 8th Grade students attended the Sayreville Middle School's annual PTO sponsored Dinner Dance. The 2016 8th Grade Dinner Dance was held at Pierre's in South Brunswick. The students, all dressed in beautiful evening wear, enjoyed four hours of food, socializing, and dancing. In fact, the dance floor was packed all night! The middle school PTO also provided an "open" photo booth at no additional cost to the students. Many thanks to the Middle School PTO for helping to make this event such a success!

DEAR BOARD MEMBERS . . .

As we begin a new school year, members of the Sayreville Board of Education are always available to discuss your concerns and opportunities to improve the overall long range vision and educational strategy of the district. As elected leaders, we are charged with the responsibility to see that our schools offer an effective opportunity for 21st century learning for your children while at the same time maximizing the value of your tax dollars.

It is important to note that state law prohibits board members, who are unpaid volunteers, from getting involved in the day to day management of the schools. That is a task that is delegated to state certificated educators and administrators. Therefore, we encourage parents who may have a concern with their child's education such as homework, discipline, or extracurricular issues, to discuss that matter **first** with your child's teacher or coach and then with the school's Principal. Such an approach will ensure that your particular concern is addressed promptly and effectively, without having to wait for the next Board of Education meeting or e-mails and other correspondence to be forwarded through various levels.

Our teachers, coaches, support professionals, and administrators stand ready and willing to make the most of everything the 2016-17 school year has to offer! **GO BOMBERS .. GO BIG BLUE!**

SEPTEMBER 2016

SAYREVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

NOTICE FOR SCHOOL CLOSING

Delayed opening, early dismissal or cancellations due to inclement weather will be made via:

Cable TV Channel 22, News 12 News Jersey, Facebook, Twitter OR
Check the District Website at www.sayrevillek12.net



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			<p>1 ALL TEACHERS REPORT</p> <p>Arl - Teachers' Breakfast</p>	<p>2 ALL STAFF IN-SERVICE</p> <p>Arl - Teachers' Lunch</p>
<p>5</p> <p>LABOR DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED</p>	<p>6 First Day of School Grades 1-12 WELCOME BACK!</p> <p>Pre-K Orientation: IPST & Project before AM class 10:00am IPST & Project before PM class 1:00pm Little Stars 1:00pm</p> <p>Kindergarten Orientation 1:30pm SUES - KidStuff Book Sale begins MS - PTO Membership Drive begins</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm - SWMHS</p>	<p>7 First Day of School for Kindergarten</p> <p>Tru - PTO Membership and Class Parent Sign-ups</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Tru - Paint Night at Masterpiece Mixers in South Amboy 7:00 - 9:00pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>SUES - Modell's Fundraiser begins</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Arl - PTO Meeting - 7:00pm Kastle Kreations fundraiser begins</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Eis - PTO Meeting 6:30pm SUES - Box Top Contest begins</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Tru - PTO Meeting 7:00pm MS - PTO Meeting/Library 6:30pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Arl - Ice Cream Social 6:30 - 8:00pm SUES - School Store</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Arl - Scholastic Book Fair Wil - Boston Coffee Cake sale begins SUES - Yankee Candles Sale begins MS - Kastle Kreations fundraiser begins</p> <p> Back to School Night - Grades K-3</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Arl - Scholastic Book Fair Tru - Texas Road House Fundraiser SUES - KidStuff Book Sale ends</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm - SWMHS</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Arl - Scholastic Book Fair Wil - School Picture Day</p> <p> Back to School Night - MS</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Arl - Scholastic Book Fair Eis - Family Fun Night</p> <p> Back to School Night - SUES</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Arl - Scholastic Book Fair Wil - Fall Festival 5:30 - 8:30pm HS - UBU Assembly</p> <p>EARLY DISMISSAL ALL SCHOOLS</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Arl - Fall School Picture Day SUES - Apparel Sale begins</p> <p> Back to School Night - HS & Project Before</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Arl - Fall School Picture Day Wil - PTO Meeting 7:00pm followed by Afterschool Club sign-ups</p>	<p>28</p> <p>SUES - PTO Meeting 6:30pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Arl- Kastle Kreations fundraiser ends</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Wil - School Spirit Day SUES - Movie Night Under the Stars 7:00pm</p>