



South Hunterdon Regional School District

Issue: May 2021

From the Desk of the Superintendent

Upcoming Board Meeting

The Board of Education meeting this Monday, May 24 will be an in-person meeting at 7 pm in the high school cafeteria. Moving forward all of our board meetings will be going back to in-person meetings. I realize over the last year the level of community engagement for our virtual board meetings has increased significantly. Our technology department is currently working on a plan so that we will be able to live stream our board meetings to the community as well as provide a format for community members watching at home to provide public comment. Our goal is to have this in place by August.

Referendum Update

We are continuing to move forward with our referendum planning and will be submitting our current plan for a district PreK-4 school in Lambertville and new 5-8 middle school on the high school campus to the Department of Education for review. The vote for the referendum will be on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. I will be sharing more information in the coming weeks when I will be visiting the community to provide information about the referendum and answer any questions.

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NJ Seals of Biliteracy Earned!

The World Language Department is pleased to recognize the following seniors for their hard work and perseverance passing the French or Spanish Stamp Test in January/February this school year:

- Ryan Barrett (French)
- Max Cathey-Jordan (French)
- Olivia Frankenbach (French)
- Angie Gomez (Spanish)
- Kendy Gonzalez (Spanish)
- Ashley Hutchinson (French)
- Jose Perez (Spanish)

These students join their previously announced bilingual and biliterate peers at South Hunterdon who can pride themselves on earning the NJ Seal of Biliteracy. Congratulations to the 21 total students who have earned this prestigious title as a result of their diligence and commitment to learning!

HS Prom Student Activity

On Thursday morning our teachers (Kyle Hart and Krista Schemmer) and student peer leaders put on a Drive Safe Assembly for our juniors and seniors since the prom is scheduled for this Friday night. It started with a video that was shared with all of the juniors and seniors ([Drive Safe Video](#)). Then all juniors and seniors reported to the front of the building for a drinking and driving presentation by local first responders/brochure handouts. This included a reenactment of an accident due to drinking and driving. The students and teachers who put this together did an excellent job. Students returned back to the building for a Q&A debrief about what they just saw.

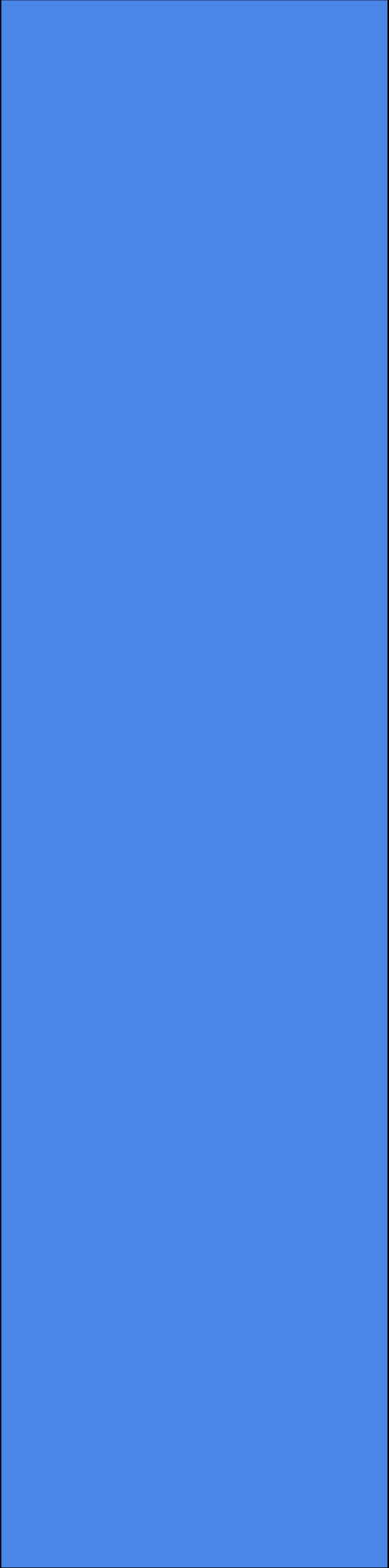
*** Dates to Remember ***

May 28 - School Closed

May 31 - School Closed

June 1 - School In Session

June 17 - Last Day of School & HS
Graduation Day





Lambertville Public School

Enjoy the LPS Insider [LPS Insider](#)



Calling all soon to be Kindergarteners please register to attend LPS! For KINDER. Please contact the LPS main office as soon as possible to register your child for the 2021-2022 Kindergarten school year. You may contact the school office at the following phone number or emails: Lambertville Public School - (609) 397-0183 heather.towle@shrsd.org or cristina.castro@shrsd.org (Bi-Lingual Secretary).

I am excited to share that for the Arbor Day celebration Grade 2, Team Ms. Gardiner, Ms. Lelie and Mr. Mears with their students are featured in the Bucks County Herald. [Arbor Day Celebration](#)



Congratulations to LPS we came up just short of winning the Golden Sneaker as a school; however, Grade 3 Ms. Silverman's class achieved the highest participation numbers of any class in the county!

From Ms. Jenkins (STEM)

Do you like to code during STEM class? Would you like to learn more about computer science? Then, join the Virtual Coder's Club! Open to all students-grades 3-6. We will meet via Zoom every Wednesday, starting on April 14th from 2:30-3:15 p.m.! If you would like to join, email alanna.jenkins@shrsd.org! Hope to see you there! :)



PTA News: lppta2@gmail.com

Everyone did a fantastic job creating Earth Day Posters. Thank you all for your creativity and participation. Here are the winners for the PTA Earth Day Poster Contest.

6th Grade- Ms. Hart Ricky Ramirez
5th Grade- Ms. McPherson Leticia Raymundo
5th Grade- Ms. Schwerdt Jack and Levi Dongilli
4th Grade- Mr. Hudak Wren Durkee-Newman
4th Grade- Ms. Bingert Jefferson George

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The LPS Character Education concept for the month of May is Responsible Decision Making.

May 25 – modified Walk-a-thon

June 4 – Grade 6 Frog Bridge Trip

June 4-5 – Community Book Swap & Fun Fest, Ely Field

June 11- modified Field Day (more info. to follow)

June 16 – Grade 6 Live Promotion at 5:30 PM (more info. to follow)

June 17 Last School Day for Students

3rd Grade- Ms. Mohr Julia Volmer & Olivia Sherwin
3rd Grade- Ms Silverman Sophia Reilly
2nd Grade- Ms. Gardiner and Ms. Lelie Bake Thompson
1st Grade- Ms. Conway Alexandria Rodriguez
1st Grade- Ms. Kinny Mallory Thompson
Kindergarten- Ms Weaver Rosie Hankins
Kindergarten- Ms Jameson Tessa Lee

Thank you again to all who participated.

1. PTA BOARD ELECTIONS: The LPS PTA is in need of parents who would like to be officers for the next two years. All four board positions — president, vice president, treasurer, secretary — are up for election this year.

2. PRETZEL SALES: Support the 6th-grade class trip! Buy a fresh, warm Philadelphia Pretzel Factory pretzel every FRIDAY after school for the next few weeks (\$1).

3. WALK-A-THON: The Walk-a-Thon will be held on Tuesday, May 25th. Funds will be used to support the LPS Field Day in June. Register and pledge online at <https://app.memberhub.gives/lpswalks21>. Paper pledge forms and flyers have gone home in folders!

4. BOOK SWAP AND FAMILY FUN FEST: Kids' book donations needed for the Community Book Swap! Donate gently used books (pre-k to pre-teen) to LPS or bring them to Family Literacy Night. Then join the fun on June 4-5 at Ely Field: book swap, games, inflatables, music, and an auction to benefit the LAEF.

5. SAVE YOUR McCaffrey's RECEIPTS! We have joined McCaffrey's group fundraising program. Send your store receipts into school in an envelope marked "PTA" or drop them in the main office. McCaffrey's will donate 1% of all eligible sales back to LPS. Thank you to everyone who has already provided receipts!



West Amwell Elementary School

Kindergarten Registration

Calling all soon to be Kindergarteners! Please register now to attend West Amwell School in September! Please contact the main office as soon as possible to register your child for the 2021-2022 school year. You may contact the school office at the following phone number or emails: (609) 397-0819 (ext. 0200) or email Kathy Fabiano at kathy.fabiano@shrsd.org.

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From Ms. Riddle (Music)

We will be having a Spring Concert, May 27th, 2021 during school hours. This event will take place outdoors, following guidelines for social distancing. There will be a video recording of it to send home to parents that are unable to attend during the day. Information will be sent out at a later date detailing instructions for the event.

From Mrs. Angst

Building Home Libraries & Financial Literacy Project

Students working with Mrs. Zidzik, Mrs. Carbone, and Mrs. Angst were eligible to receive FREE books through a districtwide grant this year. Our students experienced the process of selecting books within a budget, financial literacy. This project enabled our students to build their home libraries with books of their choice, developing a love of reading and books. Upon receipt of the book orders our students were ecstatic! They could not wait to dive into their bags and explore their new treasures. Happy Reading!

Book Collection

Girl Scout Daisy Troop #81201 would like to thank everyone for supporting their book drive. It was a great success!

From the Counselor

The character trait we are highlighting in May is **Empathy**. This month our wildcats welcome one of our community partners, St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center. Their volunteer educators are providing virtual lessons to all students related to empathy, care and compassion for animals. You can learn more about St. Hubert's Outreach Education Programs by following [this link](#).

*** Dates to Remember ***

May 27 - Spring Concert

May 28 - School Closed

May 31 - School Closed

June 1 - School In Session

June 4 - 6th - Frogbridge

June 8 - Pretzel Day

June 9 - Field Day

June 11 - Field Day Rain Date

June 16 - Grade 6 Promotion

June 17 - Last Day of School

The character trait we explored in April was **Self-Control**. Watch one of my favorite t.v. monsters learning about self-control/self-regulation in this [fun and educational video](#).

Arbor Day, April 30, 2021

Mrs. Zidzik and her students planted and will care for a tree in celebration of Arbor Day. The tree was donated to the district by the Hunterdon County Shade Tree Commission.



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Pandemic EBT helps families buy groceries when students are learning remotely during COVID. Funds are available through September 2021 to some students. Students approved to receive free/low-cost school meals may apply to see if they qualify for P-EBT. Please see the flyer for more details: [P-EBT Flyer English](#) - [P-EBT Flyer Spanish](#)

Save the Date!

Elementary Book Swap and LAEF Auction

Friday, June 4th 4-8 p.m.

Ely Field

The LAEF, West Amwell PTO, Lambertville PTA and the Lambertville Free Public Library have joined forces to bring families together for an exciting literacy event on the grounds of Ely Field. Students will be able to "shop" for free books while the parents browse the annual favorites of the LAEF Silent Auction. Stay tuned for more info and how to donate books to the event.

NJ COVID Statistics

The New Jersey Health Department releases each Thursday an update on COVID statistics throughout the state. Here is the link for the report [NJ Health Department COVID Statistics](#). Hunterdon County is in the Central West Region with Mercer and Somerset counties.

Substitute Teachers Needed

Are you looking for part-time work that fits your child's schedule? Do you have at least 60 college credits? Apply to be a substitute teacher! No teaching experience necessary; training is provided. Flexible hours, per-diem pay, positive work environment. Work where your kids learn! Contact: stephanie.zorn@shrsd.org or call 609-397-1888 x1216

Would you like a community activity or event added to our monthly newsletter? Email Stephanie Zorn at stephanie.zorn@shrsd.org and she will make sure it gets in the next newsletter.

This monthly email is intended to streamline communications between school and home by providing one regular update on topics of general interest, reminders, etc. NOTE: This is an official email of the South Hunterdon Regional School District.