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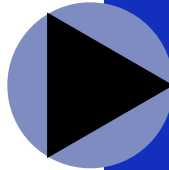
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# SOUTH HUNTERDON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

*From the Desk of the Superintendent*

*Your*  
**JANUARY  
UPDATE**



*Happy Holidays!*

Each month, Superintendent of Schools Anthony J. Suozzo will share a brief video message.

Click the icon to watch!

*{Watch Video}*

The deadline of the SHRSD Parent/Guardian Survey that will help to determine our 2022-2023 SHRSD Professional Development Plan goals has been extended to **Monday, January 24, 2022**.

Please click on the following links to complete the surveys by  
Monday, January 24, 2022

**ENGLISH SURVEY**



**SPANISH SURVEY**

*Thank you!*

# SOUTH HUNTERDON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Counseling  
Department



*"Happiness breeds success.  
Success does not breed happiness"*

**Tom Bill**

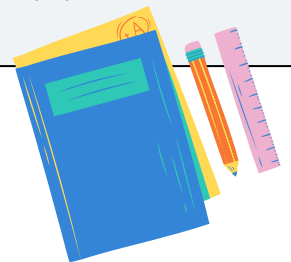
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## Naviance

The 7th and 8th grade Language Arts classes began exploring our college/career/self-discovery network, *Naviance*, with Mrs. Fenimore throughout December. Students officially logged onto the system and started by taking the AchieveWorks Intelligences quiz which is based on Gardner's theory of multiple intelligences.

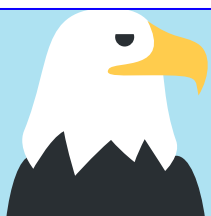
In addition to receiving a detailed report about their areas of strengths, specific careers and clusters were suggested and customized to each student. 7th and 8th graders will continue to explore Naviance throughout the year under Mrs. Fenimore's guidance.

## COURSE SELECTION



Scheduling for the 2022-2023 school year is around the corner! Within the next few weeks, the counselors will begin meeting with students individually to discuss course selection and program planning.

Parents will also be welcome to attend and should be on the lookout in late January for a listserv message with instructions on how to join in on their children's guidance and course selection meetings.



**EAGLES  
INSIDER**



Click [HERE](#) to  
Watch our Latest Episode!

# SOUTH HUNTERDON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

2021-2022

Governor's Educator of the Year



## Mr. Stephens



SHR Instrumental Teacher Gabe Stephens hopes his classroom culture reflects the strong and inviting community that has surrounded and supported him since childhood.

“It feels cool to walk around the halls that feel familiar in two different ways now, as a student and as a teacher.” Mr. Stephens said. “I hope our students here can appreciate it a little bit more than I did when I was younger. As an adult, I just love it so much.”

The 2010 SHR graduate was named the SHR Middle/High School 2021-22 Governor’s Educator of the Year. While he enjoyed his time at South as a student, Mr. Stephens noted that he gained a lot of great perspective coming back to his hometown as a working professional.

“It’s important for us to go out and see as much of the world as we can; to experience different things, meet other people and explore different communities.” Mr. Stephens said. “But coming back to the Lambertville-West Amwell-Stockton area just showed me how special it really is here.”

Mr. Stephens takes great pride in sharing his love of music with students growing up in the same community. He also values the lessons he continues to learn in the classroom as a teacher who will always be a lifelong learner.

“I think that my students have taught me to listen a lot more which is funny because that’s what I tell them to do all of the time, especially when we are playing music.” Mr. Stephens said. “They have taught me to guide my teaching based on what I am hearing instead of what I planned on us addressing that day.”

Being flexible is a quality that both Mr. Stephens and his students have relied on heavily these past two years. Being able to create music together in the same room as part of a team has been an impactful shared experience during the pandemic. In spite of the logistical challenges brought on by remote learning and social distancing, music remains a creative and tangible bridge that connects those who appreciate it to the world around them.



Middle/High School

# ATHLETICS

## THE ANTONIO'S SHR

*Athletes of the Week*

January 3-8

*The SHR Athletic Department has teamed up with Antonio's Pizzeria in West Amwell to acknowledge and celebrate our athletes for their accomplishments.*

*Each athlete selected as The Antonio's SHR Athlete of the Week will receive a choice of sandwich, fries and a drink courtesy of the staff at Antonio's.*



## REGHAN BICE

A freshman on the girls basketball team who averaged over 16.7 ppg, 7 rpg in three games. She had five 3-pointers, four blocks, and four steals to help the Eagles to a 2-1 record, including wins over Belvidere and Hunterdon Central.

## GAEL CRUZ



A sophomore on the wrestling team who competed in the JV tournament at Delaware Valley High School. Gael finished with a 2-1 record and a 2nd place finish.



## Cross Country/Track Booster Meeting

The Cross Country and Track/Field Booster Club will be holding a zoom meeting on Wednesday, February 2nd at 7 pm. If you would like to attend and did not receive the link for the last meeting or need the link again, please email

[victoria.marley@shrsd.org](mailto:victoria.marley@shrsd.org)



## Spring Sports Paperwork Deadline

Does your son or daughter plan to participate in a spring sport? The deadline for clearance paperwork is Friday, February 18, 2022.

You will need to complete all of the following in order for your child to be cleared for participation:

1. Current [Pre-participation Physical Exam Form](#) on file in the nurse's office.
2. Completed [Online Registration](#) for your spring sport.
3. Completed [Health History Update Form](#) for the spring season.
4. Completed [Activity Fee Form](#) along with the fee for the 2021-2022 school year.
5. Current Baseline Concussion Test completed by your child. Notification will be sent directly to your child via email if they are due to complete the concussion test.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Amy Somma at [amy.somma@shrsd.org](mailto:amy.somma@shrsd.org).

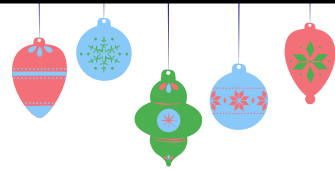
## Transportation Reminder

In order to drive your child home from an athletic event, instead of riding the team bus, the "Permission to Not Ride the Bus" form must be completed and submitted no later than 12:00 pm on the game day.

The "Permission to Not Ride the Bus" form can be found on the school website under Athletics.

# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

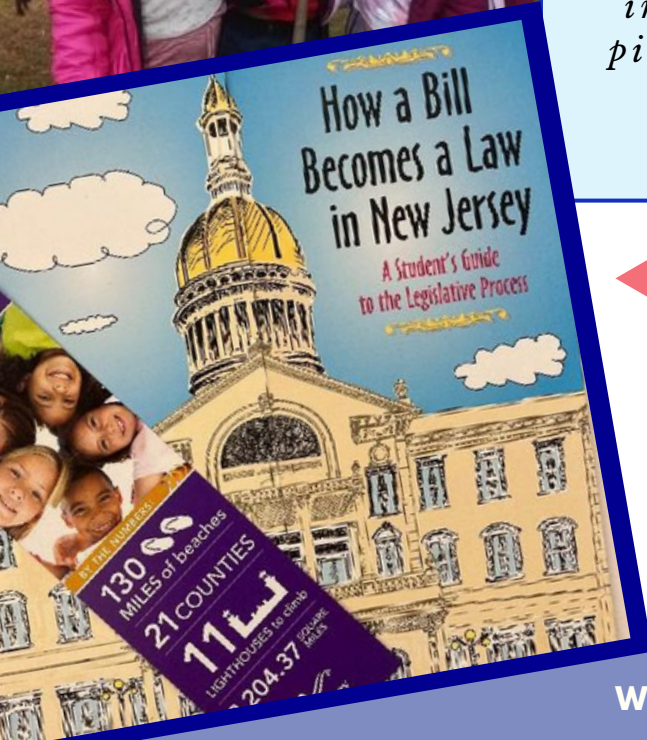
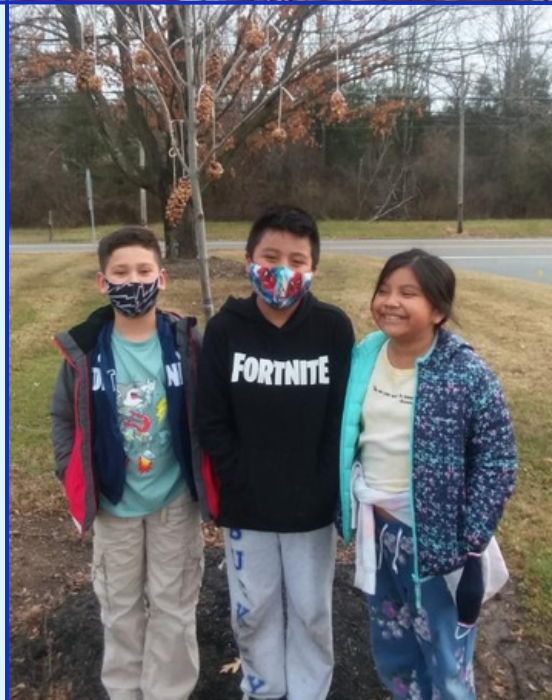


*Sending out Holiday Cheer to Staff on the Nice List.*

### ELL Elves



*Decorating their tree (the one they planted in the Spring) with pinecones filled with bird seed for the wildlife.*



### 3rd Grade: Government

Third grade students learned about levels of government. They wrote letters to the governor expressing concerns or laws that he should change. He wrote us back and sent us some cool information!





## 5th Grade: Gravity

West Amwell fifth grade went down to third grade to show them how to find their center of gravity. After we practiced standing on one foot, we made a bird that balanced on one finger on even on our shoulders. The fifth graders taught them that the center of gravity is the point where all weight is evenly dispersed and all sides are balanced.

## → girls on the Run

- ▶ Girls on the Run Spring 2022 Session will run on Mondays and Wednesdays at West Amwell School from 3:30-4:45.
- ▶ Girls in grades 3-6 can sign up through the GOTR Hunterdon website <https://www.gotrhunterdon.org/>.
- ▶ The program will run 8 weeks starting around the week of March 14th.
- ▶ Please reach out to Coach Taylor LaBau [taylor.labau@shrsd.org](mailto:taylor.labau@shrsd.org) with any questions.

## Virtual Winter Concert

West Amwell Elementary Presents "Warm Wishes".  
Premieres February 3rd  
*Straight to your Inbox!*





# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Monarch Butterflies

As WAS students continue to explore the traditions of the Spanish-speaking communities around the world, they created a large collage on a bulletin board (end of November) in Spanish classes portraying 127 monarch butterflies symbolizing their migration from Beaconsfield, Iowa to Michoacán, México.

The Spanish teacher added on the bulletin board interdisciplinary critical thinking questions connected to math, science, and social studies according to grade levels.

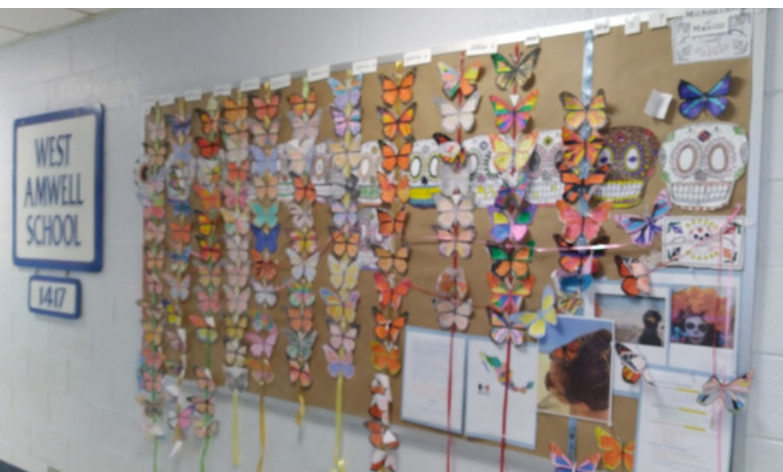
In addition, Ms. DiSalvi (3rd grade teacher) contributed a beautiful picture with a monarch butterfly on her head while on a beach day. Her picture appears next to that of a Mexican lady celebrating El Día de los Muertos in the traditional costume and hair piece full of marigold flowers (cempasúchil or cempōhualxōchitl in Nahuatl) -- on the marigold flowers lays a monarch butterfly as well -- which once again reaffirms and teaches our students about the magnificent interconnections around the world. This project concluded our cultural lesson on El Día de los Muertos celebration.



Our WAS Kindergarten classes also participated in this project and toured the bulletin board as well as 1st and 2nd graders.

On behalf of the Spanish teacher at WAS/LPS (Maestra Pérez), thank you to all of our WAS teachers for making this project possible.

Special thanks to Ms. McClelland for her help after school, to Ms. DiSalvi for providing us with her photo, and to Mr. Holohan for taking his 4th grade class to visit the bulletin board and including the interdisciplinary questions in his lessons. Thank you to all students for creating their own versions of the monarch butterflies.



# WEST AMWELL SCHOOL

# 100

# DAYS OF SCHOOL!

The 100th day of school is fast approaching, and in Kindergarten that means our Can Castle!

To help with the creation of one of our centers for that day and to show our Wildcat kind and caring hearts, please consider donating a can or cans of soup to help create a HUGE CASTLE using 100 cans of soup!

All soup cans will then be donated to the Lambertville Area Food Pantry after our 100th day celebration to help our neighbors in need.

Please send cans of soup in no later than Monday, February 7th. A collection box will be placed in the front hallway.

Thank you from the Kindergarten classes!!

## WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & THE LAMBERTVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

### Spanish Classes

The upper level classes learned about the Cabalgata de los Reyes Magos, in Madrid-Spain; while the other classes learned about el pan de rosca tradition in Mexico.

One of the most special moments for the Spanish teacher during this week's lesson was when a third grade student at LPS took out a plastic ornament that is included inside el pan de rosca as part of the tradition.

Spanish-Heritage students opened up during classes about this celebration in their homes and were given the opportunity to share with the rest of their classmates how they celebrate it -- a reminder that as educators providing our heritage speakers of Spanish/other languages with similar opportunities in the classrooms is paramount to all the students learning in our communities.

Students in Spanish classes at WAS/LPS continue to learn about our monthly traits in Spanish. In October, they learned about respect (el respeto) in Spanish-speaking cultures; during November, they learned about gratitude (la gratitud); and in December, they learned about citizenship (la ciudadanía). As they conceptualize such traits in the Spanish language and expand their vocabulary, they are also learning about the cultural elements embedded in the language.

On the week of January 3-6, students in Spanish classes were introduced to another holiday celebration in our Spanish-speaking countries and our Latinx communities in the US: El Día de los Reyes Magos. We called it "an extra holiday."

# LAMBERTVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

## "Morning Meeting"

During our January all-school meeting this month, we discussed the importance of self-control. We also learned that Dr. King's dream was for all individuals to be treated equally. Dr. King wrote five books and gave up to 450 speeches a year, yet he is most known for his "I have a dream" speech.

Please take a moment to hear some hopes and dreams from our LPS Leopards.



Watch Video

## FREE Food Giveaway

There is a FREE Food Giveaway that will continue to be in the LPS Parking lot. The food giveaways are always on the 4th Saturday of the month (from 11am-12pm) with the exception of when the holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter land on the calendar.

**Any questions please reach to Ms. Lui at [jessica.lui@shrsd.org](mailto:jessica.lui@shrsd.org)**

*Here are the upcoming Free Grocery Giveaway dates:*

January 22, 2022  
February 26, 2022  
March 26, 2022  
April 9th OR 16, 2022  
May 28, 2022  
June 25, 2022  
July 23, 2022  
August 27, 2022



*\*\*\* April's giveaway will include a Ham! As we get closer, we will let you know if it will be held on the 9th or 16th.\*\*\**

# LAMBERTVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



## COUNSELOR CORTINA

"The most important thing I hope the students at LPS learn from me is the power of self-advocacy. My family, specifically my daughters, inspire me to be a better person. As a new staff member at South Hunterdon Regional School District, I am most looking forward to creating bonds with students, staff and the community."

*Click [HERE](#) to see the January Counselor's Corner Newsletter*

**Thank you to everyone  
for your support with the LPS Grade 6 Grams!**

Grade 6

If you have any questions or ideas about fundraising events, please reach out to:  
[lps6thgrade2022@gmail.com](mailto:lps6thgrade2022@gmail.com)



## GOT SNEAKERS?

Keep bringing in SNEAKERS  
Please help the Grade 6 Leopards raise funds for their class trip!  
Donate sneakers--old, new, anywhere in between--to help this effort.  
Send sneakers into school.



In Case  
You Missed It

[CLICK HERE  
TO WATCH THE  
LPS WINTER CONCERT](#)

# LAMBERTVILLE

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

### PTA News

*lpspta2@gmail.com*

The PTA is sponsoring a WINTER WEATHER GEAR SWAP on Thursday, January 20th from 3:00 to 4:00 in the LPS courtyard. See attached flyer for details.

Looking for a way to get rid of your Christmas Tree? Support the LPS 6th-grade class trip and let your tree provide mulch for the city. To reserve your slot, text 609-455-8511 or sign up at <https://bit.ly/31od2B8>.

The YEARBOOK COVER DESIGN contest is back! We are accepting entries for the yearbook cover design. Show off your school spirit and artistic talents! Submission deadline: **January 21**. See attached flyers for details.

Photos needed for the yearbook! Please send pictures (at full size) to **lambertvilleyearbook@gmail.com**.

The 2021-22 LPS Yearbook is available for purchase at [www.ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com). Enter school ID code: 14094722.

### Nurse News

Important reminder if your child is experiencing any symptoms of COVID 19, you should keep them home and contact the school nurse as well as the school principal for next steps.

Symptoms include:

At least two of the following symptoms: fever (measure or subjective), chills, rigors (shivers), myalgia (muscle aches), headache, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion, or runny nose; OR

At least one of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new olfactory disorder, or new taste disorder.

If your son or daughter is being tested for COVID 19, we must receive results of a PCR test. Test results should be sent to the school nurse and principal.

If your son or daughter has received the COVID 19 vaccine, you may voluntarily update their vaccination status online in Aspen's Parent Portal.

*To stay informed about school and district happenings, Please Visit:*

**LPS Homepage**  
**WAS Homepage**  
**SHRHS Homepage**  
**SHRSD Homepage**