



Southeast Delco School District

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Academy Park High School

Annual District Band Concert

Academy Park High School hosted the 4th Annual District Band Concert on March 12th in the Agnes Patterson Auditorium. The district band is comprised of 60 students in grades 5 through 12 and is directed by music teachers, Mrs. Kristina Cabbage and Ms. Rebecca King. Students attend early practices before school on the first Friday of each month. The music chosen is especially challenging for students in grades 5 through 8 and students spend many hours practicing at home in their free time. Each of the thirty high school band members is assigned a younger member to mentor throughout the year.



This year's concert was fantastic. One particular treat was the performance of The Flower Duet played by 2 of the high school flutists; Summer Adams, grade 12 and Brittany King, grade 9. All of the music selections were performed beautifully and the students' hard work was evident in the amazing, cohesive sound created by the talented young performers.

NAHS Induction

The National Art Honor Society is designed specifically for the purpose of inspiring and recognizing high school students who have shown an outstanding ability in art. The NAHS strives to aid members in attaining the highest standards in art scholarship, character, and service, and to bring art education to the attention of the school and community.



Academy Park High School held an induction ceremony for National Art Honor Society on March 7th. Thirty members were inducted into the regional chapter in the newly renovated high school auditorium. Fifteen of those students are seniors who will be graduating with special art honors for outstanding artistic achievement within the Art Honor Society. Those students received special National Art Honor Society

honor cords and tassels to be worn in June at graduation. Academy Park art teacher and NAHS sponsor, Mrs. Christine Sorton, presided over the ceremony, along with NAHS officers, Marisa Comroe, president, Deenesha Brown, vice-president, Sabrina Kidd, secretary, and Soraya Brown, treasurer.

Upcoming Academy Park High School Events

April

04/05	Rising Scholars Meeting – 8:00 AM – Noon
04/08	Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM
04/14 – 04/18	Spring Break – No School for Students
04/19	Rising Scholars Meeting – 8:00 AM – Noon

May

05/02	Progress Notices Issued
05/02	Junior Prom – Waterfall Banquet Hall – 7:00 PM
05/07	Early Dismissal – APHS – 11:00 AM
05/09	District Musical – Cinderella – The Enchanted Edition – 7:30 PM – APHS
05/10	District Musical – Cinderella – The Enchanted Edition – 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM – APHS
05/15	Blood Drive
05/16	District Musical – Cinderella – The Enchanted Edition – 7:30 PM – APHS
05/17	District Musical – Cinderella – The Enchanted Edition – 7:30 PM – APHS
05/18	District Musical – Cinderella – The Enchanted Edition – 2:00 PM – APHS
05/21	Spring Concert – APHS – 7:00 PM
05/26	Memorial Day Holiday – No School for Students or Staff
05/28	District Family Literacy Night – DTS – 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Darby Township School

PSSA Pandemonium

The month of March was all about PSSA at Darby Township School as students in grades 3 through 8 took the Reading and Math assessments. Testing will continue in April when 5th and 8th grade students take the Writing PSSA. Students and staff will surely welcome Spring Bread that is scheduled for April 14th through 18th, after which 4th and 8th grade students will take the Science PSSA.

In addition to instructional preparations, we also wanted to motivate our students to do their very best on all the PSSA tests. To achieve that goal, students attended a motivational assembly. The Yojo group came to DTS on March 14th to entertain students and to talk to them about behaviors and test strategies that would help them be successful on the test.



Spelling Bee Buzz

The Delaware County Spelling Bee was held at Neumann University on March 1st. Mrs. Schellinger accompanied two DTS students, Cheyenne Philips and Kramoh Mansalay, who qualified to be in the County Spelling Bee. They both made us proud; Cheyenne ranked 10th and Kramoh ranked 2nd.



Upcoming Darby Township School Events

April

- 04/08 Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM
- 04/08 - 04/10 PSSA Writing – Grades 5 & 8
- 04/14 – 04/18 Spring Break – No School for Students**
- 04/24 National Poetry in Your Pocket Day – Grades K – 2
- 04/28 Reading Olympics – Grades 4 & 5
- 04/29 Reading Olympics – Grades 6 – 8
- 04/29 & 04/30 PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8

May

- 05/01 & 05/02 PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8
- 05/02 Progress Notices Issued
- 05/07 Early Dismissal – Grades K – 8 – 12:45 AM**
- 05/14 Spring Concert – DTS – 7:00 PM
- 05/14 – 05/16 Keystone Exams – Algebra 1 Students – Grade 8
- 05/15 Junior Science Fair – DTS
- 05/26 Memorial Day Holiday – No School for Students or Staff**
- 05/28 District Family Literacy Night – DTS – 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Delcroft School

PSSA Pep Rally

Delcroft School recently participated in the PSSA Kick-off week from March 17th – 21st. Each day incorporated a special theme that encouraged students to do their best on the PSSA test.

- ★ Monday was T-shirt Day, highlighting that we have taking the PSSAs down to a “T”
- ★ Tuesday was Team Shirt / Jersey Day, which focused on that doing our best is a team effort
- ★ Wednesday was Jean Day, emphasizing that Delcroft students are “JEAN”iuses
- ★ Thursday was Red Shirt Day, showing that we are “RED-y” for the PSSAs
- ★ On Friday, students wore sweatpants and their grade level color to show that taking the PSSAs is no sweat

The specific grade-level colored shirts were worn to emphasize each grade level’s spirit during the Delcroft School Pep Rally, which was held on Friday, March 21st and attended by all Delcroft students. Each grade level created an encouraging banner and sang or cheered a special chant. This year’s winner for the Chant Contest was the 6th grade with “*The PSSAs are easy as π !!!*.” The winner of the PSSA Banner Contest was the 5th grade, who wowed the crowd with their *Hershey Kiss*, *Smarties*, and *DS Control* banners, and the 3rd grade won the Loudest Cheering Contest; snagging a pizza party for the entire grade.



The students and staff put forth a great deal of effort and planning for the entire week to highlight the importance of the PSSAs, while still having fun.

Upcoming Delcroft School Events

April

- 04/08 Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM
- 04/08 – 04/10 PSSA Writing – Grades 5 & 8
- 04/14 – 04/18 Spring Break – No School for Students**
- 04/24 National Poetry in Your Pocket Day – Grades K - 2
- 04/28 Reading Olympics – Grades 4 & 5
- 04/29 Reading Olympics – Grades 6 – 8
- 04/29 & 04/30 PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8

May

- 05/01 & 05/02 PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8
- 05/02 Progress Notices Issued
- 05/07 Early Dismissal – Grades K – 8 – 12:45 AM**
- 05/13 Junior Science Fair – Delcroft School
- 05/14 – 05/16 Keystone Exams – Algebra 1 Students – Grade 8
- 05/15 Art Show and Concert – Delcroft School – 6:30 PM
- 05/26 Memorial Day Holiday – No School for Students or Staff**
- 05/28 District Family Literacy Night – DTS – 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Harris School

Group Effort for PSSA

Harris students followed suit with other district students and took the PSSA Reading and Math assessments during the week of March 24th. The tests consisted of six test sections, three each in Math and Reading. It made for a tough week for students and staff, but everyone worked hard to ensure that students had an ideal test setting so they could concentrate and put forth their best effort. All Harris teachers believe that the students gave an exceptional effort this year, which was evident by how seriously students took the test and how hard they worked.

Harris Principal, Mr. McDougal commended both students and staff for their hard work and offered a special thanks to guidance counselor, Anthony Lorine, and music teacher, Rebecca King, who served as testing coordinators, and assistant superintendent, Jeffery Ryan for his assistance in administration. Their organization and hard work assured that tests were administered properly without any issues. Thanks also go out to Harris cook, Terry Ruane and the cafeteria staff for all of the extra work that they had to do to ensure that student lunches were delivered to each classroom every day.

Upcoming Harris School Events

April

04/08	Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM
04/08 – 04/10	PSSA Writing – Grades 5 & 8
04/14 – 04/18	Spring Break – No School for Students
04/24	National Poetry in Your Pocket Day – Grades K - 2
04/28	Reading Olympics – Grades 4 & 5
04/29	Reading Olympics – Grades 6 – 8
04/29 & 04/30	PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8

May

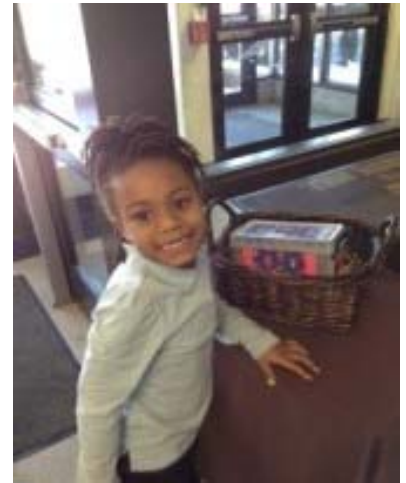
05/01 & 05/02	PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8
05/02	Progress Notices Issued
05/06	Junior Science Fair – Harris School
05/07	Early Dismissal – Grades K – 8 – 12:45 AM
05/08	Art Show and Spring Concert – Harris School – 6:30 PM
05/14 – 05/16	Keystone Exams – Algebra 1 Students – Grade 8
05/26	Memorial Day Holiday – No School for Students or Staff
05/28	District Family Literacy Night – DTS – 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Sharon Hill School

Recognizing Sharon Hill Students

A positive school climate is fundamental to learning and Sharon Hill School regularly recognizes students who present positive behavior. As part of our Positive Behavior and Incentives program (PBIS) we recognize a student of the month and award incentive tickets to students that exhibit positive character traits. Drawings are held daily

and five incentive tickets are pulled from all tickets awarded. Students that are selected are recognized over the loud speaker and win a prize.



“Do you Like Green Eggs and Ham?”

Sharon Hill School and community celebrated Read Across America on March 10th. Guest readers included Administrators, Sharon Hill School staff, SAG members, and Academy Park students. It was a great day promoting literacy to kids and adults!



Ms. Brown-Flint



Malcom Bevans



Mrs. Lee

Upcoming Sharon Hill School Events

April

04/08	Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM
04/08 - 04/10	PSSA Writing – Grades 5 & 8
04/10	Jump Rope For Heart
04/14 – 04/18	Spring Break – No School for Students
04/24	National Poetry in Your Pocket Day – Grades K - 2
04/25	Career Day
04/28	Reading Olympics – Grades 4 & 5
04/29	Reading Olympics – Grades 6 – 8
04/29 & 04/30	PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8

May

05/01 & 05/02	PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8
05/02	Progress Notices Issued
05/07	Early Dismissal – Grades K – 8 – 12:45 AM
05/08	Junior Science Fair
05/13	Spring Concert – At Academy Park High School – 7:00 PM
05/14 – 05/16	Keystone Exams – Algebra 1 Students – Grade 8
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Kindergarten Center

Kid Writing

Kid Writing is an essential part of the Kindergarten Center curriculum. Teachers focus on this writing skill during the first month of school. It is amazing to see the growth that students have made throughout the school year. Many students have gone from writing only letters and simple pictures to multiple sentences and detailed illustrations. It is wonderful to see what independent writers our students have become!



Kindergarten students celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Peter's Place Grief Group

After six weeks of group activities focusing on the topics of grief and loss, the Peter's Place Program concluded with a closing ceremony. Seven students, who had lost a loved one, along with school counselor, Ms. Bell, and Peter's Place counselor, Mr. Morelli, released several balloons into the air and waved to their family.

Kindergarten Registration

Parents of pre-school students attended Kindergarten registration. The students were assessed on basic reading skills, while parents discussed important paperwork with staff. Also, Today's Child presented important after-school care information.

Upcoming Kindergarten Center Events

April

04/08 Parent University – Bullying Prevention Workshop for Parents – APHS – 5:30 PM

04/14 – 04/18 *Spring Break – No School for Students*

04/24 National Poetry in Your Pocket Day – Grades K - 2

May

05/01 PSSA Science – Grades 4 & 8

05/02 Progress Notices Issued

05/07 *Early Dismissal – Grades K – 8 – 12:45 AM*

05/26 *Memorial Day Holiday – No School for Students or Staff*

05/28 District Family Literacy Night – DTS – 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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