

EAGLE NEWS

December 2, 2022

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to this year's World Language Honor Society Inductees. These students were honored this morning, December 2nd, in our high school auditorium. Thank you to our World



Language Department for their efforts in recognizing these students' accomplishments.







Our WDHS monthly theme recognizes all of the "Holidays Around the World". Throughout the month, students will learn and engage in lessons or activities that raise awareness to the diversity around the globe.

Bodhi Day (December 8th)

Place of Celebration – Japan

The Reason For Celebration – To celebrate the day of Siddharth Gautam's spiritual enlightenment and his achievements.

to an enlightening experience which is one of the most important events in the history of humankind.

Bodhi Day is celebrated on 8 December to commemorate the enlightenment of Siddhartha Gautama, who became the Buddha Shakyamuni after his first taste of freedom. Amongst the important December global holidays, this festival has become popular in some countries as an alternative New Year celebration, especially for Buddhists. The main day of observance for Buddhists, Bodhi Day is observed by faith communities around the world. It honours the

attainment of Buddha's supreme insight into spiritual truth and his death. This beautiful day of wisdom is also known as Sambuddhatva Jayanthi meaning 'the birthday or Awakening of Sambuddha'. Your flights to Japan can take you

Kelly A. Clark, Acting Principal

Guidance Department News & Notes

Earn College Credits for Eligible High school Classes

Students in eligible WDHS courses have the opportunity to apply to earn college credits for these courses. Registration info can be found on the high school homepage and has also been emailed out to eligible students and families. The deadline to sign up is <u>December 9</u>. If you have any questions, please contact your guidance counselor.



FUTURE

JUNIORS will participate in a two-lesson College and Career Planning program next week, presented by our school counselors. Students will learn about planning for after high school and what steps they should be taking, and when. Students will also use Naviance and the Guidance Google Classroom to conduct college and career research. Be sure to ask them about it!

PSAT Scores are available as of December 5 through the

Collegeboard website. Sophomores and Juniors who took the PSAT in October will need to create an account (if they do not already have one) and then log in to view their scores. Students can also link to a free remediation program through Khan Academy to practice their skills prior to taking the SAT.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

4 year College & University Applicants:

- Students applying to 4-year colleges & universities are encouraged to have everything submitted before the winter break.
- Instructions on how to apply, request letters of rec., send test scores, etc., can be found on the Guidance Google Classroom for Seniors.
- Seniors are encouraged to start exploring **scholarship opportunities**. As we receive scholarship information, we will post it under the scholarship tab in Naviance. Students can then link directly to the application.
- Check out www.fastweb.coom for numerous other scholarship opportunities.

2 Year Community College Applicants:

- RCSJ's priority admission application can be found here: RCSJ Application
- Interested students should apply prior to winter break.
- Over 100 scholarships specific to RCSJ can also be found on their website.





COMPUTER SCIENCE NEWS

Celebrate Computer Science Education Week - Try an Hour of Code!

The Hour of Code is a worldwide effort to get as many students as possible worldwide to do an hour of programming during Computer Science Education Week! West Deptford Schools have been participating in the Hour of Code since 2013.

Anyone who wishes to participate should complete one of the one-hour tutorials at https://tinyurl.com/wdhshourofcode. On Monday, December 12, random winners will be chosen from those entries, and these winners will receive Wawa gift cards!



Have fun! If you have any questions, contact Mr. Seeley via mseeley@wdeptford.k12.nj.us or on Twitter/Instagram @misterseeley.



On Tuesday, December 6, the West Deptford High School **Girls Who Code Club** will travel to the middle school to help out with their own annual Hour of Code!

Anyone interested in coming down with us to lend a hand should reach out to Mr. Seeley ASAP – you don't need to be a girl to help!

For **Computer Science Education Week**, the club will also be decorating a couple of windows in the building with Post-It Note pixel art!

Esports Team News

Winter Signups

This winter season, we will be playing **Overwatch 2! Tryouts** will take place on **Monday, December 12, and Thursday, December 15!**

Please complete our signup form at https://tinyurl.com/wdhsesports



Fall All Stars

Congratulations to **Julian Geibel** (Super Smash Bros) and **Jason DiMattesa** (Rocket League), who both earned **Garden State Esports All-State First Team honors!** This is the first time the conference has awarded this title, which was determined by the competitors who received the greatest number of Player of the Game nods, which both coaches voted on after each match.



Julian and Jason will also be recognized at the **Garden State Esports Fall Finals**, which will take place at Rider University on December 17. The team looks forward to attending to cheer for them, watch the state championships, and meet professional gamers and local college teams!

DECA



DECA will run a Krispy Kreme fundraiser, raising money for the **Good Grief** Foundation.

Good Grief Foundation is an NJ-based nonprofit that builds resilience in children, strengthens families, and empowers communities to grow from loss and adversity.

The donuts will be sold from **December 1st -15th** for \$13 per dozen and can be purchased from any **DECA member** or directly through Ms. Newman via email Inewman@wdeptford.k12.nj.us (send your child in with a check made payable to WDHS DECA or cash).

Please help support the club as we enter our largest fundraiser of the year! We are also continuing our preparations for the regional competition, which is taking place in Cherry Hill on January 9.

~ Jake Hartman/DECA President

YEARBOOK ORDERS – ON SALE NOW

Order your 2022-23 yearbook for \$90 through November 18. Senior Vanity and corporate ads can also be purchased through January 9, 2023. To buy, access Jostensyearbooks.com today! ON SALE NOW!

Offer	Price	Start - End Dates
Campaign 2	\$90.00	11/18/2022 - 12/16/2022
Last Chance Personalization	\$95.00	12/17/2022 - 1/27/2023
Limited Supply	\$100.00	1/28/2023 - 6/2/2023

Additional purchases can be made for: Personalization: \$10 Icons: \$5

Signature Package: \$17

Clear protective cover, Autograph Section, Photo Pockets: \$5

Senior Ads:

END DATE - 1/9/23 FULL PAGE: \$275 HALF PAGE: \$150

OUARTER PAGE: \$80. EIGHTH PAGE: \$45

AMAZON SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Apply Now: \$40k Scholarship + Paid Internship at Amazon

Student Application Deadline: January 20, 2023

The Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship/Internship Program will provide selected high school seniors with a \$40,000 scholarship and a paid summer internship at Amazon following their freshman year of college, guaranteed.

Students do not need to be computer science superstars to apply. Amazon is seeking a wide range of voices and students, and they're <u>reserving spots specifically for Project STEM</u> <u>students</u>. *Note: Please remind students to select "Yes, I am (or have taken) a Project STEM course" in their application.*

Learn more about eligibility requirements and encourage your students to apply. Applications are open through **January 20, 2023, at 3 PM CST.**

Find Out More

New Career Explorations Lessons Now Available

Empower your high school seniors to apply for this amazing opportunity with a unique sequence of lessons <u>now available in your courses</u>. There's something for everyone - from your 9th graders to your 12th graders.

Note: This exciting lesson sequence includes interviews with recent high school graduates, Amazon scholarship recipients, and interns and culminates in the writing of a personal statement that can be used to support applications to this and other student aid programs.

Lesson Previews



Lesson 1: Why This Matters

Students will explore how computer science impacts seemingly non-technical careers and explore a range of possible careers.





<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

Lesson 2: It Could Be Me

Students will consider their postsecondary plans, including college, possibly for the first time.

<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

Lesson 3: Tell Your Story

Students will reflect on their identity and unique experiences and begin writing their own personal statement.

<u>Lesson slides</u> | <u>Lesson plan</u>

Find each lesson at the end of Units 0, 1, and 2 or grouped together at the end of your Project STEM Canvas course's Modules page.

<u>Learn more</u> about this incredible opportunity. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email us at support@projectstem.org.

ACADEMIC CHALLENGE



Academic Challenge NEEDS YOU!

The WDHS Academic Challenge team competes against local schools in a Quiz Bowl type competition. We need more students of various backgrounds to help cover the many types of questions that are asked at these competitions. We meet on **Thursdays in room 23** and **compete** in **January and February**.

If interested, see Mrs. Pence in room 23 and join the remind by texting @joinwdac to 81010.

KEY CLUB

KEY CLUB SHORTI-HOAGIE VOUCHERS

COST PER VOUCHER:\$5.00 (Retail value of \$6.28)

They are accepted at all Wawa locations & never expire!

They are available for pick up at WDHS.

To order: email kyeager@wdeptford.k12.nj.us



Great to have on hand for a quick meal or as a thank you gift.



November was Native American Heritage Month, and West Deptford High School Renaissance Club and Student Council celebrated in several different ways!

Renaissance Club

Renaissance Club Vice President Gavin Zuzulock recorded himself reading Tomatoes in My Lunchbox, written by Costantia Manoli and illustrated by Magdalena Mora. (Thank you to Mr. Kirschner for his editing skills!) You can check out the video at https://youtu.be/bWehElahbIA

Student Council

Student Council member-at-large Caileigh Morrison has been including facts about Native American history following her presentation of the Pledge of Allegiance during homeroom. This information included fun facts about the Native American contribution to movie snacks, the history of national heritage month, and the struggle Native Americans faced in securing voting rights.

WDHS STEM CLUB

Twenty Members of the WDHS STEM Club ventured to WDMS to present our 2nd Annual Middle School Science Snacks to 7th and 8th graders on Wednesday, November 16. The club constructed 14 snacks, including a Rubber Band Rocket, Pie Pan Convection, Gravity Meter, Air-Propelled Rocket, Pin Hole Magnifier, Pencil Radio, 3D Depth Spinner, Spinning Electrostatics, and others. Members enjoyed their roles as science teachers.

Our upcoming events include Physics Olympics, Brain Bee, and SeaGlide. No experience is necessary. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Mr. Pustie at mpustie@wdeptford.k12.nj.us









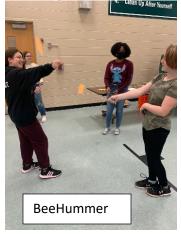














Croque Monsieur Lesson

Last week, Mrs. Cepurneac's French I classes and Mrs. Lolli's Introduction to Foods classes teamed up to learn about French cuisine and prepare the traditional croque monsieur sandwich.

























WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



Congratulations to the 2022-2023 World Language Honor Society Members Inducted December 2nd, 2022!





French Inductees
Abigail Simko
Halle Siner
Hope Vaughn



Isabella Abdmessih Makayla Alston Rachel Barford Lauren Butikis Kallie Christy Devon Damminger Lindsay Gallagher



English as a Second Language Inductees Yulisbet Gonzalez Sevilla Maria Jose Paredes Mora Andrea Trazzi



Spanish Inductees
Lily Hoang
Payton Lindsay
Meryn Malcolm
Kayla Matthews
Louis Mayo
Isabella Pérez





American Sign Language Inductees Isabella Kwashek Emma Lyons Alexis Schlagles



Lisa Placeres Kadence Soper Alexander Spositi Riley Sweeny Sean Wiggenhorn Cyrianna Williams Ammen Zaheer

MARKETING DEPARTMENT NEWS

JOB OPENINGS

There are numerous jobs available and also posted outside Room 9 for students. See Mr. Drummond if interested. To get updates on current job openings, email Mr. Drummond at mdrummond@wdeptford.k12.nj.us.

