



EAGLE NEWS

DECEMBER 15, 2023

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our November Students of the Month! Keep up the great work and keep bringing your positive energy to West Deptford High School!



Congratulations!

Business/Marketing Ed – Jacob Marks
Science – Chase Eagle
Visual & Performing Arts – Dominic Monzo-Hull
Guidance – Jacob Lange
Mathematics – Sadie Afflerbach

World Language – Jayden Beauford-Castillo
Social Studies – Michael Joseph
English – Salvatore Fife
Health/PE – Michaela Kerr
Applied Tech – Louis Nacke

WDHS WINTER SPIRIT WEEK

Our **Winter Spirit Week** is upon us! The theme days below start Monday, 12/18, and go through Friday, 12/21. Please remind your students of these days; the more, the merrier!



12/18 - Pajama Day



Hawaiian Holiday Vacation



Groufit Day (all gray outfit),



Freshmen- White
Sophomores - Red
Juniors - Blue
Seniors - Green



Ugly Sweater Day

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS & NOTES

COLLEGE NOW Program

RCSJ (Rowan College South Jersey) was here on Thursday, December 7th to speak with students who would like to learn more about taking college courses while in high school. WDHS will pay the tuition and fees for up to two courses in the fall and spring semesters for eligible juniors and seniors. Interested sophomores can also participate but are not eligible for WDHS funding. Please contact your school counselor if you missed the meeting but would like more information.



JUNIORS interested in Science/Math or Engineering!

The New Jersey Governors School Program will be offered again during the summer of 2024 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, and Drew University. These are very competitive programs, and there is an intensive application process. Please see Mrs. Quindlen in the Guidance Office by December 15 if you are interested.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

4 year College & University Applicants:

- **LAST CALL!** 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**.
- If students need any documents sent on their behalf from Guidance, they must notify their counselor by December 19.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS!** 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.com 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.

APPLY NOW

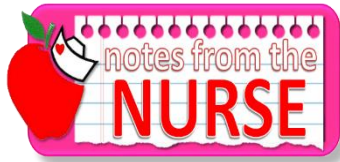


- Over 100 scholarships specific to RCSJ can also be found on their website.
- **RCSJ Scholarship Spotlight: Gloucester County Intern Scholarship Program**
Twenty-Five free tuition and fees scholarships are available to students in the top 25% of their class who plan to attend RCSJ. Internships are available in all program areas and are part of the program. Apply online at www.rcsj.edu/ISP.

FAFSA

The 2024-25 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) should become available by December 31, 2023. Go to <https://studentaid.gov/> for more information.





Please ensure that your children are eating something for breakfast each morning. Breakfast can be purchased from the cafeteria from 7:00 am to 7:30 am daily. Please see this link for an explanation of why breakfast is



important <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/healthy-living/nutrition/Pages/Breakfast-for-Learning.aspx>.

In New Jersey public schools, meningococcal vaccines are required for school-age children between 11 and 12 years of age. Since protection decreases over time, the CDC recommends a booster dose at age sixteen (16). Many colleges and universities also require these as well. ***If your child is in grades 10-12***, now may be a good time to discuss the options for receiving meningitis boosters as well as meningococcal B vaccines. Please click the link below for more information

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd/mening/public/adolescent-vaccine.html#:~:text=CDC%20recommends%20meningococcal%20vaccination%20for,dose%20at%20age%2016%20years.>

- **A reminder** that students are not permitted to carry any medications except under certain circumstances and with a medical provider's order. If your child has asthma or a food allergy and needs an inhaler or an epinephrine auto-injector, please ensure that plans have been turned in to Mrs. Dreger, School Nurse. If your child has an injury that requires pain relievers such as ibuprofen, acetaminophen, naproxen, etc., a medication administration form (completed/signed by the medical provider and parent) is required to be turned in to the nurse. Please refer to the Student Handbook page 31 for a more thorough review of this topic.
- **Please note** that the school nurse is not able to treat injuries that occur outside of school. Please make every effort to have your child seen by his/her medical provider, urgent care, or an emergency room if needed. If required, please obtain notes excusing your child from gym/sports.

Kathryn Dreger, BSN, RN, NJ-CSN
School Nurse

YEARBOOK ORDERS – ON SALE NOW

Purchase your Yearbook NOW and lock in a great rate PLUS free icons.



Go to: <https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/about-yearbooks>

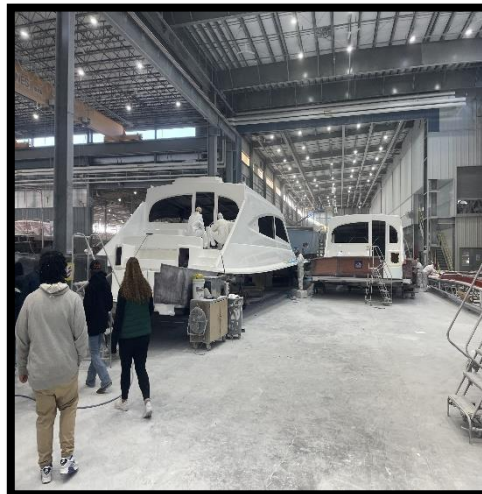
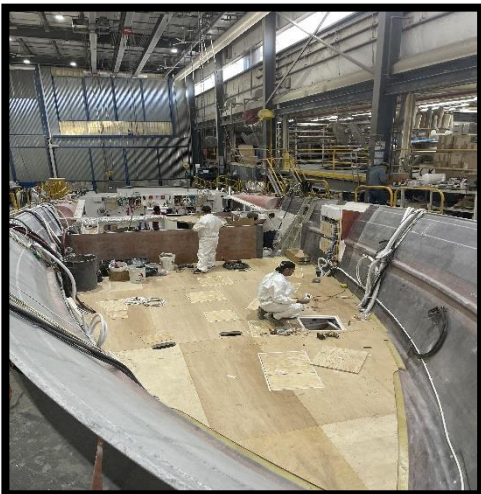
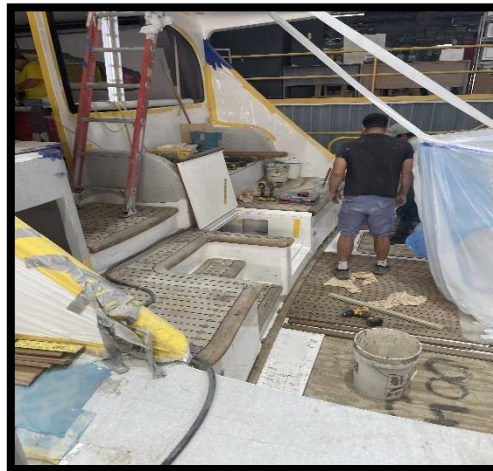
Offer	Price	Start - End Dates
Campaign 2	\$90	11/18/2023 – 12/15/2023
Last Chance to buy Personalization online	\$95	12/16/2023 – 1/26/2024
Limited Supply	\$100	1/27/2024 – 6/1/2024

Personalization: \$10
Icons: \$5
Signature Package: \$18
Clear protective cover, Autograph Section, Photo Pockets: \$5

SENIOR VANITY ADS-END DATE - 1/08 /24
Prices:
FULL PAGE: \$275
HALF PAGE: \$150
QUARTER PAGE: \$80
EIGHTH PAGE: \$45

APPLIED TECH HAPPENINGS

On Wednesday, *The Supply Chain Management* students, *DECA* members, and select *Wood Shop* students visited the **Viking Yacht production facility** in New Gretna, NJ. The students could see all aspects of the building process of multi-million-dollar luxury yachts and were exposed to numerous career options in the supply chain and manufacturing industries.



CELEBRATING INCLUSIVE WEEK AT WDHS

Last week at WDHS, we celebrated "Inclusive Schools Week." This is an annual celebration held each year during the first full week of December (December 5-9, 2023). Since its inception in 2001, Inclusive Schools Week has celebrated all the progress schools have made in providing both support and quality education to their diverse student population. This year at WDHS, we welcomed our community-based instruction students into some of our Science, US history, Video Tech, Business, Spanish, and Future Teachers of America classes for interactive lessons with their peers.



The week of December 5th was **Inclusive Schools Week**.

Ms. Thayer's CBI students visited various classes throughout the week and participated in many fun activities.

They extracted DNA from a banana, modeled plate tectonics with gram crackers and Cool Whip, learned how light energy transfers and how drones are programmed.

They had a measurement scavenger hunt and transferred data into a Google Slides presentation.

They made Heritage Christmas ornaments, learned about the Great Depression, and ate some food from that era.

They also joined the Loteria de Navidad and recorded Season's Greetings for the morning news.

Thank you to all the teachers and students who included us in your lessons and made our week is so exciting!



ALSO....

Mrs. Kelly's U S History students could teach what they had learned during a visit by Ms. Thayer's class during Inclusivity Week. They examined photos that taught them about life during the Great Depression and ate some delicious pies made during the Depression with little to no ingredients. The US 2 students made Mrs. Kelly proud as they shared everything they had learned over the past two weeks. Mrs. Thayer said that her class enjoyed talking to the kids and learning about life during the Great Depression. And almost everyone loved the water pie and the mock apple pie!



KEY CLUB NEWS

On behalf of West Deptford High School Key Club, thank you for your generous donation to the Operation Blessing Feed-A-Family project. Due to the overwhelming generosity of the WD community, Feed-A-Family was a tremendous success. In addition to the holiday gifts, warm clothes, gift wrap, and toiletries provided through Operation Blessing, Key Club provided all families with an abundance of grocery items we hope will carry them through the holiday season.

Due to the extraordinary participation of students, staff, families, and community partners, Colonial Manor Food Pantry was also supplied with food. The outpouring of generosity and goodwill is inspiring.

Key Club is a student-led, high school organization. The acts of kindness we perform, no matter how small, make the world a better place. We grow as individuals and leaders by answering the call to lead, summoning the courage to engage, and developing the heart to serve. If you or your organization ever need high school-aged volunteers, please contact WDHS Key Club Advisor, Mrs. Yeager.

We wish you and your family a healthy and happy holiday season!

Yours in caring,
West Deptford HS Key Club Officers



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Vice President

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KEY CLUB SHORTI - HOAGIE VOUCHERS

**THESE MAKE
GREAT GIFTS**

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 gift.

WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY AND CLUB NEWS

WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETY & CLUB



The Next Meeting is on Tuesday, December 19th,
Immediately After School, in Room 38!



★ At our next meeting, we will be playing
HOLIDAY HAWAIIAN TRIVIA.



ART HONOR SOCIETY HOLIDAY ORNAMENT SALE

The National Art Honor Society is selling *student-handmade* ceramic ornaments. All proceeds will **fund** the *NAHS* and *Senior Scholarships* for the 23-24 school year. To order yours today, click this link: [NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY ORNAMENT FUNDRAISER.png](https://forms.gle/gj6NcvZfWgj6gaFL7)

National Art Honor Society Holiday Ornament Sale

**Purchase a set of 3 or 5
hand-made ceramic
ornaments and support
NAHS!**

<https://forms.gle/gj6NcvZfWgj6gaFL7>





SEAL OF BILITERACY

**Calling all
seniors!**



**Seal of
Biliteracy**
for Eligible Graduating
High School Seniors

WDHS is awarding the

SEAL OF BILITERACY

to recognize seniors who can
read, speak, listen and write in 2 or more
languages at a high proficiency level. Get
an official certificate from the state of NJ,
a medallion for graduation and the insignia
on your transcripts!

To request to be scheduled for testing in a World
Language in January or to ask questions, please
contact Mrs. Gleason at:
kgleason@wdeptford.k12.nj.us

ENGLISH

✓ Satisfy the state ELA assessment for
graduation

WORLD LANGUAGE

✓ Pass the exam given in **January** in all
language domains of a language
other than English

