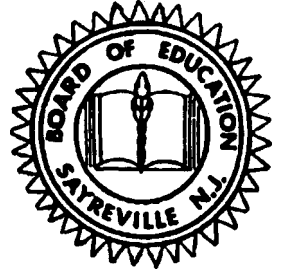


HEAD OF THE CLASS



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The Sayreville Board of Education congratulates those who are at the

Head of the Class

MRS. COMERFORD'S THIRD GRADE CLASS MAYOR KENNEDY O'BRIEN

Mayor Kennedy O'Brien visited Mrs. Comerford's third grade class at Arleth School. During his visit, he spoke to the children about the history of Sayreville and the importance of keeping our community clean. Mayor O'Brien challenged the third grade classes to find a solution to end the littering that has become a major concern at Kennedy Park. The children wrote about and drew pictures with their suggestions. These have been given to Mayor O'Brien. Also, a poster made by the children will be on display at Borough Hall, outside the Town Council Chambers. The theme of the poster encourages people to stop littering.

WILSON SCHOOL

Congratulations to Wilson School for its participation in "Pennies for Patients," a charity that helps children with leukemia. A grand total of \$2,313.00 was collected for this drive which is a large amount, considering the total Wilson population is 359 children. Hats off to Mrs. Pollack, school nurse, and Mrs. Karen Havens, school part-time secretary, who counted all of the pennies. Much thanks to the dedicated parents and children who generously opened their hands and hearts to help those less fortunate.

SAMSEL UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Generosity abounds in the Sayreville School District! Congratulations also goes out to the students at the Samsel Upper Elementary School for raising \$5,553.71 by participating in a Math-A-Thon in support of St. Jude's Children Research Hospital. This brings their four-year contribution total to \$32,540. Great job to all involved! Another example of our children helping children.

MENTALLA ABBAS POOJA SURESH BRIANA RUZANSKI

Kudos goes out to Sayreville Middle School sixth-grade students, Mentalla Abbas, Pooja Suresh and Briana Ruzanski who won this year's Sayreville Lions Club Peace Poster Contest. Way to go, ladies!

- #1 SHREYA AMIN
- #2 AEKATA SHAH
- #3 JOHN ROMITA
- #4 ASHKA MEHTA
- #5 LAUREN HENRY
- #6 ALEX SIMON
- #7 JANE VIERNES
- #8 KAITLYN FROTTON
- #9 SARAH JEFFERY
- #10 ANNE SKORUPSKI

Congratulations to the Class of 2008 Top 10 Students as determined by their grade point average.

Congratulations to the following student athletes and coaches for having won awards during the winter season:

BOWLING

Greater Middlesex Conference Champions
NJSIAA Group III State Champions
NJSIAA Tournament of Champions Winners
#1 Ranked Team in New Jersey

SWIMMING

ALEX RATAJCZYK

Greater Middlesex Conference Champion
50 Freestyle (New School Record)
100 Freestyle

WRESTLING

Greater Middlesex Conference White Division Champions
Greater Middlesex Conference Champions
NJSIAA North II Group III State Sectional Champions
NJSIAA District 20 Champions
#12 Ranked Team in New Jersey
#1 Ranked Team in Middlesex County

GMC Champions

**MICHAEL KNIGHT
RAMON SANTIAGO**

District Champions

**MICHAEL DELUCO
MICHAEL KNIGHT
RAMON SANTIAGO**

District 20 Coach of the Year

Region 5 Coach of the Year

COACH JOHN DENUTO

MR. ALAN SQUITIERI

Special thanks and congratulations goes to Mr. Squitieri for appropriately utilizing the Heimlich Manuever to save the life of a middle school student who was choking. Mr. Squitieri was honored for his heroism at the March 19, 2008 Board of Education Meeting with a resolution.

2008-09 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Did you Know the Board is proposing ...

- ... 1,000 new computers district wide - double that of any previous school budget?*
- ... a new 4th and 5th grade reading series?*
- ... a certified teacher to infuse technology into our K-12 instructional program?*
- ... over \$1.8 million in facility and grounds renovations and improvements?*
- ... additional teachers to reduce class size?*

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

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