

Our Story

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Sachem Stands Together on P.S. I Love You Day

Students and staff across the Sachem Central School district participated in a collection of heartwarming events and activities last week in recognition of P.S. I Love You Day, an initiative that looks to eliminate bullying and promote mental health awareness.

At elementary schools around the district, students were joined by peer education students from Sachem High School East and North who led inspiring assemblies on kindness and being proud of who you are. As part of the assemblies, peer educators facilitated activities showcasing the power of a compliment and how one simple act of kindness can change someone's day. (read full story)











Student Spotlight



District Crowns Top Speller at Annual Spelling Bee

A faceoff between the top 20 Sachem spellers took place during the annual fifth-grade districtwide spelling bee on Feb. 6 at Grundy Avenue Elementary School.

For more than 20 years the Sachem Central School District has showcased the top two spellers from each building at the districtwide event. At the conclusion of the

intense competition, Krish Rajan from Grundy Avenue Elementary School was named the winner after successfully spelling "preamble."

Featured News

Suffolk County Legislator Bill Lindsay III recently presented Grundy Avenue Elementary School fifth-grade students Michael Rivera and Cole Friedman with a proclamation in recognition of their extraordinary efforts collecting winter clothing for families in need as part of the legislator's annual Community Coat Drive for Every Child's Dream.





During a recent assembly program at Samoset Middle School, eighth-grade students heard from Paul Failla, a retired Suffolk County police officer of 27 years, and a professional actor, writer, producer and author who spoke to students about the importance of values and leadership.

As part of a collection of informative lessons on infants, toddlers and preschoolers, students at Sachem High School East in Debra Lopez's Child Development class worked with children from the community to study the social and emotional aspects of play.





A sweet victory in the 99-pound Suffolk County championship capped off a successful tournament for Sachem East's Jared Weinhaus.

Last month, students across grade levels at Lynwood Avenue Elementary School participated in a plethora of hands-on activities showcasing their creativity as part of Kid Inventors Day.





For the second straight season, the Sachem North cheer squad won a Suffolk County championship.

Elements of traditional Chinese culture covered the halls of Chippewa Elementary School in celebration of Chinese New Year on Feb. 5 as students participated in a collection of activities highlighting the country.





One hundred was the magic number for students during a collection of activities in Nicole Stumpf and Bianca Ferrantelli's kindergarten class as part of a 100th day of school celebration.

A prominent African-American figure was at the center of a recent activity for third-grade students in Julie Celecia's class in honor of Black History Month.



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Announcements

2019-2020 District Calendar Summary Now Available

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2019-20 UPK Lottery Application

<u>UPK Information and Application</u> - English <u>UPK Information and Application</u> - Spanish

Important June 2019 Calendar Announcement! DATE CHANGE

Merrimac Elementary 5th grade moving up will take place at Sachem East High School on Wednesday June 19, 2019 at 5pm.

Waverly Elementary 5th grade moving up will take place at Sachem East High School on Thursday June 20, 2019 at 7:30pm.

All other elementary schools 5th grade moving up ceremonies will take place as scheduled on the district calendar.

Private or Parochial School Registration for Transportation

Effective immediately, we will begin accepting applications for private school transportation for the 2019-2020 school year ahead of the April 1st deadline (as per NYS Law).

Click here to view the requirements



Instant facts, stats and thoughts from the desk of Dr. Graham.

- This February, our schools collectively participated in P.S. I Love You Day, an initiative that brings awareness to mental health and the importance of spreading kindness. It was amazing to see student groups at both of our high schools assist our elementary students during a series of great programs.
- Origami, ventriloquism, artists, authors and much more all made for an incredible experience at the second annual Senecon event at Seneca Middle School.



- Reminder: It's budget season! At the last two meetings of the Board of Education, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations John O'Keefe delivered comprehensive presentations on the proposed 2019-2020 budget. Be sure to check out the district website or see below for the latest presentations.
- Earlier this month, I had the pleasure of attending the Longwood legislative breakfast with members of the Board of Education, including student representatives Nicholas and Kaylee who advocated for the interests of our students and communities.



 Did you know a Sachem student was recently named the Suffolk County chess champion? Sachem High School East student Samuel Sylia dominated this year's competition, winning all five of his matches on his way to securing the championship.

Board of Education

The Board of Education is composed of nine community members elected by

district residents to serve overlapping threeyear terms of office. The Board has the responsibility to ensure that all students receive the best education possible, as well as to express and represent the views of the community in matters affecting education.



Upcoming Meetings March 6, 2019 BOE Regular Meeting 7:30 PM Samoset MS - Board Room

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March 20, 2019
BOE Regular Meeting 7:30 PM
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2018-19 Board Presentations

Tri-State Consortium-Updates - January 9, 2019

SEL - "Educating The Whole Child" - December 12, 2018

BOE Code of Conduct - November 14, 2018

Security Update - November 14, 2018

<u>17-18 Climate Survey Overview & Academic Performance Data - October 24, 2018</u>

<u>Curriculum and Instruction Update - October 10, 2018</u>

Threat, Vulnerability, and Risk Assessment Presentation - September 12, 2018

Board of Education Goals

Read more about it here

2019-20 Budget Information

- Budget Presentation #2 Student Activities and Support Services
- Budget Presentation #1 Non-Instructional Areas
- Tax Cap An Initial Overview
- Understanding School Finance (<u>English version</u>) | Entendiendo las Finanzas Escolares (<u>Spanish version</u>)
- Budget Presentation Calendar (<u>English version</u>) | Calendario de Presentación del Presupuesto (<u>Spanish version</u>)
- Budget Presentation Community Newsletter (<u>English version</u>) | Boletín de Presentación de la Comunidad (<u>Spanish version</u>)



Mission Statement

The Sachem Family (students, parents, employees and residents) works interdependently to develop leaders of great character who are highly competent, confident and caring. Most importantly we are motivating our students to become the best possible version of themselves.

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