

POTTSTOWN PRIDE

ACADEMICS AND ACTIVITIES
PARTNERS FOR EDUCATIONAL
EXCELLENCE



SPRING-SUMMER 2023

Our Mission: *Prepare each student, by name, for success at every level.*



POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

POINTS OF PRIDE

SPRING-SUMMER 2023



Student activities are an integral part of our educational program. Co-curricular programs are not only a way for students to have fun, but also a valuable educational tool. Activities provide an opportunity for all students to participate and help build community recognition and identity.

Co-curricular activities are designed to instill school pride and teach life-long lessons. They support the academic mission of the school district and promote citizenship and sportsmanship. The activities program is a testing ground for the physical and emotional development of our young people.

IT IS BETTER TO BUILD STRONG CHILDREN THAN TRY TO REPAIR ADULTS.

For more information about Pottstown School District,
visit our website at www.pottstownschoools.org or call 610-323-6274.



Pottstown School District is proud of its past and confident of its future.

Go to <http://www.pottstownschoools.org/AlumniPages.aspx> and then click on any of the highlighted years. The yearbooks provide an engaging narrative into the proud history of Pottstown. One can go as far back as 1914 to see the interest and fashion of the day. Pottstown School District may be one of a few districts in the country to provide this unique feature as a way of sharing community pride in our schools. Pottstown High School has over 20,800 graduates who have gone on to distinguish themselves in every field of endeavor and given us reason to say *Proud to be from Pottstown*. It is an honor to share this look back to younger days with our graduates. We are not posting our most recent yearbooks because the High School still has some hard copies for sale. Not every yearbook is posted. The missing years are listed on the website. If anyone is willing to lend us one for scanning, please contact John Armato at 610-323-6271 / 484-256-7491 or jarmato@pottstownk12.org.

Rodriguez Advocates for School and Community

Pottstown School District Superintendent Stephen Rodriguez spoke at a press conference organized by the Pennsylvania League of Urban School (PLUS), a caucus of the Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators. He, along with superintendents from Lancaster and Reading spoke of the importance of providing all students with quality educational opportunities that will be the foundation for their future success. They advocated for fully funding the fair funding formula and providing much needed reform of cyber charter and charter schools.



No tax hike in budget

Pottstown School Board to provide tax rebate of \$89

Every property owner in the borough will receive an \$88.79 reduction on their tax bill as a result of a unanimous vote Thursday by the Pottstown School Board. Last month, the board voted 5-4 to adopt a \$79.9 million budget that for the fourth straight year does not raise taxes.

BASEBALL



POTTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

BOBBY SHANTZ DAY

WEDNESDAY MAY 3RD AT
3:30 PM

PHS Grad Is King of The Mound



Pottstown school district honored one of its accomplished graduates at the annual [BOBBY SHANTZ](#) day. At 97 years old, Bobby is the oldest Major League Baseball MVP player. Over his 17 years as a professional ball player he won 119 games, struck out 1,072 hitters and pitched in 1,935.2 innings. As impressive as his athletic credentials are more impressive is the character, integrity and humility of a truly outstanding human being. He is another reason to say Proud to be from Pottstown. Thanks to WFMZ69 and The Mercury for sharing his story.



2023 Baseball Seniors

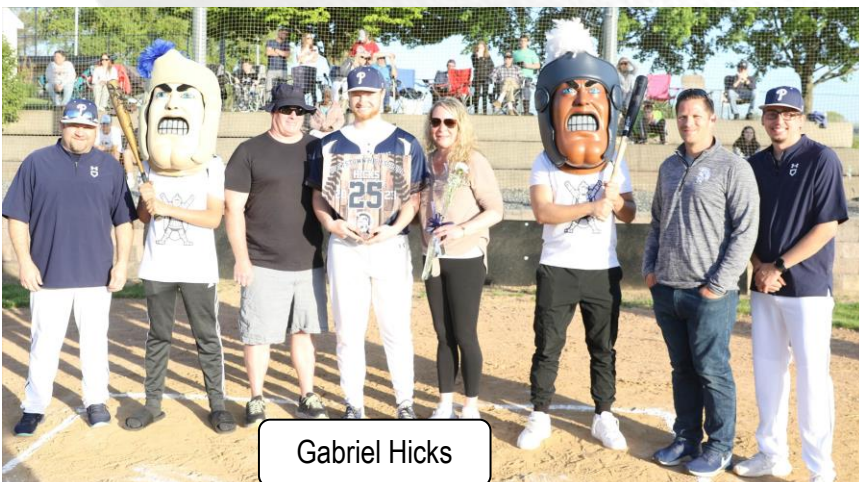
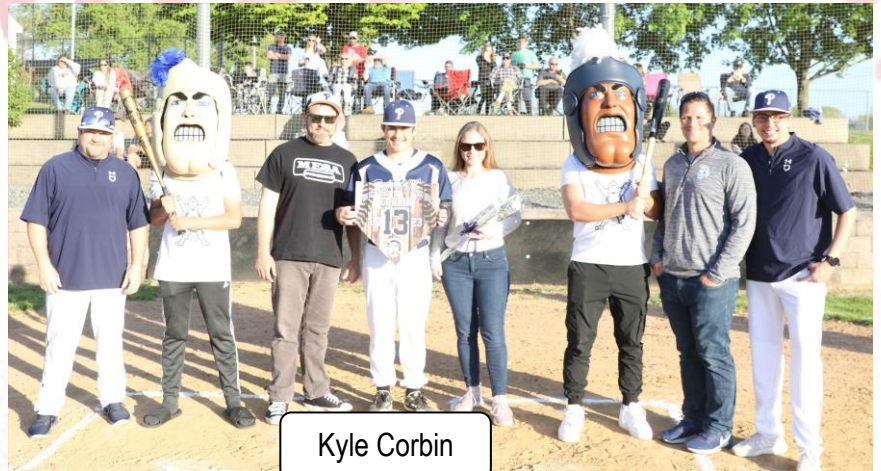
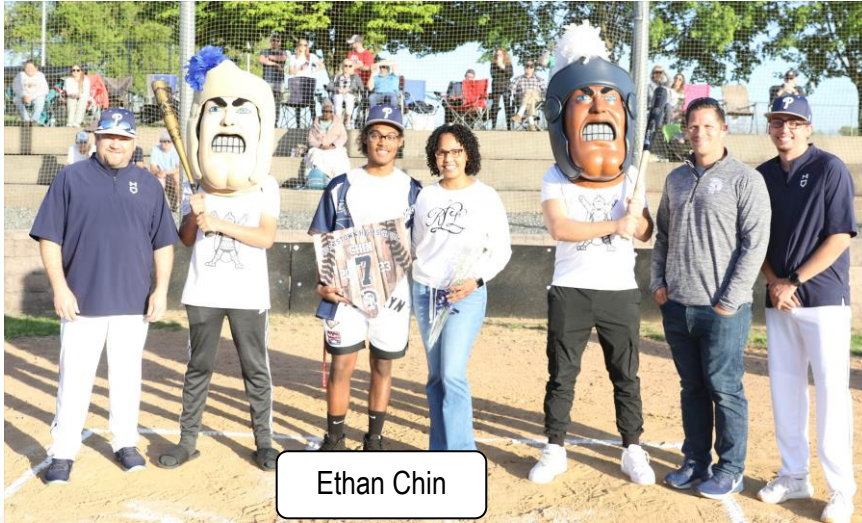


Named to The Mercury All Area Honorable Mention Team

- Gabe Hicks



Baseball Seniors:



Baseball Seniors:



David Mackewicz III



Elijah Moore-Palmore



Daniel Simons

SOFTBALL

Pottstown High School

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE - FRONTIER DIVISION

2023 SOFTBALL ALL-DIVISION

	NAME	GRADE
1st Team	Savannah Richards	11
2nd Team	Ariana Gilmore	12

Named to The Mercury All Area Honorable Mention Team

- Ariana Gilmore
- Savannah Richards



SOFTBALL SENIORS:



GIRLS' LACROSSE

PHS Senior Saves The Day

Looking for a hero to save the day? PHS senior student-athlete **Daishawnia Dean** is just the person who can do the job. As goalie on the Trojan girls' lacrosse team, she can be counted on for the big save. Dean closed out her high school career recording a total of 514 saves. This is even more of an accomplishment because she achieved this statistic in just under three full seasons due to the COVID year. A student leader both on the field and in the classroom, she is an honor roll student and holds leadership positions in several student organizations. As one of the pillars and leaders of our school community she will be sorely missed. Her accomplishments give proof that hard work pays off. In the fall Daishawnia will be taking her strong spirit and leadership skills with her to Kutztown University to pursue continued excellence in academics and athletics. Thank you for saving the day (514 times) and giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



Pottstown High School

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE - FRONTIER DIVISION

	NAME	GRADE
1st Team	Daishawnia Dean	12
1st Team	Taetum Robbins	12
2nd Team	Imani Germany-Bird	12

Named to The Mercury All Area Honorable Mention Team

- Daishawnia Dean
- Imani Germany-Bird
- Taetum Robbins



LACROSSE SENIOR DAY



Samantha Brensinger



Brielle Davis



Daishawnia Dean



Imani Germany-Bird

LACROSSE SENIOR DAY



Taetum Robbins



Jocelyn Malauulu



Jaelynne Vasquez



BOYS' TENNIS SENIOR DAY



Omar Alaoui



Gregory Bechtel III



Fredy Rodriguez



Avery Shope



Margaret DiPietro

BOYS' and GIRLS' TRACK

Trojans Run Jump Throw at PAC Championships

Trojan Proud of all our student athletes who competed in the Pioneer Athletic Conference Track and Field Championships.

On the boys' side, placing and qualifying for the PIAA District Championships were:

- Tyrese Washington 1st in the 300 hurdles and 2nd in the 110 hurdles
- Adam Greene 4th in the long jump, 2nd in the high jump, and 3rd in the 110 hurdles
- Terryrce Phillips 1st in the long jump
- Evan Smith placed 19th in the 400m dash

On the girls' side placing were:

- Ashley Weller 8th, Layla Bearden 9th, and Ja-Nyai White 20th in the shot put
- Tahj Phillips placed 30th in the javelin
- Samiya Fatal placed 10th in the high jump.



Trojans Run and Jump their way to State Championships

Congratulations to Pottstown High School Trojan trackmen **Terryce Phillips**, **Tyrese Washington** and **Adam Green** who will be representing our school and community this week at the PIAA State Track Championships.

- Phillips earned 1st place in the Long Jump with a leap of 22 feet 3 1/2 inches
- Washington placed 2nd in the 110 Meter Hurdles in a time of 14.29 seconds. He missed first place by .01 of a second.
- Adam Green placed 5th in the 110 hurdles with a time of 15.06.



Trojans Earn State Honors

Trojan Proud of our Pottstown High School students who earned state honors on the track and in the classroom.

- **Tyrese Washington** ran a 14.01 in the 110 hurdles at the PIAA State Track Championships to earn 1st place.
- **Terryce Phillips** jumped to 2nd place in the Long Jump with a leap of 23 feet 3 inches.



Pottstown High School

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE - FRONTIER DIVISION

2023 TRACK & FIELD ALL CONFERENCE

110 HURDLES

	NAME	GRADE
2nd Team	Tyrese Washington	11
Honorable Mention	Adam Green	12

300 HURDLES

	NAME	GRADE
1st Team	Tyrese Washington	11

LONG JUMP

	NAME	
1st Team	Terryce Phillips	12

HIGH JUMP

	NAME	
2nd Team	Adam Green	12

Congratulations to members of Pottstown High School Boys and Girls Track Teams. Their hard work has paid off with being named to The Mercury All-Area Track Team. [Tyrese Washington](#) leads the group. He was named The Mercury All Area Male Athlete of The Year.



Named to The Mercury All Area First Team – Boys' Track

- Adam Green
- Terryce Phillips

Named to The Mercury All Area Honorable Mention Team – Girls' Track

- Ashley Weller

Boys and Girls Track Seniors



Dawud Barnes



Rashean Bostic Jr.



Mikayla DeLuca



Yasmeen Felton



Henry Fetterman



Lily Fetterman

Boys and Girls Track Seniors



Boys and Girls Track Seniors



Boys and Girls Track Seniors





PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

2023 ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

SPORT	NAME	GRADE
Baseball	Gabe Hicks	12
Lacrosse	Jocelyn Malauulu	12
Softball	London Trout	12
Boys Tennis	Fredy Rodriguez	12
Boys Track & Field	Lily Fetterman	12
Girls Track & Field	Henry Fetterman	12

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CITIZEN ATHLETE AWARD

CITIZEN AWARD - SPRING 2023

SPORT	NAME	GRADE
Softball	Leigha Walton	12

Trojan Proud of our Spring sports student athletes. They have made every second count and their hard work has paid off on both the field and in the classroom. They have set the foundation that will develop the work ethic and attitudes for a successful life.

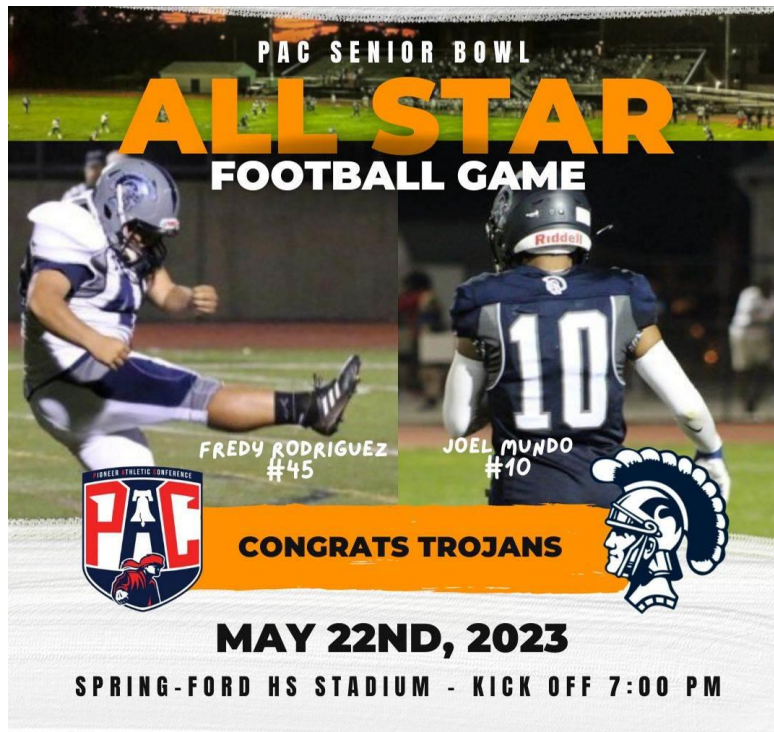
The All Conference Teams recognize athletic ability. While the All-Academic team takes into account both athletics and classroom performance. Each school can select one representative per sport to the All-Academic Team.

The Citizen Athlete Award Recognizes one student athlete from each school who demonstrates excellence in athletics, academics, leadership and citizenship. Special congratulations to our Spring sports Citizen Athlete honoree, softball player, Leigha Walton. Thanks for giving us more reasons to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

FOOTBALL

Seniors Represent Trojans In All Star Game

Trojan Proud of PHS senior football players **Fredy Rodriguez** and **Joel Mundo** who were selected to play in the Pioneer Athletic Conference All Star Football Game on May 22, 2023, 7pm at Spring-Ford High School. They are excellent representatives of our school and community. Their hard work has paid off.



MUSIC

The Higgins Report G Clefs and Flags

From the desk of Pottstown High School band director, Mr. Daniel Higgins. This was an exciting and successful weekend as two of our high school music department ensembles travelled to competitions.

On Friday, the HS Jazz Band performed at the Jazz Along the Brandywine festival hosted by Unionville High School in Kennett Square. This was their third and final competitive outing for the season. They performed three charts: Herbie Hancock's "Chameleon", Sammy Nestico's "Nicole", and Denis DiBlasio's "Coconut Champagne". Featured soloists of the night were: William Pan, Taylor Maguire, Tyler Broughton, Caleb Yocom, and Colin Plank.

The group received their highest rating "Outstanding" of the season. This was not the only



remarkable accomplishment of the night; of the 6 other schools in competition, our trumpets received the "Best Trumpet Section" award. Members of our trumpet section (picture left to right) are: Taylor Maguire, Makenna Franey, Ceara Worrell-Tilghman, Lili Freese, Ciara Rios, and Sida Vilain.

It's not too late to catch the jazz band before the end of the school year. They will be performing at the May 3rd Spring Band concert at 7pm in the HS Auditorium.

On Saturday, our **High School Indoor Color Guard** performed at a Mid-Atlantic Indoor Network competition hosted by Boyertown HS. There were 16



units in attendance with 2 others in their division. The guard's 2023 show is titled "Something in the Water". Using the Carrie Underwood song of the same name, the group shares a visual story of self-discovery. In their division, they placed 2nd overall.

Out of 100 possible points, they scored a 71.8. In the areas of equipment and movement, they placed 1st!

From their last performance at Upper Moreland HS two weeks ago, this was an enormous jump in points and placement. The group has two remaining performances: Abington HS on April 15th, and RWJBarnabas Health Arena on April 22nd.



This has been an exciting few days for our music department and it isn't stopping yet. This Monday, the High School Flute and Clarinet Ensembles will be travelling to Harrisburg to perform in our State Capitol. Please help share the news of more reasons to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

PHS Students Fill the Halls with Music

Recently, thanks to the members of the Pottstown High School Woodwind Ensembles, under the direction of Nancy Mest and Daniel Higgins, the halls of the state capitol building in Harrisburg were filled with the sounds of sweet, soothing music. The visit was the first time since Covid that Pottstown took part in the lunchtime concert series, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Music Education Association. A few of their selections included, Arkansas Traveler, theme from Mission Impossible, and Merry Go Round of Life from Howl's Moving Castle. The students were greeted by our Pennsylvania State Senator, Tracy Pennycuick, who joined them for a photo in the capitol rotunda. The students enjoyed a guided tour of the capital complex and learned about the various architectures, paintings, history, and present-day usage of the elaborate building. Mest said, "We are happy to be able to participate in such a prestigious program, and to learn about some of the history of our state government. I am proud of our students who provided some beautiful, lunchtime music for members of our state legislature. This experience provided us with another opportunity to show people why we say, proud to be from Pottstown."

Students participating were: Alice Pan, Ava Vilain, Garrett Shope, Ariana Wilson, Abigail Bray, Gabriel Hunsberger, Jocelyn Malauulu, Avery Shope, Genevieve Jarrett, Brittany Endy and Taina Santiago.



There's Music and Flags In The Air

Pottstown High School music director Daniel Higgins and middle school director Benjamin Wilson shared the good news, Pottstown School District had another great weekend with two separate performances.

- The 7th and 8th grade jazz band attended a middle school jazz festival hosted by East Penn School District. Featured soloists were Jayden Bell, Brianna Bui, and Royer Rodriguez. The band's performance included; September by Earth Wind and Fire, Mack the Knife by Kurt Weill and Green Onions by Booker T. & the M.G.'s.
 - They received an overall rating of "Outstanding" and were awarded the "Best Saxophones of the Night". Additionally, 8th grader Jayden Bell received "Best Soloist of the Night" for his bari sax performance on "September".
 - After their performance, the students attended a jazz music clinic with musician and educator Craig Snyder. He shared some inspiring words and gave a lesson on time and listening responsibilities.
 - The band's final performance will be at 7pm on May 10th the 7/8 Band Concert in the Pottstown Middle School auditorium.



- Flags were in the air as our High School Indoor Color Guard competed at the MAIN Abington color guard competition.
 - This was their third competition of the season and by far their best performance this year.
 - They placed 6th overall in their division which included placing: 4th in Equipment, 4th in Design Analysis, and 3rd in General Effect.
 - Their final performance was Saturday, April 22nd in the Mid-Atlantic Indoor Network Championships at the RWJBarnabas Health Arena in Toms River, NJ.



Trojan Music United We March

The Pottstown School District Music Department invites you to see and hear history in the making. The high school and middle school marching bands will combine to form one unit, 150 strong to perform in the annual Pottstown Memorial Day Parade down High Street. High school director Mr. Daniel Higgins said, "We have been holding practices at 7 am in the stadium and are excited to write a new page in the honored history of Pottstown music with the first ever unified performance." When you see and hear that Trojan Sound you will have another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown. See you Monday May 29 at 10am on High Street Pottstown Pa.



After you read The Music Report from high school Choir Director Adella Brady you will have another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown. "This past weekend, the Pottstown High School Concert Band and Concert Choir traveled to Allentown Pennsylvania to perform at the 2023 Music in the Parks festival. At this festival, both ensembles had the opportunity to perform for various adjudicators, judges, and music educators around the state. Not only did the PHS students receive outstanding compliments and performance notes, but the Concert Choir and Concert Band walked away with a rating of "Excellence" and beautiful trophies to match. If you find yourself in high school, stop by the music wing to check out their awards in the trophy cases!"



POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

Barth Elementary School -
Grade 3

Alaysha	Acosta
Bella	Alessi
Carolyn	Ammouri
Ramon	Anderson
Maliah	Atkins
Isabella	Bauer
Ali	Belgrave
Connor	Butler
Alexa	Chambers
Hayden	Chavous
Xiomara	Epps
Jefferson	Etienne
Zoey	Frazier
Zyaire	Gibbs
Jacob	Grauber
Aliviana	Hadrick
Julius	Heinze-Shaw
Jaseer	Hill
Johni	Johnson
Mason	Johnson
Kyla	Kellman
Michael	Kirlew
Gabriel	Matlack
Levi	McCormick
Nerayah	Moore
Jayce	Newman
Brianna	Robinson
Hamza	Robinson
Wyatt	Rodriguez-Hilbert
Nitalia	Sanchez
Michael	Stephen
Seth	Stephenson
Arabella	Trabucco
Adannaya	Uzor
Viviana	Vasquez
Raziya	Whitehead
Treyvon	Whitehead

Barth Elementary School -
Grade 4

Vanessa	Alvarado
Haylen	Anderson
Sa'Bri	Billups-Richardson
Charlie	Calano
Makayla	Charles
Brandon	Danzig
Santiago	Diaz
Jason	Horton
Ilyas	Ingram
Aiden	Leach Witherspoon
Scarlett	McElroy
Aria	Miller
Jackson	Raudenbush
Semaj	Rush
Jayden	Stokes
Ryan	Zukoski

Franklin Elementary School -
Grade 3

Nora	Alaoui
Keelan	Briscoe-Towson
Kaaliyah	Bronson
Ruby	Buckner
Beatrice	Caler
Olivia	Campbell
Deshawn	Canada
Olivia	Conbeer
Deaglan	Conrad
Giovanni	D'Annibale
Codin	Holden
Josephine	Jaycox
Matthew	Jolivette
Kamryn	Kaehn
Scott	Kupinski-Trego
Makayla	Marshall
Christopher	Morta
Eamon	Mullen
Emma	Pena
Richard	Quintrell
Santana	Robbins
Samuel	Rosado-Lutz
Aaron	Rutherford
Jonathan	Santos
Marcus	Smith
Raylan	Steadman
Keyshawn	Taylor
Mila	Torres
Sophia	Tucker
Noah	Waters
Brysin	Wyatt

Franklin Elementary School -
Grade 4

Kaylee	Barton
Amahj	Brockington
Karter	Burns
Declan	Chambers
Angel	Chiroy Disla
Giovanni	Conigliaro
Milan	Everette
Sienna	Gonzalez
Angel	Gorman-Nealy
Mila	Harkin
Eric	Harvey
Charleigh	Katch
Leonardo	Krasley
George	Lilly
Miyah Janae	Moore
Adrian	Ogando
Kayvion	Reinert-Cotton
Meinda	Rosado-Lutz
Cecelia	Sloss
Symphony	Smith
Manuel	Zepeda

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

Lincoln Elementary School -
Grade 3

Andrew	Almonte
Brayden	Bennett
Samuel	Cordoba Williford
Vada	Corum
Honesti	Dalton
Aiden	DeLong
Blake	Dunacusk
Ayah	El Kiram
Amora	Flores-Gentles
Lorenzo	Garcia
Orion	Hudy
Karina	Johnson
Declan	Joyce
Jazmyn	Lamarre
Lacey	Mastrippolito
Jonnez	Oister
Liam	Pena
Brielley	Price
Aracely	Reinoso Calle
Fatimah	Robinson
Kenzey	Rosen
Lashaye	Ross
Jahir	Smith
Alyssa	Starr
Azaria	Tanner
Ethan	Tomasetti
Aiden	Tuggle
Jaylah	Witherspoon
Aaron	Young

Lincoln Elementary School -
Grade 4

Hamid	Aljashoubi
Kamren	Arnold
Simon'e	Bookard-Thomas
Yannelly	Castaneda Masin
Lorelei	Cruz-Timinski
Brayden	DeBoer
Nevaeh	DiBiaggio
Aniyah	Dodd
Ian	Dunn
Elena	Eidell
Ni'mah	Elhabchi
Na'iyia	Gantt
Matilda	Gaval
Ariah	Gibson
William	Grebe
Samuel	Green
Oliver	Hudy
Genesis	Jeter
Teagan	Joyce
Kameron	Lewis-Lesher
Eric	Marquez Estrada
Amy	Martinez-Hernandez
Chase	Mason
Kaeda	Ross
Hessiah	Starling
Ronan	Velasquez
Kaleb	Walker
Nora	Zuniga

Rupert Elementary School -
Grade 3

Victoria	Alata
Brooklyn	Champlin
Matthew	Fitzsimmons
James	Gilbert
Sasha	Goodridge
Sofia	Guardado-Ramos
Davis	Nolan
Mekenzie	Painter
David	Richburg
Natanael	Rodriguez
Janiyah	Rosenberger
Romeo	Santiago
Makenzie	Suber

Rupert Elementary School -
Grade 4

Adeiye	Aina
Yamelin	Barrios Villacinda
Marcos Antonio	Bretas Marques
Sebastian	Fegeley
Mark	Fitzsimmons
Zerick	Hudson
William	Macaulley-Allen
Troy	McCalvin
Jace	McClincy
Savaha	Moore
Kennedy	Nance
Charlee	Nickle
Francis	Powell
Aidan	Rhoads
Daniel	Rodriguez
Emely	Rojas Romero
Analeise	Santiago
Isaac	Shifflette
Ellie	Stauffer
Matthew	Stingone
Ahmir	Terry-Harvey
Isabella	Torres
Amira	Williams
Kyriae	Zorich

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

<u>PMS - Grade 5 Distinguished Honors</u>		<u>PMS - Grade 6 Distinguished Honors</u>		<u>PMS - Grade 7 Distinguished Honors</u>		<u>PMS - Grade 8 Distinguished Honors</u>	
Isabella	Amador	Laetitia	Agnememel	Kelvin	Abad Gonzalez	Dimitrus	Alston
Aidan	Branagh	Rania	Ait Lqol	Angelina	Agnememel	Jayden	Bell
Sage	Carter	Emma	Allen	Peyton	Coale	Gavyn	Bennett
Miracle	Davis	Marko	Arnold	Jacob	DuVal	Brianna	Bui
Patrick	Galamba	Peyton	Bennetch-Small	Maya	Elgendy	Santiago	Castillo
Ava	Gulbish	Kimberly	Chhern	Felicia	Fry	Jamir	Chavous
Breanna	Hillegas	Zyaira	Clark	Starr	Gratz	Glenndale	Fegeley
Shylaj	Hine	Hailey	Danzig	Lillian	Green	Cheyenne	Flamer
Hannah	Jaycox	Grace	Eby	Levi	Jaycox	Josue	Funes
Mariah	Laboy	John	Ellwanger	Leyna	Johnson	Cayden	Gofus
Eva	Lamperez	Lucien	Fair	Ezra	King	Riley	Maguire
Chander	Peaco	Landon	Ford	Kamryn	King	Youssef	Mahmoud
Feby	Perez Domingo	Clara	Johnson	Ava	Laws	Jaeden	Mills
Brody	Shepet	Luz	Mendez Rivera	Alejandro	Maldonado-Rivas	Jude	Mull
Samuel	Sullivan-Mack	Aiden	Ondik	Aubrey	O'Blosser	Oliver	Pineda-Penate
Kaidon	Terpoilli	Lexi	Oswald	Catherine	Pineda Penate	Noel	Price
Gabriella	Tucker	Amy	Palma	Makaila	Plummer	McKenzee	Richey
Elizabeth	Wasykowski	Edward	Sloss	Deston	Purnell	Carlism	Rodriguez Vazquez
Ronan	White	Danielle	Trabucco	Zacarias	Rodriguez	Rooney	Salazar Villanueva
Layla	Williams			William	Rose	Christian	Sheeran
				Avaliyah	Scurry	Dillin	Thong
				Ana	Vasquez-Hernandez	Kayro-Adrian	Vazquez-Mendez
				Zachary	Waters	Sione	Worrell-Tilghman
				Za'Mirah	Whitley		
				Lucy	Zuniga		

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PMS - Grade 5 Honors		PMS - Grade 6 Honors		PMS - Grade 7 Honors		PMS - Grade 8 Honors	
David	Almonte	Julietta	Aguilera Macias	Maliah	Agudio	Emma	Allan
Ramya	Anderson	Zayd	Ashraf	Shahed	Aljashoubi	Bryan	Baryeh
Luis	Barreno Cordova	Rhiannon	Bielawski	Natalia	Alvarado	Robert	Blanck
Jacob	Blackwell	Aaron	Boone	Savana	Bauman	Corey	Brooks
Dexter	Bunning	Kristy	Calle	Meleena	Bisram	Alyssa	Broughton
Nehemiah	Burgess	Karen	Cocar	Nicole	Castillo	Essence	Brown
Emma	Campbell	Gabriella	Colon	Evan	Coffey	Adriana	Cardoza Acosta
Sophia	Carter	Nicolette	Davis	Aidan	Conrad	Ariyana	Carr
Luke	Carvalho	Paul	Donohie	Ariel	Cortes	Christopher	Cilio
Noah	Conbeer	Kassidy	Drost	Aiden	Crosbie	Ember	Diaz
Anora	Crosbie	Mia	Elchert	Phoenix	Custer	Rashiva	Dickens
Reagan	Culbreath	Christian	Fisher	Dahlia	Dowling	Trevor	Ford
Robert	Cusamano	Ace	Folly	Autumn	Fair	Jaliah	Geiger
Cielo	Del Angel	John	Gantert	Selena	Felipe Mendez	Chastelyn	Gonzalez Galarza
Zeriah	Fairel	Amelia	Gaval	London	Glenn	Yahaira	Gonzalez Guardado
Justice	Ford	Leyla	Gibson	Dah'mir	Goings	Bryan	Guerrier
Jacqueline	Foster	Cheyenne	Gillenwater	Gary	Granese	Trinity	Hall
Kaderine	Franco-Donis	Tristian	Hines	Cayden	Hayes	Aletta	Halpin
Nicolas	Gomes-Oliveira	Justin	Horne	Kemyr	Isaac	Keriah	Hendricks
Sebastian	Haberle	Thomas	Inthaphone	Aislin	Kimbro	Kyeson	Hernandez
Payton	Hall	Ny'asia	Johnson	Nathan	Knabb	Ayden	Hine
Devin	Harkin	Qahira	Jones	Jaylen	Lamarre	Walter	Hoey
Jakhi	Harris	Abdul-Aziz	Knuckles	Audra	Masewicz	Lenai	Jackson
Liam	Hawk	Gabriella	Krasley	Symphany	Morefield-Diaz	Maya	Lilick
Yandel	Irizarry	Evan	Krestel	Skye	Nelson	Elvira	Majorova
Zy'Aire	Johnson-Brinkley	Isabella	LePore	Ayden	Olvera	Alexander	Marin Sanchez
Chloe	Kinzel	Madison	Llewellyn	Alejandro	Perez-Carrillo	Olivia	McCauley
Lily	Kinzel	Gianna	Lloyd	La'Ticea	Rodriguez	Rashawn	Mines
Shaniyah	Knapke	Cole	McLaughlin	Bradley	Saylor	Isabella	Murray
Aria	Lacey	Damian	Merritt	Jamir	Straite	Kelsey	O'Connor
Anthony	Law	Gianna	Miles	Zaniyah	Trott-Wright	Montrell	Peterson
Ja'Vera	Lovett	Yezhua	Molina Lorenzo	Aaron	Williams	Ashlyn	Pulinka
Isaiah	McGoldrick-Cheeseboro	Noah	Moser	Dennis	Yost	Kayla	Puth
Jo'Scira	Miller	Christian	Quiles			Angelina	Quiles
Jahmai	Molina Lorenzo	Elizabeth	Reazor			Sean	Robbins
Myiah	Montgomery	Daniel	Redrovan			Christopher	Rose
Ky'Manii	Morrison	Thomas	Rose			Yamiraha	Sahad
Colby	Moyer	Typhanie	Samsel			Joshua	Sands
Audrey	Muriel	Cody	Sheeran			Alejandro	Suber
Gavin	Norman	Yoel	Vilorio			Issac	Taylor
Catherine	Pena	Isabella	Wagner			Ivan	Ubaldo
Julianna	Pickens	Tevin	Whitehead			Janiya	Warren
Jacqueline	Santiago	Mathius	Williams			Colin	White
Alexis	Seide	Jaida	Wright			Zaheim	White
Elizabeth	Stewart	Seth	Yannessa			Crystal	Williams
Kaylee	Sullivan					Makai	Wright
Paige	Verdejo						
Ta'Bron	Whitehead						
Ezrah	Wilkerson						
Tysheed	Wright						

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors

Ava	Alessi
Christiana	Allen
Jordyn	Allford
Nora	Ammouri
Anlyse	Arey
Leah	Blackwell
Mason	Booker
Alivia	Boyer
Zaire	Burgos
Zyla	Burke
Mauricio	Calle-Castillo
Annasophia	Chhern
Michelle	Cocar Paredes
Mairelys	Concepcion
Hugo	Costa
Brandon	Davis
Namika	Delgado-Cruz
Isabella	Deluca
Austin	Derstine
Nathaniel	Diehl
Julia	Draucker
Wesam	Elgendy
Iyonna	Elliott
James	Everette
Lily	Felix
Saniyah	Fox
Damion	Fry
Arianna	Gatlin
Aiden	Gonzalez
Miyana	Green
Troy	Gross
Austin	Hampton
Chase	Harrington
Gaige	Harsh
Madeleine	Heidel
Jayanna	Hill
Geovanni	Houpe
Aliyas	Hudson
Brandon	Hughes
Arek	Javage
Kendyll	King
Lauryn	Kutsch
Josiah	Lamar
Elizabeth	LaRocca
Savannah	Llewellyn
Ana	Maldonado-Lucas
Amelia	Maldonado-Rivas
Leslye	Manzanares
Shazia	Mendez

PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors Continued

Jazzlyn	Miller-Tribble
William	Pan
Nevaeh	Peaco
Carice	Pearl
Isiah	Perez
Mikayla	Perkins
Colin	Plank
Nye	Powell
Audrey	Redding
Kevin	Reinoso-Calle
Adriana	Reyes-Jones
Triniti	Rhodes-Fisher
Ciara	Rios
Johan	Rivera
Ana	Salazar Lopez
Taina	Santiago
Trinity	Santiago
Brighton	Scott
Mohammed	Selmi
Garrett	Shope
Natalie	Shope
Ricardo	Solis
Gabriel	Stilwell
Anthony	Suber
Allyana	Sykes
Nevaeh	Tanner
Dakota	Tattershall
Arian	Tinson
Ethan	Ung
Xavien	Vasquez
Bryan	Villagomez
Emely	Villegas
Cianne	Wells
Donovan	Williams
Andre	Wilson
Ariana	Wilson
Desiyah	Wilson
Isabella	Wright
Alana	Young

PHS - Grade 10 Distinguished Honors

Diego	Aguilera
Patrick	Auman
Ambriana	Baryeh
Cheynin	Boyer
Daniela	Castillo
Angel	Chavous
Jareth	Clark
Ethan	Collins
Aniyah	Crump
Lunna	Davila
Abigail	Donohie
Evan	Draucker
Naden	Elgendy
Lili	Freese
Imani	Galloway
Cindy	Garcia Villegas
Jeremiah	Geiger
Jacob	Givens
Crystal	Gonzalez Guardado
Aubree	Harsh
Natalie	Hitechew
Imani	Jeter
Alexander	Jimenez Rosales
Aiden	Kancianic
Emanuel	Lagunes Cruz
Terelle	Lowery
Taylor	Maguire
Trevor	Marley
Pedro	Martinez Guardado
Fatima	Mohamed-Eck
Reece	Murphy
Kai	O'Brien
Shawn	Pallay Williams
Miranda	Pineda
Jahiem	Pratt
Justin	Rivera Posas
Joel	Rubincam
Julia	Smith
Colson	Strohl
Sean	Tattershall
Christopher	Thomas
Chase	Thornton
Skyler	Walker
Aniyah	Wells
Aimee	White

PHS - Grade 11 Distinguished Honors

Elizabeth	Adedeji
Adam	Alaoui
Peyton	Bayne
Layla	Bearden
Peyton	Benfield
Nahzier	Booker
Tyler	Broughton
Eliza	Camacho
Megan	Cannell
Lexi	Caserta
Emily	Castillo
Kyle	Chaney
Angelina	Chhern
Nayianna	Clyde
Nicholas	Cohen Arena
Ava	Collier
Dominic	DiPietro
Brittany	Endy
Regina	Fleming
Marcus	Fowlkes
Makenna	Franey
Ismaeel	Garfield
Annabelle	Gaval
Jordan	Harris
Mehki	Jenkins Glover
Julia	Kulp
Anthony	Kutsch
Keiara	Lesley
Kaylee	Loughlin
Aiden	Miller
Christian	Morales
Tara	Morgan
Grayce	Morton
Jonathan	Moser
Ashley	Ormston
Helen	Ortega
Gabriela	Pagan
Alyssa	Pearson
Benjamin	Pena
Najae	Perez
Jachob	Pusicz
Savannah	Richards
Tate	Risor
Sophia	Russo
Tyler	Santiago
Makayla	Smith
Rodrigo	Solis
Austin	Sundstrom
Miley	Taylor
Brooke	Thomas

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PHS - Grade 11 Distinguished Honors Continued

Christian	Toland
Pieter	Ung
Tyrese	Washington
Chloe	Weiss
Jazelle	Whitehurst
Kris	Wise
Keshawn	Young
Matthew	Zaborsky

PHS - Grade 12 Distinguished Honors

Omar	Alaoui
Leilani	Alberto
Samuel	Bainbridge
Alexis	Beckett
Khaia	Burgess
Justin	Castillo
Christopher	Chhern
John	Cipollini
Anna	Coale
Daishawnia	Dean
Mikayla	DeLuca
Abigail	Eagle
Abdel	Elgendy
Mark	Ellison
Henry	Fetterman
Lilian	Fetterman
Jamie	Freese
Imani	Germany-Bird
Ariana	Gilmore
Keishla	Gonzalez-Galarza
Kristina	Gray
Adam	Green
Devon	Green
Mackenzie	Hall
Charles	Hartman
Alana	Hayward
Olivia	Hickey
Gabriel	Hicks
Melody	Jackson
Jevohn	Jones
Angelle	Levan
William	Levey
Bradley	Long
David	Mackewicz III
Jocelyn	Malauulu
Elise	Marley
Jordan	Mest
Derick	Nunez Menjivar
Alice	Pan
Benjamin	Pargeon
Hunter	Patten
Xiyah	Robinson
Danielle	Rubincam
Ian	Salisbury
Alianna	Samuel
Anas	Selmi
Avery	Shope
Leah	Smith
Jordan	Stevenson

PHS - Grade 12 Distinguished Honors Continued

Ryan	Szczepanik
London	Trout
Jaelynnne	Vasquez
Leigha	Walton
Abdur-Rahman	Watson
Kenyada	Wise

PHS - Grade 9 Honors

Marcus	Andrews
Jaxon	Barron
Emily	Careme
Anissa	Castleberry
Antoine	Corrento-Williams
Camron	Dawson
Sean	Elchert
Jeyohnna	Gibson
Jacob	Granozio
Luke	Grice
Giavonnie	Gutierrez
Ashley	Herring
Mary	Hitechew
Michael	Hoffmaster
John	Kabilko
Carly	King
Amdia	Lepage
Antoine	Lofton
Nancy	Maldonado Perez
Serenity	Meade-Brown
Omar'ia	Miller
Michael	Moore
Albert	Neysmith
Caden	Nihart
Josiah	Pugh
Mia	Ramirez
Zaila	Redden
Kamrin	Robinson
Corry	Russell
Mia	Sanchez
Sarah	Sciarrotta
Sarabeth	Shifflette
Kyree	Stillman
Joseph	Torres
Kanijah	Turlington
Karla	Vazquez
Aiden	Weiss
Syncere	Whitehurst
Malayasia	Williams

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 THIRD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PHS - Grade 10 Honors

Abdelhamed	Al-Muhtaseb
Makayla	Barnes
Quadeara	Best
Travis	Brensinger
Drew	Bunning
Jasmine	Champlin
Angelica	Cruz
Madison	Dailey
Jeremy	de Leon Lopez
Juan	Ferreira
Michelle	Garcia-Castro
Irelys	Hernandez Justiniano
Christian	Katch
Gianni	Mahario
Jennifer	Maldonado
Gavin	Marmer
Nana Kobina	Miller
Shanti	Morales Vargas
Carillio	Oquendo
Tahj	Phillips
Daniel	Pittman
Ja-Nyai	White

PHS - Grade 11 Honors

Isabella	Appleby
Josie	Bacon
Janaiya	Baker
Natalia	Banks
Dylan	Basile
Chase	Beasley
Jordan	Bowen
Jack	Butler
Michael	Calano
Chris	Chiroy Disla
Rosario	Clemens
Anye	Crawford
Anjalie	Crosbie
Leilandi	Davis
Ryan	Davis
Anna	Deane
Michael	Delgado
Vivianni	Diaz
Dalajah	Dowling
Myles	Hancock
Amber	Heater
Dane	Jensen-Sellers
Steven	Jimenez Gomez
Hassan	Manning
Brynn	McClune
Jarius	Minor
Mahmoud	Mohamed Ahmed
I'samir	Moreau
Anderson	Osorio Nato
Anthony	Patterson
Hadiaa	Poland-Brown
Jayden	Pray
Katerine	Reina
LaRayna	Rosado
Sylyn	Savage
Duha	Selmi
Jibriah	Sydnor
Alona	Tinson
Mylia	Tinson
Ashley	Weller
Diamond	Williams
Ethan	Yost

PHS - Grade 12 Honors

Sabrina	Albert
Jose	Aviles
Samantha	Brensinger
Larry	Carter
D'Asiah	Davis
Ronald	Escobar Barrios
Yasmeen	Felton
Jacob	Fisher
Spencer	Gatheca
Derek	Gephart
Serena	Hogan
Genevieve	Jarrett
Malachi	Jones
Luke	Maguire
Joshua	Maldonado
Ethan	Masewicz
Kiera	Moyer
Joel	Mundo
Sean	OConnor
Sydney	Peirsel
Montesia	Pernell
Terryce	Phillips
Nicholas	Pittman
Xiomara	Raffaele
Joey	Reid
Christopher	Roberts
Ethan	Smith
Ashiyana	Thorn
Kasaundra	Wesley
Madisyn	Williams

STAFF

Pottstown Earns National Education Distinction



Pottstown School District Beech Street Learning Studio program has been recognized with the 22-23 District of Distinction Award. The award is in recognition of igniting engagement and strengthening confidence for all learners. In its fifth year of operation, Beech Street Learning Studio uses Imagine Learning to provide asynchronous instruction to help students complete their unique learning path to meet graduation requirements. This individualized approach has helped guide 55 students to complete their high school diplomas through the program.

The Imagine Nation Awards are part of the Imagine Learning motivational program. Imagine Learning provides digital-first PreK–12 solutions for core instruction, supplemental and intervention, online courses, and virtual instruction. It serves over 15 million students — partnering with over half of school districts nationwide. More than 21,000 schools and districts throughout the U.S. were eligible for the Imagine Nation Award.

The Imagine Nation Award is presented to schools and districts that demonstrate outstanding commitment to effective implementation of an Imagine Learning program.

Pottstown is 1 of 301 schools and districts from across 42 states that received the honor of being named an Imagine Nation school for the 2022–2023 school year. Pottstown Superintendent Stephen Rodriguez praised the Beech Street Learning Studio staff. The program coordinator, Rachel Borchelt, helps review records and outline needed courses and tentative completion dates for students. Dedicated learning coaches, including Lemuel Brown, Shanaye Glenn, and Dwyane Henry work individually with students each day to help maintain progress on outlined goals. The Student Success Advisor, Daniella Ciccarone, ensures each student has the opportunity to demonstrate postsecondary preparedness by walking students and families through college, career, and community readiness applications. It is a program that, at its core, meets Pottstown School Districts' mission to prepare each student, by name, for success at every level. Their efforts give us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



HIGH SCHOOL

Trojan CTE Students Earn Awards

Congratulations to our Entrepreneurship and Engineering students who competed in Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania's 6th Annual Husky Dog Pound competition. The competition was inspired by Shark Tank. Students are asked to present a business proposal to the Dog Pound team and are scored on the marketability, feasibility, profitability, and presentation of the product or service. Our Engineering students placed 9th and our Entrepreneurship students placed 17th out of approximately 130 entries! The Engineering students designed an adapted cane and the Entrepreneurship students designed an employment service for high school students and local employers. The real-world experiences offered in our CTE programs prepare these students to enter post-secondary education and the workforce with a great advantage. Great job teams! Thanks for another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



Kaylee Loughlin, Mark Ellison, Maggie DiPietro, Naden Elgendy, Austin Sundstrom, Regina Fleming, Mehki Jenkins-Glover, Abdel Elgendy, Will Levey



High School Celebrates P.R.I.D.E.

Pottstown High School celebrated Trojans of the Month at a breakfast attended by students, their families and teachers. Held in the high school cafeteria with the meal prepared by PHS Culinary Arts students. The program recognizes students and staff who were nominated for demonstrating P.R.I.D.E. (Positively Recognizing Individuals Demonstrating Excellence). Assistant principal, Ryan Johnston, said, "We are proud of our students and staff on a daily basis, who demonstrate the pursuit of academic excellence, and display good citizenship. They are helping to build a culture of Pottstown Pride, and pursue the district mission of preparing each student by name for success at every level." Thank you for giving us more reason to say proud to be from Pottstown. Students and Teachers for the Month of March, if you see them, congratulate them!

Students:

- Emely Villegas
- Ricardo Solis
- Aiden Kancianic
- Nana Kobina Miller
- Dane Jensen-Sellers
- Peyton Benfield
- DaiShawnia Dean
- Imani Germany-Bird
- Leigha Walton
- Colin Plank



Teachers:

- Regina Astheimer
- David Woodley
- Nick Fox
- Ashley Ermold

Trojans Stand Together

Thank you to Pottstown's students, faculty, administration, and the entrepreneurship students for their support in conducting the 'March for Blaze' fundraiser. Students raised \$2090 to help our fellow Trojan, Blaze Sensinger, and his family.



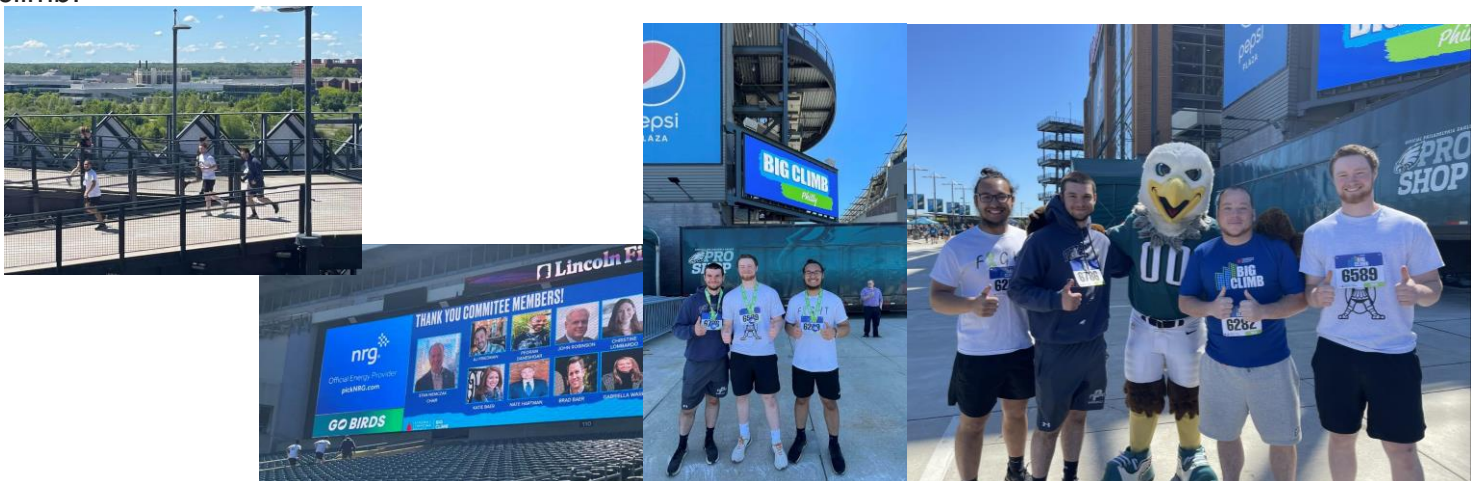
Preparing for success at the next level

Trojan Proud of Pottstown High School students **Emily Castillo and Najae Perez** for being selected as part of the Questbridge College Prep Scholars program. Questbridge offers a college match program to 50 of the top highly selective colleges to academically rigorous students from low economic backgrounds. The College Prep Scholars Program equips high-achieving high school juniors from low-income backgrounds with the knowledge, confidence, and resources to apply to top colleges. This year the College Prep Scholars program accepted 15,000 applications but only selected 3,518 winners based on academic excellence, personal qualities, and financial need. Hard work pays off.



Trojan Men show support one step at a time

At Pottstown High School, Trojan Man is more than a school mascot on the sidelines of athletic events. With the support and guidance of their advisor, high school teacher Dave Woodley, Trojan Men support community service activities and assist in fundraising for worthy causes. Recently Senior Trojan Men David Mackewicz, Gabe Hicks and John Cipollini traveled to Lincoln Financial Field to take part in the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Big Climb event. This event was a special event for these Trojan Men, as their friend and fellow Trojan Man Blaze is currently battling Lymphoblastic Leukemia. They were able to raise \$420 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Foundation. The high school staff and faculty gave a helping hand by covering the cost of the entry fees. This climb consisted of over 2,000 steps all around the Linc, including 6 flights of stairs to the upper level overlooking the city. After coming down from the upper level, the Trojan Men made their way through the stadium seating aisles and rows of the lower level before heading down to the field and heading through the visiting teams tunnel which led them to the Eagles locker room! From there, the Trojan Men ran back onto the field, through the same tunnel that the Philadelphia Eagles entered on game day and headed to the finish line! An added bonus on the day, especially for a group of high school mascots, was being able to meet Swoop, the mascot for the Philadelphia Eagles at the starting line of climb!



The Bachman Report Freshmen place 1st in STEM competition

Trojan Proud of our Pottstown High School freshmen engineering students and their teacher Mr. Andrew Bachman. Their hard work has paid off. Read all about it in The Bachman Report.

Freshmen members of the Pottstown High School Engineering Competition Team (Caden Nihart, Nye Powell, and Triniti Rhodes-Fisher) placed 1st in the Dana Corporation - Pottstown's regional STEM Competition held at Dana-Pottstown on April 15. This competition is sponsored by Dana' AARG (African American Resource Group).

The top middle school team and top high school team advanced to the 2nd round - Wednesday, May 10th

- Competition at Dana World Headquarters with teams sponsored by Dana AARG Chapters
 - Dana AARG sponsored teams from: Fort Wayne, IN, Maumee, OH, Toledo, OH, Warren, MI, Pottstown, PA, Paris, TN
- Day to include lunch, tours, competition
- The top middle school team will win scholarship spots to participate in Purdue University's [Summer Engineering Workshops \(SEW\)](#)
- The top high school team will win scholarship spots to participate in Purdue University's [Pre-Freshman Cooperative Education \(PREFACE\)](#)
- * These workshops are part of Purdue's [Minority Engineering Program \(MEP\)](#)
- * This challenge and opportunity is a partnership between Dana and Purdue. Last year, Nye and Caden earned their way to Purdue and participated in the SEW.

The Team worked diligently to build and program the [Jr. BotBall](#) wombat robot to complete 5 selected challenges. The team has worked periodically since February after school. In the past few weeks, they have managed their time to meet between school and practices, after games, and Caden even worked a few days from 2:50 until 5 by himself and then from 5-6:30 when his teammates could join. Triniti burned the candle one evening after an away game for softball working from 6-7:30. This is Trojan dedication and Trojan pride. See [link to photos](#) of their project.



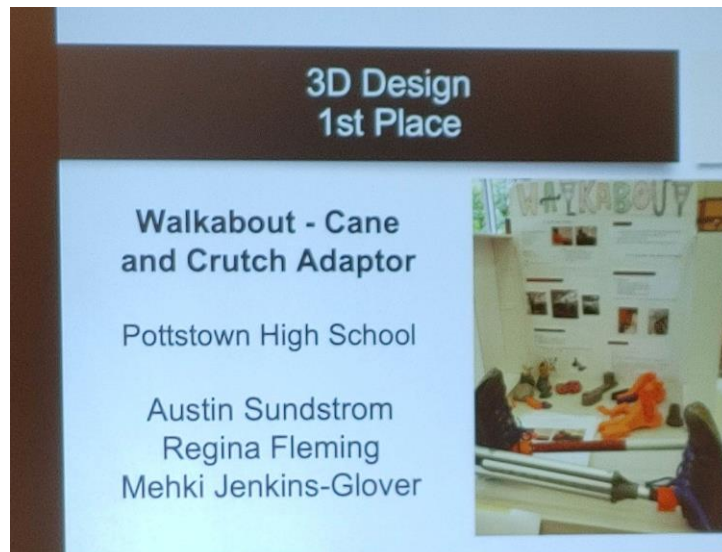
Engineering Students Go Live With Governor's Challenge

The Pottstown High School students in Mr. Andrew Bachman's engineering class are taking up the challenge in the Governor's STEM Competition. The challenge calls for students to identify a problem and then provide a proposal to address the issue. This year's project was inspired by an issue of mobility faced by a faculty member. Between designs, documentation, interviews, and videos the students have invested 150 hours of time.

For Pottstown High engineering team, success is a Walkabout in the park as they advance in national competition



Students from Mr. Andy Bachman's engineering class were demonstrating state level academic skills at the Governor's STEM competition with a 1st place effort in the 3D Design category. **Austin Sundstrom, Regina Fleming and Mehki Jenkins Glover** combined academic knowledge with creativity and imagination in using our 3D printer to develop an assisted walking device for impaired individuals.



Congratulations to PHS student **Adam Alaoui** on representing our school and community at the International Career Development Conference. Read all about it in The Davenport Report.

ADAM ALAOUI COMPETES INTERNATIONALLY

Under the supervision of marketing teacher Ronald Davenport, Adam Alaoui who is a member of DECA at Pottstown High School, participated in the Annual International Career Development Conference. DECA is a noteworthy Career and Technical Student Organization that is conducted through high schools and colleges. The purpose of DECA is to educate students about various aspects of business, while promoting leadership, hard work, and productivity. Through DECA, students are encouraged to explore numerous occupations and utilize resources to challenge themselves. This year's national competition was hosted in person and held in Orlando, Florida. Adam competed in the Personal Financial Literacy category. The competition involved students taking a 100-question content test and a situational role play. Students' role plays are judged on the effectiveness of their responses to the business situations and inquiries that are presented to them. Both the test and role play expose competitors to real-life scenarios and provide valuable experience and knowledge. This year the competition had 22,000 students from around the United States in attendance. Unlike States and Districts, if you place at ICDC you will be awarded a DECA glass and a scholarship. Even though Adam did not place, he still had a memorable experience and he will be focusing on making it to ICDC next year in Anaheim, California.



PHS Seniors Celebrate Acceptance



Members of the Class of 2023 joined on the high school patio to celebrate being accepted to a college, trade school or military. Many of the 134 seniors received multiple letters of acceptance from a wide range of schools, 3 seniors are enlisting in the Air Force and 2 in the National Guard. Every senior received a bag from the Philadelphia Premium Outlets, a free drink at WAWA coupon, and a free dessert from High Street McDonalds coupon. The National Guard and Brooks Cafe provided lunch for the seniors. Activities included a 35-foot rock climbing wall, an inflatable archery range,

yard games and music. Students are prepared to take the next step in their journey to success. They are learning that hard work pays off and give us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



Trojan Man a source of Community Pride

Like most school mascots, you can find Trojan Man on the sidelines of many of our athletic events, cheering the team on and supporting their efforts. But in the Pottstown School District our mascot, the Trojan Man does much more. Guided by the mentorship of volunteer advisor high school teacher, Dave Woodley, Trojan Men can be found representing our school and community at events that bring awareness and help raise funds for a wide variety of causes, such as cancer research, autism awareness, and food dependency. Recently Team Trojan Man helped promote some friendly neighborhood cooperation and support for our next-door neighbors in Pottsgrove. They took part in the 5K color run, which was a fundraising activity for the Pottsgrove education foundation. As you can see from the pictures, team Trojan Man gives 100% in every effort. Thanks to the unofficial leader of the Trojan Nation, Dave Woodley, and his Trojan Man runners, Mohammed Selmi, Hamed Al-Muhtaseb, David Mackewicz and John Cipollini. Another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



PHS Students' Problem-Solving Leads to Scholarships

When PHS engineering students competed in a national robotics event and ran into trouble, they did some quick thinking and problem solved their way to 2nd place and some scholarships. Read all about it on the link.



PHS student plays to his own beat



When Pottstown High School freshman **Colin Plank** was in middle school and dealing with the isolation brought on by schools moving to 100% virtual classrooms due to the pandemic, he put his musical talent to good use and composed a jazz tune that would undergo a name change from "Trojan Blues" to "Get Lost" and eventually become a successfully published piece of music with the Excelcia Music Publishing Company.

When middle school band director Katie German first heard the tune, she found the melody to be very catchy and offered for the middle school jazz band to perform it, if Colin added some parts for all jazz instruments to play. The young percussionist with a background in piano filled out the composition and the jazz band eventually performed the piece at their 2021 outdoor spring concert. Former PHS Band Director and current employee of JW Pepper Sheet Music, Joseph Snyder, was at the concert and also found the melody to be very catchy. He suggested Colin submit the piece for publishing.

In the spring of 2022, Excelcia Music Publishing Company chose "Get Lost" as one of their 22 new jazz ensemble pieces for summer release. Colin's composition is now available for bands all over the world to purchase and perform. JW Pepper, the largest sheet music distributor in the world, recognized the piece as one of their "Editors' Choice" pieces.

German said, "This is quite the accomplishment for any musician, but especially one that is as young as Colin. He has lots to be proud of and we have another reason to say, 'proud to be from Pottstown.'" [Click here](#) to hear his composition.

Class of 2023 Photos and Remarks

Thank you to The Mercury for helping to celebrate PHS 143rd graduating class. You can read the remarks made by the class Valedictorian and Salutatorian and see pictures of the celebration.

The Class of 2023 earned more than \$5 million in grants and scholarships.

The Valedictorian is Abigail Eagle, and the Salutatorian is William Levey.

The Class President is Mark Ellison III and the junior Class President is Adam Aloui.

The class was led out onto the field by Jaime Parris, Dean of Students and 2008 graduate of Pottstown High School.



The entire ceremony was recorded and over 400 pictures are posted to the district [Facebook page](#).

For the 143rd year, Pottstown High School said farewell to our graduates. This year's class of graduates adds to the list of over 20,000 PHS Trojans who have gone on to distinguish themselves in every field of endeavors. They become part of our proud past and give us reason to be confident about the future. Congratulations to them and thanks to teachers, staff, administration, school board, parents, family and community who has played a role in shaping their future.

You are all reason to say "Proud to be from Pottstown."

No matter where the journey of life takes them - Once a Trojan, a Trojan Forever!

Class of 2023 Information

The Class of 2023 is Pottstown High School's 143rd graduating class and adds 199 graduates.

- Class of 199 students
 - Number of girls – 94
 - Number of boys – 105
- Number of students who started and completed all of their education in Pottstown – 109
- Post High School Plans:
 - Continuing Education:
 - 4 year college/university - 65
 - 2 year college/university – 24
 - Trade/technical school - 20
 - Armed Services – 3
 - Work World – 22
 - Other (homemaker, unemployed, unknown, etc.) – 63
- Scholarships/Awards – total value for senior class - **\$5,123,183.77**



				
Omar Alaoui	Sabrina Albert	Leilani Alberto	Gary Allan	Richelyne Appolon
				
Kaela Auman	Jose Aviles	Samuel Bainbridge	Desiree Baker	Dawud Barnes
				
Bailey Bayne	Lee Beach	Gregory Bechtel	Alexis Beckett	Muhammad Belgrave
				
Bryan Bodnar	Rashean Bostic	Samantha Brensinger	Ka'ron Brown	Zariah Brown
				
Khaia Burgess	Qaseem Bruner	Mia Caballero Vega	Vinicius Candido Santana	Nasir Cannon
				
Larry Carter	Justin Castillo	Anaeja Charles	Christopher Chhern	Ethan Chin

				
John Cipollini	Terron Clark	Anna Coale	Jackson Conway	Kyle Corbin
				
Brielle Davis	D'Asiah Davis	Nicole Daye	Daishawnia Dean	Mikayla DeLuca
				
Michael Di Chiara	Margaret DiPietro	Madison Dunn	Abigail Eagle	Abdel Elgendy
				
Jalin Elias-Mccoy	Jakiah Ellington	Mark Ellison	Tye Elliott Moore	Ronald Escobar Barrios
				
Yasmeen Felton	Zynir Felton	Henry Fetterman	Lilian Fetterman	Bernard Ford Bey
				
Ha-Mya Freeman	Jamie Freese	Spencer Gatheca	Derek Gephart	Imani Germany-Bird

				
Ariana Gilmore	Keishla Gonzalez-Galarza	Kristina Gray	Adam Green	Devon Green
				
Mackenzie Hall	Khalea Hamilton	Faith Hammer	Dylan Hampton	Diamond Harris
				
Charles Hartman	Alana Hayward	Jo'Von Hector	Emma Heverly	Olivia Hickey
				
Gabriel Hicks	Mary-Joan Hogan	Serena Hogan	Jayden Hill	Gustavo Huelitl Torres
				
Melody Jackson	Genevieve Jarrett	Jihad Jeter	Asiyah Johnson	Nevaeh Johnson
				
Jevohn Jones	Malachi Jones	Owen Kellman	Aaron Laws	Krista Leinbach

				
Emma Lepage	Luke Letterhouse	Angelle Levan	Katlyn Levengood	William Levey
				
Bradley Long	Alexander Lopez	David Mackewicz	Jocelyn Malauulu	Joshua Maldonado
				
Elise Marley	Alexis Mayes	Khamya Mayo	Melissa Menelas	Angel Mercado
				
Jordan Mest	Elijah Moore-Palmore	Isabelle Moraes Marques	Kiera Moyer	Kareema Muhammad-Lee
				
Joel Mundo	Savone Nash	Michael Negrón Vega	Derick Nunez Menjivar	Nassiah Nutridge
				
Sean O'Connor	Alice Pan	Benjamin Pargeon	Nazaiyah Paschall	Sydney Peirsel

				
Jaidyn Pennington	Wilfred Perez	Montesia Pernell	Zyanna Pernell	Kapreessa Phillips
				
Terryce Phillips	Nicholas Pittman	Jibrel Pratt	Andrew Renninger	Jayden Roach
				
Taetum Robbins	Christopher Roberts	Xiyah Robinson	Fredy Rodriguez	Danielle Rubincam
				
Amaury Sahad	Ian Salisbury	Alianna Samuel	Ellis Scott	Anas Selmi
				
Blaze Sensinger	Avery Shope	Anthony Silva	Yamaia Skipper	Ethan Smith
				
Kylie Smith	Leah Smith	Cory Spence	Thomas Spence	Najee Spencer
				
Mikayla Stephen	Jordan Stevenson	Dominic Tammaro	Ashiyana Thorn	Amelliyah Tirado

				
London Trout	Jaelynn Vasquez	Alijah Vicks	Jordan Wabish	Leigha Walton
				
Serin Warneke	Abdur-Rahman Watson	Kasaundra Wesley	Jamiere Williams	Madisyn Williams
				
Michael Williams	Josiah Wilson	Oralee Wilson	Naquan Wingster	Kenyada Wise
				
Darnell Woods	Ceaira Worrell-Tilghman	Caleb Yocom		



2023 POTTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION PLANS

Albert, Sabrina	Alvernia, Lincoln, Temple, Delaware University
Alberto, Leilani Joy	Temple, Cabrini, Saint Joseph's University, LSU, ESU, Muhlenberg, Arcadia, Ursinus, DeSales
Appolon, Richelyne	Harcum, Broward College, Georgia State University, Miami Dade
Bayne, Bailey Danielle	Shippensburg, Barry University, Alvernia, Cabrini, Easy Stroudsburg, Kutztown, MCCC
Beckett, Alexis R	IUP, Susquehanna, Delaware Valley, St. Joseph's, Drexel, Temple, La Salle, Cedar Crest, Kutztown, Thomas Jefferson, Neuman, Albright, Lock Haven, Bloomsburg, West Chester, Arcadia
Bodnar, Bryan L	MCCC
Bostic, Rashean Jamel Jr	Chowan Deval Chestnut Hill Alderson Broaddus Thaddeus Stevens
Brensinger, Samantha Lyn	Alvernia
Brown, Karon Tavar	MCCC
Brown, Zariah U	Anna Marie, Lincoln, Morgan, Kutztown, Temple, Cheyney, Alvernia, Widener, Cedar Crest, Shippensburg, Bloomsburg
Bruner, Qaseem A	MCCC
Caballero Vega, Mia N	MCCC
Cannon, Nasir Aquil	MCCC
Carter, Larry D	MCCC
Castillo, Justin Kenneth	Temple, Shippensburg
Chhern, Christopher V	Alvernia, ESU, Neumann, Temple, Penn State, Wilkes, IUP
Chin, Ethan Andre	Thaddeus Stevens, Penn Tech, Williamson College of The Trades
Coale, Anna L	Albright College
Conway, Amber Christine	MCCC
Corbin, Kyle W	Millersville, ESU, Kutztown, Slippery Rock, York
Davis, Brielle H	West Chester University, Arcadia University, Gwynedd Mercy
Davis, D'asiah D	Harcum College, Kutztown, Manor College, West Chester
Daye, Nicole A	MCCC
Dean, Daishawnia Racheal	Moravian, Kutztown, Immaculata, Bloomsburg
DiPietro, Margaret Ann	Kutztown, Duquesne, Gwynedd Mercy, Curry College, Shippensburg, Hofstra, Wittenburg, MCCC
Dunn, Madison Summer	Manor College, MCCC
Eagle, Abigail	Lehigh University, Saint Joseph's University, Temple University, Ursinus College, Villanova University
Elgendy, Abdel Rahman Ekramy	Ursinus, Shippensburg, Wilkes, Widener
Ellison, Mark Ihmaud Iii	Pitt, Drexel, Saint Francis Uni, East Stroudsburg, Hofstra, Shippensburg, Penn State, Haverford, Ursinus, Widener
Escobar Barrios, Ronald Antonio	West Chester, Alvernia, Kutztown
Felton, Yasmeen	Cheyney, Kutztown, Alvernia, Arcadia, Morgan State, Gwynedd Mercy
Fetterman, Henry Thomas	Drexel, Duquesne, University of Miami, Coastal Carolina University, ESU, Juniata
Fetterman, Lilian Ruth	Temple, Drexel, Duquesne
Ford Bey, Bernard Iii	MCCC
Freeman, Ha-Mya Nevaeh	Alvernia, Kutztown, Community College of Philadelphia
Freese, Jamie Lynn	East Stroudsburg, Kutztown, Temple, Penn State, Moravian, Alvernia, Jefferson, Widener, West Chester
Gatheca, Spencer Njenga	Penn College
Germany-Bird, Imani Chantell	West Chester, Kutztown, Arcadia,
Gilmore, Ariana M	Neumann University
Gonzalez-Galarza, Keishla Jarelys	Drexel, Hofstra, Arcadia, ESU, MCCC
Gray, Kristina E	MCCC
Green, Adam S	Lincoln University, Penn West, UMBC, Temple, Kutztown, Umaine, Colorado Mess University, Penn State

Green, Devon Malik	East Stroudsburg, Lycoming, Penn State, University of Pitt, Penn West, Gannon, Shippensburg
Hamilton, Khalea M	West Chester University, Albright College, Kutztown University, MCCC, Delaware County Community College
Hammer, Faith L	Ursinus College, Lebanon Valley College, Arcadia University, Wilkes University, Albright College, Chestnut Hill College, Cedar Crest College, Elizabethtown College, Bryn Athyn College, Cabrini University, Kutztown University, Widener University, West Chester University, Moravian University
Hampton, Dylan Michael	MCCC
Harris, Diamond Skye	Georgia State University, Albany State University, Florida International, Tennessee State University, Norfolk State University, IUP, Lincoln University, West Chester University, Alabama A&M University, Taladega College, Jackson State University, University of Eastern Shore Maryland, North Carolina Central University, Delaware State University
Hartman, Charles Michael III	WCU, Kutztown, AIC, Univ of Louisville
Hayward, Alana Jade	MCCC, Temple
Hector, Jo'von J	MCCC
Heverly, Emma Hannah	MCCC
Hickey, Olivia Renee	IUP, Gwynedd Mercy University
Hicks, Gabriel Connor	Drexel, York, Virginia Tech, George Mason, Penn State, Duquesne,
Hogan, Serena Marie	Goldey-Beacom College
Huelitt Torres, Gustavo	MCCC
Jackson, Melody Lyric	West Chester, WV, Marshall, IUP, Widener, Temple, Del Val
Johnson, Nevaeh L	MCCC
Jones, Jevohn C	West Chester, Temple
Jones, Malachi Rahiem	Keystone, Penn Tech, Eastern, Wilkes
Laws, Aaron Lee Jr	MCCC
Leinbach, Krista Doris	Millersville, West Chester, Kutztown, Temple
Lepage, Emma Jane	MCCC
Levorgood, Katlyn Elizabeth	WVU, IUP, Duquesne
Levey, William G	East Stroudsburg, Penn State, George Mason, Kutztown, Millersville, Waitlisted: Colby, Harvard
Lopez, Alexander Dmeatri	BTI
Mackewicz III, David Lawrence	Alvernia University, East Stroudsburg University
Malauulu, Jocelyn Mataitua	West Chester University
Maldonado, Joshua L	MCCC
Marley, Elise Victoria	Millersville, Auburn, Simmons University, Marymount Manhattan College, Drexel, Loyola University Chicago, Misericordia University, University Of New Hampshire, Northeastern Illinois University, Brooklyn College, The City College Of New York, Shepherd University
Masewicz, Ethan John	Shippensburg, La Salle, Saint Joseph's, West Chest, Bloomsburg
Mayo, Khamya	Drexel, Ursinus, Holy Family, Saint Joseph's, La Salle, West Chester, Penn State
Menelas, Melissa	RACC
Moraes Marques, Isabelle	MCCC; Temple University Waiting List
Muhammad-Lee, Kareema Hanifa	MCCC
Mundo, Joel J	Widener University, East Stroudsburg, Wilkes University, Keystone College
Nash, Savone	Delaware Valley University, East Stroudsburg University, Keystone College, Roosevelt University, Chestnut Hill College, Johnson And Wales University, Morgan State University, Pennsylvania College of Technology, Suny Alfred State College of Technology, University of Cincinnati
Negron Vega, Michael Eduardo	MCCC
Nunez Menjivar, Derick Rodrigo	Thaddeus Stevens, ATC
Nutridge, Nassiah Jeffrey	MCCC
O'Connor, Sean Andrew	MCCC, Liberty
Pan, Alice	Penn State Uni – Abington, Stony Brook Uni, University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown, Rutgers, IUP, Kutztown

Pargeon, Benjamin T	Liberty University
Paschall, Nazaiyah T	Alvernia University College, Delaware County Community College, Ursinus College, Temple University, Lehigh University College
Perez, Wilfred Scott Jr	MCCC, Eastern University
Pernell, Zyanna Yha Maree	Harcum College
Phillips, Terryce Bernard	MCCC, Lincoln University
Pratt, Jibrel Robert Angelo	Gwynedd Mercy, Alvernia, Manor College, Elizabethtown College, Ursinus, Weidner, Kutztown, Pitt, York and Arcade
Raffaele, Xiomara Luciana	Northampton Community College
Rodriguez, Fredy Jesus	Eastern, Ursinus
Rubincam, Danielle Elizabeth	Arcadia, Alvernia, Manco
Sahad, Amaury Isaac	MCCC
Salisbury, Ian T	Millersville
Samuel, Alianna Mj	Immaculata University, Thomas Jefferson University, Albright College, Harcum College
Shope, Avery B	University of Pittsburgh, Drexel, Shippensburg, West Chester, Penn State, MCCC, Temple; Waitlisted: Swarthmore, Wellesley, Case Western Reserve
Skipper, Yamaia Ajhane	MCCC
Smith, Ethan Payton	Arcadia, Penn State, Drexel, And Temple
Smith, Leah	Wilkes, Albright, Arcadia, MCCC
Stevenson, Jordan Tyler	UTI, Albright, MCCC, Penn State of Technology
Thorn, Ashiyana Amanda	DSU, Alvernia, Kutztown, DeSales
Tirado, Amelliyah Alize	MCCC
Trout, London E	Kutztown University
Vasquez, Jaelynne Marie	MCCC
Vicks, Alijah Amir Kyree	MCCC
Wabish, Jordan Tyler	Widener, Shippensburg
Walton, Leigha Mae	Alvernia, Arcadia, Duquesne, ESU, Gannon, Marywood, Messiah, Rosemont, Russell Sage, University of Pittsburgh, Widener
Warneke, Serin Faye	Alvernia, MCCC
Watson, Sanaa A	MCCC
Wesley, Kasaundra Taylor	IUP, Lincoln, Norfolk, Delaware State, Temple, Albright, Villanova, Drexel, Penn State, Ursinus, West Chester, ESU, Morgan State, Bowie, Miami University, University of Pittsburgh
White, Gideon M	MCCC
Williams, Jamiere Furman	BTI
Williams, Madisyn M	Misericordia, Shippensburg
Wilson, Josiah Aaron	Cheyney, Penn College of Tech
Wilson, Oralee Yolanda-Jean	Automotive Training Center, MCCC
Wise, Kenyada Monay	West Chester, Moravian, Shippensburg
Wood, Kylie Ella	MCCC
Woods, Darnell Davion	MCCC
Worrell-Tilghman, Ceaira E	IUP, West Chester University, Augsburg University, Kutztown University, Temple University, Cleveland Institute of Art
Yocom, Caleb J	MCCC

PHS Student Athletes Show We Care

Some Pottstown High School student athletes along with their coaches spent a Saturday morning during summer vacation to make a statement about gun violence and to help keep the community clean. Wearing bright orange shirts proclaiming, "Pick up Garbage Not Guns," they took part in a community cleanup project as part of Gun Violence Awareness Month.

PHS coaches Mr. Levert Hughes and Mr. Terrence Shawell helped to organize the student athletes into work teams. Shawell said, "At our kickoff meeting we talked about gun violence and the role that each one of us can play in keeping our community safe." Hughes said, "I am very proud of these young men for understanding the importance of giving back to the community and taking a step toward becoming the leaders of the future." It is another reason for all of us to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Read All About It Trojans Compete In Olympics

Trojan Proud of our Pottstown Middle School Reading Olympic Team. Composed of Lucy Zuniga, Royer Rodriguez Castillo, Lillian Greene, Maliah Agudio, Kamryn King, Leyna Johnson, and Makaila Plummer. Calling themselves the Reading Rocks, they competed in the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Reading Olympics event with teams from eight other districts in Montgomery County. The meet consists of three rounds of rapid recall of facts from the stories on a required reading list of 25 books. The team used teamwork and good communication skills to score a Blue Ribbon--the highest tier achievable in the competition. Middle school librarian Andrea Roberts said, "This was a great experience for our students. Making the commitment to do all the reading and then developing their skills in communications and willingness to work as a team provides them with valuable real-life skills that will help them realize the district mission to prepare each student by name for success at every level. Reading Rocks thanks for giving us another reason to say proud to be from Pottstown."



Middle School Students Explore The Great Outdoors

Members of the Pottstown Middle School Environmental Science Club, along with their advisor Ms. Ginger Angelo, spent three days at the Pocono Environmental Education Center in Dingman Falls, PA. The club of 27 students in grades 5-6-7 explored the environment while participating in team-building activities, canoeing, orienteering and hiking. In the evenings they learned about the constellations and the moon's effects on humans, navigation and bird migration. Ms. Angelo said, "The trip gave our students an opportunity to expand their learning experiences beyond the traditional classroom setting."



ELEMENTARY

RUPERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THIRD MARKING PERIOD I'MPACT HOME VISITS

On Thursday, March 23, 2023, the Rupert Elementary I'MPACT team visited the homes of its students. The team went out to visit students from each grade level to congratulate them and their families, and to acknowledge student successes during the Third Marking Period. I'MPACT is an acronym for I'm Pottstown Action Community Team. Its mission is to "Celebrate Learning" with positive communication of activities happening at school through the building of relationships with community members. The team made door-to-door visits to surprise students and their families with certificates of achievement, yard signs, and I'MPACT Winner shirts. Students are congratulated for their hard work, citizenship, and positive behavior. The I'MPACT Team consists of teachers, support staff, and administrators from Rupert Elementary School.

I'MPACT Winners for the Third Marking Period:

- Pre-Kindergarten - **Cairo Taylor** from Miss Coolong's class
- 1st Grade - **McKenzie Callahan** from Mrs. Bellevou's class
- 2nd Grade - **Keagan Branagh** from Mrs. Bauman's class
- 3rd Grade - **Eleazar Lagunes Cruz** from Mrs. Voynar's class
- 4th Grade - **Alexandra Velasquez-Mata** from Miss Hogan class



Elementary Reading Olympics



Pottstown Trojans compete in Olympics

Over 100 elementary students took part in the 23rd annual school district Reading Olympics competition. This year's event, held virtually, requires students to read 45 books in preparation for the event. Each round of competition sees two opposing teams attempt to answer 20 questions given in rapid-fire fashion from a moderator. This event helps build reading skills, comprehension, and teamwork. Thank you to Diamond Credit Union for supporting this event and providing each student with a Reading Olympics T-shirt. Community and school partnerships help lead to student success.



Hands-on Learning - The Lincoln Report

Thanks to Lincoln principal Mrs. Boyer for sharing the story of the hands-on learning experience Lincoln 3rd graders had on a field trip to the Davinci Learning Center in Allentown. Boyer said, "Students and adults alike had fun and learned from the many science hands on learning stations. I want to give a special thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Trainer for helping to make the trip possible by way of their donation for transportation." Mrs. Trainer is a former Lincoln teacher who is giving back to the community. Another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown. Enjoy some of the pictures as much as the people in them enjoyed their hands-on learning. For more pictures of this trip and other activities at [Lincoln](#) click the link.



McDonald's Writing Awards

Congratulations to all of our elementary students who took the *TIME* to participate in this year's McDonald's Writing Contest. Thanks to Bruce and Marcia Graham, owners of our local McDonald's restaurants for their many years of continued support of student learning activities. The theme for this year was, "If I had a TIME Machine." Students used their creativity, imagination and writing skills to answer the question. Go forward, go back, where would you go? Take a minute to read some of their very interesting and thoughtful answers and you will know another reason we say we are proud to be from Pottstown.



Barth Elementary School Winners



Franklin Elementary School Winners



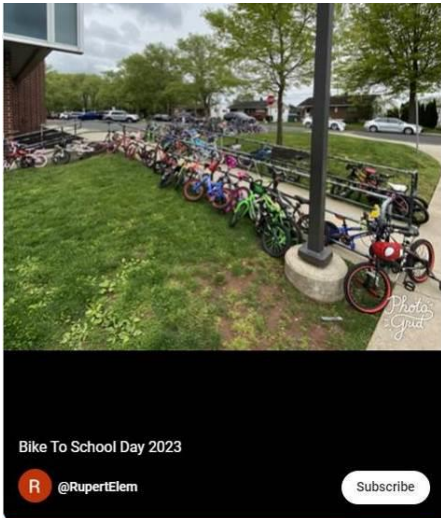
Lincoln Elementary School Winners



Rupert Elementary School Winners



Rupert Students Have Wheels Will Travel



Rupert Elementary students shared their enthusiasm for biking by celebrating National Bike to School Day. Their smiling faces tell the story of how much they enjoyed the journey. Using the bike lanes provided them with a safe and healthy way to get to school. Thanks to the Pottstown Police Department for being on hand to share safety tips and give out free safety helmets.

All Is Well At Rupert

Students and staff at Rupert Elementary took on the wellness challenge and as you can see principal Mr. Matt Moyer is happy about reporting the results. A big SHOUT OUT to our Wellness Champion, Kelsey Hultz, and the whole Wellness Team for their outstanding work on this year's Wellness Checklist Challenge! We were able to accumulate over 170 points thanks to the team's efforts with our staff and students! **AWESOME WORK!!!!** While we didn't win the overall challenge, we did an outstanding job supporting our school's many wellness areas!! We were awarded **\$1,000** which we can use to continue our wellness efforts next year!

A few highlights:

- We were in the **TOP 5** of all participating schools.
- We had more points than any other school in Pottstown.
- We were the only school to hold Bike to School Day AND Walk To School Day.



Keeping the Peace at Barth



Each year at Barth Elementary School two students are selected by their classmates to receive the Peacemaker Award. It is given to recognize good citizenship and character it is considered one of the highest school awards. Recipients represent character by displaying pride in their behavior, standards and reputation. The award is sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church who have supported Bath students, staff and families for over 20 years. This year's honorees are Scarlet McElroy and Brandon Danzig. Read for yourself what the honorees classmates have to say about them and you will know why we say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Brandon Danzig:

This student is helpful. One time we were working on a project and I was having trouble, he came over and asked if I needed help because I was having trouble on my own. Another student added he is a caring person. He helps people stay safe. They also witnessed this boy asking people to follow the rules because he said, "I don't want to see anyone get hurt." He is responsible and sets a good example. A student noted, "If I was not focusing or distracted, this person would get me back to the right spot because he pays attention all the time." It was also said that this person is thoughtful. He can tell if someone is having a bad day and tries to make them feel better or cheer them up. He listens and really tries to think about what the teacher is asking us to do. He is kind and smart, and helps anyone who needs it, even if he doesn't know them that we

Scarlet McElroy:

One student wrote, "She is always nice, kind, and following the 3Rs (respectful, responsible, and ready to learn)." Another student wrote about how they saw her helping others when they needed it and giving compliments to others and never being rude to others. Another student wrote about a time when "she volunteered to be my partner when no one else wanted to. She made me feel better about myself and she showed empathy." It was also mentioned in a couple of the nominations that this girl shares and invites students to play at recess. One student specifically mentioned that they "saw her go up to someone who was standing by themselves during recess. This girl went up to them and offered different things they could do together. They ended up playing soccer." It was mentioned multiple times about how respectful this student is not just to her peers, but the adults too.



POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 FOURTH MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

Barth Elementary School - Grade 3

Alaysha	Acosta
Bella	Alessi
Maliah	Atkins
Isabella	Bauer
Connor	Butler
Alexa	Chambers
Londynn	Cobb
Sophia	Devine
Jefferson	Etienne
Zoey	Frazier
Zyair	Gibbs
Jacob	Grauber
Aliviana	Hadrick
Jaseer	Hill
Mason	Johnson
Kyla	Kelman
Michael	Kirlew
Madison	Lichty
Liam	Malave
Gabriel	Mattack
Jayce	Newman
Brianna	Robinson
Hamza	Robinson
Nitalia	Sanchez
Michael	Stephen
Seth	Stephenson
Lexi	Thomas
Arabella	Trabucco
Adannaya	Uzor
Viviana	Vasquez
Raziya	Whitehead
Treyvon	Whitehead

Barth Elementary School - Grade 4

Vanessa	Alvarado
Haylen	Anderson
Sa'Bri	Billups- Richardson
Nusaibah	Bint-Jamal
Charlie	Calano
Makayla	Charles
Brandon	Danzig
Santiago	Diaz
Ilyas	Ingram
Aiden	Leach Witherspoon
Scarlett	McElroy
Aria	Miller
Aamori	Mobley
Zachariah	Norzius
Jackson	Raudenbush
Semaj	Rush
Jayden	Stokes
Ryan	Zukoski

Franklin Elementary School - Grade 3

Keelan	Briscoe-Towson
Kaaliyah	Bronson
Ruby	Buckner
Beatrice	Caler
Olivia	Campbell
Deshawn	Canada
Olivia	Conbeer
Deaglan	Conrad
Giovanni	D'Annibale
Cdin	Holden
Josephine	Jaycox
Matthew	Jolivet
Kamryn	Kaehn
Scott	Kupinski-Trego
Makayla	Marshall
Christopher	Morta
Eamon	Mullen
Emma	Pena
Santana	Robbins
Samuel	Rosado-Lutz
Jonathan	Santos
Marcus	Smith
Dillon	Soos
Mila	Torres
Sophia	Tucker
Noah	Waters
Kamryn	Wesley
Yahtasia	Williams
Brysin	Wyatt

Franklin Elementary School - Grade 4

Kaylee	Barton
Cassidy	Bennett
Amahj	Brockington
Blake	Brown
Declan	Chambers
Angel	Chiroly Disla
Giovanni	Conigliaro
Jaydah-Marie	Davis
Milan	Everette
Angel	Gorman-Nealy
Mila	Harkin
Eric	Harvey
Charleigh	Katch
Leonardo	Krasley
George	Lilly
Shariel	Mendez Rivera
Maxwell	Mills
Adrian	Ogando
Kayvion	Reinert-Cotton
Melinda	Rosado-Lutz
Cecelia	Sloss
Symphony	Smith
Evalee	Wyatt
Manuel	Zepeda

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Lincoln Elementary School - **Grade 3**

Andrew	Almonte
Gavin	Arnold
Brayden	Bennett
Kal-el	Bridges
Denzel	Brown
Samuel	Cordoba
	Williford
Vada	Corum
Honesti	Dalton
Aiden	DeLong
Emmarie	Dennis
Blake	Dunacusk
Ayah	El Kiram
Marshall	Flamer
Amora	Flores-Gentles
Lorenzo	Garcia
Ahmaad	Hayes
Domingo	Hernandez
Orion	Hudy
Saniya	Jennings
Karina	Johnson
Jazmyn	Lamarre
Lacey	Mastrippolito
Enmanuel	Mejia Sosa
Jace	Miller
Jonnez	Oister
Brielley	Price
Aracely	Reinoso Calle
Fatimah	Robinson
Kenzey	Rosen
Lashaye	Ross
Jahir	Smith
Azaria	Tanner
Ethan	Tomasetti
Durnell	Towles
Aiden	Tuggle
Dominic	Whyte
Kaidyn	Williams
Jaylah	Witherspoon
Aaron	Young

Lincoln Elementary School - **Grade 4**

Kamren	Arnold
Simon'e	Bookard-Thomas
Yannelly	Castaneda
	Masin
Lorelei	Cruz-Timinski
Brayden	DeBoer
Nevaeh	DiBiaggio
Elena	Eidell
Matilda	Gaval
Ariah	Gibson
Samuel	Green
Oliver	Hudy
Genesis	Jeter
Teagan	Joyce
Kameron	Lewis-Lesher
Eric	Marquez Estrada
Amy	Martinez-Hernandez
Chase	Mason
Kaeda	Ross
Ewad	Selmi
Hessiah	Starling
Ronan	Velasquez
Sariyah	Williams
Umar	Young
Nora	Zuniga

Rupert Elementary School - **Grade 3**

Victoria	Alata
Nelson	Alston
Odalys	Barrios
	Villacinda
Jamie	Bastien
Esa	Bey
Brooklyn	Champlin
Brayden	Culbreath
Evelyn	Dixon
Jaxson	Elchert
Matthew	Fitzsimmons
Jason	Gentile
James	Gilbert
Julia	Gilbert
Iyaad	Gissendanner
Sasha	Goodridge
Sofia	Guardado-Ramos
Levi	Jensen
Eleazar	Lagunes Cruz
Davis	Nolan
Trinity	Oglesby
Mekenzie	Painter
Hendrix	Paschall
Idris	Rains
Autumn	Redfield-Smith
David	Richburg
Romeo	Santiago
Makenzie	Suber
Caleb	Tekpetey
Nathaniel	Walton

Rupert Elementary School - **Grade 4**

Adeiye	Aina
Marcos Antonio	Bretas
	Marques
Sebastian	Fegeley
Mark	Fitzsimmons
Zerick	Hudson
Troy	McCalvin
Jace	McClincy
Savaha	Moore
Kennedy	Nance
Charlee	Nickle
Francis	Powell
Aidan	Rhoads
Daniel	Rodriguez
Emely	Rojas
	Romero
Analeise	Santiago
Isaac	Shifflette
Ellie	Stauffer
Matthew	Stingone
Casceous	Taylor
Isabella	Torres
Bailey	Wentzel
Amira	Williams

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 FOURTH MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PMS - Grade 5 Distinguished Honors

David	Almonte
Isabella	Amador
Dexter	Bunning
Emma	Campbell
Patrick	Galamba
Ava	Gulbish
Lily	Kinzel
Eva	Lamperez
Cdby	Moyer
Audrey	Muriel
Jacqueline	Santiago
Samuel	Sullivan-Mack
Kaidon	Terpoilli
Ronan	White
Layla	Williams

PMS - Grade 6 Distinguished Honors

Laelitia	Agnememel
Julietta	Aguilera Macias
Rania	Ait Lqol
Rosio	Avila Aquilon
Kimberly	Chhern
Zyaira	Clark
Hailey	Danzig
Grace	Eby
John	Ellwanger
Lucien	Fair
Landon	Ford
Clara	Johnson
Gabriella	Krasley
Madison	Llewellyn
Luz	Mendez Rivera
Yezhua	Molina Lorenzo
Thomas	Rose
Edward	Sloss

PMS - Grade 7 Distinguished Honors

Angelina	Agnememel
Maliah	Agudio
Natalia	Alvarado
Savana	Bauman
Maya	Elgendy
Lillian	Green
Kemyr	Isaac
Levi	Jaycox
Leyna	Johnson
Ava	Laws
Alejandro	Maldonado-Rivas
Audra	Masewicz
Symphony	Morefield-Diaz
Makaila	Plummer
Morgan	Privette
Deston	Purnell
Royer	Rodriguez
Zacarias	Rodriguez
William	Rose
Marcus	Williams
Lucy	Zuniga

PMS - Grade 8 Distinguished Honors

Dimitrus	Alston
Essence	Brown
Brianna	Bui
Santiago	Castillo
Alexander	Delgado
Glenndale	Fegdeley
Cheyenne	Flamer
Josue	Funes
Trinity	Hall
Jayden	Kooker
Riley	Maguire
Youssef	Mahmoud
Oliver	Pineda-Penate
Kayla	Puth
McKenzee	Richey
Carlham	Rodriguez Vazquez
Mia	Torres
Sione	Worrell-Tilghman

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 FOURTH MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PMS - Grade 5 Honors		PMS - Grade 6 Honors		PMS - Grade 7 Honors		PMS - Grade 8 Honors	
Luis	Barreno Cordova	Emma	Allen	Kelvin	Abad Gonzalez	Emma	Allan
Lily	Beach	Marko	Arnold	Shahed	Aljashoubi	Jayden	Bell
Sophia	Carter	Rhiannon	Bielawski	Meleena	Bisram	Gavyn	Bennett
Luke	Carvalho	Aaron	Boone	Jaiden	Brown	Adriana	Cardoza Acosta
Jordan	Clark	Kristy	Calle	Nicole	Castillo	Jamir	Chavous
Anora	Crosbie	Karen	Cocar	Talen	Colvin	Christopher	Cilio
Cielo	Del Angel	Nicolette	Davis	Ariel	Cortes	Trevor	Ford
Jacqueline	Foster	Paul	Donohie	Aiden	Crosbie	Cayden	Gofus
Sebastian	Haberle	Laytoni	Dunn	Phoenix	Custer	Chastelyn	Gonzalez
Payton	Hall	Mia	Elchert	Dahlia	Dowling		Galarza
Liam	Hawk	Christian	Fisher	Chase	Drost	Yahaira	Gonzalez
Shylaj	Hine	Ace	Folly	Jacob	DuVal		Guardado
Yandel	Irizarry	Brayden	Frisco	Autumn	Fair	Aletta	Halpin
Jaden	Jackson	John	Gantert	Felicia	Fry	Elvira	Majorova
Jayden	Mattis	Leyla	Gibson	Starr	Gratz	Jesus	Maldonado
Myiah	Montgomery	Alexandra	Green	Cayden	Hayes	Snyder	Manzanares
Kay'dense	Nagir	Tristian	Hines	Aislin	Kimbro	Alexander	Marin Sanchez
Alexis	Seide	Raul	Huelitt-Torres	Ezra	King	Madison	Mest
Elizabeth	Staples	Thomas	Inthaphone	Kamryn	King	Jaeden	Mills
Maliah	Suttles	Logan	Johnson	Jaylen	Lamarre	Rashawn	Mines
Gabriella	Tucker	Ny'asia	Johnson	Joell	Lamarre	Jude	Mull
Ezrah	Wilkerson	Qahira	Jones	King	Lucky	Isabella	Murray
		Evan	Krestel	Skye	Nelson	Noel	Price
		Aayden	McCain	Aubrey	O'Blosser	Ashlyn	Pulinka
		Damian	Merritt	Ayden	Olvera	Sofia	Reeher
		Nana Mosie	Miller	John	Paslo	Sean	Robbins
		Noah	Moser	Casey	Perry	Christopher	Rose
		Aiden	Ondik	Catherine	Pineda Penate	Yamiraha	Sahad
		Amy	Palma	Bradley	Saylor	Rooney	Salazar
		Meredith	Pope	Avaliyah	Scurry		Villanueva
		Christian	Quiles	Maddison	Sheldon	Alejandro	Suber
		Elizabeth	Reazor	Destiny	Trejo	Kayro-Adrian	Vazquez-
		Joshua	Reifsneider	Zachary	Waters		Mendez
		Typhanie	Samsel	Za'Mirah	Whitley	Colin	White
		Cody	Sheeran	Owen	Yocom	De'Vayah	Williams
		Danielle	Trabucco			Makai	Wright
		Corey	Wallner				
		Christazja	White				
		Jaden	Williams				
		Seth	Yannessa				

PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors		PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors Continued		PHS - Grade 10 Distinguished Honors		PHS - Grade 11 Distinguished Honors	
Ava	Alessi	Kevin	Reinoso-Calle	Diego	Aguilera	Elizabeth	Adedeji
Christiana	Allen	Triniti	Rhodes-Fisher	Kaylee	Allan	Adam	Alaoui
Nora	Ammouri	Ciara	Rios	Patrick	Auman	Isabella	Appleby
Anilyse	Arey	Johan	Rivera	Ambriana	Baryeh	Peyton	Bayne
Leah	Blackwell	Ana	Salazar Lopez	Cheynin	Boyer	Layla	Bearden
Alivia	Boyer	Taina	Santiago	Daniela	Castillo	Peyton	Benfield
Zyla	Burke	Brighton	Scott	Jasmine	Champlin	Nahzier	Booker
Annasophia	Chhern	Garrett	Shope	Angel	Chavous	Tyler	Broughton
Michelle	Cocar Paredes	Natalie	Shope	Ethan	Collins	Megan	Cannell
Mairelys	Concepcion	Gabriel	Stilwell	Lunna	Davila	Lexi	Caserta
Brandon	Davis	Anthony	Suber	Jeremy	de Leon Lopez	Emily	Castillo
Isabella	Deluca	Allyana	Sykes	Abigail	Donohie	Kyle	Chaney
Austin	Derstine	Dakota	Tattershall	Evan	Draucker	Angelina	Chhern
Julia	Draucker	Arian	Tinson	Naden	Elgendy	Nayianna	Clyde
Wesam	Elgendy	Ethan	Ung	Juan	Ferreira	Ava	Cdlier
Iyonna	Elliott	Xavien	Vasquez	Lili	Freese	Vivianni	Diaz
James	Everette	Bryan	Villagomez	Cindy	Garcia Villegas	Dominic	DiPietro
Lily	Felix	Emely	Villegas	Jacob	Givens	Dalajah	Dowling
Saniyah	Fox	Cianne	Wells	Carmen	Gomez	Brittany	Endy
Damion	Fry	Donovan	Williams	Crystal	Gonzalez Guardado	Regina	Fleming
Aiden	Gonzalez	Malayasia	Williams	Aubree	Harsh	Marcus	Fowlkes
Jacob	Granozio	Ariana	Wilson	Irelys	Hernandez Justiniano	Makenna	Franey
Miyana	Green	Isabella	Wright	Natalie	Hitechew	Jordan	Harris
Troy	Gross	Alana	Young	Imani	Jeter	Steven	Jimenez Gomez
Austin	Hampton			Alexander	Jimenez Rosales	Keiara	Lesley
Gaige	Harsh			Aiden	Kancianic	Kaylee	Loughlin
Maddeleine	Heidel			Emanuel	Lagunes Cruz	Sarish	Mendez Rivera
Ashley	Herring			Terelle	Lowery	Christian	Morales
Jayanna	Hill			Taylor	Maguire	Tara	Morgan
Geovanni	Houpe			Trevor	Marley	Grayce	Morton
Aliyas	Hudson			Pedro	Martinez Guardado	Jonathan	Moser
Brandon	Hughes			Nana Kobina	Miller	Ashley	Ormston
Arek	Javage			Fatima	Mohamed-Eck	Helen	Ortega
Kendyll	King			Reece	Murphy	Alyssa	Pearson
Josiah	Lamar			Kai	O'Brien	Benjamin	Pena
Elizabeth	LaRocca			Shawn	Pallay Williams	Najae	Perez
Savannah	Llewellyn			Miranda	Pineda	Jachob	Pusicz
Ana	Maldonado-Lucas			Daniel	Pittman	Katerine	Reina
Leslye	Manzanares			Jahiem	Pratt	Savannah	Richards
Shazia	Mendez			Justin	Rivera Posas	Sophia	Russo
Jazzlyn	Miller-Tribble			Joel	Rubincam	Makayla	Smith
Nevaeh	Peaco			Julia	Smith	Rodrigo	Solis
Carice	Peart			Sean	Tattershall	Austin	Sundstrom
Mikayla	Perkins			Christopher	Thomas	Myia	Tinson
Cdin	Plank			Ava	Vilain	Christian	Toland
Nye	Powell			Aniyah	Wells	Pieter	Ung
Mia	Ramirez			Aimee	White	Tyrese	Washington
						Chloe	Weiss

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 FOURTH MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

PHS - Grade 11 Distinguished Honors Continued

Jazelle	Whitehurst
Diamond	Williams
Kris	Wise
Ethan	Yost
Keshawn	Young
Matthew	Zaborsky

PHS - Grade 12 Distinguished Honors

Omar	Alaoui
Sabrina	Albert
Leilani	Alberto
Kaela	Auman
Samuel	Bainbridge
Alexis	Beckett
Samantha	Brensinger
Khaia	Burgess
Justin	Castillo
Christopher	Chhern
Anna	Coale
Daishawnia	Dean
Mikayla	DeLuca
Margaret	DiPietro
Abigail	Eagle
Abdel	Elgendy
Mark	Ellison
Henry	Fetterman
Lilian	Fetterman
Jacob	Fisher
Jamie	Freese
Imani	Germany-Bird
Ariana	Gilmore
Keishla	Gonzalez-Galarza
Kristina	Gray
Adam	Green
Devon	Green
Charles	Hartman
Olivia	Hickey
Gabriel	Hicks
Melody	Jackson
Jihad	Jeter
Jevohn	Jones
Katlyn	Levengood
William	Levey
Bradley	Long
David	Mackewicz III
Jocelyn	Malauulu
Elise	Marley
Jordan	Mest
Derick	Nunez Menjivar
Sean	OConnor
Alice	Pan
Benjamin	Pargeon
Montesia	Pernell
Xiyah	Robinson
Danielle	Rubincam

PHS - Grade 12 Distinguished Honors Continued

Ian	Salisbury
Alianna	Samuel
Anas	Selmi
Avery	Shope
Leah	Smith
Ryan	Szczepanik
London	Trout
Jaelynne	Vasquez
Jordan	Wabish
Leigha	Walton
Abdur-Rahman	Watson
Kasaundra	Wesley
Kenyada	Wise
Ceaira	Worrell-Tilghman

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PHS - Grade 9 Honors

Jordyn	Allford
Jaxon	Barron
Iyell	Beneditch
Mason	Booker
Mauricio	Calle-Castillo
Antoine	Corrento-Williams
Nathaniel	Diehl
Sean	Elchert
Jeyohnna	Gibson
Chase	Harrington
Serenity	Meade-Brown
Omar'ia	Miller
Michael	Moore
Caden	Nihart
Isiah	Perez
Josiah	Pugh
Audrey	Redding
Kamrin	Robinson
Trinity	Santiago
Mohammed	Selmi
Nevaeh	Tanner
Arman	Thorpe
Karla	Vazquez
Syncere	Whitehurst
Desiyah	Wilson

PHS - Grade 10 Honors

Quadeara	Best
Drew	Bunning
Connor	Cory-Pope
Aniyah	Crump
Madison	Dailey
Ezriel	Felder
Michelle	Garcia-Castro
Amirah	Graves
Christian	Katch
Quinn	Logan
Jennifer	Maldonado
Tahj	Phillips
Kyairah	Smith
Colson	Strohl
Nyel	Thompson
Skyler	Walker
Ja-Nyai	White

PHS - Grade 11 Honors

Adam	Ashraf
Josie	Bacon
Janaiya	Baker
Dylan	Basile
Jack	Butler
Michael	Calano
Eliza	Camacho
Laila	Clark
Rosario	Clemens
Leilandi	Davis
Ryan	Davis
Anna	Deane
Michael	Delgado
Naeem	Dover
Kalyn	Ely
Myles	Hancock
Dane	Jensen-Sellers
Julia	Kulp
Anthony	Kutsch
Baden	Landy
Hassan	Manning
Brynn	McClune
Aiden	Miller
Jarius	Minor
I'samir	Moreau
Anderson	Osorio Nato
Gabriela	Pagan
Anthony	Patterson
Jayden	Pray
Tianna	Robinson
Duha	Selmi
Miley	Taylor
Brooke	Thomas
Alona	Tinson

PHS - Grade 12 Honors

Gary	Allan
Jose	Aviles
Nasir	Cannon
Ethan	Chin
D'Asiah	Davis
Michael	Di Chiara
Ronald	Escobar Barrios
Spencer	Gatheca
Derek	Gephart
Giovanni	Gring
Khalea	Hamilton
Alana	Hayward
Jayden	Hill
Malachi	Jones
Angelle	Levan
Joshua	Maldonado
Melissa	Menelas
Kiera	Moyer
Joel	Mundo
Nassiah	Nutridge
Sydney	Peirsel
Nicholas	Pittman
Jibrel	Pratt
Xiomara	Raffaele
Yamaia	Skipper
Jordan	Stevenson
Ashiyana	Thorn
Darnell	Woods

[New program lets Pottstown students design their own grants](#)

Most grant programs aimed at schools want to help students, or teachers, and come from outside agencies. But what if the students could design the grants themselves? And pick the projects they fund. That is just what the **Foundation for Pottstown Education** instituted this year. It is called, appropriately, the Student Grant.



STAFF AND SCHOOL BOARD AWARDS

[Helping Make Dreams Come True](#)

Pottstown School Board member **Deborah Spence** is helping renters realize their dream of homeownership. Read about how her partnership is helping to turn tenants into homeowners.



TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

During the school board meeting, building Teachers of the Year were honored. Trojan, proud of our outstanding dedicated educators, who come to school every day with the goal of helping prepare each student for success. They are a positive influence that will make a difference in the lives of our children. They serve as role models for both their students and their peers.

- Barth - MaryEllen Lammey
- Edgewood - Erica Faust
- Franklin - Jane Hospador
- Lincoln - Kelly Mooney
- Rupert - Katie Coolong
- PMS - Andrea Roberts
- PHS - Michaela Johnson Richardson

They truly are more reasons for us to say proud to be from Pottstown. Read what their fellow peers had to say about them.:

Congratulations to Pottstown High School's Teacher of the Year - Michaela Johnson Richardson



As the most senior veteran member of the CTE Department, Michaela has maintained a consistently high level of instruction, leadership, involvement, student engagement, commitment, integrity, and positive attitude for years. She advocates for her students, her peers, and her community. She is a problem solver through critical thinking and collaboration. She could have gone elsewhere many times over or returned "full time" to nursing. Instead, she remained here by choice.

For years, Michaela has taught all four blocks and planned on her personal time. She does this to meet the needs of the many students wishing to enter the healthcare profession. If Michaela chose to keep her planning, like many of us have, then students would miss out. She does not want that. She sacrifices her time so the students benefit from having her class. She makes the difficult task of learning medical terms, definitions, and abbreviations fun and meaningful through varied activities. Her senior students complete a portfolio to showcase their work. Michaela carefully designs her classes to mimic the healthcare industry. The majority of curriculum is taught with a team-based approach because work in healthcare is team based. Additionally, Michaela uses a state-of-the-art 3D Virtual Cadaver Dissection Table to teach anatomy. Due to the rigor of her curriculum, students in Health Occupations need all of that support to meet the expectations mandated by PDE. Her "completers" continually pass the NOCTI and go onto promising careers in Health Care Professions. Michaela collaborates with Pro-Medica Health Service for student clinical experiences, and monitors her students during these clinical experiences. She is currently working on a new internship opportunity for students at Pottstown Hospital. During the Spring of 2023, she will teach a dual enrollment course "Medical Terminology" with MCCC which is being offered at the high school. Outside of the classroom, Michaela coaches winter and spring track, is member of the SAP Team, the ERT Team, she is new teacher mentor, a Basic Life Support Instructor, a Certified Nurse Aide Training Instructor, a member of Second Baptist Church, a mentor for Leading Ladies and President of the Pottstown High School Touchdown Club. Michaela is a Pottstown High School alumnus that chose to raise her children here in her hometown. She is truly a reason to say "Proud to be from Pottstown!" Congratulations again to Pottstown High School's Teacher of the Year Michaela Johnson Richardson!

Congratulations to Pottstown Middle School's Teacher of the Year - Andrea Roberts



Andrea has been an indispensable and integral part of Pottstown Middle School over her 15+ year career. In each of her roles, she has maximized its potential and possibilities. Over the past few years, she has turned the library into a student-centered hub of learning and exploration. There are kids constantly desiring to go to Andrea's library, including during homeroom, lunch, and afterschool. Students of all grades and abilities are choosing to come explore what the library has to offer. She has tried to create the most pathways of interest for the most kids, not only updating and carefully curating the collection for our

diverse Pottstown student body, but updating the means by which kids access any form of media.

In addition to meeting the needs of the whole building, Andrea wears the other "hat" of a related arts teacher for fifth grade, again pushing the boundaries of what is included in its curriculum, including group activities where students can utilize more innovative, cutting-edge resources and media. Andrea's mission has been to get kids to want to read, which means adapting with the times and interests of the kids. Students might explore future careers, research a person in science or history who they relate to, or they might dive into the challenge of Reading Olympics. Andrea is always reaching out to teachers to assist with lessons like Walking Classroom, sampling and sharing resources for staff and students, and initiating school-wide contests and academic-minded challenges. She has been a role model for many students through the years, and many have listed her as one of their most influential middle school teachers. Her consistent, calm demeanor and sincere ability to listen has made her a safe person for kids to turn to. She has been a coach and club advisor, and now helps lead the WEB initiative. The eighth grade students in WEB are not just nurtured for one year, but Andrea continues to check in on them through high school. Over the past decade of transitions at Pottstown Middle School, Andrea has been a figure of stability and a positive force for change. She has demonstrated the ability to grow and adapt, and it is hard to imagine both the library and the school community without her. Although the library position might have been overlooked or under defined in the past, Andrea has challenged those assumptions and made our library the place to be for all students at Pottstown Middle School. Congratulations again to Pottstown Middle School's Teacher of the Year Andrea Roberts!

Congratulations to Rupert's Teacher of the Year - -Katie Coolong



Katie always has a smile on her face. She is kind and generous to all of those around her. Katie goes above and beyond and always demonstrates patience and creativity. She works extremely hard to make sure that her students are prepared for kindergarten. Katie does whatever she can to address the needs of her students and to communicate with her families. She has an excellent rapport with those families and with the rest of the Rupert staff. Katie is well respected. She is willing to help other teachers in any way she can, and never has a negative comment to say. She keeps a positive

attitude even when she does not get prep or lunch. Katie is the perfect Pre-K teacher! Congratulations again to Rupert's Teacher of the Year Katie Coolong!

Congratulations to Lincoln's Teacher of the Year - Kelly Mooney



Kelly has the most excellent rapport with her students that I have ever seen in my teaching career. She finds ways to teach that are engaging and interesting to her students. Her teaching methods are effective because she uses different strategies with each student so that all of their unique needs are met. She knows what is going to help each child. Kelly is open to any method of teaching that will help her students, even if this teaching method creates more work for her. She makes each student feel capable of learning whatever subject she is teaching. She empowers her students. The students look after each other, and there is a genuine sense of caring in Kelly's classroom. She has more patience than anyone I have ever encountered in my teaching career and life in general! Mrs. Mooney is very caring,

empathetic, sympathetic and instinctive in the ways she delivers instruction. She is the embodiment of an excellent teacher! Congratulations again to Lincoln's Teacher of the Year Kelly Mooney!

Congratulations to Franklin's Teacher of the Year - Jane Hospador



Jane was born and raised in Pottstown and currently resides in Pottstown. When she was younger she and her brother would often play at the Franklin playground. This is her 24th year of teaching at Franklin. Jane is a dedicated and hardworking educator who gives her all to her students. She is creative and extremely organized. She has a plethora of binders in her classroom that are marked so nicely! She has a positive attitude and always brings her personal touch to her teaching. Jane differentiates instruction for her students and works diligently with planning for her reading and math groups. She understands that one plan and strategy does not fit for every student. She adjusts and adapts

to her students' needs. She is a team player and is always willing to assist her students and her colleagues as well. Jane is a member of multiple committees at Franklin such as Winter Teacher Performance and Spirit Week. She is an active member of F.O.F., attends many meetings and helps organize multiple after school activities and functions for our students and their families. She is often seen at many of those functions with other Franklin colleagues, her parents and even her dog Junior! Jane is involved at the district level as the first grade representative for Franklin. She is currently one of the vice presidents for the Federation of Pottstown Teachers and is often seen speaking at board meetings to support our students and her colleagues. She is an active member of the Pottstown community and can be seen around town at various events. Thank you Jane for everything that you have done for Franklin, the Pottstown School District and the community of Pottstown. Congratulations again to Franklin's Teacher of the Year Jane Hospador!

Congratulations to Edgewood's Teacher of the Year - Erica Faust



Erica is the K-4 emotional support teacher at Edgewood. She makes sure that the students get their education, play-time, and social skills instruction, all while dealing with issues that come up throughout the day. Erica deals with student behaviors with extreme grace, patience and confidence. You can tell she genuinely cares and loves her students, and wants what is best for them. Balancing 5 grade levels is no easy task but she makes it work and gives all of her students the love and attention they need to grow and succeed. It's no surprise that she is loved and respected by students, staff and administration alike. She has confidence in what she does, but she isn't afraid to ask for help or assistance when needed. She is in constant communication with students' parents/guardians, and Erica is a constant

support for other staff here at Edgewood. She communicates with others well about events that are happening within the school/district. Erica makes sure there is structure throughout the day for her students, providing them with visual and auditory timers, so they know when time is up for a certain activity. In detail, she goes over instructions and directions for certain tasks and activities before the students participate. Erica adds so much to our building. Her students and our school are better because she works here. I am proud to be her colleague. Congratulations again to Edgewood's Teacher of the Year Erica Faust!

Congratulations to Barth's Teacher of the Year - Mary Ellen Lamme



Mary Ellen brings out the best in all students and staff. She works hard to motivate her students on every level, and she pushes them to achieve their individual successes. She is who EVERY teacher should want to be as an educator. Mary Ellen works collaboratively with her co-workers across grade levels and specialties to benefit her students. She uses STEAM learning opportunities consistently in her curriculum to obtain and maintain the attention of all learning types. Mary Ellen is always prepared with lesson plans that individualize instruction for each student's skill level including materials that are adapted appropriately for students requiring specially designed instruction. She allows students to "fail" and try again so they are able to learn how they can achieve success after something doesn't go their

way. She utilizes the district learning programs daily as instructed by administration to assure validity of the program. SHE REACHES STUDENTS AT THEIR LEVEL SO THEY CAN BE SUCCESSFUL! Mary Ellen is an active team member at Barth and is willing to assist staff in any aspect possible. She is the best and could be Barth's Teacher of the Year EVERY YEAR! As many staff members at Barth are overheard saying, "I want to be Lamme!" Congratulations again to Barth's Teacher of the Year Mary Ellen Lamme!!



Annual YWCA Tribute to Exceptional Women

Pottstown School District Home of Exceptional Women and Girls



The Pottstown School District was well represented at the YWCA Tri-County Area Tribute to Exceptional Women & Girls which acknowledges and celebrates the significant contributions of women and girls in the Tri-county area. Starting with our own Dr. LaTanya White-Springfield, a YWCA board member and former award recipient served as master of ceremonies. Dr. White said, "At YW, we know that women can achieve remarkable success and positively impact every area of life, education, career, leadership, and beyond. We believe in breaking down societal barriers that have hindered women's progress by empowering them to reach their full potential." "This year, we consciously removed award categories from the nomination process. By doing so, we are sending a clear message that we value and celebrate all aspects of women's achievements and refuse to limit them to narrow definitions or expectations. This year's nominees included district educators, students, school board member, Katina Blakey-Bearden, and alumni. Trojan Proud of teachers Laurie Gresko and Michaela Richardson, students Triniti Rhodes-Fisher, Layla Bearden and Clara Johnson along with alumni Jenna Marie Endy and Tammara Charles.

Receiving YWCA Persimmon Paragon Awards were:

- **Layla Bearden**, a remarkable leader of her generation, is an exemplary role model. She has consistently achieved honor student status, earning induction into the National Junior Honor Society and serving as an officer in the National Honor Society and DECA. Layla actively contributes to her church as a JR missionary and bereavement committee member. Her volunteer work extends to a community soup kitchen and mentoring incoming 5th graders. She excels as a student-athlete, maintains honors status, and works part-time. Layla fosters inclusivity and acts as a bridge for diverse perspectives, demonstrating dignity and leadership. She is a deserving recipient of



this award, truly embodying the YWCA Tri-County Area mission.

- **Clara Johnson**, an actively involved YEP Participant, enthusiastically engages in our programs, attending every event and adventure. Her active participation extends to Great Girls Today and the Self Care Sisterhood series of Girls in Charge at PMS. Clara consistently introduces friends to our programs, spreading the word. She displays dedication at school as a member of the Environmental Club, band, and possibly Chorus. In Young Heroes, Future Leaders, Clara partnered with Charvi to support Animal House, raising awareness and collecting donations to assist families in keeping their pets. A dedicated contributor to Youth Talk Back, Clara has written numerous articles for our Newsletter. Her passion lies in connecting her community, helping others, and empowering fellow youth. Clara makes new program participants feel welcome and actively seeks opportunities to support others.



- **Michaela Richardson**, embodies the YW3CA mission wholeheartedly. Most people show their empowerment and activism through their title or connection to an organization. Michaela shows hers through her heart. She has selflessly dedicated her life to the support and service of others. As a registered nurse, she continues to educate and guide young minds into the medical field. She has positively affected 100s of students in her current teaching role at Pottstown School District, where she was recently awarded Teacher of the Year. She volunteers in the community, coaching track and field, mentoring, and being a fantastic mom.



Reporter Leyna Johnson, a Pottstown middle school student, was on hand and we look forward to reading her story in the YWCA publication. Click on the link to view a [Fox29](#) news cast of the event.





FALLEN TROJANS



The Pottstown School District is proud of the members of its Trojan family and will honor its deceased alumni by recognizing them and their accomplishments in our "Fallen Trojan" section. Anyone wishing to have alumni recognized should provide appropriate information to:

John J. Armato, Director of Community Relations,
230 Beech Street, Pottstown PA 19464 or email jarmato@pottstownsd.org.

- **Kaaren Lee (Stauffer) Steiner** - Class of 1961 - was the wife of Ralph Lee Steiner, with whom she would have celebrated 57 years of marriage in June. Born in Pottstown, PA, on May 30, 1943, Kaaren was the daughter of the late Samuel and Ada (Spieth) Stauffer. She received her bachelor's degree from Albright College in 1965 and continued her education at West Chester University where she received her master's degree in 1968. After graduating, Kaaren began her 30-year career working as a language teacher for the Owen J. Roberts School District. She was fluent in German and French. Kaaren was an active and faithful member of Zion's UCC in Pottstown, American Association of University Women, and Friends of the Arts.



- **David Allen Drumheller** – Class of 1971 - of Bowman, SC, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, on Monday, April 10th, 2023. Born September 20th, 1953, in Pottstown, PA, David grew up and was a two-sport athlete at Pottstown Senior High School as a First Team All-League Linebacker, and a District Champion Wrestler for the Trojans. He later enrolled at Clemson University, where he received his Master of Science Degree in Zoology, in December of 1979. David married Angela Gayle Elliott on June 17th, 1978, and they celebrated nearly 45 years of marriage. He was a loving husband, a caring father and grandfather, avid outdoorsman, passionate Tigers fan, lover of music, and most importantly a faithful believer in the Lord Jesus. David was a devout member of Summerville Bible Fellowship where he served the Lord for many years. Throughout his life he pursued his passion for reptiles. He would often show up with a random critter, and it was never a surprise to see him pulling over to rescue another. He was always known for the unusual pets that he kept. This passion for nature is something he passed on to his children, his nephews, and many others.



- **Ryan Patrick Boerner** – Class of 1989 - 51, of Beavercreek, OH, passed away on March 28, 2023. Born in Pottstown, PA, on September 12, 1971, Ryan was the son of William and Nancy (Levengood) Boerner. Ryan graduated from Pottstown High School in 1989, and began his career with the United States Air Force in November of 1990. Ryan proudly served his country for 20 years, and was honorably discharged in 2010 with the rank of technical sergeant. Throughout his career, he held many roles and received various awards and decorations for his service. For the last 13 years, Ryan continued serving his country as an Air Force civilian employee, and was last employed as the Chief of Compliance for Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. Ryan was a loving son, father, brother, and friend who will be deeply missed by all who had the opportunity to know him.



- **Dominic J. Viscardi, Sr.** – Class of 1946 - passed away Saturday, April 29th, 2023 at Keystone Villa, Douglassville where he had been a resident for the last four years. Born in Pottstown, he was the son of the late John Viscardi and Mary (DaCaneicao) Baldassarri. He was predeceased by his wife of 61 years, Doris R. Viscardi. Dominic graduated from Pottstown Senior High School in 1946 and was a member of St. Aloysius R.C.C. in Pottstown. Dominic had a notable career in the culinary arts. He got his first job in the restaurant business at the age of 14 washing dishes. He worked his way up to waiter and short-order cook, eventually becoming an Executive Chef. As Chef, Dominic worked at Brookside Country Club, Hotel Shuler and Sunnybrook where he retired in 1990. Some of Dominic's favorites were his prime rib, crab cakes, and rice pudding. Dominic was a loyal community supporter belonging to numerous service civic organizations. He served as past president of the Pottstown chapter of the AMBUCS where he earned a membership into The Big Hat Club. During his tenure as an AMBUC he was instrumental in organizing Pottstown's first Soap Box Derby in 1995, a tradition that lives on today. He was a member of the Masons and achieved the status of 32nd degree. Dominic has also been a faithful member of the Benevolent Protective Order of the Elks #814 since 1964. Dominic continued his service to others by serving as the Resident Council President at the retirement community of Keystone Villa in Douglassville. He was enthusiastic about recognizing his fellow residents' birthdays and other milestones. He was loved by the residents and staff and became to be known as "The Mayor of Keystone".



- **Marianne “Charlene” (Rose) Johnson** - Class of 1964 - was the widow of John Johnson, Jr.



She does it all. Being a guidance counselor throughout the years, Mrs. Charlene Johnson has learned to help each student with their individual needs. No matter what the problem is, she gives her assistance to those in need.

She was born on December 9, 1946 in Pottstown, PA, to Marion (Carter) Wall, of Madison Heights, VA, and Charles Rose, of Norristown. Charlene was married to John, her high school sweetheart, for 43 years. While in school, she enjoyed playing sports, like basketball and field hockey, and participating in clubs. After graduating high school, Charlene attended West Chester State College, majoring in Social Studies. She began her career at Reading School District, and went on to teach the very first African American History course at Pottstown School District. She later earned a Master's Degree in School Counseling from Kutztown University, and became a Guidance Counselor at Pottstown High School, where she spent over 30 years impacting the lives of thousands of students. While working in education, she always felt it her civic duty to serve the community in which she lived. She actively participated in the daycare program on the local and county levels, when her children were

in daycare. She also went on to serve on PMMC's Hospital Board, and the Police Commission Board, and more recently enjoyed working as a clerk for the Board of Elections at the polls. She loved her community, and they loved her back. Outside of work, her hobbies included traveling, reading, genealogy, doing puzzles and walking the dog. She loved to travel with her husband and family. She and John took the kids to Bermuda, Niagara Falls, and Hawaii, among other places. They also enjoyed visiting other countries, like Jamaica, Venezuela, Great Britain, France, and most beloved of all, The Holy Land. Out of all her accomplishments and activities, Charlene most valued her love for the Lord, her family (including her spiritual family) and friends. She found much joy teaching Sunday School, and connecting with the children at Second Baptist Church, where she was a member since 1975. She also loved studying the Bible at home, and serving the Lord in any way she could.

- **Jennie Belle (Evans) Clouser** 100, graduated from PHS in the class of 1940. She was the



wife of the late Bruce B. Clouser, with whom she shared 66 years of marriage until he passed away on July 18, 2013. Born in Pottstown, PA, on October 7, 1922, Jennie was the daughter of the late Thomas N. Evans and Sara (Davidheiser) Evans. She worked at the Doehler-Jarvis defense plant during the war. She was a licensed beautician, but more importantly, she was a housewife who made it a priority to be home and care for her family. In her spare time, she enjoyed sewing and being a member of the Coventry Garden Club.



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- [Melissa Jean Schubert](#), was born in Bethlehem, PA, she was a daughter of George Schubert and Barbara Frisoli Schubert of Quakertown, PA. She grew up in Bethlehem before moving to Quakertown in 5th grade. She was known for being a tough, athletic girl, who could outplay the boys. She was picked as a teammate by her brother Chris over any of the males. She attended Quakertown High School, excelling in both field hockey and softball. Melissa graduated from LaSalle University in 1991 and earned her teaching degree in Special Education. She played Division 1 field hockey for Lasalle. She was a Special Education Teacher in the Pottstown School District, until she retired in 2015. She touched the lives of many students who just needed someone to believe in and encourage them. She went above and beyond her teaching position to help her students be successful in 'life skills'. She also coached field hockey while at Pottstown.



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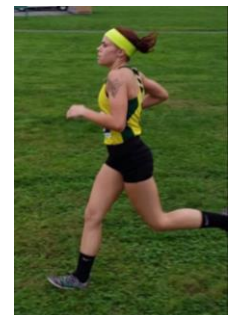
- ◆ Congratulations to PHS grad, class of 2019, **Da'zah Regusters** who will graduate from Indiana Tech in May with a major in Psychology. She has been a four-year standout on the women's lacrosse team and an outstanding student in the classroom. She plans on attending graduate school. Da'zah is another example of hard work paying off. Thanks for more reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



- ◆ Trojan Proud of **Shanyia Johnson** PHS class 2018, who will be graduating from Millersville University, this spring with a bachelor of science degree in social work. She plans to continue her education as she pursues a master's degree in social work. Her hope is to make a career within the youth judicial system where she can make a positive difference in the lives of young people. Pottstown High School has a 143-year history of preparing students for success at every level. With over 19,000 graduates, PHS Trojans can be found making positive contributions in every field of endeavors. Thank you Shanyia for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



- ◆ Trojan proud of PHS 2018 grad **Hailey Rae Christman**, a May 2022 graduate of Delaware Valley University with a bachelor of arts degree in media and communications and a minor in business administration. She is currently working on a master's degree in management and leadership organization, anticipating graduating in the summer of 2023. On campus she is the yearbook creator and designer of Delvalle Yearbooks. She is looking forward to entering the work world in the area of marketing and media. Pottstown High School has a 143-year history of preparing students for success at every level. With over 19,000 graduates PHS Trojans can be found making positive contributions in every field of endeavors. Thank you, Hailey, for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



- ◆ PHS 2020 grad, **Andrew Green** will be graduating from Temple University a year early with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and a minor in geography and urban studies. He already has lots of experience in public service having served as an intern for both state representative, Joe Ciresi and congresswoman Madeleine Dean. When I asked what he wanted to do after graduation, he responded, "I plan to continue my work in public service, hopefully working with local politicians and community leaders to advocate for ideals that are close to my heart and my home community of Pottstown." While at Temple, he participated in a number of academic excellence groups and was active in local community outreach in the city of Philadelphia. He said, "Pottstown means a lot to me so I brought a small piece of my home with me to school. I try to connect my studies with what I can do for my hometown and have done several projects and proposals using Pottstown as a unit of analysis. After graduation I hope to move back home and support my community." Pottstown High School has a 143-year history of preparing students for success at every level. With over 19,000 graduates PHS Trojans can be found making positive contributions in every field of endeavors. Thank you, Andrew, for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



- ◆ Trojan Proud of 2018 Pottstown High School grad **Gianna Epps**, a spring Rider University graduate with a degree in health science and minor in psychology. She has been on the dean's list for five semesters and has a 3.5 GPA. Gianna plans to attend graduate school, majoring in organizational leadership with a concentration in counseling-related services. She is the captain of the softball team and has been named to the MAAC All-Academic Team. Gianna plans on helping to coach the Rider softball team while pursuing her master's degree. Preparing for success at every level. Thanks for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown. She was just named assistant coach of the Rider University softball team. As a member of the softball team, she started in 167 games at the shortstop position and was named to the MAAC All-Academic Team. Trojan Proud of Gianna Epps.



- ◆ Congratulations to Pottstown High School graduate class of 2020 **Angelica Calel**. Angelica is another example of our district mission, of preparing each student by name, for success at every level. She will be a spring graduate of Widener University. Angelica takes part in many organizations on campus. She is currently the President of Kappa Alpha Psi for financial information students who desire to strive for excellence and have a commitment to train for leadership, SBA Student Advisory Board, Latinos Unidos, Bonner Scholar Program, and Anthropology club. She was recently honored by being named the outstanding international business student and the Beta, Alpha Psi outstanding servicemember. She plans on continuing her studies at Widener University and has been accepted into the 4+ one MBA program. When asked about how PHS helped prepare her, she said both classroom experiences and membership in DECA provided me with real world business scenarios which gave me confidence I needed for success.



- ◆ Count on PHS grad on the field and in the classroom - When it comes to defending the goal or excelling in the classroom few can match Pottstown High School grad class of 2019 **Reilly Owens**. She will be graduating from Gwynedd Mercy University in May with a dual certification in Early Childhood Education and Special Education. She has been inducted into Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society and Chi Alpha Sigma National Scholar Athlete Society. As a 4-year member of the Women's Lacrosse Team she is a two-time team captain. Playing the position of goalie, she has earned numerous awards including being named first team all-conference goalkeeper. Apart from athletics and the classroom, Reilly is a member of the Education Outreach Club and is a Peer Mentor for the Integrated Studies Program. When asked about her PHS high school days she said, "I am proud to say I am from Pottstown and recognize I learned many important life lessons as a student athlete. I left high school feeling academically and socially ready for the next level. I am a Trojan forever."



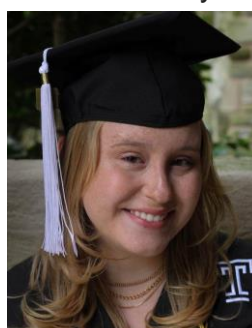
- ◆ Post-secondary education success all adds up for Pottstown High School class of 2021 graduate **Hannah Wilson**. Attending Eastern University, she is majoring in biochemistry. Hannah was recently inducted into the Sigma Zeta National Honor Society for mathematics and science. She is the president of the chemistry club and treasurer of the honor society. Her career goal is to enter the field of pharmaceutical research. Preparing for success, Hannah Wilson, another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



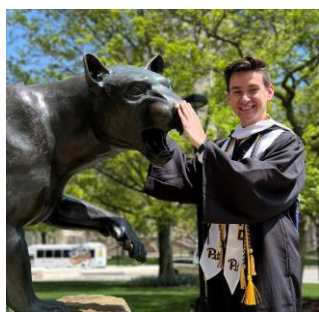
- ◆ Pottstown High School graduate class of 2020 **Bobby Richards** has been building a solid foundation for his future success. He will be a spring graduate of Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology. Majoring in masonry technology, he is a dean's list student and was awarded the Frank Mamrak Memorial Award for excellence in leadership and quality craftsmanship. He also contributed to the football team's back-to-back championship seasons. After graduation he plans on starting his own masonry company, "Richards Rocks". Speaking about his high school days he recognized that the work ethic that was learned as a member of the football and wrestling teams played a big role in his successful athletic and academic college career and was motivated to succeed in academics and athletics by his high school, teachers and coaches.



- ◆ Congratulations to Pottstown High school graduate class of 2019 **Tori Steger**, who recently graduated from Temple University, majoring in communications and entrepreneurship with a minor in content creation. She was a member of the Temple University, Klein College media team and was an active member in many of the university's communications clubs. Her initiative and drive helped her to develop her own freelance media business, Tori Steger Creations, while still an undergraduate student. She has positioned herself to enter the workforce in the digital marketing industry. Tori's hard work has begun to pay off. Reflecting upon her days as a PHS student she said, "When I think back on my time at PHS, those are the years that helped lay the foundation of who I am today, I am thankful for my time at PHS it has molded me into the student and person I am today."



- ◆ While a student at Pottstown High School Class of 2019 **Will Minnick** was a leader in the band, school organizations, and the classroom. Those talents and leadership skills carried over to the University of Pittsburgh, where he just graduated with a major in biological sciences and a minor in chemistry. He was a section leader in the famed Pitt Marching Band and helped to organize the Pitt Dance Marathon, which raises funds to support the children's hospital of Pittsburgh. A member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars Honor Society, he plans on entering the medical field as a Physician's Assistant. When asked what he remembers of his high school days as a PHS Trojan, he said, "Thank you to all the teachers that believed in me and helped set me up for my future in and beyond college. You all deserve so much more recognition and make the difference for all of us students! Much like my Valedictorian remarks in 2019 I am excited to continue to work towards redefining what it means to be proud to be from Pottstown."



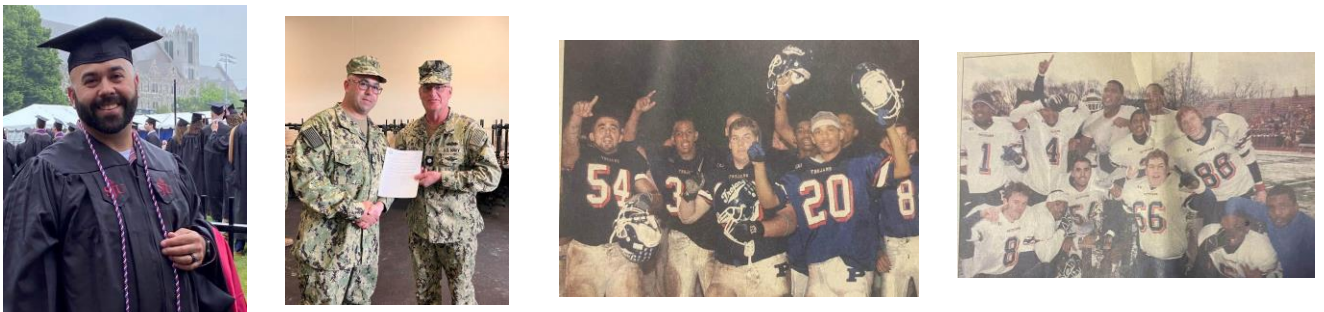
- ◆ PHS grad has the right diet for success - Pottstown High School 2019 graduate **Abigail Krause** is proof that a diet of hard work, consistent effort, and persistence can lead to success. As a 2023 graduate of Johnson and Wales University majoring in culinary nutrition, she has set the foundation for her future as a licensed dietitian. While an undergraduate, she gained a great deal of experience, serving an internship with the national championship University of Georgia football program where she helped build nutritional plans for team members. Outside of the classroom Krause was a member of the women's championship lacrosse team. As she reflected on her high school days she said, "PHS prepared me for the future by allowing me to explore culinary arts, opening the doors of interest. Both Chef Irick and Chef Mathias taught me so much about the industry. I can honestly say I would not be here if it were not for the both of them. I'd like to thank all of the amazing teachers that guided me through my time at PHS showing me and encouraging me that I could be a success at anything I set my mind to." Once a Trojan, a Trojan forever.



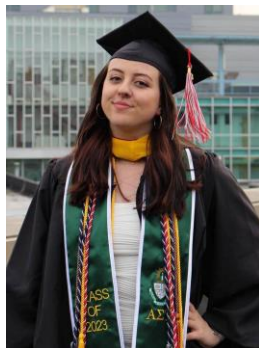
- ◆ Congratulations to Pottstown High School 2019 graduate, **Destyn Snyder**, who is well on his way to building a successful career in law. He is a recent graduate of Ursinus College with a major in politics and a minor in legal studies. As an undergraduate, he was a member of the football team and participated in the pre-law society. He plans on working in the area of litigation support and to attend law school in the fall of 2024. When asked if he had some words of wisdom for students at PHS, he replied, "Anytime someone doubts you, use it as motivation to reach your goal." Destyn's hard work has helped him reach many goals and build a solid foundation for his future success. Thank you for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



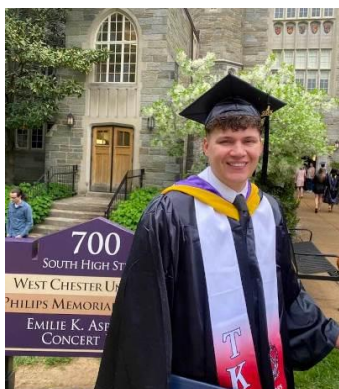
- ◆ Pottstown High School 2003 grad **Henry Wells** recently graduated from Saint Joseph University with a degree in Organizational Development and Leadership. Along the way while working full-time, being married, raising a family he attained the rank of Sr Chief Petty Officer in the Navy Reserves. When asked to share some words with our students he said, "Always remember where you came from. Growing up in Pottstown taught me to be tough and follow through on my word. I told teachers and administrators in 2003, that I would graduate from college. My journey took me on an interesting path, but I arrived at the goal just the same. Setting strategic goals has helped me identify where I wanted to go and what goals I needed to achieve. Block out distractions if you need to change direction, that's fine as long as you keep working towards the goal. Proud to say I am from Pottstown."



- ◆ When PHS 2019 grad **Abby Welder** was in sixth grade her father was rushed to the hospital with a massive pulmonary embolism. The medical assistance he received helped to save his life. From that moment on, Abby said her goal was to enter the medical field and give back to others. She recently graduated from Saint Joseph's University summa cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in biomedical sciences. She was inducted into the Alpha, Alpha, Alpha, Beta, Lambda as a 1st generation college student, and is a member of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society. She was elected president of her sorority and has been accepted into the physician assistant program at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Abby said, "I am Pottstown Proud and want to thank my AP chemistry teacher, Mrs. Mohr, anatomy teacher, Mrs. Miller, and all of the other PHS teachers, who helped to inspire me on my path."



- ◆ **PHS grads give mom a proud moment** - Pottstown High School grads **Chloe and Gabe Francis** know that hard work pays off, not only in college degrees, but with providing a proud "mom moment" and lots of smiles for their family. **Gabe** recently graduated from West Chester University with a communications degree in media and culture. He is currently pursuing a career in digital marketing. **Chloe** graduated from West Chester University, two years ago Magna Cum Laude with a double major in music performance and music education. She pursued post graduate opportunities at Boston university where she received a masters of arts, concentrated in trumpet performance. Mom, **Amy Francis**, said, "I want to share this very proud moment with you and say, this mom is very grateful for the education that my children received from the Pottstown School District. It helped mold my children into the compassionate, tenacious, well-rounded young adults that they are today. Makes me proud to say I am from Pottstown."



- ♦ Trojan Proud of **Darius Smallwood** his hard work pays off on the track and in the classroom. A future community leader in the making.



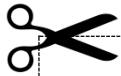
- ♦ Trojan Proud of Pottstown High School Class of 2020 **Jake Eagle**. A member of the Cabrini University baseball team, he will be graduating a semester early this Fall with a degree in Computer Science and a minor in Business. A true student-athlete he excels both on the field and in the classroom. Jake was recently named to the Atlantic East Conference All Academic Baseball Team. More proof that hard work pays off and another reason for us to say, proud to be from Pottstown.





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