

POTTSTOWN PRIDE

ACADEMICS AND ACTIVITIES
PARTNERS FOR EDUCATIONAL
EXCELLENCE



WINTER 2022-2023

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

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT POINTS OF PRIDE WINTER 2022-2023

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 19,000 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.

Class President and Superintendent Speak At MLK Events

Pottstown High School Senior Class President Mark Ellison III and Superintendent of Schools Stephen Rodriguez shared their remarks at Pottstown events honoring the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Mr. Rodriguez spoke at First Presbyterian Church. He focused on King's response in, Letters from a Birmingham Jail that labeled him and his activities as "extremist."



"You speak of our activity in Birmingham as extreme," King wrote. "At first I was rather disappointed that fellow clergymen would see my nonviolent efforts as those of an extremist. ... But though I was initially disappointed at being categorized as an extremist, as I continued to think about the matter I gradually gained a measure of satisfaction from the label.... Was not Amos an extremist for justice: 'Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever flowing stream.'" "If you call Dr. King an extremist, then you must call Amos was an extremist —

for justice," Rodriguez said. "If you call Dr. King an extremist, then you must call Jesus an extremist — for love."

Mark Ellison III, speaking with a deep understanding well beyond his teenage years gave his perspective on the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. He spoke at the NAACP event hosted at Mount Olive Church. "I've seen what this world can do to even the kindest of souls. To step out in the dangers and trickery of this world can be considered one of the bravest attempts at peace that one could make," Ellison said. "No matter where you are in this world, your right to justice is constantly threatened because injustice anywhere, even in the corners of this globe, is a threat to justice everywhere. The injustices in Birmingham directly affected the lives of the citizens, including Dr. King, back in Atlanta."



Added Ellison, "there is harm in brushing past distant injustices. That is one of the many reasons why you are important. No matter where you are in this world, there is hope. Justice anywhere, even here in my hometown of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, is a tool — a resource — a weapon — a beacon — a threat to injustice everywhere. In the hours of brotherly hood and sisterhood, there is gleaming

light that can wash out any clouds that may have come your way."

He also said, "In 1965, the protestors in Montgomery, Alabama stood for more than just themselves. Standing against injustice doesn't require global participation in order to be effective. All it takes is one person to ignite a flame in our hearts that can keep us from remaining idle when there are dangers that affect you, me, and everyone we know."

District Gets Grant To Support Resource Sustainability

The award was one of only six announced statewide and will be used to “create streamside forest buffers, convert lawns to meadows and trees, and plant trees in urban communities to help improve water quality and to make the commonwealth more resilient to climate change.”

Local Leaders React To Fair Funding Court Decision

Reaction among local legislators, advocates and education leaders to Tuesday’s court decision declaring Pennsylvania’s unfair school funding system to be unconstitutional ranged Wednesday from “momentous” to “historic” to “elation.”



Legislators and School Officials meet at PHS call for immediate action



Legislators and school officials who have fought for fair school for a decade are wasting no time in the wake of a court decision declaring Pennsylvania’s school funding system to be unconstitutional. They kicked off a full court press with a press conference calling for immediate action.

“We have known we must fix this system and we haven’t,” said state Rep. Joe Ciresi, D-146th Dist., who organized the rally. “This is the moment, this is the time to act.”

The 786-page decision handed down Feb. 7 was the result of a decades-long effort and a lawsuit brought by six school districts, including William Penn in Delaware County; the state conference of the NAACP; the Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small Schools, and several parents.

BOYS' BASKETBALL


Big Night For Trojan Basketball

It was a big night for Trojan Basketball as both the girls and boys' teams played with that old school Trojan Pride and defeated Pope John Paul II. The girls came home with a 61-42 victory and the boys in a seesaw game that went to double overtime came away with a 61-57 victory at home in Strom Gymnasium. More proof that hard work pays off. Congratulations to players and coaches. Thanks to cheerleaders and fans for your support. Special thanks to Mr. Gus Tellis and PCVT for their coverage of the boys' game. You can see all the action from the boys' game right here.




Honoring Our Trojan Basketball Pride

WE ARE RECOGNIZING THE
**1993 BOYS BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS**



JOIN US ON FEBRUARY 2, 2023



Varsity Game starts at 6:45
Ceremony will occur at halftime

Members of the 1993 Basketball and
Cheerleading teams are welcome to attend the
game to be recognized.

Pottstown High School Strom Gymnasium on Thursday, February 2 at 6:45 pm we honored the players, coaches, cheerleaders of the 1993 PIAA Boys Basketball State Champions.



Trojan Boys Basketball Makes Strides Mercury 1-24-2023 by Evan Wheaton

In his second year at the helm of the Pottstown boys' basketball team, Ken Ivory is happy with the turnaround, but still sees plenty of room for improvement. A 6-16 overall record with just three Frontier wins in the Pioneer Athletic Conference last season marked a setback from the year prior. But so far through 2022-23, the Trojans have been pounding the drum.

With a 10-6 record and four Frontier wins, Pottstown sits in second place of the small-school division a game behind Upper Merion (8-8, 4-2) and is ranked No. 7 in the District 1 Class 5A field. "I'm really trying to restore the luster and pride in the community and in Pottstown basketball," Ivory said. "It's great history here and we just want to bring a little bit of it back. A little pride in our kids as far as understanding they can do something special." That history noted by Ivory was rich in PAC championships with eight straight through the 1987-88 season to 1994-95.

What's been working for Pottstown this winter? A high-flying offense, of course. It starts with junior guard Sadeeq Jackson, who's averaging 16.1 ppg — fourth-most in the PAC. It continues with a tandem of athletic upperclassmen guards in Ty Elliot-Moore (15.2 ppg) and Abdul Jackson (14.8 ppg). Throw in a dominant presence on the offensive boards by big men Terryece Phillips and Elijah Palmore, and you've got a recipe for a conference-high offense scoring 63.6 ppg.

But the other side of the coin — just as much scoring on the other end of the floor. The Trojans are allowing 59.7 ppg against it, also the most in the PAC. "We can play offense, we can score the ball. The other night we scored 70," Ivory said, noting an overtime loss to Upper Merion on Jan. 17. "You're not supposed to lose if you score 70 in high school basketball. That was our focal point and we gave up 80."

Pottstown played a second straight overtime two days later on the road at Perkiomen Valley, another loss in conference crossover action. Both Vikings teams alike were all over loose balls and limited the Trojans' defensive rebounding. And while there may be chinks in the armor on that end, Pottstown's offense still presents a massive ability to hang with any team in the PAC. All four of the Trojans' losses within the conference have been by single-digits. Feeding its bigs more to complement the guards on the offensive end is another step Pottstown is looking to take to close those narrow gaps in the future. "If we can build on that piece, we can be very dangerous. We'll be real dangerous to beat if we can continue to get that ball down low a little bit and score on the inside with Terryece and Elijah," Ivory said. "We'll be good, we'll be all right."

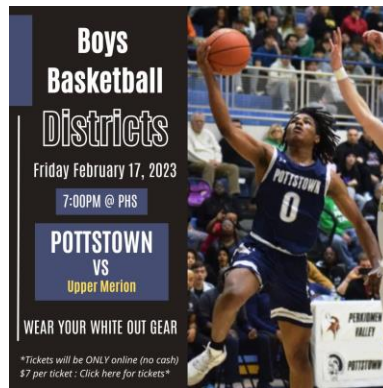
Pottstown hasn't reached the PAC championship since it won the title game over Spring-Ford in 2007-08. With Pottsgrove, Pope John Paul II, Phoenixville and Upper Perkiomen on deck to close out the Trojans' regular season, the divisional race is still in reach despite a pair of losses to Upper Merion. There's still plenty of growing room, but the buzz around this year's Trojans has been heard by more than just those around the league. "People are starting to follow them. People are coming out to see us," Ivory said. "They know we have ability, so I think we're on the right track. The kids are believing in it and I'm just happy to be here, man."

Boys Basketball In The Championship Hunt

Our Boys Basketball team is in the hunt to become PAC Champs.



Trojan Boys Basketball On The March To Championship



NAMED TO THE PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE FRONTIER ALL-DIVISION FIRST TEAM:

- Abdul Jackson
- Sadeeq Jackson
- Tye Elliott Moore

NAMED TO THE MERCURY ALL AREA HONORABLE MENTION TEAM

- Abdul Jackson
- Sadeeq Jackson
- Tye Elliott Moore

Senior Night Boys' Basketball Photos:



Jullian Beasley



Rashean Bostic



Tye Elliott Moore



Jo'Von Hector



Terryce Phillips



Ha-Mya Freeman
Manager

Senior Night Winter Cheerleading Photos:



Brielle Davis



Alianna Samuel



D'Asiah Davis



Kenyada Wise



GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Girls Basketball Honors 1997 Champions

The 1997 PHS Girls Basketball PAC championship team was honored at our home game.



NAMED TO THE PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE FRONTIER ALL-DIVISION SECOND TEAM:

- Jayanna Hill

NAMED TO THE MERCURY ALL AREA HONORABLE MENTION TEAM:

- Jayanna Hill
- Tamyia Jarrett

Senior Night Girls' Basketball Photos:



WRESTLING

Trojan Wrestling Tournament

Pottstown High School hosted the 2nd annual Trojan Invitational Wrestling Tournament. Under the direction of our new head coach Mike Hewitt the event was a tremendous success. Over 450 student athletes from 22 different high schools representing 4 PIAA districts and 2 states competed in varsity, junior varsity and girls' divisions. The two-day event saw a combined 1000 visitors to our school and community.

PHS senior **Devon Green** for the second year in a row placed 3th in his weight class. While senior **Malachi Jones** placed sixth. Our up-and-coming female wrestlers were highly successful in their division with **Tara Morgan** taking 1st place with three consecutive wins by pin and **Triniti Rhodes-Fisher** finishing 3rd with a record of three wins and one loss. Our novice wrestlers in the junior varsity division experienced success with **Kyree Stillman**, **Luke Grice**, **Javien Rolle** and **Jon Moser** taking 2nd place and **Jayden Pray** 3rd.



The two-day event showcased our facilities and community. We received many positive comments on both our facilities and the organization of the tournament. It was a proud couple of days for our wrestling team, coaches, athletic department, school district and community. Thanks to all of our tournament organizers and workers, many of which are former wrestlers returning to support the program. The two-day event was another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Trojan Girl Wrestlers Have Strong Showing

Pottstown middle and high school girl wrestlers had a strong showing at the Downingtown Women's Wrestling Round Robin Tournament. Over 120 girls from Southeast PA did battle in a round robin style tournament, which calls for a wrestler to take on every opponent in their group to determine a winner.



- **Leyna Johnson** and **Riley Maguire** picked up valuable experience. Riley went undefeated on the day to earn a Championship Shirt and made history as Pottstown Middle School's first ever girls tournament champ.
- In the high school division, **Tara Morgan** continues to be that quiet storm, until mat time. Pinning everyone in her group to earn 1st place.
- **Triniti Rhodes-Fisher** is another newcomer with lots of potential, going 2-1 on the day for 2nd place.
- After an opening round loss, **Vida Torres-Camacho** scored two wins by pin to place 2nd.
- **Xiyah Robinson**, a four-year veteran, showed she is preparing to make a run at this year's state tournament by pinning her way to the championship.



Our girls are outstanding representatives of our community.
Their skills and sportsmanship give us all more reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Wrestling Senior Night Photos:



Devon Green



Malachi Jones



Xiyah Robinson

Wrestling Senior Night Photos:

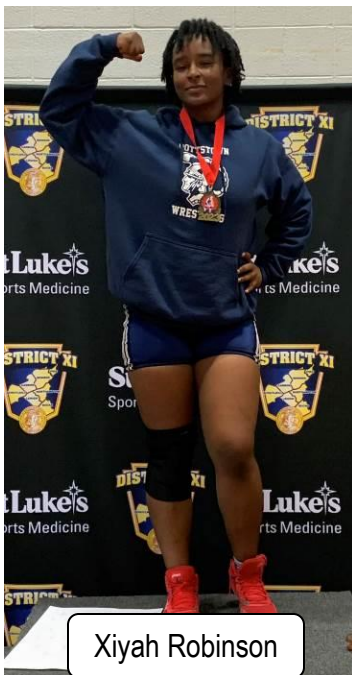


Trojan Girls Pin Their Way To States

Congratulations to members of the Pottstown High School wrestling team who competed in the Eastern Regional Championships. Two of our four members qualified for the state championships held next week at Central Dauphin High School.

- **Xiyah Robinson** earned her ticket to states by pinning her way to first place with two overpowering pins in the 170 pound class.
- **Vida Torres** placed second in the 230 class and will be making the trip to states.
- Freshman **Triniti Rhodes-Fisher** placed sixth, one spot short of being a state qualifier. But with two wins by pin, with one in 16 seconds and the other in 41 seconds she made a statement for the future.
- **Tara Morgan** gained lots of high-level competition experience and will battle for a state spot next year.

These young ladies represented our school and community with pride, integrity and sportsmanship, to give us another reason to say proud to be from Pottstown.



Trojan Girls Earn State Honors

Congratulations to our two representatives to the MyHouse girls state wrestling championships. Senior **Xiyah Robinson** and Junior **Vida Torres** represented our school and community with pride, honor and integrity. Their aggressive style, and their sportsmanship were recognized by coaches, competitors and fans.

- Xiyah's season and career came to an end as she went 2-2 on the day losing a close 5 to 7 match that eliminated her from the medal round.
- Vida, who is a first-year wrestler for the Trojans had a big day coming up with a clutch triple overtime 6-5 win with an escape in the overtime ride out. She ended the day placing sixth. Her performance is all the more impressive by the fact that she moved up to the 230 pound class and gave over 40 pounds advantage to her heavier opponents. When Vida was not wrestling she was making friends with wrestlers and coaches.
- Trojan, proud of these two ladies who are helping make Pennsylvania wrestling history and are part of the pioneers of the sport in our state.



NAMED TO THE PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE FRONTIER ALL-DIVISION FIRST TEAM:

- Devon Green

NAMED TO THE PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE FRONTIER ALL-DIVISION SECOND TEAM:

- Malachi Jones
- Phoenix Rhoads

NAMED TO THE MERCURY ALL AREA HONORABLE MENTION TEAM

- Devon Green

BASEBALL

Neighbors Join Hands To Help Those In Need



POTTSTOWN & POTTSGROVE BASEBALL

Food Drive

9AM-1PM SUNDAY
JANUARY 15, 2023
Pottstown Redners Parking Lot
1300 N. Charlotte St, Pottstown, PA 19464

Please join the Pottstown & Pottsgrove Varsity Baseball Programs as they unite to help local families in need!

- They will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to the Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities.
- Redners has plenty of low cost items you can purchase & donate on your way out!
- Please consider helping those in our community who are less fortunate by donating.



Thank you in advance from both baseball programs!

The Pottstown and Pottsgrove Varsity Baseball Programs united to help local families in need. They collected non-perishable food items to be donated to the Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities. The one-day collection event was held on Sunday 1/15/23 from 9 AM-1 PM in the Pottstown Redners parking lot. Both high school baseball programs are thankful the donations!

Baseball neighbors hit community service homerun

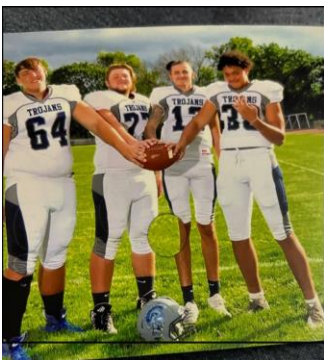
Baseball players and coaches hit a community service homerun during the MLK day of service. Two programs, one goal! Pottstown and Pottsgrove High School baseball programs teamed up to collect and deliver 27 boxes full of food to the Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities. Falcon coach Jamie Nash and Trojan coach Chris Petro agreed they were proud of their players for giving their free time. Our players learned important lifelong lessons that go

beyond the ball diamond. We would also like to thank Redner's grocery store in Pottstown for allowing us to use their store as our "home base." Today we get to say, proud to be from Pottstown and Pottsgrove.



FOOTBALL

[Blaze Sensinger](#), a senior at Pottstown High School, was diagnosed with an aggressive form of lymphoma called T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (Tcell ALL). He is currently at the University of Penn undergoing treatment and will be there for at least a month. Blaze is in good spirits but he has a long road ahead. Blaze's mother, Christine Jackson, is a single mother, who is trying to keep the home running while supporting her son through this difficult time. We are looking to help her and the family, so a Spotfund (similar to a Go Fund Me) has been set up to assist them. We ask that you please consider helping Blaze and his family through this difficult time. All donations will allow Christine to spend as much time with Blaze as possible. Thank you so much for your support during this rough period in their lives!



TRACK



Trojan Proud of PHS grad **Justin Gibbs**. Justin is a 2003 PHS grad. As a student-athlete, he was used to getting over hurdles to accomplish his goals on the track and in the classroom. He returns to PHS as the track coach and pays it forward by sharing with our students his wisdom of how to achieve adult success. Another reason to say proud to be from Pottstown.

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE ALL ACADEMIC TEAM

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|---------------------|---|---------------|
| ➤ Cheerleading | - | Brielle Davis |
| ➤ Boys' Basketball | - | Shawn Pallay |
| ➤ Girls' Basketball | - | Ashley Weller |
| ➤ Wrestling | - | Devon Green |

PIONEER ATHLETIC CONFERENCE WINTER CITIZEN ATHLETE AWARD

- Malachi Jones

Trojan Proud of our Winter sports student athletes. They have made every second count and their hard work has paid off. Setting the foundation that will develop 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 go to our Winter sports Citizen Athlete honoree, wrestler, Malachi Jones. Thanks for giving us more reasons to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



Devon Green : 1st Team



Phoenix Rhoads: 2nd Team



Abdul Jackson : 1st Team



Tye Elliot Moore : 1st Team



Malachi Jones : 2nd Team

STAFF

Citizen of the Year Award!



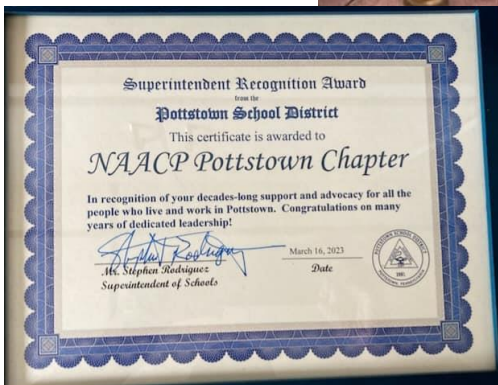
Congrats to **John Armato** who received the Distinguished Citizenship Award from the Pottstown Elks Lodge! Every year the Elks select a member of the community and recognize them for outstanding and meritorious service to humanity. Pottstown Proud!

Superintendent's Award Recognizes Civic Responsibility

The Pottstown chapter of the NAACP was recently recognized, at a meeting of the Pottstown School Board with a Superintendent's Award, commending the organization for their civic responsibility and for making a positive difference in the lives of the citizens of Pottstown.

Superintendent of schools, Stephen Rodriguez presented the award saying; "It is my pleasure to recognize the valiant efforts of a community group that has made a difference in our community. The Pottstown Chapter of the NAACP, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, gets involved in issues that matter to our community. Whether it is marching for a worthy cause, helping to set up vaccination clinics, working with elected officials to advocate for fair funding, or advocating for people who can't advocate for themselves, whether it's hands-on support for the arts or food needed for families that can't afford it, The NAACP shows up. They have been led by their president for the past several years who is a graduate of Pottstown High School, sent his children through the district, and lives here. Mr. Corson will accept on behalf of the chapter but when I asked, he repeatedly gives credit to his team of people who work in front and behind the scenes to make life better for the people of Pottstown. I am honored to bestow this superintendent award to the Pottstown chapter of the NAACP. The certificate reads; In recognition of your decades-long support and advocacy for all the people who live and work in Pottstown. Congratulations on many years of dedicated leadership."

Thank you for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



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

<u>Barth Elementary School - Grade 3</u>	
Alaysha	Acosta
Bella	Alessi
Carolyn	Ammouri
Maliah	Atkins
Isabella	Bauer
Connor	Butler
Alexa	Chambers
Hayden	Chavous
Tatum	Danzig
Sophia	Devine
Ezra	Ennels-Crenshaw
Xiomara	Epps
Jefferson	Etienne
Preston	Foster
Zoey	Frazier
Zyair	Gibbs
Jacob	Grauber
Jaseer	Hill
Mason	Johnson
Kyla	Kelman
Michael	Kirlew
Gabriel	Matlack
Levi	McCormick
Jayce	Newman
Brianna	Robinson
Hamza	Robinson
Nitalia	Sanchez
Michael	Stephen
Seth	Stephenson
Arabella	Trabucco
Viviana	Vasquez
Aubrey	West
Raziya	Whitehead
Treyvon	Whitehead

<u>Barth Elementary School - Grade 4</u>	
Haylen	Anderson
Sa'Bri	Billups-Richardson
Nusaibah	Bint-Jamal
Charlie	Calano
Franklin	Chabla Calle
Makayla	Charles
Brandon	Danzig
Santiago	Diaz
Jason	Horton
Ilyas	Ingram
Aiden	Leach Witherspoon
Scarlett	McElroy
Aamori	Mobley
Kalani	Poe
Jackson	Raudenbush
Kevin	Rivera Gonzalez
Semaj	Rush
Aryelle	Singleton-May
Jayden	Stokes
Quentin	Thomason
Ryan	Zukoski

<u>Franklin Elementary School - Grade 3</u>	
Keelan	Briscoe-Towson
Kaaliyah	Bronson
Donald	Broussard
Ruby	Buckner
Landon	Campbell
Olivia	Campbell
Deshawn	Canada
Olivia	Conbeer
Deaglan	Conrad
Giovanni	D'Annibale
Timothy	Farris
Aaron	Hall
Colin	Holden
Josephine	Jaycox
Matthew	Jdivette
Kamryn	Kaehn
Scott	Kupinski-Trego
Christopher	Morta
Eamon	Mullen
Emma	Pena
Santana	Robbins
Samuel	Rosado-Lutz
Jonathan	Santos
Marcus	Smith
Dillon	Soos
Raylan	Steadman
Mila	Torres
Sophia	Tucker
Noah	Waters
Yahtasia	Williams
Brysin	Wyatt

<u>Franklin Elementary School - Grade 4</u>	
Shawn	Banks
Kaylee	Barton
Myla	Bayne
Amahj	Brockington
Blake	Brown
Karter	Burns
Declan	Chambers
Jaydah-Marie	Davis
Milan	Everette
Joel	Geiger
Mila	Harkin
Charleigh	Katch
George	Lilly
Vada	Lutz-Antonelli
Shariel	Mendez Rivera
Maxwell	Mills
Miyah Janae	Moore
Adrian	Ogando
Kayvion	Reinert-Cotton
Melinda	Rosado-Lutz
Cecelia	Sloss
Symphony	Smith
Evallee	Wyatt
Manuel	Zepeda

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

Lincoln Elementary School - Grade 3

Andrew	Almonte
Brayden	Bennett
Kal-el	Bridges
Denzel	Brown
Kyhir	Coleman
Samuel	Cordoba Williford
Vada	Corum
Honesti	Dalton
Aiden	DeLong
Blake	Dunacuskys
Ayah	El Kiram
Amora	Flores-Gentles
Lorenzo	Garcia
Orion	Hudy
Saniya	Jennings
Karina	Johnson
Jazmyn	Lamarre
Lacey	Mastrippolito
Enmanuel	Mejia Sosa
Nevaeh	Montgomery
Jonnez	Oister
Aracely	Reinoso Calle
Fatimah	Robinson
Kenzey	Rosen
Lashaye	Ross
Jahir	Smith
Ethan	Tomasetti
Durnell	Towles
Aiden	Tuggle
Theodore	Wacker
Kayden	Wearing
Dominic	Whyte
Jaylah	Witherspoon

Lincoln Elementary School - Grade 4

Kamren	Arnold
Simon'e	Bookard-Thomas
Yannelly	Castaneda Masin
Lorelei	Cruz-Timinski
Brayden	DeBoer
Nevaeh	DiBiaggio
Ian	Dunn
Elena	Eidell
Ariah	Gibson
William	Grebe
Oliver	Hudy
Genesis	Jeter
Teagan	Joyce
Joshua	Killian
Kameron	Lewis-Lesher
Eric	Marquez Estrada
Amy	Martinez-Hernandez
Chase	Mason
Kaeda	Ross
Andrea	Vasquez Hernandez
Ronan	Velasquez
Nora	Zuniga

Rupert Elementary School - Grade 3

Victoria	Alata
Jennalope	Andrews
Kyinn	Canada
Brooklyn	Champlin
Brayden	Culbreath
Ethan	Deans
Evelyn	Dixon
Matthew	Fitzsimmons
Emma	Foley
Keston	Garcia
Jason	Gentile
James	Gilbert
Julia	Gilbert
Iyaad	Gissendanner
Jaxson	Gonzales
Sasha	Goodridge
Sofia	Guardado-Ramos
Justyce	Holly
Jonah	Landis
Davis	Nolan
Mekenzie	Painter
Sincere	Paschall
Idris	Rains
Autumn	Redfield-Smith
David	Richburg
Natanael	Rodriguez
Janiyah	Rosenberger
Summer	Smale
Makenzie	Suber
Caleb	Tekpetey
Nathaniel	Walton
Veronica	Williams

Rupert Elementary School - Grade 4

Adeiye	Aina
Marcos Antonio	Bretas Marques
Sebastian	Fegeley
Mark	Fitzsimmons
Zerick	Hudson
Troy	McCalvin
Jace	McClincy
Casey	Middeton
Kennedy	Nance
Charlee	Nickle
Francis	Powell
Aidan	Rhoads
Daniel	Rodriguez
Analeise	Santiago
Ariah	Scurry
Isaac	Shifflette
Imari	Soto
Ellie	Stauffer
Matthew	Stingone
Gabriel	Stoudt
Andrez	Vilorio
Amira	Williams
Kyriac	Zorich

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

PMS - Grade 5 Distinguished Honors

Isabella	Amador
Aidan	Branagh
Sage	Carter
Reagan	Culbreath
Miracle	Davis
Kaderine	Franco-Donis
Patrick	Galamba
Ava	Gulbush
Hannah	Jaycox
Mariah	Laboy
Eva	Lamperez
Audrey	Muriel
Kaidon	Terpoilli
Elizabeth	Wasykowski
Ronan	White
Layla	Williams

PMS - Grade 6 Distinguished Honors

Rania	Ait Lqol
Emma	Allen
Rhiannon	Bielawski
Zyaira	Clark
Hailey	Danzig
Grace	Eby
John	Ellwanger
Landon	Ford
Thomas	Inthaphone
Clara	Johnson
Madison	Llewellyn
Gianna	Miles
Yezhua	Molina Lorenzo
Aiden	Ondik
Amy	Palma
Thomas	Rose
Edward	Sloss
Danielle	Trabucco
Yoel	Vilorio

PMS - Grade 7 Distinguished Honors

Shahed	Aljashoubi
Peyton	Coale
Aiden	Crosbie
Starr	Gratz
Lillian	Green
Cayden	Hayes
Levi	Jaycox
Leyna	Johnson
Aislin	Kimbro
Ezra	King
Kamryn	King
Catherine	Pineda Penate
Makaila	Plummer
Morgan	Privette
Deston	Purnell
William	Rose
Lucy	Zuniga

PMS - Grade 8 Distinguished Honors

Dimitrus	Alston
Jayden	Bell
Gavyn	Bennett
Imani	Brown
Santiago	Castillo
Jamir	Chavous
Glenndale	Fegeley
Cheyenne	Flamer
Trevor	Ford
Josue	Funes
Trinity	Hall
Riley	Maguire
Oliver	Pineda-Penate
Sofia	Reeher
McKenzee	Richey
Dillin	Thong
Kayro-Adrian	Vazquez-Mendez

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT - 2022-2023 SECOND 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	Kelvin	Abad Gonzalez	Robert	Blanck
Ramya	Anderson	Marko	Arnold	Savana	Bauman	Sebastian	Bray
Luis	Barreno Cordova	Zayd	Ashraf	Meleena	Bisram	Alyssa	Broughton
Lily	Beach	Joziah	Astacio	Jaiden	Brown	Essence	Brown
Jacob	Blackwell	Rosio	Avila Aquilon	Aidan	Conrad	Brianna	Bui
Dahmya	Britt-Johnson	Aaron	Boone	Ariel	Cortes	Rahem	Bull
Skai		Mariah	Byard	Kylie	Covert	Ariyana	Carr
Dexter	Bunning	Kristy	Calle	Phoenix	Custer	Edgar	Castillo
Sophia	Carter	Kimberly	Chhern	Dahlia	Dowling	Christopher	Cilio
Luke	Carvalho	Eric	Clay	Chase	Drost	Zealean	Cortes
Jordan	Clark	Natasha	Clemens	Jacob	DuVal	Mallalah	Gallardo
Noah	Conbeer	Karen	Cocar	Maria	Guardado-Sanchez	Cayden	Gofus
Anora	Crosbie	Mia'	Collier	Alexander	Guzman	Benjamin	Hammer
Robert	Cusamano	Fernando	Cruz Lopez	Austin	Halpin	Ayden	Hine
Aaliyah	Dubost	Da'Rya	Davis	Morgan	Hine	Walter	Hoey
Zeriah	Fairel	Jaden	Desvarieux	Jaylen	Lamarre	Maya	Lilick
Jacqueline	Foster	Paul	Donohie	King	Lucky	Elvira	Majorova
Nicolas	Gomes-Oliveira	Layloni	Dunn	Audra	Masewicz	Olivia	McCauley
Devin	Harkin	Mia	Elchert	Selma	Mohamed	Jude	Mull
Liam	Hawk	Lucien	Fair	Symphony	Morefield-Diaz	Isabella	Murray
Illynn	Johnson	Christian	Fisher	Skye	Nelson	Ashlyn	Pulinka
Isaac	Kancianic	Leyla	Gibson	Aubrey	O'Blosser	Kayla	Puth
Chloe	Kinzel	Alexandra	Green	Ayden	Olvera	Angelina	Quiles
Lily	Kinzel	Murielle	Guerrier	Alejandro	Perez-Carrillo	Sean	Robbins
Shaniyah	Knapke	Mayson	Hall	Maddison	Sheldon	Carlism	Rodriguez Vazquez
Ja'Vera	Lovett	Justin	Hughes	Jamir	Straite	Christopher	Rose
Jayden	Mattis	Logan	Johnson	Destiny	Trejo	Rooney	Salazar Villanueva
Ky'Ayer	McCalvin	Kameron	Key	Brooke	Valerio	Christian	Sheeran
Isaiah	McGoldrick-Cheeseboro	Abdul-Aziz	Knuckles	Ana	Vasquez-Hernandez	Colin	White
Myiah	Montgomery	Gabriella	Krasley	Zachary	Waters	Sione	Worrell-Tilghman
Ky'Manii	Morrison	Evan	Krestel	Gianna	Whitehurst	Makai	Wright
Liam	Moser	Isabella	LePore	Za'Mirah	Whitley		
Colby	Moyer	Gianna	Lloyd	Aaron	Williams		
Kay'dense	Nagir	Miriam	Lopez Juarez	Marcus	Williams		
Jair	Olivier	Luz	Mendez Rivera	Dennis	Yost		
Gabriella	Ortiz	Noah	Moser				
Chandler	Peaco	Lexi	Oswald				
Feby	Perez Domingo	Meredith	Pope				
Anthony	Ritschard	Christian	Quiles				
Kiara	Sanchez	Elizabeth	Reazor				
Jacqueline	Santiago	Daniel	Redrovan				
Alexis	Seidle	Typhanie	Samsel				
Elayna	Soos	Jayden	Sluzenski				
Maliah	Suttles	Kaleb	Smith				
Aiden	Torres-Sirmans	Kayleb	Torres-Sirmans				
Gabriella	Tucker	Corey	Wallner				
Paige	Verdejo	Christazja	White				
Ava	Washington	Seth	Yannessa				
Jeremi	Wesley	Nicole	Young				
Ezrah	Wilkerson						
Tysheed	Wright						

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

<u>PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors</u>	
Ava	Alessi
Jacob	Alessi
Christiana	Allen
Nora	Ammouri
Anilyse	Arey
Leah	Blackwell
Mason	Booker
Alivia	Boyer
Zyla	Burke
Annasophia	Chhern
Michelle	Cocar Paredes
Mairelys	Concepcion
Hugo	Costa
Mariah	Covert
Eric	Davis
Namika	Delgado-Cruz
Isabella	Deluca
Austin	Derstine
Nathaniel	Diehl
Julia	Draucker
Wesam	Elgendy
Iyonna	Elliott
James	Everette
Lily	Felix
Saniyah	Fox
Arianna	Gallin
Aiden	Gonzalez
Miyana	Green
Troy	Gross
Gaige	Harsh
Madeleine	Heidel
Ashley	Herring
Jayanna	Hill
Michael	Hoffmaster
Geovanni	Houpe
Aiyas	Hudson
Brandon	Hughes
Arek	Javage
Kendyll	King
Lauryn	Kutsch
Josiah	Lamar
Elizabeth	LaRocca
Amelia	Lepage
Savannah	Llewellyn
Ana	Maldonado-Lucas
Leslye	Manzanares
Shazia	Mendez
Jazzlyn	Miller-Tribble
Caden	Nihart

<u>PHS - Grade 9 Distinguished Honors Continued</u>	
William	Pan
Carice	Peart
Mikayla	Perkins
Colin	Plank
Nye	Powell
Zaila	Redden
Audrey	Redding
Adriana	Reyes-Jones
Triniti	Rhodes-Fisher
Ciara	Rios
Johan	Rivera
Kamrin	Robinson
Ana	Salazar Lopez
Taina	Santiago
Trinity	Santiago
Brighton	Scott
Sarabeth	Shifflette
Garrett	Shope
Natalie	Shope
Gabriel	Stilwell
Anthony	Suber
Allyana	Sykes
Arian	Tinson
Ethan	Ung
Xavien	Vasquez
Emely	Villegas
Cianne	Wells
Syncere	Whitehurst
Donovan	Williams
Ariana	Wilson
Isabella	Wright
Alana	Young

<u>PHS - Grade 10 Distinguished Honors</u>	
Diego	Aguilera
Patrick	Auman
Ambriana	Baryeh
Cheynin	Boyer
Drew	Bunning
Daniela	Castillo
Jasmine	Champlin
Angel	Chavous
Jareth	Clark
Ethan	Collins
Lunna	Davila
Ma'layja	Dodd
Abigail	Donohie
Evan	Draucker
Naden	Elgendy
Lili	Freese
Cindy	Garcia Villegas
Jacob	Givens
Crystal	Gonzalez Guardado
Aubree	Harsh
Imani	Jeter
Alexander	Jimenez Rosales
Aiden	Kancianic
Emanuel	Lagunes Cruz
Terelle	Lowery
Taylor	Maguire
Trevor	Marley
Pedro	Martinez Guardado
Reece	Murphy
Kai	O'Brien
Miranda	Pineda
Daniel	Pittman
Jahiem	Pratt
Julia	Smith
Sean	Tattershall
Christopher	Thomas
Chase	Thornton
Ava	Vilain
Aniyah	Wells
Aimee	White

<u>PHS - Grade 11 Distinguished Honors</u>	
Elizabeth	Adedeji
Peyton	Bayne
Layla	Bearden
Peyton	Benfield
Nahzier	Booker
Tyler	Broughton
Megan	Cannell
Lexi	Caserta
Emily	Castillo
Angelina	Chhern
Nicholas	Cohen Arena
Ava	Collier
Kaniyah	Cotton
Leilandi	Davis
Regina	Fleming
Marcus	Fowlkes
Makenna	Franey
Ismaeel	Garfield
Annabelle	Gaval
Alina	Harrington
Jordan	Harris
Mehki	Jenkins Glover
Steven	Jimenez Gomez
Keiara	Lesley
Kaylee	Loughlin
Sarish	Mendez Rivera
Aiden	Miller
Tara	Morgan
Grayce	Morton
Ashley	Ormston
Alyssa	Pearson
Benjamin	Pena
Najae	Perez
Maria	Reyes Juarez
Guadalupe	
Savannah	Richards
Carlos	Rodriguez Vazquez
Makayla	Smith
Austin	Sundstrom
Mylia	Tinson
Chloe	Weiss
Ethan	Yost
Keshawn	Young

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PHS - Grade 12 Distinguished Honors

Leilani	Alberto
Samuel	Bainbridge
Bailey	Bayne
Justin	Castillo
Christopher	Chhern
John	Cipollini
Anna	Coale
Kyle	Corbin
Hannah Jane	Daniels
Margaret	DiPietro
Abigail	Eagle
Mark	Ellison
Ronald	Escobar Barrios
Henry	Fetterman
Lilian	Fetterman
Jamie	Freese
Derek	Gephart
Ariana	Gilmore
Keishla	Gonzalez-Galarza
Adam	Green
Faith	Hammer
Charles	Hartman
Serena	Hogan
Jihad	Jeter
Jevohn	Jones
William	Levey
David	Mackewicz III
Jocelyn	Malauulu
Elise	Marley
Khamya	Mayo
Jordan	Mest
Savone	Nash
Alice	Pan
Fredy	Rodriguez
Ian	Salisbury
Anas	Selmi
Avery	Shope
Leah	Smith
Jordan	Stevenson
Ryan	Szczepanik
London	Trout
Leigha	Walton
Abdur-Rahman	Watson
Kenyada	Wise
Ceaira	Worrell-Tilghman

PHS - Grade 9 Honors

Jaxon	Barron
Samiya	Fatal
Jacob	Granozio
Chase	Harrington
Mary	Hitechew
Ryan	Kutsch
Antoine	Lofton
Nancy	Maldonado Perez
Serenity	Meade-Brown
Erin	Meyers
Makayla	Miller
Omaria	Miller
Michael	Moore
Jade	Pace
Nevaeh	Peaco
Josiah	Pugh
Markeif	Reid-Anderson
Julian	Robinson-Wilson
Corry	Russell
Arman	Thorpe
Joseph	Torres
Kanijah	Turlington
Aiden	Weiss
Malaysia	Williams

PHS - Grade 10 Honors

Madison	Beard
Madison	Benson
Quadeara	Best
Aniyah	Crump
Madison	Dailey
Freddie	Duley
Ezriel	Felder
Juan	Ferreira
Imani	Galloway
Yandis	Garcia De La Cruz
Amirah	Graves
Hope	Hammer
Irellys	Hernandez Justiniano
Gabriella	Horne
Leon	Hums
Jennifer	Maldonado
Carillio	Oquendo
Shawn	Pallay Williams
Amelia	Paul
Tahj	Phillips
Ahryel	Riley-Sims
Joel	Rubincam
Colson	Strohl
Nyel	Thompson
Skyler	Walker
Ja-Nyai	White
Nyla	Wiggins

PHS - Grade 11 Honors

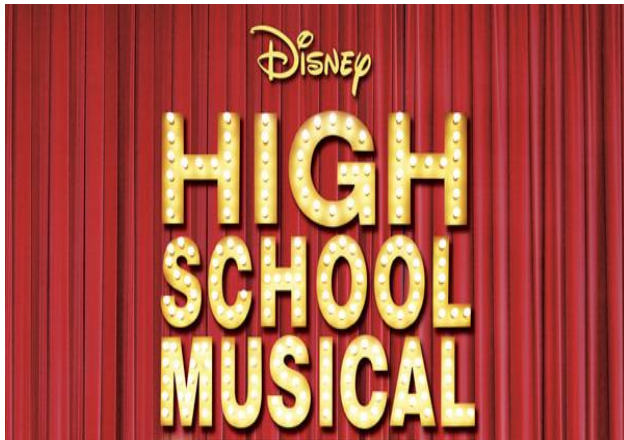
Adam	Alaoui
Isabella	Appleby
Denajah	Bailey
Dylan	Basile
Madison	Beasley
Jordan	Bowen
Jack	Butler
Rosario	Clemens
Cameron	Clifford
Mujahid	Corbitt
Anye	Crawford
Ryan	Davis
Michael	Delgado
Tierra	DeVeaux
Dalajah	Dowling
Christopher	Fuentes
Myles	Hancock
Dane	Jensen-Sellers
Anthony	Kutsch
Ashlee	Landis
Brynn	McClune
Helen	Ortega
Gabriela	Pagan
Jayden	Pray
Katerine	Reina
Phoenix	Rhoads
Tate	Risor
Keaton	Rogers
Sophia	Russo
Kaley	Salazar Lopez
Tyler	Santiago
Duha	Selmi
Rodrigo	Solis
Aaliyah	Speaker
Brooke	Thomas
Alona	Tinson
Vida	Torres-Camacho
Justin	Wardlow
Tyrese	Washington
Ashley	Weller
Matthew	Zaborsky
Jayla	Zipay

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PHS - Grade 12 Honors

Sabrina	Albert
Dawud	Barnes
Alexis	Beckett
Zariah	Brown
Khaia	Burgess
Ethan	Chin
Brielle	Davis
D'Asiah	Davis
Daishawnia	Dean
Mikayla	DeLuca
Yasmeen	Felton
Imani	Germany-Bird
Devon	Green
Mackenzie	Hall
Alana	Hayward
Olivia	Hickey
Mary-Joan	Hogan
Melody	Jackson
Genevieve	Jarrett
Asiyah	Johnson
Malachi	Jones
Angelle	Levan
Katllyn	Levengood
Luke	Maguire
Derick	Nunez Menjivar
Nassiah	Nutridge
Benjamin	Pargeon
Nicholas	Pittman
Jibrel	Pratt
Christopher	Roberts
Dominic	Tammaro
Serin	Warneke
Kasaundra	Wesley
Madisyn	Williams
Caleb	Yocom

POTTSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL



Producer	Robert Decker Jr.
Director	Christopher Sperat
Musical Director	Amy Anderson
Lighting Design/Direction	Nick Yashinsky
Choreography	Jenna Endy
Publicist	Emma Spade
Set Construction	Jennifer Mohr
Choral/Vocal Direction	Benjamin DiPette
Costuming	Liane Livote
Stage Manager	Robert Decker Jr.
Sound Design/Direction	Albert Garcia
Set Design/Properties Manager	Candi Haas-Simmons

CAST MEMBERS:

Troy Bolton	Mark Ellison III	Gabriella Montez	Alyssa Pearson
Ryan Evans	Christian Toland	Sharpay Evans	Peyton Benfield
Chad Denforth	Jonathan Moser	Taylor McKessie	Josephine Bechtel
Zeke Baylor	Taylor Broughton	Martha Cox	Ashlee Landis
Jack Scott	Aiden Kancianic	Kelsi Neilson	Natalia Banks
Ms. Darbus	Makayla Smith	Coach Jack Bolton	Ethan Yost
Ms. Tenny	Jennifer Mohr	Alan	Jaheim Pratt
Cathy	Mackenzie Hall	James	Nye Powell
Karaoke M.C.	Benjamin DiPette	Moderator	Robert Decker Jr.
Ripper	Bat Endy	Susan	Gabriella Horne
Mongo	Aniyah Wells	Kratnoff	Trevor Marley
Brainiacs	Ava Alessi, Amelia Lepage	Thespians	Makenna Franey, Naden Elgendy, Wesam Elgendy
Skaters	Cianne Wells	Cheerleaders	Leah Blackwell, Lunna Davila, Grayce Morton, Tahj Phillips

Guest Students – A thank you to members of **Cheerleading, Drumline, and Basketball** for being a part of our opening number!

CREW MEMBERS:

Student Stage Manager	Abdelrahman Elgendy
Student Set Designer/Prop Manager	Ceaira Worrell-Tilghman
Student Set Designer/Prop Manager	Alice Pan
Student Sound Assistant	Alexis Beckett
Student Property Crew	Ceaira Worrell-Tilghman, Alice Pan, Sida Villain, Lili Freese, Amelia Paul
Scenery Crew	Dylan Basile, McKenzie Brat, Angelica Cruz, Bat Endy, Lili Freese, Kristina Gray, Serena Hogan, Ashter Harrington, Emma Lepage, Elise Marley, Sarish Mendez-Rivera, Kai O'Brien, Alice Pan, Pieter Ung, Ariana Wilson, Isabella Wright
Stage Crew	Christiana Allen, Dylan Basile, Kyle Chaney, Lily Fetterman, Christopher Fuentes, Kristina Gray, Ashter Harrington, Lauryn Kutsch, Elise Marley, Sarish Mendez-Rivera, Kai O'Brien, Katherine Reina, Natalie Shope, Ariana Wilson, Isabella Wright

[PHOTOS](#) from the show [VIDEO](#) from the show

HIGH SCHOOL

Feel warm inside by helping others feel warm outside

Members of the Pottstown High School Interact club are asking for your support in providing warm clothing for those in need. They will conduct a coat drive from November 29 to Dec 15. Coats, sweaters and other warm clothing can be dropped off at any Pottstown School District school during school hours. Feel warm inside by helping others feel warm outside.



Say Hello To Your Uncle Sam

Pottstown High School College and Career Counselor Susan Pritt hosted a Military Day. Representatives from the Navy, National Guard, and the Army were on hand to talk with students. Students learned about each branch and all opportunities and the wide range of unique jobs offered by each branch. Of course, everyone was interested in the salary and college tuition support after service. Students were also able to meet with each recruiter with follow up questions.



PHS Engineering Earn While They Learn

Pottstown High School engineering students, Sam Bainbridge and Justin Castillo are enjoying the best of two worlds, as part of the school's Work Based Learning Program they are gaining valuable real-life work experience, rebuilding equipment at R&M Equipment Company, <https://ramequipment.com/> while also being paid for their work. The co-op opportunity can lead to full-time employment after graduation. It is a part of the school's Career Technical Education Department. The experience "caps off" the students' education in their CTE program. Students are able to put what they learned in their Engineering program to practical use while also learning important soft skills, of business etiquette, and how the company operates. A training plan is created to help the employer focus on the student's task list. The employer grades the students on their knowledge and work ethic. They also receive a grade from their classroom teacher on academic work. These programs are essential to our community as local business and industry partners struggle to hire enough skilled tradespeople to fill positions being left vacant by ageing workforce retirements.



CTE Learn and Earn

Pottstown High School Career Technical Education programs help students prepare for success after high school. Recent PHS graduate James Ryder returned to speak with students in Mr. Andy Bachman's engineering class. He spoke to them about his apprenticeship at GlaxoSmithKline, a global leader in developing medicines for respiratory disease. In addition to earning a wage as an apprentice, GSK also pays his tuition to attend college two days a week and continues to pay his hourly wage while he is attending class. James told the class that their high school experience in the engineering program will pay off as they enter the workforce. Mr. Bachman said James is one of many success stories of our CTE programs. Our programs, students and staff live up to the district mission, of preparing each student, by name for success at every level. They give us more reason to say Proud to be from Pottstown.



The Davenport Report PHS DECA Students Earn Spot In State Competition

The Davenport Report was submitted by Pottstown High School Marketing teacher Ronald Davenport, who along with Business teacher Kevin Pascal are co-advisors of the DECA Club. The Pottstown DECA chapter competed at the district level with clubs from across Southeast Pennsylvania for an opportunity to advance to state competition in February. The event was held at DeSales University and had over 300 students from 8 different schools. Ten PHS students won medals and qualified to advance to the state level competition. In addition, the chapter will be taking another 16 chapter members to compete at the state level with hopes of advancing to the international competition held in Orlando. The winners from this event were Adam Alaoui, Layla Bearden, Daishawnia Dean, Tyler Broughton, Aniyah Wells, Lunna Divilla, Peyton Benfield, Emily Castillo, Natalie Shope, and Naden Elgendy.



The Pottstown DECA chapter was commended on their professionalism and marketing skills during the event. Trojan Proud of our students who always give us reason to say Proud to be from Pottstown.



Instant Acceptance

For high school seniors waiting to find out if they have been accepted to college can be a stressful time. Thanks to our Career and College Counselor, Susan Pritt and the high school guidance department some of our seniors have their acceptance letters in hand and a few have been awarded scholarships. PHS hosted their 4th annual Instant Decision Day and College Fair. Seniors had the opportunity to receive instant acceptance from 38 college and trade schools including HBCUs. Five branches of the military including Army, Air Force, National Guard, Navy, and Marines were also available as post-graduation opportunities. Overall 35 acceptances were awarded with eight students receiving full academic scholarships. Thanks to our high school principal Dr. D'Annibale you can see and hear the joy of our students when they find that Hard Work Pays Off.



Beech Street Learning Studio Supports District Mission

The mission of the Pottstown School District is to prepare each student, by name, for success at every level. The studio provides flexible blended learning options to help Pottstown students meet graduation requirements.

In its fifth year of operation the program's unique and individualized approach has helped guide 43 young men and women on their journey to success. Dr. LaTanya White-Springfield, Director of Student Services said, "We are proud of our students' commitment to build a successful future by starting their journey with a high school diploma in hand. Our dedicated staff works individually with students to help meet each child's needs and serve as a guide to success."

This program, our students and staff are another reason for me to say, proud to be from Pottstown.



Steven Warren III, Yahire Brown, Mercedes Royce, and Julian Fuentes are December graduates of the district's Beech Street Learning Studio.



Beech Street Learning Studio Opens Door To Success

The mission of the Pottstown School District is to prepare each student, by name, for success at every level. **Jackson Conway, Amar Graves, Zion Malcom, Kareema Muhammad-Lee, Joneil Oister, Nazaiyah Paschall, and Jeremy Ziemba** are March graduates of the district's Beech Street Learning Studio. The studio provides flexible blended learning options to help Pottstown students meet graduation requirements. In its fifth year of operation the program's unique and individualized approach has helped guide 55 young men and women on their journey to success.

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Front row – **Nazaiyah Paschall, Jackson Conway, Kareema Muhammad-Lee**
Back row – **Zion Malcom, Amar Graves, Jeremy Ziemba, Joneil Oister**
March graduates of the district's Beech Street Learning Studio

Students Tour Limerick Generating Station Receive Financial Support

The Pottstown High School Engineering Technology students visited Limerick Generation Station. PHS engineering teacher, Mr. Andrew Bachman and students were presented with two philanthropic checks for their engineering school program (E2 Constellation Grant Award for \$10K and Limerick Workforce Development team for \$7K).

The students visited the control room simulator. They met with various security, operations, engineering, radiation protection, and maintenance professionals. During their walk around the reactor and turbine building, students learned more about large structures, systems, and components. The main highlights were the large main transformers, the spent fuel dry storage structures, the engineering building, the machining shop, and radiation protection technology tools.

While in the engineering department, the students spoke with Kenil Patel, PHS class of 2017. Kenil was the first PHS graduate to earn a Pottstown Promise Summer Internship upon graduation. Kenil continued to intern at the powerplant throughout his years at Drexel University studying to become a systems engineer. Bachman said, "We are grateful for the grants, that will help us continue to have the resources we need for hands-on learning projects. Seeing one of our PHS grads showed our students a viable and proven pathway to a successful career."



Students have a voice on the school board

Two new student voices were added to the school board. Judge Palladino was at PHS for a special swearing in of new student representatives to the school board - Junior alternates Tyler Broughton and Elizabeth Adedeji. Board president Katina Bearden was on hand to offer congratulations. Student representatives to the school board give students a voice in our district and have an opportunity to develop life skills that will lead to their future success. Helping to develop civic responsibility at an early age is part of our school district's mission of preparing each student by name for success at every level.



PHS Band Member Earns Honors

Trojan Proud of PHS band member **Jocelyn Malauulu**, who earned selection to the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 11 Band Festival at Central Bucks South High School. Representatives from more than 30 school districts took part in rehearsal sessions prior to a weekend performance that showcased their talents to a large audience. To be accepted into this prestigious ensemble, students had to audition, performing a complex piece of solo repertoire on their instrument in front of a panel of judges made up of local band, choir, and orchestra directors. Jocelyn gave a stellar audition and was accepted to play in the ensemble on flute.



Jocelyn is currently also a member of our concert band and flute ensemble and is one of the drum majors for the marching band. When not performing with Pottstown she also is a member of the Reading Symphony Youth Orchestra and a member of the Trojan lacrosse team.

PHS band director Daniel Higgins said, "We are all very proud of what Jocelyn has accomplished. She has combined her talent with hard work to give us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown."



PHS Engineering Class Competes for State Honors

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. See the links to learn more about their project and another reason we say, proud to be from Pottstown.



The DECA Report

Thank you to PHS student **Alianna Samuel**, DECA Director of Marketing and Communications for her report and photos from the Annual State Career Development Conference. Read all about our students and you will know another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Under the Direction of Economics Teacher Kevin Pascal and Marketing Teacher Ronald Davenport, marketing students who are members of DECA (An Association of Marketing Students) at Pottstown High School participated in the Annual State Career Development Conference at the Hershey Lodge, February 22nd - 24th 2022. DECA is the only Career and Technical Student Organization operating through the nation's schools to attract young people to careers in marketing management, and entrepreneurship. Its purposes are to develop respect for education which will contribute to occupational competence and to promote understanding and appreciation for the responsibilities of citizenship in our free enterprise system. While at DECA competitions our students took a test to assess their knowledge on their business categories, participated in role-plays such as meeting with a supervisor and having to give a solution to a problem, and took advantage of the many workshops available at DECA competitions. These workshops offered tips on dressing for success and included motivational speakers.

State Conference participants were:

Elizabeth Adedeji, Jevohn Jones & Izaiyah Wilkerson	Start Up Business Plan
Adam Alaoui	Personal Financial Literacy (Fifth Place, Highest Roleplay and Test Score)
Layla Bearden	Apparel and Accessories Marketing
Tyler Broughton	Hotel and Lodging Management
Alexis Beckett, Alianna Samuel & Josiah Wilson	Sales Project
Peyton Benfield and Emily Castillo	Entrepreneurship Team Decision Making
Kaniyah Cotton & Keshawn Young	Franchise Business Plan
Ava Collier	Public Speaking
Giovanni Cooper	Job Interview
Lunna Davilla	Automotive Services Marketing
Daishawnia Dean	Quick Serve Restaurant Management
Naden Elgendy	Principles of Business
Jamie Freese	Community Giving Project
Gabriella Horne	Female Modeling (Fourth Place)
Melody Jackson	Job Interview
Natalie Shope	Human Resource Management
Christian Toland	Male Modeling (Second Place)

Pottstown DECA members were amongst over 2000 students at the three-day State Conference. There are over 80 DECA chapters in Pennsylvania with a membership of more than 3200 students, alumni, teachers, and business professionals. Although this year only one of our students placed at the competitions, they still made great achievements by making Tier 1 status for their Plan of Action. This required the members to conduct at least one community service event and complete two goals in each of the following categories: Member/Chapter activities, Promotion, Community Service, and Charity. We must also make sure to give a round of applause to **Adam Alaoui** for receiving one of the highest roleplay scores in his category. Nonetheless, it was a great competition and our DECA members have gained valuable experiences and skills that they look forward to implementing for not only next year's competition, but life.

(Left to Right): Kaniyah Cotton, Keshawn Young, and Tyler Broughton



(Front to Back) (Left to Right): First row: Elizabeth Adedeji, Gabriella Horne, Christian Toland, Ava Collier. Second row: Giovanni Cooper, Kaniyah Cotton, Tyler Broughton, Emily Castillo, Melody Jackson, Adam Alaoui, Jamie Freese, Alexis Beckett, Alianna Samuel. Last row: Mr. Davenport, Natalie Shope, Lunna Davilla, Peyton Benfield, and Naden Elgendy.



Gabriella Horne



Christian Toland



Adam Alaoui

PHS Students Pass The Test

Congratulations to Pottstown High School students **Mark Ellison III, Abdelrhman Elgendy, Natalie Shope and Keishla Gonzalez-Galarza**, who represented our district in the Rotary 4-Way Test Speech Contest. Students speak for 5-7 minutes on a topic of their choice.

They must apply the Rotary 4-way test to the topic.

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

They delivered incredible speeches on the topics of Passion, War, Objectification of Women and Hope. Their speeches were insightful, well prepared and thought provoking. Abdelrhman Elgendy was selected by the judges to represent Pottstown at the Southeast Regional event held next month. Special thanks to their advisor, PHS teacher Ms. Diane Brothers, for her guidance and motivation.

PHOTO ID L to R: Keishla Gonzalez-Galarza, Mark Ellison III, Abdelrhman Elgendy, Natalie Shope



PHS Guard Shows Their Colors

The twelve-member team of the Pottstown High School Indoor Color Guard, under the direction of Guard Instructor Julio Chisholm, proudly represented PHS at the Mid-Atlantic Indoor Network guard competition at Upper Moreland High School. Thirty school districts were present. The Trojans competed in a division with nine other schools. In the category of equipment (spinning of flags, rifles, and sabres) the guard placed 5th. In the category of movement (dance and drill), the group placed 6th. Overall, they achieved 64.7 points out of 100. It was a highly successful first outing for the color guard and has set the group up for a very successful rest of their season which will culminate with the MAIN Championships - RWJBarnabas Health Arena, Toms River, NJ - April 22nd. PHS Color Guard, thanks for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Team members are:

- Alexis Beckett
- Amelia Lepage
- Ariana Wilson
- Avery Shope
- Bat Endy
- Cianne Wells
- Daishawna Dean
- Jamie Freese
- Josie Bechtel
- Lauryn Kutsch
- Makenna Franey
- Natalie Shope



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle School Students Up to The Challenge

Pottstown Middle School students did not have to fly to the moon to show they are up to the challenge to learn about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Thanks to Montgomery County Community College, all it took was a short drive across town to the Challenger Learning Center where they took on roles of mission control and astronauts in a simulated launch and landing on the moon. Thanks to PCTV for the video of their journey.



Middle school students GEAR UP for poetry

Pottstown Middle School students explored their poetry talents in a special poetry challenge event on Wednesday March 8 held in the auditorium at 6pm, using writing and literature skills they have learned about in class. You're invited to come hear them "bust a rhyme" (click on the link). This event is part of the middle school GEAR UP program (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs).



ELEMENTARY

Elementary Choirs Bring Joy To Community

The combined elementary school choirs of the Pottstown School District used their voices to help kick off the holiday season at the annual Pottstown tree lighting ceremony held at Smith Plaza on High Street. Trojan Proud of our students and their directors, Sally Foose and Lori Hoshaw. Thanks to Mr. Joe Zlomek of The Sanatoga Post for sharing the video and story. Now you know another reason we say Proud to be from Pottstown.



Mom says wear a hat when it is cold

Many of us may remember mom saying wear a hat when you go out in the cold. First graders in Kathy Eagle's Barth Elementary School class are well prepared for the cold weather. Thanks to Kathy's mother, Chris Rhoads, who hand crocheted winter hats for each student in the class. Kathy said, "I can still remember mom saying make sure to wear your hat in cold weather." Once a mom, a mom forever.



Lincoln Student Stay On Mission

Trojan Proud of Lincoln Students of the Month!! They received a Lincoln Shirt, a certificate and lunch from Chick-Fil-A. We are so Proud of our students. They are young citizens, who are learning the academic and social skills that will lead to adult success. Staying on the district mission - Prepare each student by name for success at every level.



Barth students 100 days smarter

Kindergarten students in Mrs. Yorgey's class had fun celebrating their 100th day of school!



Beech Street students are reading models

Jamila Blake and **Alex Lopez**, students attending the Pottstown School District Beech Street Learning Studio, are doing their part to encourage young students to read. They paid a visit to Mrs. Kathy Eagle's first grade class at Barth Elementary to spend time reading to students and talking about how important a role reading plays in their lives. Mrs. Eagle said, "My 1st graders look up to high school students. This visit has helped to make a positive difference in their lives." Thanks to **Jamila and Alex** for keeping on our district's mission to prepare each student by name for success at every level.



Pre-K Starting The Journey

The journey to the school district mission of, preparing each student, by name, for success at every level starts in Pre-K. The Pre-K students made fake snow using baking soda and hair conditioner. It was a fun activity that helped young learners practice making predictions, use scientific terminology, and demonstrate fine motor skills.



THANK YOU TO OUR FRIENDS

➤ **Thanks to our friends at GIANT**

Thanks to the GIANT and local community Feeding School Kids Round Up program who supported our PSD students facing food insecurity. High school DECA club executive officers accepted a check for \$4,324. Trojan Proud of our community who we can always count on for helping one another build a strong community and gives us more reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.





FALLEN TROJANS



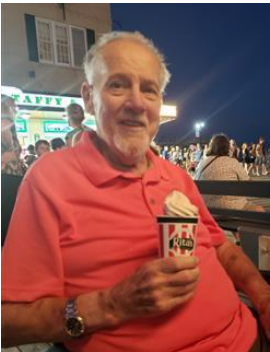
The Pottstown School District is proud of the members of its Trojan family and will honor its deceased alumni by recognizing them and their accomplishments in our "Fallen Trojan" section. Anyone wishing to have alumni recognized should provide appropriate information to:

John J. Armato, Director of Community Relations,
230 Beech Street, Pottstown PA 19464 or email jarmato@pottstownk12.org.

- **Christine (Bartholomew) Griswold** - Class of 1949 - was the daughter of the late Edward J. and Margaret E. (Hoult) Bartholomew. She was a member of the reunion committee and attended the class luncheon until her passing. She worked 26 years as a folder for Sunset Manufacturing and then Creative Apparel. She volunteered with the Golden Sage Program at Franklin. Chris was a member of Trinity U.C.C. and volunteered on several committees.



- **Edward P. Wanish** – Class of 1960 - 80, resided in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, husband of Marcia A. (Stevens) Wanish for 42 years, passed away Friday December 30, 2022 at his home. Born in Pottstown, he was the son of the late Charles Edward Wanish and Margaret (Hixson) Wanish. Ed lived his life dedicated to his family and friends but also his career. Entrepreneur of many trades he was a car salesman as well as owner/operator of Wanish Limousine Service from 1984 to his retirement in 2016. Ed also enjoyed spending time with family at their house down in Somers Point, New Jersey; where he would frequent the beaches and boardwalk spending time with the ones he loved. Ed belonged to his boyhood club The Shamrocks and also enjoyed meeting with friends every morning with "McDonald's Breakfast club".



- **Jeffrey L. Shaner** – Class of 1959 – 81, of Pottstown, PA, passed away on January 3, 2023, at Pottstown Hospital. He was the husband of Marlene Kay (Ziegler) Shaner, with whom he shared 62 years of marriage. Born in East Greenville, PA, on December 6, 1941, Jeffrey was the son of the late Richard and Erma (Leh) Shaner. Jeff graduated from Pottstown High School in 1959, and worked as a printer for the Pottstown Mercury for 44 years. In his spare time, he loved spending time outdoors doing activities like trout fishing and rifle and archery hunting. Most of all, Jeff enjoyed the moments he shared with his family.



- [Edward M. Pollick](#) – Class of 1966 – was the son of the late Thelma (Goodyear) and Elmer Pollick. Ed graduated from PHS in 1966 and Lafayette College in 1970. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Army, served at NATO/SHAPE headquarters in Belgium and finished his army career as a captain; he earned his master's degree from USC while in the army; he was a team leader and the West Coast Regional Manager at Abbott Laboratories during his 27-year career. He later worked for Thermo Fisher Scientific. Ed was an athlete, a scholar, an officer, and most of all a gentleman. His life was lived in many different places, and he still had friends everywhere he's been. He was successful, and awarded, he was a man of faith, integrity, kindness and humility. He will be deeply missed by so many people who loved him.



FALLEN TROJAN STAFF



- [Eugene "Gene" J. Huston Jr.](#) - was born in Norristown, he was the son of the late Eugene J. Huston Sr. and Kathryn (Weppel) Huston. Gene graduated in the first graduating class from Bishop Shanahan High School in West Chester, as well as West Chester State Teachers College. He was an educator in the Pottstown School District for 31 years teaching middle school. He also worked as a Controller for Sears in Pottstown for over 40 years. Gene was an active and distinguished member of the Kiwanis Club of Pottstown for 42 years, serving in many board positions. Being a huge sports fan, Gene attended many Penn State Football games and was an avid golfer for many years.



ALUMNI

➤ Former PHS Student On Mission To Compete In Paralympics

Former Pottstown High School student **Marvin Pearson** is on a mission to prove that hard work pays off. Both blind and deaf since elementary school, the 24-year-old young man is on a journey to compete in the Paralympics. The community, including his former teacher at Barth Elementary School William Parks, have rallied to support him. Learn all about his story.



➤ PHS grad takes success to the next level

Trojan Proud of Pottstown High School grad, **Mackenzie Moser** who is majoring in Nursing and was named to the Dean's List at Alvernia University. Mackenzie is another example of staying on our school district mission, of preparing each student by name for success at every level. She entered college with a strong educational foundation and solid work ethic, which are guiding her on a path of success.



Mackenzie Moser named to Dean's List at Alvernia University

January 11, 2023

Mackenzie Moser of Pottstown, PA, has been named to **Alvernia University's Dean's List** for the fall 2022 semester. Moser is currently enrolled as a Nursing major.

"Congratulations to these dedicated and hard-working students for getting the most out of the classroom and experiential learning experiences at Alvernia. Their hard work and academic achievement on top of their other personal, academic and professional responsibilities are to be applauded," said Alvernia University President John R. Loyack. "I cannot wait to see the academic achievements they continue to accomplish in the 2023 spring semester."

Moser was one of 660 Alvernia students to earn the honor.



- Trojan Proud of Pottstown High School grad, **Kristin DiPietro** who is majoring in Psychology and was named to the Dean's List at Alvernia University. Kristin is another example of staying on our school district mission, of preparing each student by name for success at every level. She entered college with a strong educational foundation and solid work ethic, which are guiding her on a path of success.



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- Congratulations to PHS alum **Owen Morton**. He is a 4-year captain of the Alvernia University football team who has distinguished himself in the classroom and on the field. He was selected to the All Mid Atlantic Conference athletic honors for his play on the field. With a 4.0 grade average he was named to the Dean's List and became the football program's first All-Academic Mid Atlantic Conference selection. His proud parents said, "We are very proud of Owen and his accomplishments in the classroom and on the field. He started with a great foundation from Pottstown and that helped him establish himself and grow at Alvernia University." Pottstown School District Mission; prepare each student, by name, for success at every level. Trojan Proud of Owen Morton, hard work pays off.



➤ **Smallwood stays in the fast lane** - PHS grad **Darius Smallwood**, now a Penn



State sophomore member of the track team, set a personal record in his specialty, the 800 meters, last weekend in the Sykes & Sabock Challenge at Penn State. Smallwood, a 2021 Pottstown grad and former PIAA champion in the event, ran a 1:47.90 for the second-best time in the Big Ten this winter. Hard work pays off. Thanks for giving us another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown.

Smallwood Represents with Style and Grace - **Darius Smallwood** is using the foundation he built in high school to represent Penn State with style and grace. As a member of the track team he ran the 3rd fastest time in Penn State history to earn the Bronze Medal in the 600 meters (1:16.31) at the Big Ten Indoor Championships. He also placed 4th in the 800 meters at the championships. He competes with honor, pride, integrity and sportsmanship. Smallwood was recognized with the 2023 Penn State Big Ten Sportsmanship Award. Congratulations on his ability and sportsmanship. Thanks for another reason to say, proud to be from Pottstown. Please help share the good news.

A graphic showing the top 5 all-time performers in the men's 600m at Penn State. It includes a photo of Darius Smallwood on the left and a list of names and times on the right.

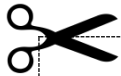
TOP 5 ALL-TIME	
MEN'S 600M	
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2	CASIMIR LOKSOM 1:15.42
3	DARIUS SMALLWOOD 1:16.31
4	CALLUM DODDS 1:16.46
5	BEN KARCZ 1:16.89





We Are Pottstown ...

Stay connected with all of the friends of the Pottstown School District with this exclusive membership. Learn about what is happening with the Foundation for Pottstown Education with the newsletter, stay connected to updates and news through social media, engage in networking and career opportunities at special Pottstown Pride Society events, and much more. Together we will build a better community and continue to provide opportunities for the children of Pottstown School District. Be sure to stay tuned to social media and www.foundationpottstowned.org for the Pottstown Pride Society page as we grow. We would love for you to share your successes along the way to help encourage those who follow you. Together we provide opportunities for children of Pottstown.



Pottstown Pride Society **Yes, I'm Interested in More Info**

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Graduate of Pottstown? If so, Class of _____

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