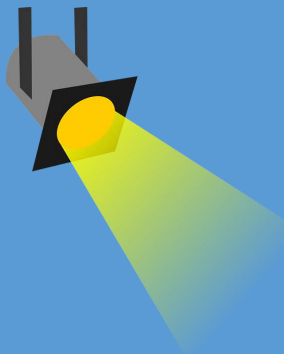


PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENT SPOTLIGHT



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Solomon-Plains Middle School Hosts Scripps 2nd Annual Spelling Bee



Solomon-Plains Middle School recently hosted its 2nd Annual School Wide Scripps National Spelling Bee on Wednesday, February 15th, 2023. The event was coordinated by Edward Rosengrant, 6th Grade Title I Math Teacher/Title I Parent Liaison, and Spelling Bee Coordinator. Faculty members that assisted in the event were Denise De-Mellier, Activities Director and 7th Grade Reading Teacher, Molly Ney and Amy Pascale, 6th Grade Reading/ELA Teachers. Students in grade 6th, 7th, and 8th grade participated in two classroom spelling bees before moving onto the final school wide round. The winner of the school wide spelling bee will represent Solomon-Plains Middle School at the 2023 Diamond City Regional Spelling Bee on March 13th. This years winner is Peyton Brink, a 6th grade student at Solomon-Plains Middle School. All participants received a certificate and the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners received medals. The 2023 participants are Jaden Hodosi, 7th Grade, 3rd place, Peyton Brink, 6th Grade, 1st place winner, Michael Dale, 8th Grade, and Teddy Madjeski, 6th grade, 2nd place winner.





Solomon-Plains Middle School Hosts 1st Annual Title I STEM Night



Math and Science Teachers from Solomon-Plains Middle School hosted their first Title I STEM Night on February 1st. Teachers in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade showed off their talents by demonstrating experiments for students and their families all evening. Also, Science Teachers from the High School Science Department displayed and demonstrated different physical and chemical changes as well as biology topics. During the event, students traveled through different stations with their Science Passport to complete their "Science Journey" to win a prize and also to be entered into a drawing to win an Apple iPad. Students were able to create Elephant Toothpaste, make their own fossils, create and draw their own tessellations, as well as a rocket launch. Mrs. Corinne Drost, 6-12 Math Supervisor and Mr. Michael Corcoran, K-12 Science and K-5 Mathematics Supervisor also showed off their talents during the event. Students from the Wilkes University School of Pharmacy also demonstrated and completed science experiments with the students and showed them the different stages of what happens during a chemical reaction. Parents had the opportunity to visit the Title I Parent & Family Resource Center and join the Solomon-Plains Title I Parent Advisory Council.





Heights Murray Elementary School



Holds Title I Multicultural Night

On Thursday, March 1, 2023 families at Heights Murray Elementary School celebrated culture through music at their Annual Multicultural Night. The theme for the night was “At Heights Murray All Are Welcome Here”. Wolfpack leaders (students who excel in academics and behavior) helped faculty and staff throughout the night. Families were treated to pizza and a variety of music from the Praise Dancers and a Marracci band. At the end of the evening food from around the world were auctioned off and everyone received a treat bag with candies from around the world. Parents had the opportunity to visit the Title I Parent & Family Resource Center for math and reading materials and join the Heights Murray Title I Parent Advisory Council.



Dodson Elementary at Mackin School Celebrates Read Across America!

Dodson Elementary at Mackin School recently celebrated Read Across America Day on February 27, 2023. Community members and Wilkes-Barre Area District personnel read to students and discussed the importance of reading and working hard to achieve their goals. Title I Reading Coach/Parent Liaison Michael Caprari, teachers and staff decorated the building for students to enjoy the week and celebrate reading. Students were treated to cookies and treats to celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday and highlight the wonderful legacy he has bestowed upon us. Students also participated in reading spirit activities and were able to dress in various ways to show their excitement for Dr. Seuss and Read Across America. Students were provided with multiple opportunities to read, write, and share ideas during this exciting week. Title I math and reading activities were sent home to families as well as Channing Bete information.

