



## Minutes from January 2024 Business Meeting

January 2024 Meeting Notes voted In:

SECRETARY'S REPORT REBECCA

District-wide Events - October - January: Fall Clothing Drive, Cook's Night Off, Last Chance Spirit Wear Sale, Winter Shoppes, Holiday Staff Appreciation Collection

Upcoming Events - January - April: Winter Cookie Delivery, Winter Clothing Drive, Dine Around, Spirit Wear Sale, Spring Book Fairs, Spring Social (Bag Bingo)

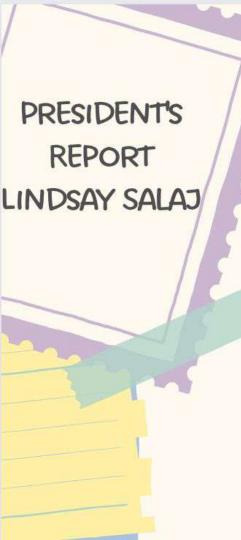
Reviewed Mini Grants presented and Cultural Arts programs funded in 2023-24 school year thus far.

Treasurer Report provided updates on Invest Funds raised, FIN spending, and funds allocated to Giveback Events for 2023-24 school year. Also presented FPAC account balance and activity.

School VPs discussed their noteworthy recent events and plans for the rest of the school year.

The report by the BOE welcomed new BOE members and reorganization, presented the upcoming budget, and the planning of board communications.

Dr. Hart provided information on the following: Preschool Opening, Governor's Educator of the Year, Upcoming Parent Night of Discovery, and Upcoming Preschool & Kindergarten Registration.



We can't believe that May is here already! Spring has sprung and the H.S.A. has been so incredibly busy with wrapping up successful events and planning the rest of the crazy busy school year.

#### <u>District-Wide Activities January 2024 - Current</u>

**Clothing Drive** (1/19-1/26) Our 2nd clothing and used item drive took place in January where we collected a large amount of items in order to be donated. We collected a total of 5,313 lbs of items for a total profit of \$1070.60! Thank you to Jen Kohlberg for chairing this event again!

**Dine Around** (3/6) We held our Dine Around event that included Campania, Three Bridges Cafe, Dockside and Sorella's. Unfortunately, we had low participation and only made a profit of \$356, but we are so grateful for the participation from these 4 amazing local businesses! We look forward to working with them again!

**Staff Inservice** (3/15) The Staff Inservice was held on March 15th where several food trucks were available for staff to have lunch options. The H.S.A. provided \$300 worth of lunch vouchers for 20 staff members to have a chance to win lunch on us! Several EC members also provided vouchers from their families.

Spirit Wear (3/24-4/7) Our final Spirit Wear sale of the year sold 204 items with a profit of \$1.020!

**Book Fairs** (March) Our spring book fairs were very successful with students getting to take home tons of books! The H.S.A. provided funds for over 150 FIN students to ensure they would be able to shop with their classes.

**Spring Social** (4/12) This year's Spring Social was the H.S.A. Bag Bingo event held at RMS on April 12th. Everyone had a great time playing BINGO and trying to win baskets and the 50/50! Thank you SO incredibly much to Nicole Lepinski for chairing this wonderful event and to all of the volunteers that help her keep her sanity! The H.S.A. profited around \$4,600 from this event!

**Administrative Professional Day** (4/24) Every year the H.S.A. provides individual gifts for each secretary/clerical aide in all 4 buildings and the board office. We want them to know how much we appreciate them and all that they do! (Lindsay and Nicole kindly asked that they be excluded from this).

**Program Recognition Award** (April) Several nominations came in for programs within the district that were being conducted by district staff outside of school hours. The winning program receives a check from the H.S.A. for \$250 to contribute to their program! I will be announcing the winner in the next section!

**Cook's Night Off** (5/2) Our final Cook's Night Off of the school year was with QCrew, who were so unbelievable easy to work with, yet again! Families and staff were able to pick up their ordered meals with ease and the H.S.A. received a profit of \$360.

# **PRESIDENT'S** REPORT LINDSAY SALAJ

#### <u>District-Wide Activities January 2024 - Current (continued)</u>

**Staff Appreciation** (5/6-5/10) Our district staff was celebrated during the first full week of May and they deserved every single treat and more! The H.S.A. building VPs are excited to share what took place at their schools!

**WHS and TBS Yearbook Sales** - Our yearbook sales were excellent this year with WHS selling 209 books and TBS selling 195! Students will be so excited to get their books towards the beginning of June.

**Governor Educators of the Year and Retirees Event** (5/14) We celebrated our GEOY recipients and retirees by providing cake for all event attendees and gifts for each of the retirees! Congratulations to all!

#### **District-Wide Activities Current/Upcoming**

**End of Year Lawn Signs** (5/8-5/17) Sales are currently open for the 3rd, 5th, and 8th grade student signs! Signs are being sold for \$15 a piece and represent all 4 of our schools.

**School Supply Kits** (5/15 - end of June) Kit sales are open now until the end of June for all 4 schools. We will also be asking WHS and TBS secretaries to send the links out to the incoming Kindergarten families.

**Clothing Drive** (5/17-5/24) Our 3rd and final clothing and used item drive will be taking place May 17th - May 24th with locations at WHS, TBS, and RMS.

**Annual H.S.A. Scholarship opened** - We are currently accepting applications from college students for our Annual Scholarship Awards for the upcoming (2024-5) school year! A total of \$2,000 in scholarships will be awarded to former Readington Township students this year. Please encourage former students to apply on the website!

**Give Back Events** Due to the success of multiple events throughout the 2022–2023 school year, the H.S.A. was able to do Give Back events at each school. Each school was allocated \$2000 to plan a fun event or experience for the students!

HBS - March 1st

WHS - May 23rd

TBS - May 28th and May 30th

RMS - June 4th

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			Mini Grants to Date	
School	Date	Requester	Description	Amount
District	8/24/23	Dr. Hart	Leadership Retreat Game Show	\$ 500.00
HBS	9/14/23	College Ogden	Math Games, Puzzles and Problem Books	\$ 275.00
FPAC	10/2/22	John Hylkema	7th Grade Composer	Caseys
FPAC	10/2/23	John Hylkema	8th Grade Composer	\$ 300.00
District/ HBS/RMS	10/4/23	Dr. Hart/ Mr. Nigro/ Mr. Charleston	District viewing of Screenagers and associated curriculum materials.	\$ 950.00
HBS	10/2/23	Jen Higdon	Plastic Desk Screens (20 pack)	\$ 45.00
WHS	10/2/23	Jen Kostelansky	Various Flexible Seating Options	\$ 587.25
District	10/11/23	Dr. Hart	Hot Chocolate Supplies for Octover Inservice	\$ 86.50
TBS	11/6/23	Tiffany Barca	Card making materials	\$ 100.15
RMS	11/6/23	Michelle Hodge	Frisbee Golf Course	\$ 749.95
WHS	11/6/23	Leslie Martinenz	Maker Space Materials	\$ 493.43
RMS	11/6/23	Stephanie Singer	Kinara Candle Format wanzaa	\$ 50.00
HBS	11/7/23	Jen Higdon	Desk Screens and Weather Books	\$ 251.98
WHS	11/13/23	Anna Shinn	Flexible Seating	\$ 286.28
WHS	11/13/23	Wendy Reardon	Garden Supplies	\$ 223.87
WHS	11/13/23	Wendy Reardon	Robot Supplies/Bot mats	\$ 604.53
RMS		Robert Pycior	Pictures and Keurig for CST Office	\$ 77.63
RMS		Kaitlyn Rega	Digital Cameras	\$ 255.88
WHS		Anna Shinn	iPad and Case	\$ 281.47
HBS		Shelly Gass	Flexible Seating	\$ 470.80
HBS		Patti Dowden	Flexible Seating	\$ 547.87
WHS		Wendy Reardon	National Wildlife Certification	\$ 20.00
RMS		Mindy Bennington	Great History Challenge	\$ 249.00
TBS/WHS		Beth Furka/Keri Morabito	Calming Corner Supplies for classes	\$ 765.57
HBS	The state of the s	Mike Roosen	Foam Balls for recess/exercise	\$ 150.00
HBS		Gargi Adhikari	Wipebook & Wipe Easel	\$ 145.97
HBS		Olivia Orlowski	Flexible Seating	\$ 204.68
HBS		Jackie Ganguzza	Flexible Seating	\$ 497.46
HBS	1/4/24	Rachel Brodsky	Flexible Seating	\$ 341.00

Science Fair Ribbons

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CD & Books

Yoga Mats

Dog Items

Dog Items

Tool Storage Chest

Garden Supplies

Pencils

Iby

3D Printer food gift certificate

Cinco deMayo celebration

Wiggle Wobble Chair feet

Sand Painting Light Tables

Caterpillars for second grade

Items for small group reading instruction

Perler Beads, Trays, Iron and Ironing Board

1/8/24 Maria Winter on behalf of I&RS

3/10/24 Meryl Vance and Alissa Buelow

4/12/24 Pam Czaskos and Emily Bengels

2/7/24 Jill Nabozny 2/26/24 Leslie Martinenz

3/4/24 Tiffany Barca

3/9/24 Yolanda Campuzano

3/4/24 Mrs. Perez

3/4/24 Beth Furka

3/13/24 Beth Furka

Spring Dr. Higgins

4/1/24 Rachel Tomson

4/16/24 Lori Yukniewicz 4/22/24 Stephanie Singer

4/22/24 Ellen Goodfellow 4/22/24 Ellen Goodfellow

4/22/24 Betsy Freeman

5/10/24 Janet Sulick

Variety of fidgets, flexible seating etc for students to see what works

\$ 994.00

\$ 95.75

\$ 81.25

\$ 500.00

\$ 53.22

\$ 763.31

\$ 79.04

\$ 266.24

\$ 54.91

\$ 701.10

\$ 72.69

\$ 63.96

\$ 169.42

\$ 92.00

\$ 198.97

\$ 58.99

\$ 658.00 \$1,600.00

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT LINDSAY SALAJ

		Cult	ural Arts to Date	
School	Date	Requester	Description	Amount
RMS	10/2/23	Mr. Charleston	Box Out Bullying	\$2,450.00
TBS	10/5/23	Dr. Higgins	Jenkinson's Penguin Assembly	\$ 600.00
HBS	11/14/23	Mr. Nigro	Luray Gross Poetry in Residence	\$2,450.00
WHS	11/20/23	Dr. DeRosa	Superhero Omegaman & Friends	\$1,045.00
WHS	1/19/24	Dr. DeRosa	Magic Show	\$1,070.00
TBS	1/23/24	Dr. Higgins	Omegaman	\$1,045.00
RMS	2/7/24	Lisa Moor	Virtual Museum Tours	\$1,500.00
WHS	2/15/24	Dr. DeRosa	Principles of Hip Hop - Peace, Love, Unity and Fun	\$1,365.00
HBS	2/22/24	Mr. Nigro	Weather Assembly	\$1,450.00
TBS	3/1/24	Dr. Higgins	Mad Science	\$ 705.00
RMS	3/5/24		Tinker vs DesMoines Court Presentation	\$ 300.00
RMS	3/20/24	Mr. Charleston	Author Visit	\$1,000.00
TBS	3/29/24	Dr. Higgins	Gardening Program	\$1,643.90
WHS	4/12/24	Dr. DeRosa	Jenkinson's Penguin Assembly	\$ 600.00
RMS	4/16/24	Mr. Charleston	ZuZu Acrobatics	\$2,000.00
TBS	5/3/24	Dr. Higgins	Mariachi Band	\$1,200.00
TBS	Spring	Dr. Higgins	Gardening Program	\$ 556.10
RMS	5/31/24	Mr. Charleston	Hoopwizard	\$1,700.00
HBS	6/3/24	Mr. Nigro	Planetarium Assembly	\$ 950.00



## 2024-2025 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

President - Kristin McHale

Executive Vice President - Nicole Lepinski

Treasurer - Maria Lane

RMS VP - Jessica Lestuk

HBS VPs - Stacey Rutski & Allison Crecca

TBS VP - Jessica Cofoni

WHS VPs - Melissa Mest & Carolanne Sherwood

**DEI Coordinator - OPEN** 



## Agenda Items

- Annual report for 2023-24
- Proposed budget for 2024-25 and vote
- Annual audit committee appointments

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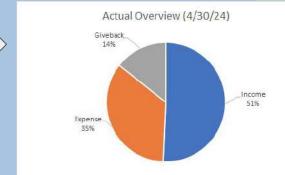
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Financial Status as of 4/30/24

2023-24 School Year		Budget	Actual	Difference
Passive Income - Total	Ĭ	23,870	26,088	2,218
Income generating events - Total		20,500	30,733	10,233
Non-Income Generating Events - Total	1	(92,650)	(52,277)	40,373
Operating Expenses - Total		(6,952)	(2,343)	4,609
Net Income / (Loss)	4_	(55,232)	2,201	57,433
Income	1	62,270	76,407	14,137
Expense	Е	(73,102)	(52,590)	20,512
Giveback	G	(44,400)	(21,617)	22,783
Net		(55,232)	2,201	57,433





## Readington Home School Association Inc

### **Balance Sheet**

As of April 30, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
10000 CHECKING	48,337.97
11000 WF High Yield Savings	33,580.42
12000 WF Market Rate Svngs IHNAT FUN	2,067.58
Gambling Proceeds	48,004.58
Total Bank Accounts	\$131,990.55
Total Current Assets	\$131,990.55
TOTAL ASSETS	\$131,990.55
IABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
30000 Opening Bal Equity	37,048.88
3900 Retained Earnings	94,461.68
Net Income	479.99
Total Equity	\$131,990.55
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$131,990.55

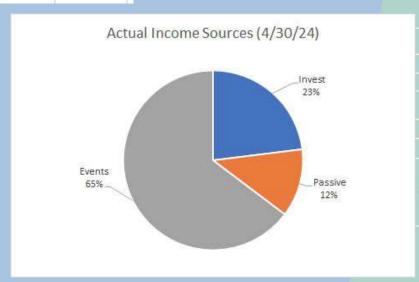
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Budget		Actual			
Income Bre		Income Breakdown Source			
Invest	15,000	Invest	17,031		
Passive	8,870	Passive	9,057		
Events	38,400	Events	47,840		
TOTAL	62,270	TOTAL	73,928		



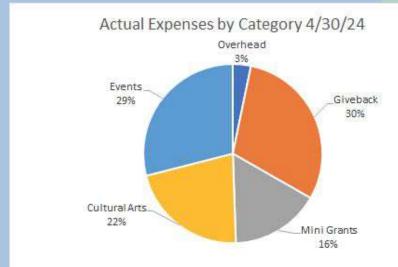
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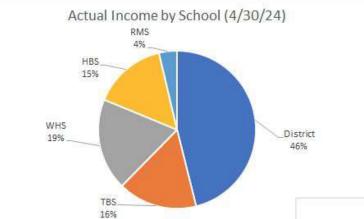
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Expense Brea Source	necessary and a second	Expense Breakdown b Source			
Overhead	6,952	Overhead	2,343		
Giveback	43,300	Giveback	21,617		
Mini Grants	12,830	Mini Grants	11,671		
Cultural Arts	15,540	Cultural Arts	15,540		
Events	38,880	Events	20,873		
TOTAL	117,502	TOTAL	72,043		

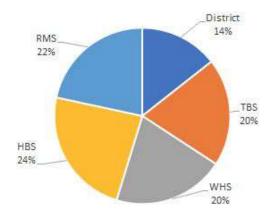


# TREASURER'S REPORT JODI BETTERMANN

## 2023-24 Financial Report



### Actual Expenses by School 4/30/24





### Goals for this budget

- ✓ Maintain 2023-24 funding levels while spending down gaming proceeds earned for the organization
- ✓ Reduce cost of Invest in Your Child fundraiser for families
- ✓ Keep Principal's Wishlist and VP discretionary fund budget items
- ✓ Fund Mini Grants and Cultural Arts at \$22 per student



## **Budget Summary**

				2024-2025 Sc	hool Year				
			BUDGET						
		General	TBS	WHS	HBS	RMS	Total		
Income	l.	24,530	11,650	11,650	8,500	4,250	60,580		
Expense	E	(26,385)	(15,010)	(15,890)	(15,094)	(20,122)	(92,501)		
Giveback	G		(4,000)	(4,000)	(4,000)	(4,000)	(16,000)		
	100	(1,855)	(7,360)	(8,240)	(10,594)	(19,872)	(47,921)		

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				2024-2025 S	chool Year		
				BUDG	ET		,
		General	TBS	WHS	HBS	RMS	Total
Passive Income							
Amazon Smile	1	z I					-
Box Tops	1	夏					5-20
Clothing Drive	1	3,000					3,000
Dine Around / Cook's Night Off	1	2,000					2,000
Interest income	1	80					80
Invest in your child	1	10,000					10,000
Memory Book	1	252	750	750			1,500
Miscellaneous Income	1						-
School Supply Kits	1	950					950
Spirit Wear	1	2,250					2,250
Passive Income - Total		18,280	750	750	1573	( <del></del> 1)	19,780



	1			2024-2025 Sc	hool Year		
				BUDG	ET		
		General	TBS	WHS	HBS	RMS	Total
Income generating events							
Block Party - Income - Fall	1		2,000	2,000	2,000	900	6,900
Block Party - Expense - Fall	E		(1,100)	(1,100)	(1,100)	(400)	(3,700)
Block Party - Income - Spring	1		2,000	2,000		500	4,500
Block Party - Expense - Spring	E		(1,100)	(1,100)		(500)	(2,700)
Block Party - Movie night license	E		1.10.5.0.000				328
Bobcat Bingo - Income	1				1,100		1,100
Bobcat Bingo - Expense	E				(700)		(700)
RMS Bingo - Income	1					900	900
RMS Bingo -Expense	E					(650)	(650)
Book Fair - Fall	1		1,100	1,100	1,100	750	4,050
Book Fair - Fall - FIN	E	(1,600)			100		(1,600)
Book Fair - Spring	1		1,100	1,100	1,100	750	4,050
Book Fair - Spring - FIN	E	(1,600)				1130303	(1,600)
Valentines Day Event - Income	1						3.53
Valentines Day Event - Expense	E						85
Halloween Events - Income	4		1,500	1,500	2,250		5,250
Halloween Events - Expense	E		(700)	(700)	(1,500)		(2,900)
Giveback - Halloween	G						-
Holiday Shoppe	1		950	950	950	450	3,300
Holiday Shoppe - FIN	E	(1,300)	-		110-25		(1,300)
Mascot Mania	1						1920
Mini Courses - Income - Spring	1		1,500	1,500			3,000
Mini Courses - Expense - Spring	E		(500)	(500)			(1,000)
Mini Courses - Income - Fall	1		750	750			1,500
Mini Courses - Expense - Fall	E		(350)	(350)			(700)
Notepads & Smencils - Income	1		- 32 - 52				-
School Store - Income	1						846
Spring Social - Income	1	4,000					4,000
Spring Social - Expense	E	(2,000)					(2,000)
Winter Delivery Event - Income	1	250					250
Winter Delivery Event - Expense	E						15-25
FPAC - Income	4	2,000					2,000
FPAC - Expense	E	(2,000)					(2,000)
Income generating events - Total		(2,250)	7,150	7,150	5,200	2,700	19,950



			- Mo	2024-2025 Sc	chool Year		
				BUDG	ET		
		General	TBS	WHS	HBS	RMS	Total
Non-Income generating events							
Field Day	E		(1,500)	(1,500)		(1,500)	(4,500)
5th Grade Breakfast	E				(500)		(500)
8th Grade Picnic	Ε				27.	(800)	(800)
8th Grade Dance	E					(200)	(200)
8th Grade Breakfast	E					(500)	(500)
Sunshine Fund	E	(300)					(300)
8th Grade Awards	E					(150)	(150)
DEI Initiatives	E	(500)					(500)
DEI Initiatives - Giveback	G						100
Mini Grants	E	(1,500)	(2,525)	(2,921)	(3,322)	(2,778)	(13,045)
Student Academy Day	E					(744)	(744)
Cultural Arts	E		(3,086)	(3,570)	(3,322)	(6,400)	(16,377)
Give Back - Cultural Arts	G						7.57(00.05)
Give Back - Event	G		(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(8,000)
VP Discretionary Fund	E		(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(6,000)
Principal's Wishlist	G		(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(8,000)
Give Back - PY Profit Sharing	G						5.00
Program Recognition	E	(250)					(250)
Scholarship	Ε	(2,000)					(2,000)
Retirement Gifts	E	(300)	10				(300)
Secretary Gifts	E	(50)	(50)	(50)	(50)	(100)	(300)
Event Chair Thank You Event	E	(300)	55,000		-		(300)
Staff Appreciation	E		(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,500)	(3,000)	(9,500)
Give Back - Staff Appreciation	G						924
Welcome Back Event	E	(950)					(950)
Hospitality	E	(400)					(400)
New Staff Lunch	E	(600)					(600)
Custodial Tips	Ε	(160)					(160)
FIN	E	(1,650)					(1,650)
School Spirit	E	307.00.07	(600)	(600)	(600)	(900)	(2,700)
Preschool activities	E	(500)	***************************************	5300,003	***************************************	300.000.00	(500)
Non-Income Generating Events - Total		(9,460)	(15,260)	(16,140)	(15,794)	(22,572)	(79,226)

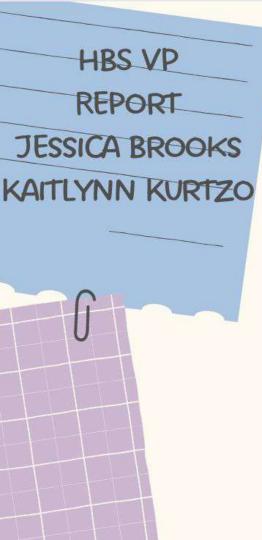
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		2024-2025 School Year							
			BUDGET						
		General	TBS	WHS	HBS	RMS	Total		
Operating Expenses									
Accountant	E	(1,500)					(1,500)		
Bank Service Charges	E	(100)					(100)		
Insurance	E	(3,700)					(3,700)		
Miscellaneous Expense	E	(300)					(300)		
Postage	E	(50)					(50)		
Printing & Copying	Е	(250)					(250)		
State Registration	E	(200)					(200)		
Storage Rental	E	(1,950)					(1,950)		
Supplies	E	(75)					(75)		
Holiday / Year End Dinner	Е	(300)					(300)		
Operating Expenses - Total		(8,425)	0.73	0.50	8 <b>5</b> 0		(8,425)		

## TREASURER'S REPORT JODI BETTERMANN

## Fine & Performing Arts Committee

FPAC Financial Report	
Overall	
Revenue	22,571.55
Expenses	(21,746.76)
Balance at 4/30/24	824.79
Current FY (7/1/23-6/30/24)	
Revenue	2,664.60
Expenses	(3,220.64)
Balance at 4/30/24	(556.04)



#### PAST EVENTS

**4th Grade Weather Assembly (February 22nd)** - HBS 4th graders really loved having local Meteorologist John Marshall come to our school and teach them all about being a meteorologist! Several students even got to try it out themselves!

**Give Back Event - Laser Assembly (March 1st) -** For our give back event this year, HBS students enjoyed an educational and FUN Laser Spectacular assembly by Prismatic Magic! They learned about lasers and all their uses, and rocked out to some of their favorite songs set to a laser lights show.

**Book Fair (March 18-22nd) -** The HBS spring book fair was a huge success! The kids really enjoyed shopping through the great selection of books and participating in the Penny Wars. Through Penny Wars we were able to raise \$2,986 which allowed us to gift approximately \$150 in books to each teacher! The bookfair raised a cash profit of \$2,337.40. We are so appreciative to our incredible Chair, Erica North, as well as all of our parent volunteers & penny wars participants!

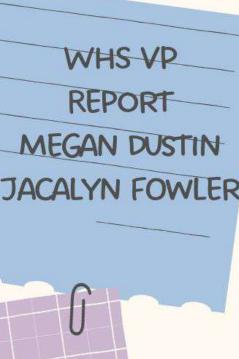
**Bobcat Bingo (April 24th) -** Bobcat Bingo was SO FUN, with lots of laughs, memories made and amazing prizes won!! The RTEA generously donated highlighters and refreshments, the HBS staff participated in running the games, AAC held their bake sale throughout the event, and so many of our HBS families came out to play! Thank you to our Chairs Jacalyn Fowler & Hannah Breslin for putting together an amazing event!

**Staff Appreciation Week (May 6-10th) -** Our Staff Appreciation theme at HBS for this year was All Star MVP's and we were our staff's biggest fans!! We put together a golf-themed breakfast, stadium snacks, tailgate lunch, ice cream, a SOUPerbowl lunch and plenty of puns! The staff really enjoyed every day and we received so many notes of appreciation! Our chairs Melissa Mest & Danielle Gilbert really did an incredible job!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Planetarium Assembly (June 3rd)** - We are so excited for the SKYDOME from Mobile Ed Productions to come to HBS and run fun and educational planetarium assemblies for our students throughout the day right here at the school!

**5th Grade Breakfast (June 19th)** - The 5th graders at HBS are going to be treated to an amazing breakfast to wrap up their last year at HBS! On June 19th, they will enjoy a variety of breakfast items before they take some time to sign yearbooks and mingle with their friends. We can't wait!



#### PAST EVENTS

#### Principles of Hip Hop (2/15) and Jenkinson's Penguin Assemblies (4/12)

Students enjoyed learning about the history of Hip Hop music during an assembly in February. We enjoyed it SO much that we have decided to work with this company again next year at WHS! Jenkinson's Aquarium also visited WHS, and they taught us all about penguins.

#### Book Fair – March 11-14, 2024

The WHS Book Fair was once again <u>AMAZING</u>!! We incorporated a "Mary Poppins" themed Spare Change Challenge to align with our school-wide literature theme, and students earned extra money for teacher books. We had a cash profit of \$1782 and earned \$1112 in Scholastic dollars. Classroom teachers received many books for their classrooms, and were so thankful! We'd like to thank our wonderful Book Fair Chairs, Ania MacConnell and Tabitha Walsh for all of your hard work!

#### Mini Courses – April 19th and April 26th, 2024

Mini-courses were a huge success again this spring! 132 students attended either 1 or 2 sessions, and we earned \$1460 from this event. We had many new topics for students to explore including some new course favorites like K-9 Training, Seeing Eye Dogs, Rocketry, and Photography. Thank you to Sarah Marcucci, Vikki Gregorio, and Danielle Diaz for being our superstar mini-course chairs this year!

#### Yearbook – sales ended April 19, 2024

We were able to capture SO many school activities, clubs, HSA hosted events, and more in our 2023-2024 Whitehouse School yearbook. Thank you to Lindsay Salaj for chairing yearbook. And thank you to Vikki Gregorio, Katelynn Woolsey, Michelle Scanlon, Nicole Fancera, and Reem Carre for helping with yearbook and taking over next year. We sold 209 yearbooks this year compared to 174 yearbooks last year, and we can't wait for our students to see them in June!

#### Staff Appreciation Week - May 6-10th, 2024

We celebrated the staff of Whitehouse School with a "Movie Star" themed Teacher Appreciation Week this year. Each day, the staff came into school to find so many surprises—sweet treats, breakfast and coffee, a catered lunch, and more! We hope our WHS Staff feels appreciated and know how they truly are STARS to us every day!

#### Ninja Challenge Day - May 23rd, 2024

We're excited to treat students to a fun, active Ninja experience tomorrow with the "Child's Play Challenge Courses" company. Students in all grade-levels will participate in this awesome, challenging obstacle course.

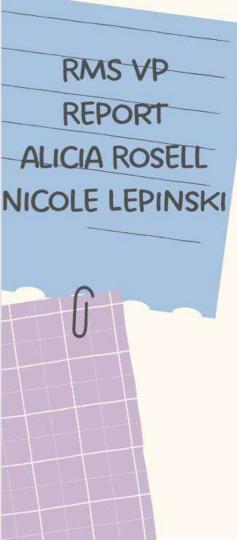
#### Spring Block Party -- May 31st, 2024

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

We will be having our family block party in just a few weeks! Some activities for this event include bounce houses, magic shows, food trucks, a dance party with a DJ, and playing with friends! Get your tickets now!

#### Field Day – June 7, 2024 (rain date June 14, 2024)

We are SO excited for Field Day 2024! Students will enjoy bouncing in our very own WHS bounce house, a chance to soak parents and teachers in the dunk tank, a dance party with hula hoops, relay races, fun in the gym with Mr. Abney, and more! We love to have parent volunteers at WHS to help with Field Day events, and signups are actively open for volunteers now!



#### PAST EVENTS

**Book Fair (March 18-22nd)** - The RMS Spring Book Fair coincided with one of our Cultural Arts events an Author visit on 3/20. While we originally thought this would be a good accompaniment, it unfortunately kept some classes from attending the fair. At RMS, the Spring fair is historically lower, but this year we did not make our \$3500 budget to take cash back. But we did earn \$1320.44 in Scholastic Dollars that will be used to fulfill classroom book wishlists. We appreciate our incredible Chair, Tanya Bowser, as well as all of our parent volunteers!

**Student Academy Day (March 28th) -** Each year we support the RMS Staff Chairs by providing breakfast snacks and lunch for the volunteers that come and teach courses to our students the half day of school before Spring Break.

**Staff Appreciation Week (May 6-10th) -** Our Staff Appreciation theme this year was "We're Not Playing any Games!" We put together a game themed week including to help spoil our staff - Monday - sweet treats; Tuesday - Breakfast; Wednesday - pretzels with dipping sauces and Hydration station; Thursday an amazing lunch catered by QCrew; Friday - Woot Woot Cart delivery service! We heard the RMS Staff thoroughly enjoyed every day and we received so many notes of appreciation! Our chairs Jessica Lestuk and Alicia Rosell did a wonderful job of spoiling our Staff!

**Cultural Arts Events** - we funded 2 Virtual Penn Museum events for 6th graders; Virtual Lawyer assembly for 8th graders; ZuZu Acrobats for the entire school; closing out the year on 5/31 with HoopWizards for 7th & 6th graders.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Give Back Event - (June 4th) -** For our give back event this year, RMS students will enjoy 30 minutes of Viking Bingo followed by 30 minutes outside getting ice cream from the ice cream truck! Each class will go separately, and there will be 5-10 winners per grade.

7th Grade (6/12) & 6th Grade (6/18) Field Day - HSA supports the Grade Team Leads by securing volunteers and some items for the event.

8th Grade - Dance (Desserts 6/14)/ Picnic (Lunch and snacks 6/19) and Breakfast (Bagels/Juice etc June 21st)



**PAST EVENTS Cultural Arts Programs:** 

Omegaman - January 23rd Omegaman visited as a great addition to our week of kindness with positive themes such as anti-bullying, never giving up and holding onto your dreams! His message carries on in our TBS display case!

Mad Science - March 1st We finished off our Science Fair week with an exciting Spin, Pop, Boom! Assembly with Mad Science The students learned about water defying gravity, foam exploding and how "water" can turn to red and back to clear with a few simple mixtures! Special thanks to our Cultural Arts Chair Jessica Cofoni for organizing these events.

Mariachi Band - May 3rd We had a sensational Cinco de Mayo celebration that included a live Mariachi band!

Gardening -Spring Iby worked hands on with all of the children in the TBS garden. Please visit the TBS Fpage for amazing pics! Other Events: Book Fair - Week of March 11th

Our March book fair & Grand Event were a huge success, with \$8,874 in sales. We were able to fulfill all classroom/library wishlists, give out a free book to one child per class, earned \$2,217 in Scholastic Dollars and \$1,100 cash profit. Thank you to Kaitlynn Kurtzo and Kerri Quaglia for chairing this event!

Mini Courses - April 19th and April 26th

We had an amazing selection of mini courses, including making greenhouses out of recycled materials with our RMS EcoAmbassadors, Earthquake Experiments with Geology Professors from Rutgers and Making Taylor Swift bracelets while listening to her album that came out that very day. We also had a tour of an ambulance and another tour of diving & boat rescue equipment plus live reptiles, various crafts, dancing and learning how to DJ with DJ Johnny P! Overall, 164 children attended one or both sessions, and we earned \$1,835 on this event. Thank you to our chairs Kristin McHale, Christina Kocsi and Julie Hynes.

Yearbook - sales ended April 21

We are so excited for the yearbooks to arrive in June! The final version looks awesome, with photos of every child included in a variety of collages. Thank you so much to Emily Fitzgerald for taking the lead designing the yearbook and Ally Crecca and Pam Castellano for helping to capture key moments. In total we sold 201 yearbooks this year, with a few extras available for late orders.

Staff Appreciation Week - Week of May 6th

We recently celebrated our TBS Staff with our theme of 'This place would be a CIRCUS without all of you!'. Each day we had a unique surprise, including a Breakfast display, Concession stand treats, Dessert bar, Lunch from Branchburg's Best & Sorella's and room service deliveries. We love our TBS staff! Thank you to our chairs Sarah Lapicki, Danielle Dellipoali & Nicole Smith.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nex Level Ninja - May 28th & May 30th

This give back event is a partnership with TBS to offer a trip to Nex Level Ninja for our K-3rd students. They will take the bus to the facility and enjoy a Ninja course, an Inflatable Race Course and Sport court activities. As part of our give back event, kids will also receive Rita's ice this week

TBS is celebrating Field Day with an athletic festival of the 2024 Summer Olympics. With events like Diving, Track & Field, Equestrian and more.

It's going to be a day filled with fun worldwide celebration. Our Olympic Village DJ is off the hook!

Book Fair - June 5-7th

We will be having an end of year book fair for the children to purchase summer reading books - at buy one get one free pricing! Spring Block Party - June 7th

Our block party will feature Pizza, Salads, Ice Cream, Dance Party with DJ Johnny P + more!

## BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT JENNIFER WOLF

- Budget Passed on April 30
- Student and Staff Recognitions: NJSBA Unsung Hero, Enthusiastic Readers, Destination Imagination, Young Artists, NJAGC Distinguished Middle School Student of The Year, Teachers of the Year/Retirees
- Concluded RTAA negotiations
- Open BOE Seats and July Deadline to File

## Congratulations!

## **NJSBA Unsung Hero Award**

**Dominic Gattone** 

## **Hunterdon County Library Enthusiastic Readers Award**

Cole Brenn, Three Bridges School Katherine Albrecht-Smith, Readington Middle School Linnea van den Akker, Whitehouse School

## **Destination Imagination Award**

Aubrey Brooks
Jordan D'Antuono
Nadel Duclair
Remy Knoll
Lars Solberg
Sienna Torres

Kataleya Finley
Lilah Greenberg
Sydney Greenwald
Alyson Gutierrez
Nina Hardison
Patrick Ost



## **Destination Imagination Award**

## **Congratulations!**

#### Whitehouse School:

Violet Adamczyk Bella Patel Sadie Pirez Olivia Aquino Mili Balaji Phoenix Pitts Amber Begueri Hudson Rado Charlene Brewer Elina Rajeev Sienna Brooks Thomas Raymond Jasper Cahall, Stella Reggio Xiao Cobb Cadence Reilly Felix Rivera Elysia DiLello Beau Doyle Melanie Savard Camilo Garces Lamar Udhay Singh Emma Illescas Dominguez Lily Soman Virginia Little Juliet Usas

Caroline Wieben

Ryder Zalarick

Declan Mest

Benjamin Murray

## **Three Bridges School:**

Delaney Assuncao Nolan Pachuta Cole Brenn Harper Peterson, **Everly Brewer** James Pikulin Sylvester Cofoni Nora Pikulin Mia Colonna Rosalia Pikulin Tristan Draine Maggie Rinaldi Jackson Dunn Anthony Serafyn Luca Facchina Dermot Smith Addison Stokes Francis Hathaway Hailey Hynes Garrett Thompson Leland Kille Owen Vliet Jameson Krajewski Dawson Vogel Fiona Kurtzo Lucas Webb Rocco LaPorta Quinn Wilson Agnes Nuzzo Meghan Ziemba

### Readington Middle School:

Benjamin Annese Madelynn Komosinski Alyssa Bennett Olivia Lopes Grace Blumenberg Charlotte Lowdon Hailey Bola **Evalyn Maher** Leonardo Borella Elle Martoccia Grace deVelder Brenna McCarthy Emma Dilger Kaylee Miezejwski **Evan Millette** Lena Dwyer Vincenza Galdo Dominic Milliern Inci Gokmen Makeyla Mora Corrales Anna Pagano Sophia Grasso Olivia Hanley **Adonis Pitts** Evan Hendrickson Lucca Sanz Adrianna Hlinka Gabriela Jacob Thompsop Kabashi Bleona Vargas David Wiegand

## **NJAGC Distinguished Middle School Student of the Year:**

Pearce Lowdon



## Congratulations!

### **Teacher of the Year and Retirees**



Will Daly, Social Studies Teacher – GEOY Ann Roarty, Learning Consultant – GEOY Beth McGivney, Spe. Ed. Teacher – RETIREE Spring LaFevre-Zuegner, ELA Teacher – RETIREE

### Three Bridges School:

Jessica Hegarty, Spe. Ed. Teacher – GEOY Annette Dambach, Paraprofessional – RETIREE Sharon Nilsen, Intervention Teacher – RETIREE

#### **District:**

🌟 Paul Nigro, HBS Principal – RETIREE

#### **Holland Brook School:**

Olivia Orlowski, Spe. Ed. Teacher – GEOY Michael Cooney, Behaviorist – GEOY Cathy Patrick, Grade 5 Teacher – RETIREE Kelly Patterson, Grade 4 Teacher – RETIREE Deb Vasnelis, Clerical Aide – RETIREE

#### Whitehouse School:

Amanda Obiedzinski, Spe. Ed. Teacher – GEOY Jennifer Heppner, Paraprofessional – GEOY

### **Transportation:**

Ruby DeStefano, Bus Driver – RETIREE Linda Giorgianni, Bus Driver – RETIREE Linda Rad, Bus Driver – RETIREE



## SUPERINTENDENT REPORT DR. HART

- District Goals Report and QSAC Report
- Preschool Expansion for Next Year
- NJSLA complete and scores will be reported in October
- Communications Planning is underway
- Hunterdon County School Boards Association Recognized Mrs. Wolf and Mrs. Fiore