



Robbins Elementary School Zebbie Belton, Principal

Developing Kids with a Thinking Mind was a KDP-sponsored event for students from Carroll Robbins Elementary School, held on Sunday, April 7, 2019. Students participated in four Problem Based Learning hands-on activities. Throughout the event, students created their own creature, made elephant toothpaste, estimated how many M&Ms were in a jar, and investigated the contents of oobleck!

The event was organized by students Kristen DiGiacomo and Kimberly Cook, and TCNJ professors Dr. Pan, and Dr. Conte. The event was run with the help of these stellar volunteers: Abbie Rizzo, Amaly ElMenshawy, Amandalis Barrood, Breanne Fenton, Bryan Cook, Jules Rizzieri, Maddie Cade, and Michelle Parkhurst.



"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

- Malcolm X

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL
19-26 Spring Recess
District Closed

MAY
27 Memorial Day
District Closed

JUNE
19 Last Day of School
for Students
21 Last Day of School
for Teachers



On April 1st students participated in making posters and videos on why having good attendance matters. Many students submitted posters and videos for the contest. Everyday Matters Committee chose the winners. We are excited to announce the first, second and third place winners of the contest.

- 1st Place - Harrison School**
- 2nd Place - Parker School**
- 3rd Place - Gregory School**

All three schools will receive a \$500 value prize provided by the partnership with Aramark and Freedom Financial.

Columbus Elementary School – Michael Rosenberg, Principal



On Thursday, April 11, 2019, the Princeton Music String Ensemble performed a myriad of classical and folk arrangements for our kindergarten, first and second grade students. In addition, a large number of the Columbus 5th graders, under the leadership and guidance of Marlene Yeni-Maitland, Music Teacher, and Louise McClure were in attendance. They also had the opportunity to meet, see and hear these fine professionals. The Princeton Music String Ensemble is composed of the following exceptional, professional musicians: E. Thompson, B. Meyers, and K. Cuvatola. Mr. Purtoe Mon, the group's leader and violinist

indicated that our students were among the most appreciative audience for which the group has played. The Ensemble played for about 45 minutes and promised to return for another performance in the near future.

“All Students Will Graduate with a Vision for The Their Futures, Motivated To Learn Continually and Prepared to Succeed in Their Choice of College or Career”

4TH ANNUAL LIVELY LIFE HEALTH FAIR AT FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



In collaboration with the Family Engagement Committee at Franklin Elementary School, the 4th Annual Lively Life Health Fair took place on March 20, 2019, during the Parent Teachers Conference. There were (13) community partners. Each community partner brought resources and engaged our Franklin parents and community. The responses from the parent survey were positive.

Franklin Elementary – Terry Lane, Principal

THE GREAT MAILING RACE AT FRANKLIN SCHOOL!

It all began with a letter from a second-grade student in sunny San Diego, California. With the help of his teacher, a second-grade student wrote a letter to Franklin School to share some facts about his school and his state. He also challenged Franklin School Grade 2 students to send letters to different states in the United States to tell them about our school and the wonderful state of New Jersey.

Our second-grade team led by Yakima Leak, Rose Samonski and Deena Jiles-Shuaib, accepted the challenge! We mailed many letters out to different elementary schools around the country and are anxiously awaiting replies. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn more about states and different school cultures. What an awesome experience! Showing our Franklin School Pride!



“Be strong minded and always think that the impossible is possible.”
- Selena Quintanilla

Daylight/Twilight High School

Ron Edwards, Principal

On March 11th, Daylight Twilight High School (DTHS) hosted "Dental Day". This was in partnership with CF Charities' Oral Health School Project in conjunction with the Office of School Health Services. The event was coordinated through the DTHS school nurse Pamela Kelly. The dentist and dental hygienist saw 33 students, and of those students, 75% need additional follow-up care. Nurse Kelly and others will continue to link the students to community resources.

A special thank you goes to Trenton natives Robert Patterson and Remy Boy Monty for visiting the school to promote wellness and learning.



Grant Elementary School

Madeline Roman, Principal

Grant school students participated in the City of Trenton Earth Day Poster & Essay Contest. Grant Elementary School was awarded all three place winners. Poster Contest Winners:

1st Place: Noelysmar Colon

2nd Place: Aleichalys Monge-Buaza

3rd Place: Mirtalys Santiago

Students, parents and staff have been invited to attend the award ceremony at the City Hall Atrium on April 17th at 6:00 PM. We are very proud of our students.



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



As we all prepare to recharge our batteries during Spring Recess, we continue to be thankful for the privilege to serve the families of the City of Trenton and are humbled by the tremendous work of our colleagues and their commitment to students. Students are providing valuable feedback so we can improve services; the Curriculum Office is providing key resources to schools; School-based Youth Services is helping at-risk students facilitate their education; Trenton Paraprofessionals are providing opportunities for cultural exchange; and Instrumental Music Programs are being supported by outstanding partners like Russo Music. We all own the future and are encouraged by the efforts of so many to meet the needs of our students. Thank you for all you do.

Dr. Fred McDowell
Superintendent