



OAKLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Shaping Lives for the Future

WEEKLY COMMUNITY UPDATES

January 14, 2022

Thank you for your continued patience and grace as we focus on the safe return to school this year. There are so many positive things to share with our unique school community and we will continue to identify opportunities to celebrate student learning and highlight educator practice.

SAFE RETURN TO SCHOOL



As we welcome students back to the classroom, we'd like to thank families for their continued patience and grace. This is a unique time in the history of our world, country, state, county, and school districts. Our schools have identified targeted student learning strategies and will continue to provide rigorous, engaging, and relevant educational experiences for all students. As we reflect on our progress in 2021, we are committed to shifting our focus from the pandemic to learning acceleration and student growth in 2022.

The school is working collaboratively with their instructional teams to implement their comprehensive site-based learning acceleration plan. Our collective goal is to develop assessment-capable visible learners who:

- Know their current level of understanding
- Understands where they are going and have the confidence to take on challenges
- Selects tools to guide their learning
- Seeks feedback and recognizes errors are opportunities to learn
- Monitors progress and adjust their learning
- Recognizes their learning and teaches others

NURSING/ SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

“Children need to be **HEALTHY** to be **EDUCATED** and **EDUCATED** to be **HEALTHY**”



MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022 • HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA • 3:00 – 8:00PM

The Collingswood Borough, School Districts, and Education Association have partnered to host vaccine clinics for the remainder of this school year. All residents and school community members in Collingswood, Oaklyn, and Woodlynne are welcome to participate. Walk-ups welcome and no appointment is needed. No cost COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are available: Pfizer (Ages 5 and older), Moderna (18 and older), and Johnson & Johnson (18 and older).

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS



NOW HIRING

The Buildings & Grounds Department is in need of substitute custodians. If you or someone you know is interested, please call (856) 962- 5701 ext. 6145 for details.

PRESCHOOL/ EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

LEARNING CENTERS

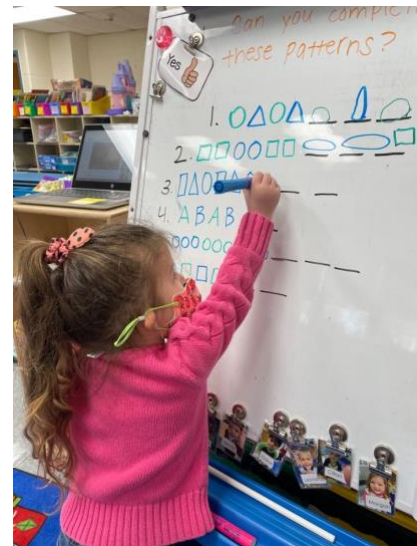
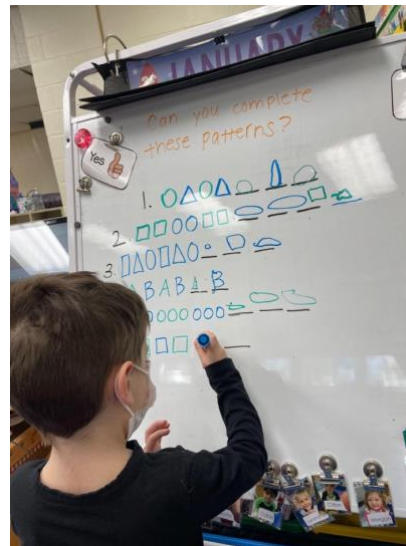
We love working together in preschool! This week Mrs. Mazzioti's class enjoyed a few new centers with their friends.



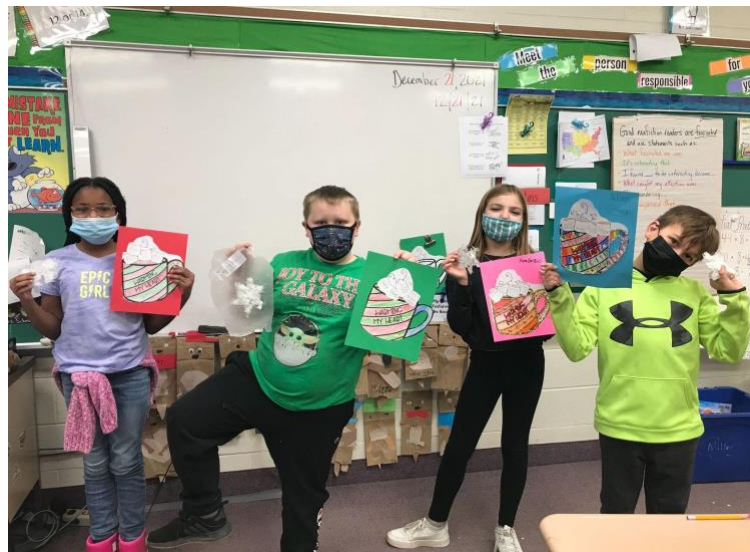
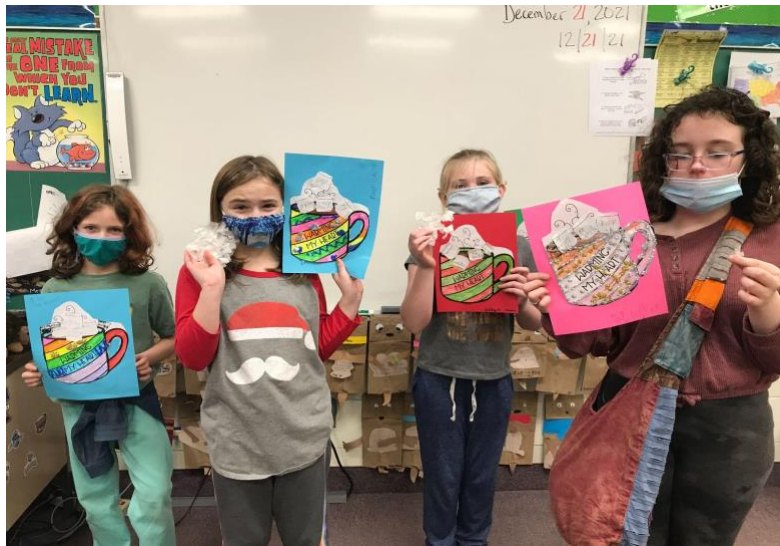
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CREATING PATTERNS. Check out Mrs. Morad's preschool students as they master the skill of creating patterns!

Patterns are all around us, from the clothing we wear to the repeating patterns found in nature and everyday routine. Patterning is also a basic math skill upon which many mathematical concepts are based. Times tables, addition and skip counting all require an understanding of and proficiency in patterning. In preschool, identifying and creating patterns is just the beginning of the mastery of life-long mathematical skills. Source: Education.com



4TH GRADE WINTER FUN. Ms. Miller's class has been preparing for snow by exploring Mystery Science's "Why is snow white?" with the creation of Wax Paper Snowflakes. The students absolutely love our hand-on science program! During SEL, they have been learning about how to identify and tame anxiety by reading "The Worry (Less) Book," practicing Hot Cocoa breathing, and thinking of the joys in their lives as they created their "Warming My Heart" cups.



SPECIAL EDUCATION & RELATED SERVICES



Join us for our next Special Education Parent Advisory Group (SEPAG) meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:30 pm via Zoom! Please RSVP via email for the meeting agenda & link:

Ali Haegele: alihaegele@gmail.com or
Melinda Matula: melinda.matula.ot@gmail.com

Thank you to our parent leaders for all of their efforts and support!

COUNSELING/ COLLEGE READINESS

The Secondary School Counseling Teams are here to support students in all capacities; academic, social/emotional and college and career readiness needs. Counselors are available for in-person and virtual meetings. Individual and group counseling is available. Please reach out via phone or email to schedule an appointment. Counselors advise all students to check their school email and Google Classroom on a daily basis for academic and counseling information.

Middle School Counseling Team: (856) 962-5702

Mrs. Alexander (Last Names A – K)
Mrs. Earle (Last names L – Z)
Mrs. Dickerson (Counseling Secretary)

All middle school students have been invited to join their grade level Google Classroom. Important information and flyers are posted to the classroom.

High School Counseling Team: (856) 962-5701

Mr. Adams (Student Assistance Counselor)
Mrs. Goodall (Last names A - F)
Mr. Friedman (Last names G - O)
Mrs. Smith (Last names P - Z)
Mrs. Willis (Counseling Secretary)

All high school students have been invited to join a grade level Counseling Google Classroom for important announcements, flyers and presentations. You can also stay connected with us through Twitter (@collscounseling) and Instagram (collscounseling).

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES ARE ROLLING IN

We have a ton of college acceptances coming in. Please follow @collscounseling on Twitter and Instagram for weekly updates.

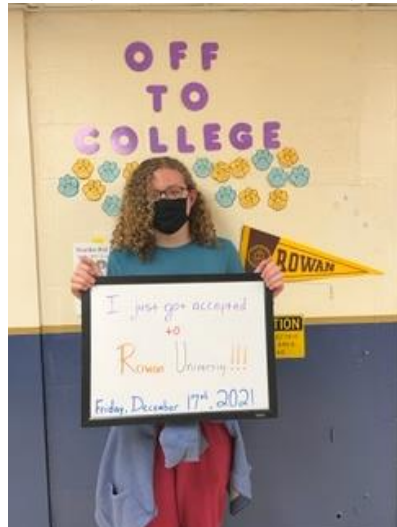
INSTANT DECISION DAY. Congratulations to our seniors accepted to Rowan University on Instant Decision Day.



Anna Sherr

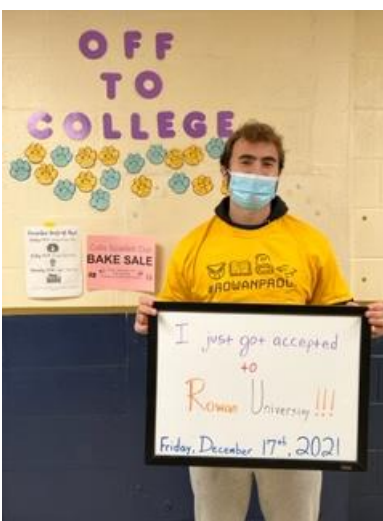


Faith DeShields



Miles Coulombe

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Keenan Zelem



Besiana Duka



Sekai Dowdy-Henderson



Stephen Leek



COLLINGSWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

CMS ELF OLYMPICS. On December 23rd, CMS students and staff took some time to build community and have some fun to close out the 2021 portion of the school year. As part of CMS Elf Olympics, students had the opportunity to select from a variety of activities in which to participate. Pictured are students participating in Minute to Win It competitions in the gym, and enjoying games and activities in the cafeteria. A note of thanks to the CMS Staff for supervising the activities. On behalf of the entire CMS Staff, we want to wish all of our families all the best that 2022 has to offer.



COLLINGSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

SUPPORTING STUDENT EMPOWERMENT. Ms. Hooks has been meeting with the 3G girls' group on Wednesday mornings before school to conduct Empowerment Circles, which give students an opportunity to connect with each other and start their day on a positive note.



PLAY TO WIN. The Play to Win Program had their first session on November 30th. The program provides mentorship for high school boys, helps them strengthen positive attributes and skills, and prepares them for future success.



SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTE



I HAVE A QUESTION, WHO SHOULD I CONTACT?

In an effort to be responsive to the needs of students and their families, we wanted to provide contact information to the community. Please refer to the list below to address all questions or concerns to the appropriate staff member or administrator.

Teachers: The primary point of contact for questions or concerns related to your child's school is their classroom teacher. Our educators are standing by to address the ongoing learning needs of all students.

Principals: Please direct unresolved questions or concerns related to your child's school to the appropriate building leader.

School	Building Leader	Email	Phone
Preschool/ Early Childhood Center	Ms. Jennifer Johnson-Floyd	jfloyd@collsk12.org	856.833.5291
Oaklyn School	Ms. Jennifer Boulden	jboulden@oaklynschool.org	856.858.0335
Collingswood Middle School	Dr. Jack McMullin	jmcmullin@collsk12.org	856.962.5702
Collingswood High School	Mr. Matt Genna	mgenna@collsk12.org	856.962.5701

Special Education Services: If your child already has an IEP, please contact your child's Child Study Team Case Manager. If your child is a participant of the 18-21 Program, please contact Mr. Joe Gurcsik, Supervisor of Special Education – jgurcsik@collsk12.org. If you have questions regarding special education services in the district, please contact Dr. Elizabeth Whitehouse, District Supervisor of Special Services - ewhitehouse@collsk12.org.

District Data and Performance: If you have questions regarding the district's data collection practices or assessment information, please contact Mr. Winsor Yamamoto, District Supervisor of Performance - wyamamoto@collsk12.org.

District Academics/ Curriculum & Instruction: If you have questions regarding curriculum and instruction offered at the district level, please contact Ms. Jen McPartland, Assistant Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer - jmcpartland@collsk12.org.