



AROUND OUR SCHOOLS

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Students Earn Certifications, Receive Written Job Offers

Congratulations to seniors Joshua Blevins, Dylan Ham, Jesse Nelson, Joshua Sharpless, and Hunter Zdankowski who successfully completed requirements for welding certification. Students were celebrated on Friday, December 16 at Morgan Truck Body with a catered lunch and awards ceremony.

The most exciting news for the students is that they all received a written job offer earning \$42,000 per year with benefits from Morgan Truck Body. Morgan also offered to provide tuition reimbursement at 80% with no cap for students who choose to go onto college. The students will be able to begin working as soon as they turn 18.



Morgan Truck Body, located in Morgantown provides students with paid training. This opportunity is open to seniors who are interested in pursuing a career in welding or other trades available at Morgan. Students are paid to train and attend classes in Morgantown. Upon successful completion of the program, students are typically provided with an offer for full-time employment. Morgan Truck Body has offices all over the United States, which are open to the graduates. The company is committed to training students in welding, which opens the door for them to continue to grow within the company for potential leadership opportunities. The Human Resources representative outlined additional pathways within the company for the students and encouraged them to recommend friends for the program. For each recommended friend, the above students are eligible for additional bonus pay with the company.

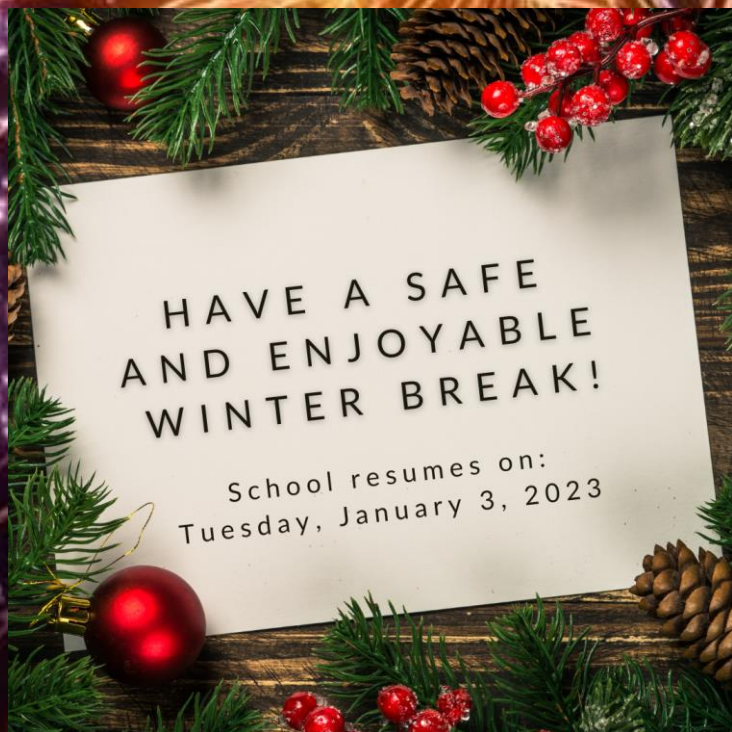
Families of senior students, Morgan Truck Body is looking for students to join the training program for the 2nd semester. If your senior is interested and would like an opportunity to learn a skilled trade, please contact their guidance counselor. Interviews are on-going. This is a paid opportunity and counts towards graduation requirements. Students attend classes at CASH in the morning and leave to report to Morgan Truck Body in the afternoon.

This is a great opportunity for our students, and we are excited to see an increasing number of students take advantage of the program.

Important Upcoming Dates

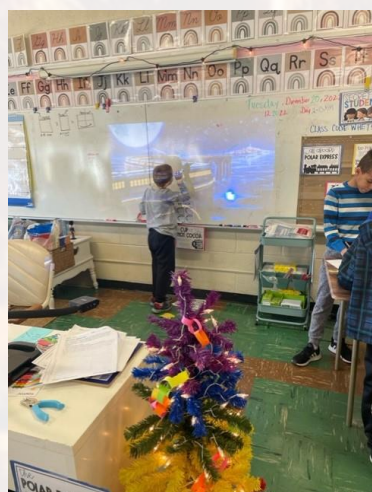
BACK TO SCHOOL
January 3, 2023

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 10, 2023



Students Hop Aboard the Polar Express

Students at Kings Highway had a special treat on December 21 – a school-wide viewing of The Polar Express! In preparation for their viewing, Ms. Crane's third grade class hopped aboard the Polar Express and stopped at a few "stations." The students enjoyed participating in writing, math and STEM activities at each stop. They even got to punch their tickets!



Congratulations to the CASH Robotics Program



On Saturday, December 17 and Sunday, December 18 the CASH Robotics program successfully sponsored the *FIRST* Robotics Eastern and Red and Black State Qualifiers. Local area robotics teams came to CASH to compete and qualify for State Competition. It was an honor to be chosen as the hosts for this important event.

The team received an abundance of praise from the *FIRST* Pennsylvania organization and the teams that came to compete. They also received high praises from Mr. Dan Williams of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania who made a

surprise visit to help support the effort to promote STEM in Coatesville.

Besides being a successful event, both Coatesville High School teams performed at the highest level. During the Eastern Qualifier on Saturday, 24 teams from Eastern and Central Pennsylvania competed over the course of five hours. Team 13669-Raiderbots won all nine of the matches they participated in and brought home the first-place trophy for Coatesville. It was deafening in the gym from the roar of the crowd after the announcement of the win after the last finals match. By winning the event, the Raiderbots advanced to the Pennsylvania State Finals on Saturday, March 4 at Saucon Valley.

The Red and Black Qualifier on Sunday consisted of 16 teams. Some of the teams traveled from as far as Pittsburgh to compete in the event. Coatesville's Raiderbots Squared Team # 200094 took third place and won the award for Finalist Alliance Captain. The team received high praise for working with team partners and their enthusiasm during competition. We wish them the best of luck at their next opportunity to qualify for the State Championship at the Green and Gold Qualifier on February 19.

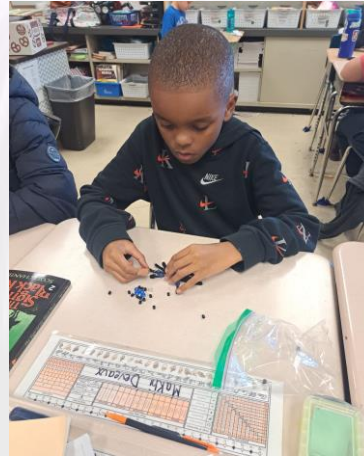
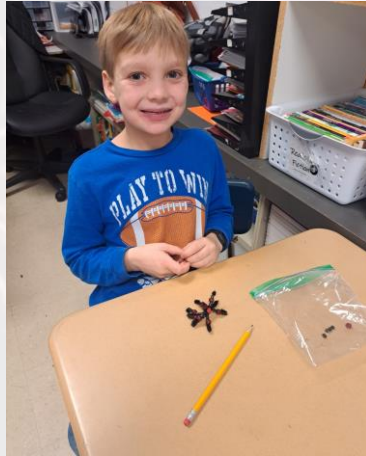


(Bottom Row) Bella Marino, Team Captain Chloe Crane, Jacob Foster
(Top Row) Coach Octavia Warren-Ward, Coach Jeff Menaker, Liam Ventrella,
Josh Koch, Coach Andy Moscarelli
(Not Pictured) Chelsea Campos

(Left to Right) Gavin Raezer, Captain Alvin Tolden,
Nathan Been, Tristen Jefferson
(Not Pictured) Michael Ventrella, Magali Cruz-Villegas

Ukrainian Christmas Spiders

Mrs. Bentley's fourth grade class at Kings Highway Elementary read A Christmas Spider's Miracle by Trinka Hakes Noble, hearing the traditional folktale of how a mother spider helped another mother who was unable to provide a Christmas celebration for her children. After learning that seeing a spider on Christmas day is considered good luck, and that many Ukrainians decorate their Christmas trees with a spider, they made their own Christmas Spiders. They will be putting them on their trees in hopes that it will bring good luck in the new year.



Caln Second Grade Builds Gingerbread Houses

Second graders at Caln Elementary continued with tradition and decorated gingerbread houses on Friday, December 16. The excitement was palpable, and the classrooms smelled like sweets as soon as you walked in! Students got creative using as many of the materials as they could and sharing ideas with their friends. Shredded coconut was a popular decoration to make it look like it was snowing, but students were not as enthused with the taste of it!



Caln Elementary Rallies Around CASD Family

On December 21, Caln Elementary hosted a blood drive in honor of one of their own. Sam Wilson is a former Caln student and son of Caln Art Teacher Ms. Wilson. He has leukemia and is in the midst of a bone marrow transplant. Several teachers donated to the blood drive, including Emily Welsh and Jon Maxwell, who are pictured below. The Leo Club at the high school, which is helping to run this wonderful venture for Sam and others like him, is supervised by parent and teacher Megan Levan.

The family wants to thank everyone, especially coworkers and former teachers of Sam's, for their donations and the worthwhile endeavors in supporting him through this. You got this, Sam!



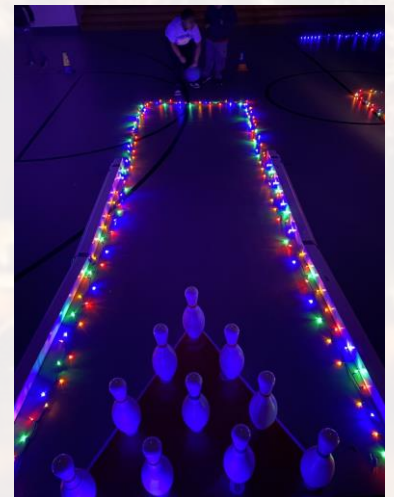
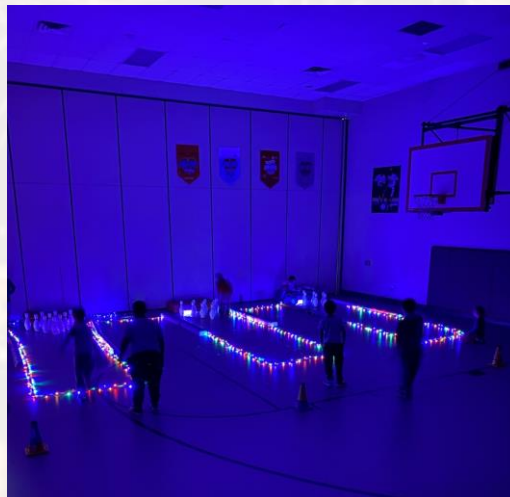
Coatesville Students Shop With a Cop

Earlier this month, the City of Coatesville marked the twenty-year anniversary of their annual Shop With a Cop event. Students from the Coatesville Area School District were able to go holiday shopping with the police officers and forge important relationships. This event is highly anticipated each year and the kids' smiles speak volumes about what this day means to them. Thank you to every officer, volunteer, and community member who participated and made this day special.



Reeceville Holiday Bowling

Students arriving to gym class at Reeceville Elementary were met with a fun surprise in the week leading up to break. Mr. Ohar had transformed the gym into a holiday bowling alley! Students were mesmerized by the lights and had a great time bowling with their classmates.



Employee Spotlight

Jaime Estrada-Zurita Pupil Services

"Our family liaison for the district, Jaime Estrada-Zurita, really deserves some appreciation and recognition. He works so hard, often staying late, and is such a wonderful resource for our families. Jamie is always ready and willing to jump in and help anyone who needs it, whether it is assisting with an interview, making a phone call, or translating documents. He also cares deeply about the students and families that he works with, and we are so grateful for his support and dedication. Thank you, Jaime, for everything you do each day!"

- Human Resources Team



We are so lucky in the Coatesville Area School District to have some of the most dedicated and caring teachers and staff in the world! We want to highlight the teachers and staff who are making a big impact on our students and families. If you have a special story to share about someone who works in our district, REACH OUT! Your story could land them a spotlight in a future issue of Around Our Schools.

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE A NOMINATION](#)

AFJROTC PA-771 Cadets Participate in Wreaths Across America

On Saturday, December 17, AFJROTC PA-771 cadets from Coatesville, Oxford and Downingtown participated in the National Wreaths Across America Day. Wreaths Across America is an annual event to remember our fallen US Veterans, honor those who serve, and teach children the value of freedom. Ceremonies are held at Arlington National Cemetery and at over 3,400 locations in all 50 states, at sea, and abroad.



Click the image below to learn more about a career in food service at Coatesville Area School District!



Looking for part-time work? Do you like working as part of a team? Want to make a difference in the lives of students? Consider joining our food service team and enjoy learning more about the position from this video with one of our amazing employees, Jill Green. Apply today at <http://bit.ly/casdjobs>.

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10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

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PA INVENTION CONVENTION

Join us for a **K-12 Student Invention Competition!** Creativity, critical thinking, innovation, teamwork, and communication skills are recognized as the skills that prepare students for increasingly complex school, work, and life environments. The Pennsylvania Invention Convention gives students recognition for creating inventions to solve real-world problems.

How Can A Student Participate?

1. Visit - www.pa-inventionconvention.org
2. Read and understand the **"Framework for Invention."**
3. Start an **Invention Log** (a journal of your process).
4. Find a **problem** to solve.
5. Find **solutions**.
6. Create a **prototype**.
7. Test & refine your prototype.
8. Make a **short video** about your video (up to 3-minutes).
9. Complete and submit the **online application**.

There is no fee to participate.

The Pennsylvania Invention Convention is sponsored by **PETE&C** and **PAIU/PAIMS** and is an affiliate organization of The Henry Ford - Invention Convention Worldwide.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Registration Opens: December 1, 2022

Virtual Submission Due Date: January 12, 2023

Statewide Competition Finalists Notified: January 19, 2023

Pennsylvania Invention Convention Statewide Competition (Finalists Only) – Wednesday, February 15, 2023

**Contact Heather Messenger
if you are interested in
representing CASD!**



Citadel is pleased to announce that the nomination period for the 2022-2023 Citadel Heart of Learning Award is open and available to teachers across Greater Philadelphia.

Since the program's inception, thousands of teachers, who truly go above and beyond, have been nominated. The nominations speak volumes about the significant impact teachers have in our community.

The deadline for nominations is **January 15, 2023**. We encourage you all to take the time to nominate a teacher who has truly made a difference in your life or the life of your student(s). You can find the nomination form [HERE](#).

COMING SOON

**HOUR
OF
CODE**

Our entire school district is joining in on the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code.

Our Hour of Code is making a statement that the Coatesville Area School District is ready to teach these foundational 21st-century skills. To continue bringing programming activities to our students, we want to make our Hour of Code event huge. We encourage you to speak with your children about this great opportunity. We are looking forward to sharing our students' engagement in this event.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Welcome Class of 2036!

Kindergarten Pre-Registration is officially open!

The Coatesville Area School District is so excited to begin its partnership with you to prepare your child for his or her future. A child's early years are the foundation for success both academically and emotionally. The kindergarten registration process can be completed online. Please access the **2023-2024 Kindergarten Registration** form by clicking on links here:

[English](#) [Spanish](#)

In addition to basic information about your child, please be prepared to upload copies of the following documents: (1) Birth Certificate (2) Immunization Records (3) Proof of Residency

Please click [here](#) to determine which Elementary School your child will attend. Check that school's website for upcoming in-person registration dates.

Should you have any general questions or concerns pertaining to the online registration process, please do not hesitate to contact our central registration team at 610-466-2400.

Coatesville Area School District Presents



Special Education Parent Nights

Date	Time	Location	Topic
September 21, 2022	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	IEP 101: Understanding the Special Education Process
October 5, 2022	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	How to Know if My Child is Making Progress
November 9, 2022	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	How to Communicate with School District Staff
December 7, 2022	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	Transition to Kindergarten
January 11, 2023	6:00 – 7:00pm	Virtual	Understanding Disabilities (Autism)
February 8, 2023	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	Preparing for Graduation
March 8, 2023	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	Transition Planning-Post Secondary Resources
April 12, 2023	6:00 – 7:00pm	CASH Large Group Rm	How to Help My Child Learn to Advocate for Themselves

