

# AROUND OUR SCHOOLS

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# **CASH Announces Top Members of the Class of 2023**



As the 2022-2023 school year draws to a close, the CASH Senior Class has many momentous events to look forward to. One of the first is the announcement of the top members of the Class of 2023. This year, CASH has the pleasure of announcing **two** Valedictorians, Isabella Brasten and Joleny Villagrana.

Students who are graduating at the top of their class will be invited to a luncheon, where their accomplishments and effort throughout their school career will be celebrated. CASH Alumni will return for this luncheon to share their post-secondary experiences with our graduating class.

Congratulations to everyone on this incredible achievement! We know you will find plenty of success in your future endeavors.

Top members of the Class of 2023 are pictured here in no particular order.

















































**Important Upcoming Dates** 

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING May 23, 2023

MEMORIAL DAY – NO SCHOOL May 26-29, 2023











#### **CASH Hosts the Chester County Special Olympics**

On Friday, May 5, Coatesville Area Senior High School was the place to be. Many school districts from around Chester County took part in the annual Special Olympics Event. Students came out to celebrate, compete, and participate in various events including running, jumping, tennis, and softball. The day concluded with the 400-meter running event!







It was truly a wonderful day in the sunshine seeing the students competing and having fun. Our schools had a great day celebrating our very special students. Thank you to all the students who came out to participate as well as the many volunteers, band members, JROTC, and cheerleading squad who made the event extra special!









# **2023 Summer Reading**

It's hard to believe the 2022-2023 school year is coming to a close! While you're enjoying the outdoors and getting your exercise this summer, don't forget to exercise those reading skills too! You can find all the information you need about summer reading assignments on our website by clicking the book icon highlighted here. We look forward to reading along with you!

# **Campus Title I Parent Engagement Night**

On Friday, May 12, the Campus Reading Specialists set up an informational table of reading resources at the CASH and CAIHS Vocal Music Spring Concert. The reading specialists provided parents and guardians tips for summer reading along with a variety of books. Parents and guardians had the chance to enter a basket raffle for completing a Title 1 Parent Survey. Attendees were also provided Rita's Italian Ice at the end of the concert!







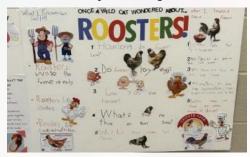
### **Chester County Futures Graduation**

Congratulations to the students who graduated from the Chester County Futures program this past Tuesday night. A banquet was held in their honor at the Downingtown Country Club, where Seniors received scholarships to apply to their post-secondary goals. Chester County Futures is a non-profit organization serving Coatesville, Kennett, Oxford, and Phoenixville school districts which aims to support motivated students through mentoring and scholarships. Katie Duffus, Executive Director of Chester County Futures, said, "We are so happy to support the school district and look forward to continuing post-secondary success for the students and families."



#### **Rainbow Hosts STEM Learning Fair**

This year, Rainbow's STEM classes in kindergarten, first, and second grade voluntarily participated in their first ever Learning Fair! Students were invited to research a topic that they wondered about. Students outlined what they already knew about the topic, and then they developed five questions they wanted to know more about. Once they submitted their ideas, they were given time to research, just like the amazing scientists they are! Together with their families, they each created a display board to present their findings!







#### CASH Preschool Hosts Graduation

The 14 pint-sized graduates who made their way across the stage at Coatesville Area Senior High School last week have a list of impressive accomplishments from their school year – including beginning to identify letters and learning how to count. But for the Coatesville Area Senior High School Laboratory Preschool Program graduates, the biggest takeaway from their year in the preschool program is the relationships they've forged with the 87 different high schoolers who have nurtured the 3 – 5 year olds throughout the year, as part of their Child Development class.

Since 1967 when the high school opened, the program has been offering preschool education to small groups of community youngsters, four days a week, from October through May. Students enroll in the class to learn about child development, then get hands-on experience with the students. Many of the high schoolers who participate in the program hope to work in education, as pediatricians, child psychologists, or even social workers.

"It is exciting to see how well the program is doing," said Tracey Parker, Family Consumer Science Teacher and Director of the Preschool Program. "I am very honored to be its director."



#### Take Them Out to a Ballgame

Kings Highway third graders have been practicing their multiplication facts all year – and having fun while doing it! Students have been playing Multiplication Baseball to practice their math facts, so teachers thought a trip to see a Reading Fightin' Phils baseball game was the perfect brain break after a year of hard work. Students and teachers all had an amazing day cheering on the home team!





# **May Day Celebration**

The German Class at CASH got to enjoy a traditional Maypole Dance in celebration of May Day this year. Teacher Julie Pinnix Smith shared that she has always enjoyed hearing tales of the tradition of stealing maypoles from neighboring towns. "Last month on our field trip to Germany, students were told a story where three men rented a helicopter to steal a maypole from a remote Alpine village!" The students had so much fun wrapping the maypole that Assistant Principal Jarvin Williams couldn't help but join in!

A big thank you is owed to Debbie Bertz and her family from Kennett, PA. Her son made this Maypole as an Eagle Scout Project and they graciously donated it to our German program!







#### **Fourth Grade Scientists Investigate Water Pollution**

Last week, some of the 4th graders at King's Highway collaborated with partners to identify examples of non-point water pollution. This is pollution that comes from rain runoff from farms, lawns, homes, construction sites, landfills, home septic systems, and paved urban areas. Students conducted an experiment to represent how non-point source pollution accounts for most water pollution that occurs today. Afterwards, they had the opportunity to develop a filtration system to clean the water, using a coffee filter, a small funnel, cotton balls, sand, and gravel.







#### **Caln Elementary Welcomes Fuzzy Visitors**

Last Friday, Caln Elementary hosted Lynn Grim and some of her fuzzy friends for an in-house field trip. Ms. Grim taught students about many different types of animals and how to promote their safety and show them respect. It is important to use soft voices around the animals so they don't get scared and to use an open flat hand to gently pet them. Students loved petting the different animals and proclaimed they had "the softest fur ever!"









#### **Employee Spotlight: Jill Green**

"Mrs. Green is a vital part of Rainbow Elementary School. Not only does she run the cafeteria, but she feeds all our students, and many teachers as well! Mrs. Green truly cares about all of the staff and students she works with and goes above and beyond her duties to make life easier for her staff as well as the staff she works with! The staff and students love her! She always has a friendly smile for anyone she comes in contact with and makes a point to get to know all staff, which makes everyone feel special! We are SO LUCKY to have Mrs. Jill Green! She is the definition of Coatesville Strong!"

- Submitter wishes to remain anonymous.

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** 

### **Chester County Reading Olympics**

On Tuesday, May 2, several teams from CASD competed in the Reading Olympics competition at TCHS. Chester County Reading Olympics is a county-wide reading event that encourages students to increase the quality and quantity of books they read for enjoyment.

Students did a fantastic job and represented our schools well! These readers have been preparing for months by reading books from the assigned list and answering questions about them. The list changes each year, but this year's list included 45 books! You can view that list <a href="here">here</a> to see if you recognize any of the titles. Students earned a white ribbon at the competition, and we are so very proud of them!







# 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 <u>here</u> 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.



# **CASD Announces Summer Youth Camps**

The Coatesville Area School District is entering it's third year of offering youth summer camp opportunities for our district's younger students with 2023 being the largest yet! Please click on the link below for dates of these camps as well as links to register. Most programs' registrations are now open and others will be coming soon.

#### **CAMP REGISTRATION INFO**







Youth & Community Clothing
Closet and Resource Outlet

The Benner Building 545 E Lincoln Highway Coatesville, PA 19320

The "Outlet" was developed in partnership with the <u>Coatesville Area School District</u>, as a place for youth and community members to get free clothing, school supplies, non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies and other resources.

#### What's in the Outlet?

#### In the Outlet you will find

- · School Supplies
- · Clothing -youth, adults, male & female.
- Bicycles
- Cleaning Supplies
- · Non-perishable Food Items
- Miscellaneous Items



If you are interested in volunteering or donating to *The Outlet*, please contact Charlotte at 610-380-0200 ext. 205 or charlotte@coatesvilleyouthinitiative.org

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#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesdays
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Tuesday evenings are By Appointment Only



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- Secondary Mathematics
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- · Secondary Bio-Chem
- Secondary ESL
- Secondary Reading Specialist
- School Psychologist

#### APPLY ONLINE:

> bit.ly/casdjobs



#### **School Board Updates**

The Coatesville Area School Board met on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. The full meeting agenda can be found <a href="here">here</a> and you can watch the recording of the meeting <a href="here">here</a>.

There were three presentations this evening:

- 1. <u>Elementary Summer Program Update</u> Casandra Jones & Dr. Rebecca Daugherty (<u>View Presentation</u>)
- 2. <u>2023-2024 School District Budget Update</u> Lori A Diefenderfer (<u>View Presentation</u>)
- 3. Update on Master Facilities Plan ICS and Schrader Group (View Presentation)

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