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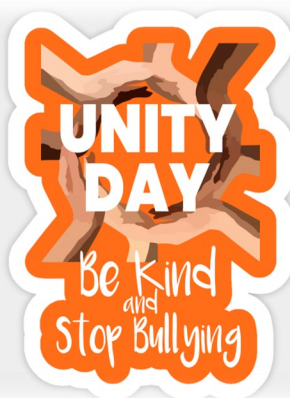
FALL 2022

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Reflections From Our Schools

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Unity Day is our annual tradition to show the students that we are united as a school community. The PTO sponsored Unity Day by selling t-shirts and everyone wore orange to show our solidarity.



Red Ribbon Week



Red Ribbon Week is a week to celebrate good choices and staying "drug free". The students were all given red bracelets to show their commitment to making safe and healthy choices.

FIRE PREVENTION

The Mount Sinai Fire Department visited to talk to our youngest students about fire prevention and safety. The fire department showed demonstrations of what to do during an emergency and helped make the students more comfortable with fire safety.



Bristol Visit

The local retirement community at Bristol Assisted Living had some of their residents sponsor a free lunch for our teachers. The members who were retired educators wanted to give back to the current generation of teachers. The teachers had a chance to talk with the residents and were very appreciative of the thoughtful gesture.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



On Thursday, October 20th the elementary students had our annual Boo Bash thanks to the Mount Sinai PTO. Over 400 people filled the cafeteria to dance the night away in their costumes!

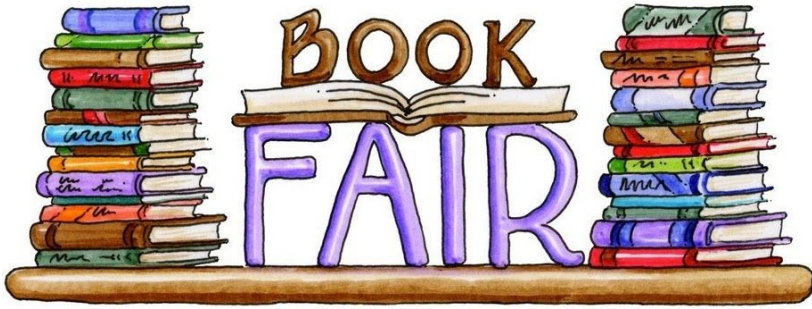


SPOOKY GYM



This week the P.E. teachers have transformed the gymnasium into a haunted gymnasium! This annual tradition is a huge hit with the kids. Thank you to our P.E. teachers for their hard work in setting up the gym!

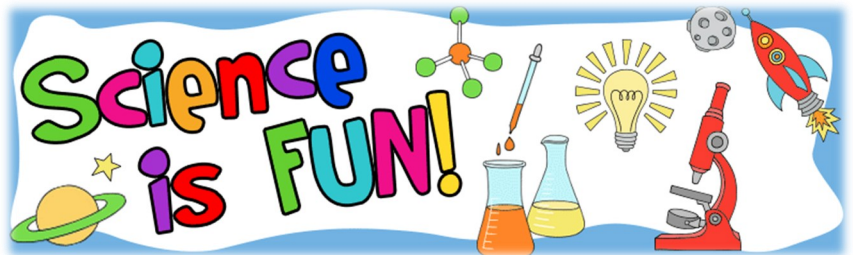
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



The PTO sponsored the Book Fair in October during the day and at night as well. The Scholastic Book Fair is always a highlight of the year for our students to encourage them to keep reading.



Mount Sinai's 4th grade elementary students got a little "feel for the beach" by learning about some of the marine organisms that inhabit the salt waters that surround Long Island. Students learned about a variety of green and brown seaweeds, as well as some interesting facts about some of the local shellfish (mussels, clams and oysters). The highlight of the day for each student was researching about fiddler crabs using their chrome books and then actually getting the chance to hold a live crab. The students were very brave and enjoyed holding both male and female crabs before all the crabs and other organisms were released safely back to their natural habitat. The grade 4 students will continue to research and learn about other marine organisms over the next several weeks.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



The elementary school held their annual Spirit Week during Homecoming Week. The students wore Mustang Colors, funny hats and other themes to celebrate the upcoming Homecoming weekend.



WRITERS

September



October

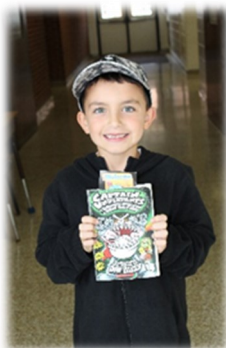
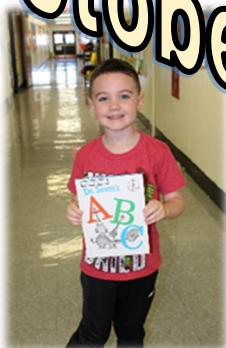


READERS

September



October



Artist



Logan Biasotti



Emily Connors

Musician



Ella Lettieri



Malan Delaney
Samantha Carpentier

Catch a Kid



MIDDLE SCHOOL



Reading- Ms. April Murray...who has been to The End and back!



Social Studies- Hello to Mr. Labriola... who saw the Pacific Ocean for first time over the summer!



Science- Mr. Garvey...at the pyramids of Mexico.

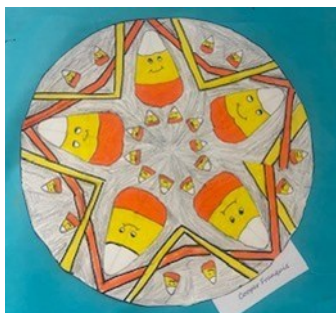
Ms. Pelio, our librarian, hosted a books & bagels event for teachers to showcase new books in our library. She also highlighted the new items in her scheduled classes for 5th and 6th grade.



Books & Bagels

student art projects

Students in Mrs. Stankewicz's and Mrs. Stump's art classes were learning many different design techniques from symmetry to foiling as seen in the projects below. It is amazing to see how creative students are with just a bit of direction from the teachers.



cross grade level club project



The Community Outreach and Services Clubs worked together to create inspirational bulletin boards in the stairwells. Each bulletin board was made in collaboration with grades 5 through 8. Students worked together to create the theme, quote, and design. Students also prepared and hung all materials. They were so excited for the opportunity to create something in the school that will bring inspiration to their peers!



Our 6th graders historically have had the opportunity to participate in an "Intro to Spanish" during their Exploratory period. This year they will have the opportunity to be introduced to both French and Spanish. They will start the year with French and end the year with Spanish. C'est fantastique!



Rockets with Mrs. Garvey

Our new Science teacher, Mr. Garvey utilized the outdoor courtyard on the first days of school to have 8th grade students answer the driving question, "How can I make the highest-flying Alka-Seltzer rocket?" They first identified variables to test, then worked in teams to experiment, record data, and confirm what worked best. Some focused on the rocket's structure, while others on the fuel-to-water ratios. In all cases, teamwork and proper scientific methods needed to be used. The end result was a class competition and some terrific high flyers.



Left in clockwise order is: Leon Francis-Clark, Craig Hall, Chris Sorge, Kodye Dillon, Caylee Daderian (hidden), Ryleigh Nauronis, Kady Dillon, and Sofia Vardaro



From left to right is: Alyssa Henderson, Alanna Cappetta, Emma Ramos, and Alexander Katsaros

MIDDLE SCHOOL



Student Council held its first meeting on Wednesday, September 14th for grades 5-8 after school. Grades 5-8 are welcome to attend this club. Campaign week was held September 19 - September 23 for students choosing to run for a representative position. During homeroom on September 28, representatives were voted on for grades 6-8.

Election results, 6th Grade Representatives: Andrew Anzaldi, Alex Axelband, Erik Bobrowsky, Luke Cataldo, Kensington Keveney Patanella, and Makayla Marano. 7th Grade Representatives: Sophia Homan, Britton Tulinski, and Lily Zick. 8th Grade Representatives: Corinthea Carri-on-Secretary, Bella Falco/Kyleigh Hertz-Presidents, Matt Fitzgerald-Treasurer, Christin Gale-Broere-Vice President, Samantha Kriedter-Treasurer, and Lilianna West-Historian



grade 5



grade 6, 7 & 8



Collin Bruder, Luke Peterson and Akira Lo.

Mrs. Marcello's 7th grade F&CS classes started in the kitchen this week. Homemade blueberry, strawberry and chocolate chip pancakes were on the menu this day.



Devyn McMahon & Lylah Sulpizio

STUDENT AND CITIZEN RECOGNITION

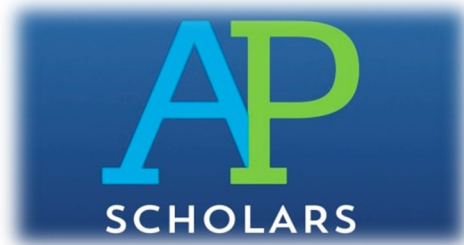
OCTOBER

Student's Name	Subject
Isabella Purcher	Grade 5
Julianna Ortolani	Grade 5
Juliana Pero	Grade 6
Andrew Anzaldi	Grade 6
Ryan Lulkin	Art
Zahara Campos	English Language Arts
Sofia Perez	LOTE
Kasey Gagnon	Math/Comp
Steven Ranieri	Music
Derrick Russo & Mia Celauro	Physical Education
Senceria Tessler	Science
Justin Barton	Social Studies
Bella Chen	Technology
Matthew Brockman	Reader of the Month – Gr. 5
Kendall Keingstein	Reader of the Month – Gr. 5
Matthew Rossman	Reader of the Month – Gr. 6
Anna Polyansky	Reader of the Month – Gr. 6
Dominic Angerame	Reader of the Month – Gr. 7
Lucas Pitello	Reader of the Month – Gr. 8
Jamie Sheng	Writer of the Month – Gr. 5
Henry Squicciarino	Writer of the Month – Gr. 5
Aiden Brower	Writer of the Month – Gr. 6
Jason Michaleas	Writer of the Month – Gr. 6
Leah Robert	Writer of the Month – Gr. 7
Sophia Grimaldi	Writer of the Month – Gr. 8

Name	Gr
Jack Abramowski	5
Luke Cataldo	6
Matthew Rossman	6
Layla Gaete	7
Jacob Gross	7
Callie Friedman	8
Zoe Frisk	8
Cathryn Arrington	8
Savanna Kirschner	8



HIGH SCHOOL



AP Scholar - Granted to students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams

Jess Augustine 11th, Lawrence Cao 12th
Phoenix Clarke 12^t, Emma Dyroff 12th,
Anna Fedotov 11th, Michael Flamme
12th, Fahd Khan 12th, Savannah Negron
12th, Megan O'Hanlon 12th, Joseph Polan-
co 12th, Aria Reilly 12th, Gavin Russiello-
Tous 12th, Matteo Spotorno 12th, Lucas
Strom 12th, Brayden Wilcken 12th, Anna
Wolchak 12th

AP Scholar with Honor - Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

Amanda Audia 12th, Lucas Code 12th, William O'Connell 12th, Trey Rodriguez 12th, Kathryn Rubino 12th, Rachel Schneider 12th

AP Scholars with Distinction - Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Alina Chu 12th, Daniel Han 12th, Zekey Huang 12th, Zach Pfeffer 12th, Corey Wong 12th, Alan Zheng 12th



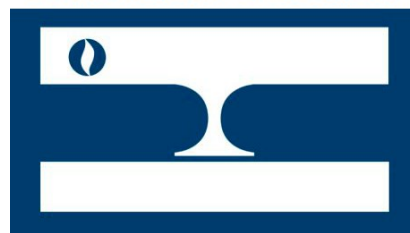
Congratulations to:

Semi-Finalist: Corey Wong



Commended Students Zachary Pfeffer, Zekey Huang, Alina Chu, Katie Rubino

**NATIONAL MERIT
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**



Congratulations to the Fall 2022 National Honor Society Inductees



NEW INDUCTEES

Emily Ammann
Valerie Dong
Jessica Fuoco
Joseph Polanco
Julia Zhang



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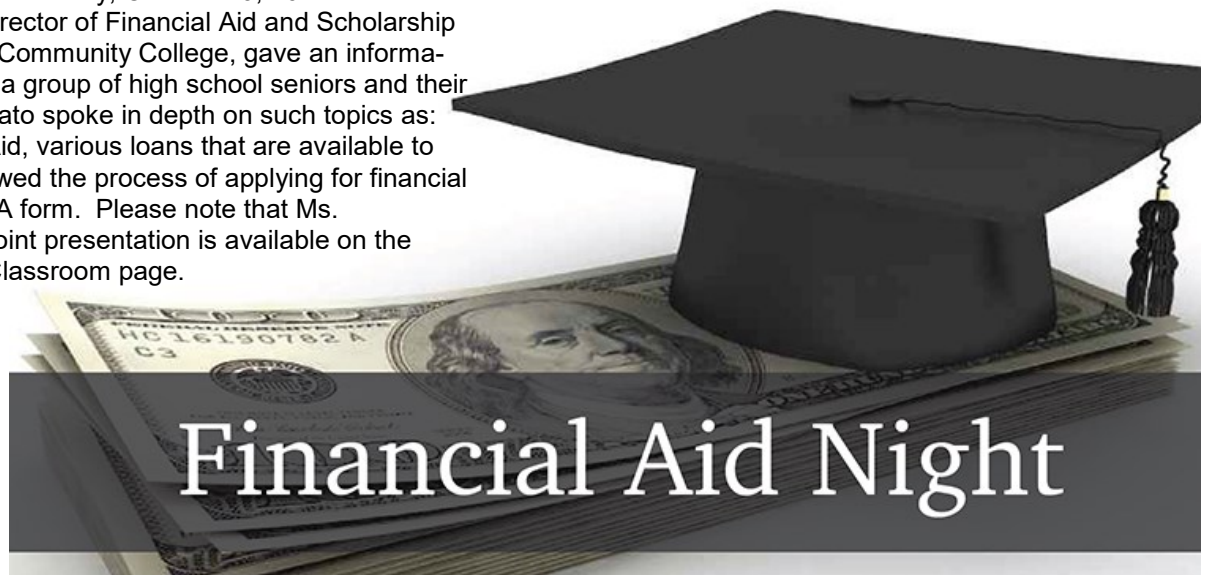


Congratulations to Michael Flamme, Zekey Huang, Maxwell Mankuta, Kyle Manzo, Thanvika Palukuri, Aidan Passaro, Anna Rossman, Kayla Roth, and Corey Wong who were selected to participate in the 2022 NYSCAME/Suffolk All County Festival. These talented musicians were recognized for their excellent performances at the NYSSMA Solo and Ensemble festival and leadership in their high school performing group. They will join high achieving students from high schools in Suffolk County in rehearsals and concert at Half Hollow Hills East High School in November.



Congratulations to Aidan Passaro and Zekey Huang who have been selected by NYSSMA to participate in the All State Festival. Aidan has been selected for the Mixed Chorus performing ensemble and Zekey has been recognized as an alternate for the Orchestra Ensemble. Congratulations to these exceptional musicians.

Our Guidance and Counseling Department hosted a Financial Aid Night on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. Ms. Renee Nunziato, Director of Financial Aid and Scholarship Services at Suffolk Community College, gave an informative presentation to a group of high school seniors and their parents. Ms. Nunziato spoke in depth on such topics as: types of Financial Aid, various loans that are available to students, and reviewed the process of applying for financial aid using the FAFSA form. Please note that Ms. Nunziato's PowerPoint presentation is available on the Guidance Google Classroom page.



HIGH SCHOOL



SADD members are busy planning for this year's 11th Annual Turkey Trot. We are signing up runners and getting sponsors daily. As always, all proceeds go to Holiday Magic, which provides holiday gifts to needy children. We are expecting that Holiday Magic is going to be in need a lot of help this year. If you don't want to run, you can always walk the course for this great cause.



FBLA provided a lesson to the entire 4th Grade on Thursday, October 27 . The focus of the lesson was the importance for saving money and how to spend money. Students were put into small groups to complete an activity. Each group was given a monetary budget and they had to determine how to spend the money wisely in order to survive. A member from each group then had the opportunity to share. The lesson concluded with a craft. The students were given a dollar and they could draw any face in the oval and write any number in each corner. On the back they needed to explain why saving money will be important to them.

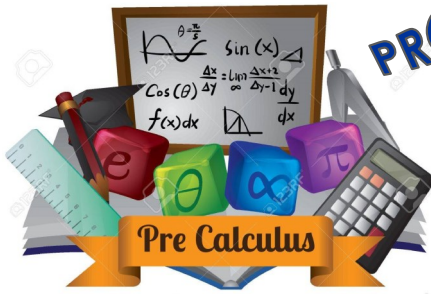
engineering students build electric vehicles



This past summer the technology department purchased Infento kits to be used in Mr. Tappin's Principles of Engineering class and Mr. Krucher's Transportation Systems class in the high school. The kits allow students to create a variety of projects such as Archimedes screws, cranes, push powered vehicles like scooters and electric powered vehicles. The Engineering students first built a push powered wiggle scooter. After completing the wiggle scooters, the students moved onto the more difficult electric vehicles. The class is working in three different groups. Each group is working on a different electric vehicle (Hot Rod, Buster Go-Kart and Minibike). The kits also allow students to design custom vehicles and projects to solve design challenges. A student in Mr. Tappin's Engineering class who built the Minibike was quoted as saying "This project is extremely hands on, engaging, super fun and a most enjoyable project. More students are going to be interested in taking these classes when they see the projects we make".

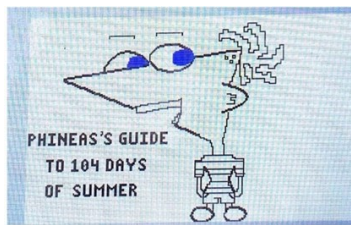
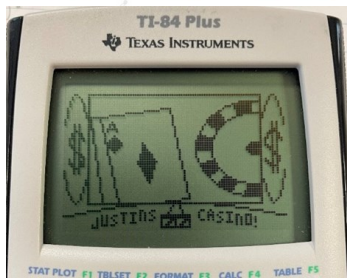
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PROJECT



“Students in Mr. Izzo’s Honors Precalculus class recently completed their conic sections project. The assignment was to create a logo or picture using the mathematical equations of parabolas, ellipses, circles, hyperbolas, and lines. First, students made a rough draft of the design and equations on a graph. Then they had to delve deep into difficult algebra to manipulate the equations and position them correctly into the graphing calculator – some with as many as 45 equations. Here are three of the most creative and high “level of difficulty” projects!

(Pictured in Photo: Justin Rasmussen, Taylor Pedra, Alexander Polyansky, Mr. Izzo)”



In November the Mount Sinai High School Drama Club took part in the first annual Long Island High School Theater Festival at Molloy College. Students heard a keynote address by a young Broadway actor and were able to attend several workshops of their choosing. Theatrical professionals as well college professors taught them acting, improvisation, technical theater, dance, directing and a host of other skills. Meeting hundreds of theater students from other schools across Long Island was another highlight of the day. Students are already looking forward to next year’s festival!



The High School Student Government held its 12th Annual Safe Halloween on Saturday, October 29 at the Mount Sinai High School. From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Mount Sinai High School was decorated and transformed into a safe and fun environment where excited children paraded through the halls in search of tricks and treats. 1111 children and parents were greeted with treats, organized games and activities hosted by 16 clubs from the High School and Middle School. A raffle of guessing the number of candy corn in a jar was also held. A \$50 Café Spiga gift certificate was awarded.

Some of the activities provided for the children included bean bag tossing, coloring, toilet paper mummies, singing, and making maracas. The Environmental Club and Ocean Bowl club had live critters for children to observe! The Haunted Hallway was once again sponsored by the Mount Sinai Teacher’s Association and was the best hallway seen in years! Non-perishable food items were collected at the door. A big thank-you goes out to all the faculty, staff, and clubs for their outstanding, selfless participation. The day was a great success!



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

SEPTEMBER



STUDENT NAME	SUBJECT	GRADE
Noor Nadeem	Art	12
Conrad DePinto	Business	10
Julianna Spero	Citizenship	11
Julian Gunnell	Computer Science	11
Collin Morgan	English	9
John Jongebloed	Family and Consumer Science	11
Emily Ammann	Foreign Language	12
Derek Menechino	Health	12
Thomas Frycek	Math	12
Zekey Huang	Music	12
Shea Mullahey	Physical Education	12
Justin Kit	Science	9
Luke Newby	Social Studies	12
Ronaldo Vazquez Leal	Technology	12

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

OCTOBER



STUDENT NAME	SUBJECT	GRADE
Holly Grieve	Art	9
Gavin Russiello-Tous	Business	12
Kenneth Gudzik	Citizenship	9
Jake Zabbara	Citizenship	9
Evan Kaler	Citizenship	9
Dante Gervino	Citizenship	9
Andrew Caputo	Citizenship	9
Robert Martin	Citizenship	9
Jake Figueiredo	Computer Science	11
Kamilla Ortiz	English	10
Jesus Urdaneta Montilla	Family and Consumer Science	10
Tyler Izzo	Foreign Language	9
Bailee Morris	Health	12
Jean Garin	Math	11
Maxwell Mankuta	Music	11
Camryn Chamberlain	Physical Education	11
Paige Sheiffele	Science	11
Samantha Anzaldi	Social Studies	9
Andrew Brown	Technology	12

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING
STUDENT/ATHLETES
FOR SIGNING WITH THE COLLEGE OF THEIR CHOICE**



- Amanda Audia – Softball – SUNY Geneseo
- Christopher Batuyios – Baseball – St. John’s University
- Sarah Blandi – Lacrosse – Sacred Heart University
- Jayden Caruso – Baseball - University of Miami
- Taylor Cline – Lacrosse – Brown University
- Christian Colantonio – Lacrosse – Marist College
- Lea Flobeck – Lacrosse – University of Florida
- Sara Flobeck – Lacrosse - UNC Charlotte
- Marisa Gatz – Lacrosse – UMass, Amherst
- Nicholas Jaferis – Lacrosse – Binghamton University
- Cole Marsala – Lacrosse – Quinnipiac University
- Derek Menechino – Baseball – SUNY Polytechnic Institute
- Olivia Mile – Gymnastics – University of New Hampshire
- Cassidy Millen – Lacrosse – Stony Brook University
- Max Reichenbach- Baseball – Mercy College
- Abigail Sabella – Lacrosse – Stony Brook University
- Daniella Sofia – Softball – Stony Brook University
- Brett Spallina – Lacrosse – Syracuse University

CONGRATULATIONS
BILL DWYER
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY COACH OF THE YEAR!



CONGRATULATIONS

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

SECTION XI WON THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP!



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY DIVISION 4
SUFFOLK COUNTY CHAMPIONS!



CONGRATULATIONS
DIVISION 4 CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPION
PAIGE SHEIFFELE!!

ATHLETICS

PLEASE NOTE:

For current Athletic Schedules and Directions log on to: www.sectionxi.org

To purchase playoff tickets:

<https://gofan.co/app/school/NYSPHSAAXI>

For information on the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

log on to: www.NCAA.org

You can also access these sites through the Mount Sinai Web Page.

Dates To Remember:

January 17th - Late Winter Sports: (Junior High) *Girls Basketball & Wrestling*

March 13th - Varsity & JV Spring Sports

March 3rd - Faculty Basketball Game 7:00 pm - High School Gym

March 27th - Junior High Spring Sports

Students who are interested in participating in interscholastic athletics during the 2022-2023 school year, must have a physical examination before they may take part in tryouts.

STUDENTS USING A PRIVATE PHYSICIAN MUST HAVE THE GOLDENROD NYS PHYSICAL FORM FULLY COMPLETED, INCLUDING BLOOD PRESSURE & BMI. FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL NURSE

RANK ONE

We are moving to an online platform, Rank One for athletic paperwork/physicals this year. I hope in doing this, it will be more convenient for the parents as well as the coaches. Please see below the step by step instructions on how to ensure your child is eligible to participate in sports this upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

[Online Forms \(rankonesport.com\)](http://rankonesport.com)

- To access the online forms, select "Proceed to Online Forms" below.
 - You will then be prompted to create a Parent Account or Continue as Guest to complete the online forms.
 - Click [HERE](#) (PowerPoint instructions online) for instructions on how to create a Parent Account.
 - In order to complete the forms, you may be asked to provide your student's ID number and/or Date of Birth along with other demographic information.
 - If you have any questions, please contact the athletic department.
2. All Athletes must complete the electronic forms to be cleared for sports participation: The required forms are – Athletes Contract, Emergency Contact and Health History. An email confirmation upon the successful submission of each form will be sent directly to you.
 3. It will be necessary to provide a hard copy of the Physical Examination form to the Nurse in the school your child attends. Physical examination forms must be dated and signed by a physician. Physicals must be completed after June 1, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year. All other documents can be completed electronically.

Please allow approximately four days for the nurse to clear your child for participation.