

# SCASD Scoop

December 2018

Dear SCASD Community Member:

As the new year is quickly approaching, the district has so much to look forward to in 2019. Next year, we will be completing and opening four brand new schools, all the while sticking to our core mission: providing the best possible education for all of our students. We're excited about the future and bringing you the latest news from around the district.

Happy Holidays!

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## Buildings for the Future

Let's bring you up to speed on the construction projects happening around the district. The State High, Corl Street, Radio Park, Spring Creek and Memorial Field projects are moving along, and here's where they stand today: [Read more](#)

## Keeping an Eye on the Environment

If the difference between a swamp and a bog seems muddy to you, just ask Houserville Elementary fifth-graders. They now have a clearer picture.

Students spent the morning learning about wetlands and the nearby Spring Creek watershed during the annual water study program taught through a cross-generational partnership. [Read more](#)



## International Awareness

The State High Model United Nations Club recently attended the Pennsylvania High School United Nations Conference at Penn State. The delegation's performance was unprecedented, with half the participating students taking home individual awards in various crisis-based committees, Owen Lloyd won the senior scholarship, and the State High team won the top award for holistic performance.



## This I Believe

Listen to Madi Christopher, a Delta Program eighth-grader, read her essay for WPSU's This I Believe called "I Believe in Waking Up." [Read more](#)



## The Tonight Show Appearance

Comedian and State High Alum Joe Machi, Class of 1997, recently appeared on the Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon. Watch Joe's set. [Read more](#)



## Are You Interested in Volunteering?

We'd love to have you, but many of our opportunities to volunteer require background clearances first. Here's all the information you need to know about becoming a volunteer: [Read More](#)

## Looking for Alumni Volunteers

The State High Distinguished Alumni Committee of the Alumni Association is looking for alumni volunteers to join chair Joe Dionisio to help evaluate nominations for our annual distinguished alumni honorees. If you have an interest, please reach out to Joe at [joedionisio@gmail.com](mailto:joedionisio@gmail.com).



## Going Bowling

Recently, the State High Science Bowl Team traveled to Saint Francis University for a Science Bowl competition and took first place, beating Altoona in the finals. Congratulations to Baron Cao, Jack Piazza, Silu Shen, Rose Hudson, Daniel Xu and Ben Servey.

## National Adoption Day



National Adoption Day is meant to raise awareness for children in foster care waiting to be adopted and to show support towards families who have been brought together through adoption. Adoption is a long and tedious process, but is also very important when it comes to society. [Read more](#)



From the *Lion's Digest*, the student voice of State High — By Casey Higgins

## Business Benefactors

Congratulations to our inaugural class of students who completed the Dale Carnegie course. The course highlighted the important role that emotional intelligence, social skills and interpersonal skills play in life and career success. [Read More](#)



## Picture Perfect

Educators Mary Smith, Alex Raup, Holli Jo Weber, Mardi McDonough and Joe Walker were honored on the field during the Penn State vs. Maryland football game for Educator Appreciation Day November 24, 2018. [Read More](#)



## Bus Drivers Needed

The SCASD Transportation Department is looking for school bus drivers for daily part-time hours, no evenings or weekends required. Paid training is provided. Drivers must be at least 19 year of age, have a valid PA Driver's License, and a safe driving record. Must be able to pass random drug and alcohol testing. Salary is \$16.25/hour. If interested, please call 814-231-1033.



