

February 2017 Newsletter



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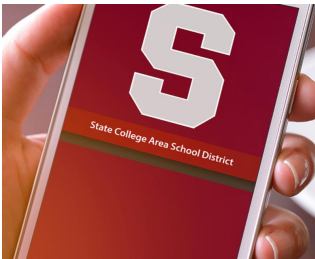
Tomorrow is Groundhog Day, and we're hoping old Phil cooperates for a shorter winter. We already feel a bit "Groundhog Day"-ish with all these weather disruptions. But beyond a shadow of a doubt, we're excited to bring you our own blizzard — of district stories and updates in our latest newsletter. We hope you enjoy it.

Sincerely,
Chris Rosenblum & Nabil K. Mark
SCASD Communications



PFMS cafeteria honored with gold

Smarter Lunchrooms gave Park Forest's cafeteria and Supervisor Chris Meckley high marks — a score of 91 out of 100, good enough for a high gold rating. The organization called the visit "a pleasure," praising the well-lit, decorated service areas; the fruit and vegetable bar; the variety of entrée and side dish choices; the cleanliness of the service and prep areas; and the "engaged" and "polite" staff. [Read More](#)



SCASD's new app takes off

We recently launched our new app to rave reviews. The app is a one-stop shop for all things related to the district. There is something for everyone, including calendars, news, directory, maps, menus and notifications, just to name a few. [Read More](#)
Download the app today in the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).



Learning on the job

Elementary teachers were treated with a visit from renowned literacy expert Jennifer Serravallo to expand their tools for coaching young readers. [Read More](#)



Memorial Field renovation

Board of Directors choose option B: demolishing the Nittany Avenue Building and replacing it with a new locker room facility that will be incorporated into the bleacher complex. The plan calls for replacing the east side bleachers and linking the west bleachers to a new concourse. [Read More](#)



Heart and soul of the team

"A senior at State College, Jake is an intellectually disabled student and a team manager for the boys' basketball team. He's on the bench for every home game and is in the gym for most practices". [Read More](#)

Story and photo via Centre Daily Times



SCASD Education Foundation garners gifts

First National Bank and Fulton Bank gave \$10,000 and \$5,000, respectively, to the education foundation. [Read More](#)



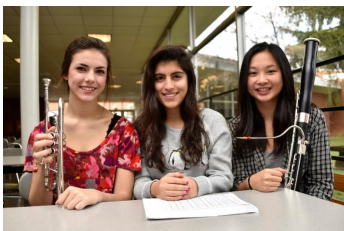
State High Reads: "All American Boys"

"This is about listening to learn to love each other, and I think reading, and I do think books, encourage that." Authors Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely discussed racial issues and mutual understanding with students. [Read More](#)



K-12 Art Exhibition

Students displayed their art at the Penn State HUB-Robeson Center during the annual showcase. [Read More](#)



Scaling new heights in music

State High students Mariana Corichi, Grace Gilpatrick and Annie Liu were chosen for All-Eastern Honors Ensembles drawn from the Eastern Division of the National Association for Music Education. [Read More](#)



Arts & Crafts and Caring Fair

Houserville Elementary fifth-graders staged the Arts & Crafts and Caring Fair, a blend of commerce and philanthropy. Participants make inexpensive craft items to sell and then donate the proceeds to charity. [Read More](#)



Preschool Fair engages community

Sponsored by SCASD and MOMS Club of State College, the fair promoted local preschool options for families. [Read More](#)

Our district continually has events happening at all grade levels. Please view our [district calendar](#) for up-to-date information.

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