

Dear Community member,

We can't think of a better way to ring in the new year than with a grand procession of over 2,000 students walking into the new State High building. As they move in, we move on with our latest newsletter.

Happy New Year!

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New State High opens!

Jan. 8 was a milestone day in the construction of the new State College Area High School as the students moved into the building completing Phase One of the project. Watch the grand procession and take a tour of the new school.

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Heartfelt penmanship

"I believe teaching is the best profession in the whole world." An essay by State High German teacher Eric Smith for WPSU's This I Believe. [Read More](#)



Filling the bucket list

State High teacher Doug Schunk was surprised to learn he had been chosen for a national team of teachers running in the 2018 Boston Marathon. [Read More](#)



Faces of autism

Seattle Seahawks outside linebacker Terence Garvin had a Mount Nittany Elementary student's likeness painted on one of his cleats, as part of the National Football League's My Cause, My Cleats campaign. [Read More](#)



Practicing charity

Practice makes perfect, but as musicians from Mount Nittany and Park Forest middle schools showed, it also can make a difference. During December, the school orchestras carried out a fundraiser dubbed Practice-A-Thon. [Read More](#)



Benefit buys basses

The Centre Foundation recently awarded a \$2,000 grant to the State College Area School District Education Foundation for the district to buy musical instruments for elementary students.

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Pick of the literature

Your Heart Is a Muscle the Size of a Fist, the debut novel by State College Area High School alumnus Sunil Yapa, is the pick for Centre County Reads 2018.

Courtesy of StateCollege.com. [Read More](#)

From the *Lion's Digest*, the student voice of State High — By Isabelle Snyder



Building a bridge

Leadership Council — a branch of the student government — serves a key role in our high school community, as the liaison between students, staff, and administrators. Any issue encountered can be presented to the council, who will work with administrators to resolve the problem. [Read More](#)

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