

SCASD Scoop

March 2019

Dear SCASD Community Member:

Spring is here and thus, we've sprung another newsletter. From our budding elementary math curriculum to our sprouting adaptive PE program, the stories keep on growing. This year continues to blossom, and we hope you find this flowery version of the SCASD Scoop a breath of fresh air!

Sincerely,

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Measuring Success

Students are excelling with the district's new elementary math curriculum called Bridges in Mathematics. For the first time, each elementary grade level exceeded their projected growth in math at the mid-year point. [Read More](#)

Shake, Rattle and Roll

Easterly Parkway's colorful sensory walkway does more than enliven a main hallway. The winding, looping path brightens days by offering a quick change of pace for students. Following the tape, they can walk on their toes, raise their arms, push against a wall, leap through squares, twist and crouch — a bit of exercise between lessons, after lunch, during indoor recess or en route to the bathroom. [Read More](#)



Adapted Physical Education

"No matter what, we provide the same curriculum and same experience to every student," Dave Henderson says. "My job as an adapted PE teacher is to look at each individual who comes into my class and alter things to fit their needs." [Read More](#)



National Signing Day

Congratulations to the 28 State High seniors who signed National Letters of Intent to pursue their academic and

athletic careers at the collegiate level next year. [Read More via StateCollege.com](#)



Up-and-coming Journalist

The Young Writers of America named Anjelica Rubin this year's Bill Welch Award recipient. The award is given to a State High journalist and comes with an internship in the local media.



Hall of Fame

Lemont Elementary kindergarten teacher Janie Brown is one of the 2019 class of inductees into the Centre County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. [Read More](#)



Musicianship Mastery

Sixteen members of the State High Chamber Singers, directed by Erik Clayton, performed in the prestigious 29th Annual Heinz Chapel Chamber Choir Festival. Each year, the festival invites three elite a cappella choirs to sing music that requires, "the highest level of musicianship." [Read More](#)



Cardiac Kids

Hundreds of students hopped, skipped and jumped their way to raising \$62,671 during the annual Jump Rope for Heart event in February at State High — a record for the fundraiser that the SCASD physical education department organizes in support of the American Heart Association. [Read More](#)

Words From the Wise

"Using support and understanding while still holding high (and realistic) expectations for our children can help them to face their fears head-on." Sue Marshall, our family and community engagement counselor, provides advice on test taking. [Read More](#)



Balancing Athletics and Academics

In a school filled with remarkable athletes, finding one that stands out is

no easy feat. It's not just athletic performance that has to be up to par, but involvement in academics, extracurriculars, and overall personality, mindset, and moral values that create the golden athletes State High is proud to have represented. Freshman pole vaulter Mia Iceland is a prime example of one of these upcoming athletes. [Read More](#)



From the *Lion's Digest*, the student voice of State High — By Clarissa Theiss



Literary Vending Machine

For a month, State High students and faculty could obtain a free short story from a dispenser on loan from the Penn State Libraries, the latest town-gown partnership between the library systems. Printed on recycled paper, the stories emerged from an archive of 9,000 authors. [Read More](#)



We are the Champions!

Congratulations to the State High Boys' Indoor Track & Field team on winning the PTFCA Indoor State Championship!

