

# Community connection

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## AMBASSADOR PROGRAM ORGANIZES DISTRICTWIDE DAY OF SERVICE



The Ambassador Program, a districtwide, student-led think tank, recently organized a day of service that was completed in conjunction with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday.

"We wanted to incorporate Dr. King's beliefs into the Bellmore-Merrick values," explained Social Studies Chairperson and faculty advisor Robyn Einbinder.

Created in March of 2014, student ambassadors from the district's four high schools and two middle schools join together throughout the school year to address issues impacting the student body and surrounding community. They work closely with teachers and administrators to achieve district goals, thus fostering the "One Voice One Message" initiative.

Students and staff hatched the day of service concept after careful consideration.

"They organized the day of service by researching the needs of nearby shelters following the holidays," said Dr. Mara Bollettieri, assistant superintendent of personnel and faculty advisor to the program. "It was very important to our students to identify the needs, gather the donations, write personal notes and then deliver the items to the shelters."

Beginning in mid-December, each grade was assigned specific items that were collected, organized and packaged. The community was encouraged to donate as well. Mid-year replenishments of school supplies, winter weather gear and pajamas were among the items collected for families in need.

The students brainstormed at meetings how to get the initiative's message out to fellow students and the community.

"It's important for your peers to see you and hear this from you," said Neil Testa, assistant principal of Calhoun.

Maribel Sabino of Calhoun suggested utilizing social media and connecting with local philanthropy

groups. The Lions Club presented the program with more than \$1,000 in MetroCards for those in need to travel to work.

"We are the heart of this program," said Sara Samir of Calhoun.

"And we need to tell students how passionate we are about this," added Quinn Chao of Calhoun.

Testa also compiled a video, which was shown to students across the district, explaining the goal of the Ambassador Program.

On Jan. 14 and 15, 5,600 students throughout the district used their physical education class periods to package donated items into drawstring bags.

"You made an impact today," Superintendent of Schools John DeTommaso told a group of students. "You made someone's day. I am so proud, so humbled and so inspired by all you have done to make this day a reality."

Students worked in groups to fill bags with essentials and included a handwritten note that offered an inspirational quote from Dr. King.

"The letters that the students are writing are very heartfelt, and the families who are in need are really going to appreciate them," said Mephram student Mike Pioli.

The following Saturday, students and staff transported the goods to shelters and other social services agencies, including the Rosa Parks Inn, Bethany House, Rock and Wrap It Up, and Little Flower. Supplies were also redistributed to local families in the community.

"Today was the result of the passion, hard work and efforts of our district ambassadors, leadership classes, the entire district staff and the One Voice One Message Committee, along with the generosity of our community," said Dr. Bollettieri. "These students have been an inspiration to their peers and all of us around them."

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# A Message from the Superintendent



Dear Members of the Community,

In the midst of some very challenging winter weather, one can certainly be forgiven for wishing away the time and thinking about warmer days just around the proverbial corner. No doubt, unsettling weather events have many of us wishing for the sunshine of spring and summer! However, if we are simply focused on days ahead rather than the happenings in the present, we would have missed the incredible accomplishments of students and

staff over the last several months in the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District. "The Power of the CHSD" has been on full display this winter...enough to make all of us forget for a while about the snow, sleet, cold and freezing rain!

Here is just a small sampling of the wonderful things our students and staff have been accomplishing:

- Students in each high school's Advanced Science Research Program entered the Intel Science Talent Search, often dubbed the junior Nobel Prize. Kennedy saw two semifinalists, Rachel Mashal and Sarah Moussavi, the former of whom advanced to finalist standing! All students in this three-year program are completing graduate-level research, often spending hundreds of hours in science labs observing and conducting experiments. Several others earned Intel badges for this work. Additionally, ASR students took home medals at the Science Olympiads, six students were named Junior Science and Humanities Symposium semifinalists, and nine were named Long Island Science and Engineering Fair semifinalists. We could not be more proud of their commitment to science, their perseverance and the program itself.
- Incorporating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s beliefs on service, and in conjunction with his birthday, the more than 6,000 students and staff in the district came together under the "One Voice, One Message" vision to fulfill our first MLK Day of Service. This student-led initiative was expertly organized and implemented, from the writing of inspirational messages to the collection and finally, the distribution of much needed supplies. In the end, we know these items reached the people who needed them most. I was in awe watching the selfless acts of our students and staff.
- Almost every month, our high schools have a student on Newsday's "Students to Watch on Long Island." The humanitarian efforts of these students both inside and outside of the classroom are earning regional recognition, making them model students here on Long Island.
- Our athletics program has seen much success, as many teams made the playoffs or championships during the winter sports season. The Bellmore-Merrick Bulldogs ice hockey team completed an undefeated season in February, skating into the playoffs with an 18-0 record. Congratulations to the Mepham cheerleading team for their seventh-place finish at the Nationals in Orlando, Florida, in early February. For the district's rifle team, Kennedy's Allison Schuster made All-County honors, while Calhoun's Kaitlin and Jessica Messmer earned All-Conference. All three students competed in the County Rifle Championships. They were part of the team that set a district record twice in consecutive matches with scores of 721 and 733. Mepham's Nicole Brown was once again selected as an All-County bowler with a 190 average. Nicole is ranked sixth overall in Nassau County. In addition, Grand Avenue Middle School student Youssef Ibrahim won the one-meter diving event at both the Division A Championships and the Nassau County Championships, qualifying him for the New York State Championship in March.
- The district saw fantastic English Language Arts results, as this was the first time administering the new Common Core ELA Regents exam to all eleventh-grade students. We had a districtwide passing rate of 96 percent, with a mastery rate (scoring above 85 percent) of 75 percent. This further shows that our teaching staff is successfully preparing students to succeed on all state assessments. Once again, looking forward to the future is important, as long as we take the time to enjoy what is happening in the present. In Bellmore-Merrick, so many amazing things happen every day, it's sometimes hard to keep up! I continue to thank our professional staff, parents and community members for working together to provide such an exceptional education for our students.

Sincerely,

John DeTommaso  
Superintendent of Schools

## Phase II Bond Update

The district has completed the demolition of four bathrooms at Grand Avenue Middle School, and the installation of new plumbing and electrical systems is currently underway. Once the reconstruction of these four bathrooms is complete, work on additional bathrooms within the building will be addressed.

Demolition is also in progress at Mepham High School, with work being done on five bathrooms on the east side of the building, as well as the Broadcast Journalism room.

At Kennedy High School, reconditioning of the visitor side bleachers has begun, making way for new planks and a new layout. The contractors have laid new asphalt, and new fencing is currently being installed. They will also be marking out and preparing for an additional set of home bleachers.

The electrical service upgrades at Grand Avenue Middle School and Calhoun High School are also well underway. The work will now focus from the outside to the inside of the building. Contractors will be installing additional electrical

panels within the building in preparation for the air conditioning that will be coming shortly.

As construction progresses, the district will continue to adjust the schedules to limit any distractions to the learning environment.

The remaining projects of Phase II were opened on Dec. 17. The contractors are being interviewed at this time and recommendations will be made to the Board of Education shortly. This work will commence in the summer of 2016.

Phase III projects are currently pending approval by the New York State Education Department. The district hopes to receive NYSED approval by early 2016 in order for construction to begin at all district schools this summer.

Once again, the district thanks all community and staff members for their patience and understanding while the contractors and facilities staff transform the school buildings and grounds into 21st-century facilities. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact the buildings and grounds department at 516-992-1032.

## District Honors BOARD OF ED

It was standing room only at the district's November Board of Education meeting as schools and PTAs honored the Board.

A large cast of "Grand Voices" from Grand Avenue Middle School, led by Amanda Cantwell, serenaded the Board with the classic Etta James tune "At Last" and Bruno Mars' upbeat "Treasure."

Student-artists from Merrick Avenue Middle School presented the Board members with framed renderings of each of the district's buildings. Members of the Calhoun High School Prep Program gifted the Board a customized puzzle that, once assembled, creatively spelled out the

district's "One Voice One Message" vision.

"We need to continue to talk about what the kids are doing in the classroom that has nothing to do with testing or assigned grades," Superintendent John DeTommaso said.

In addition to the students' tokens of appreciation, the PTA Coordinating Council presented a monetary donation to each school's library in honor of the Board.

"I am so lucky and honored to be working with this Board, which is all about the kids and making decisions with them in mind," DeTommaso added.



# Entering a Progressive Era

## Mandarin Chinese Added to List of World Language Choices

The district is pleased to announce the addition of Mandarin Chinese to its Department of World Languages course offerings of French, Italian and Spanish. Incoming sixth-graders are currently making their foreign language selections and will now have the option of studying Mandarin Chinese to complete their language sequence. These students from Grand Avenue and Merrick Avenue middle schools will begin their study of Chinese in the fall of 2016 in the seventh grade and will have the opportunity to continue this course of study through the 12th grade. The district is receptive to the changes in today's world and is always seeking ways to help students be successful 21st-century learners. Mandarin Chinese students will not only learn how to communicate in Mandarin, but will also spend time studying Chinese people and culture.

## iMac Labs Bring New and Exciting Learning Opportunities

Bellmore-Merrick continues to put the "A" in STEAM by increasing opportunities for all of our students. Beginning in September 2016, a new districtwide art elective will be offered to 10th-, 11th- and 12th-graders interested in exploring the rapidly growing world of digital



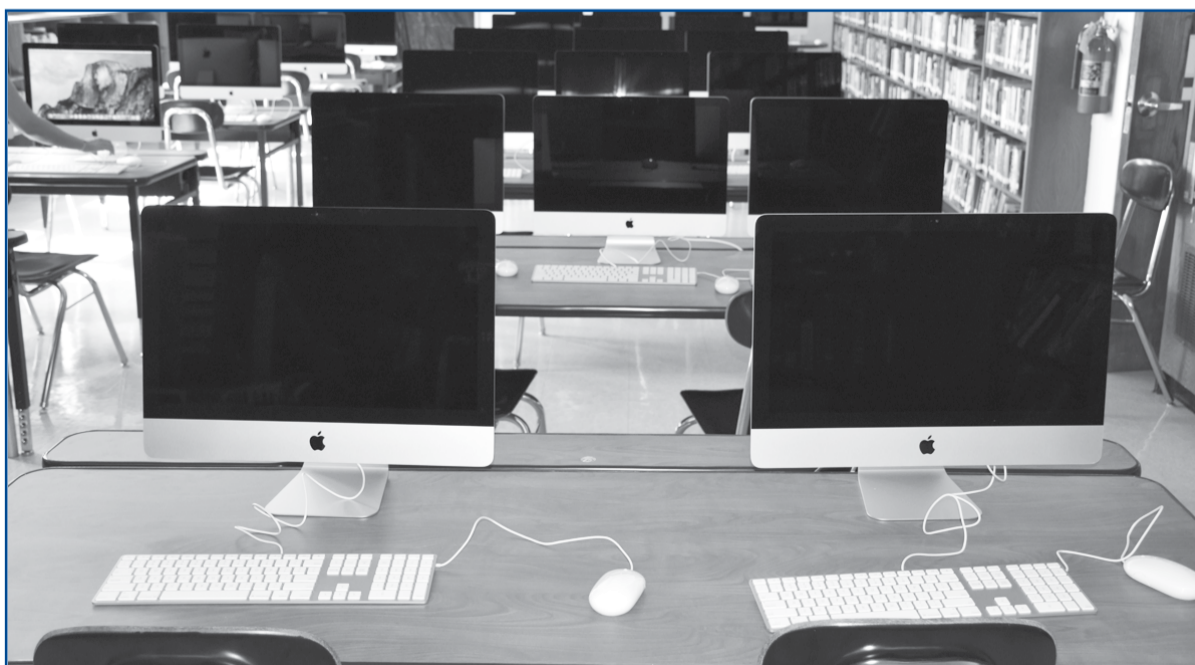
design. Housed in the new iMac labs, Creative Suite I will offer a comprehensive overview of three of the most popular design platforms (Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign) utilized in visual media across all content areas. The course will provide the technical foundation required for any student focused on pathways, careers or certifications in graphic design, illustration, business and advertising.

## District Implements Instruction in CPR and AED Use

Under the guidance of our athletic director, Eric Caballero, and in conjunction with

the Robbie Levine Foundation, Bellmore-Merrick's physical education teachers have been designing and delivering lessons in CPR and AED to our students in grades 7 through 12. The National Safety Council First Aid, CPR and AED unit at both the middle school and high school levels has begun and will take place in all five schools and at MAP over the course of approximately 10 weeks. The development of this curricular unit was a collaborative effort, with representatives from both levels contributing to the final scope and sequence. The unit will last approximately four days at the middle school and six days at the high school. In addition, first aid will be covered at the high school level. Peer observation will be used to evaluate CPR skills at both levels, with teacher input and oversight. Students at both levels will receive an NSC card indicating successful completion of the unit.

Subsequent to our plan to deliver this life skill to our learners, the New York State Education Department introduced regulations mandating that districts present this material to students. While other districts were scrambling to initiate this mandate, Bellmore-Merrick was well into the plan to provide this material to our students.





# AROUND THE SCHOOLS



## Mepham Creates Flag Field of Honor

As part of a service-based project for the Mepham senior class, the front lawn of the school was dotted with American and military flags from Nov. 1 through mid-December to raise money and awareness for the class's adopted organization, Tuesday's Children.

The school first learned about the organization eight years ago when a member of the Class of 2011 explained to them how Tuesday's Children had made a profound impact on her life following the death of her grandmother in the World Trade Center.

"Her brother, a Class of 2015 graduate, spoke with us recently about how much of an impact

Tuesday's Children had on his life," history teacher Kerry Dennis, one of the project's organizers, said of the alumna. "The connection to our Mepham family made working with this organization all the more important." Other project organizers included teachers Marc Achtziger, Sarah Bender, Robyn Einbinder and Christopher Patten.

The students began their service for Tuesday's Children by creating Mepham's first Flag Field of Honor. A total of 275 flags, including 24 military flags, were sold throughout the month of September.

"The Mepham Alumni Association purchased 43 flags in honor of those alumni who died in



service," Dennis said.

"More than 120 members of the Class of 2016, as well as parent and teacher volunteers, custodians, administrators and Superintendent of Schools John DeTommaso, gathered at Mepham to assist with and celebrate the Class of 2016's

Field of Honor to recognize our veterans, servicemen and women, and first responders," Mepham Principal Michael Harrington said. "The overwhelming turnout and the incredible efforts of our school community left me in awe."

## Calhoun Art Expo Appeals to All Senses



Interactive booths at the annual Art Expo at Calhoun ran the gamut, from hands-on to strictly visual and from auditory to digital.

Students rolled up their sleeves to paint with a gyroscope, spin art, Q-tips and more. Others molded clay into whatever suited them. The architecture students challenged their peers to build with cylinders as high as they could balance.

The mosaic booth featured an enlarged photo of beloved late teacher Doug Smestad. Participants were asked to select a photo tile and, using a Q-tip and paint, replicate the value and color to later be affixed to the mosaic.

"This is fun for everyone," said senior Julia Tack. "And it's such a great thing to do

for his memory."

At the gyroscope booth, students used velocity and weight to create their "masterpieces." Teachers approached the booth, selected their color palette and asked students to create a piece to display in their homes.

"Basically, we're creating a pendulum with paint and seeing where it goes," explained art student Muriel Bingham, a senior.

Art teachers Heather Lohr and Nancy Scott worked with students for nearly two months to set up the daylong event. Scott was able to get Brooklyn-based artist Ed Roth to create and donate stencils for use at the stencil booth.

## MAMS Hosts Successful Food Drive

Various departments at Merrick Avenue Middle School collaborated to run a successful food drive during the holiday season.

Under the supervision of Builders Club advisors Joseph Amador, Lucrezia Colangelo and Eileen Weissman, the students and staff of MAMS donated canned and nonperishable food items. These donations were coupled with the goods collected through Calhoun High School's Key Club Food Drive for distribution to the community through the local Kiwanis Club. Felomena Fuschetto's

class created colorful posters to advertise the food drive, while Lynn Beber's home and careers classes baked apple muffins that were then sold to help raise money.

"The money was combined with generous donations of the MAMS faculty and staff in order to provide gift cards to our families in need," Principal Taryn Johnson said. "This tremendous endeavor could not have been accomplished without the support and unity of the entire MAMS school community."



## Students Spread Holiday Cheer to Veterans

Early in the holiday season, English Chairperson Mary Donnelly reached out to her department for students to create handmade cards for veterans residing at the Northport VA Medical Center. An employee of the center had reached out through social media, to which Donnelly responded by organizing a districtwide effort.

"I was touched by the man's plea, and I thought I would share his idea with the department in case anyone

was interested in helping out with their classes," Donnelly said. "I offered to take care of the postage to ensure that the letters and cards arrived in time."

More than 200 cards flooded in from Grand Avenue Middle School alone and were added to a mounting pile they already received from the other schools in the district, bringing the total to 1,000 cards for veterans.



Seventh-grade students in Meg Walsh's second-period class at Grand Avenue Middle School.

## District Helps Lions Club Host Holiday Party for the Homeless

Students and staff in the Meadowbrook Alternative Program stayed after school one day in December to assist the Bellmore Lions Club with wrapping more than 600 toys collected for an upcoming holiday party for homeless children.

The Bellmore Lions Club hosted a holiday party in mid-December for several hundred homeless children who currently reside in Nassau

County shelters. Each school in the district organized a toy collection, and the items were brought to MAP for wrapping and labeling. Students from MAP and Calhoun dressed up as elves and other festive characters to spread holiday cheer. Volunteers from all schools in the district were also on hand to help make the event a huge success.



MAP students Jean DeRurange and Victoria Webster volunteered to assist with gift wrapping after school.



Senior class advisor Lisa Scherer, Secretary Melissa Gurvitz, Vice President Ashley Bardhan and President Steven Obadiah pose with Assemblyman David McDonough (center).

## Kennedy Presents Items to Assemblyman's Coat Drive

Senior class officers at Kennedy High School organized a successful coat drive during the holiday season to benefit Assemblyman David McDonough's (R-Merrick) ongoing efforts.

According to senior class President Steven Obadiah, the officers made announcements over the loudspeaker and posted reminders on social media.

"We collected 96 coats and sweatshirts," he said.

This is the 12th coat drive that the assemblyman's office has hosted to benefit various human services organizations on Long Island.

"Each year, it gets bigger and bigger," McDonough said.

The assemblyman presented the officers with a certificate of recognition for their efforts.

# Intel Finalist & Semifinalist Named *at Kennedy*

Gathered alongside fellow Advanced Science Research students and teachers at Kennedy High School, senior Rachel Mashal was announced as an Intel Science Talent Search Finalist on Jan. 20.

After learning of a semifinalist nod earlier in the month along with fellow student Sarah Moussavi, Rachel reflected on what the program meant to her.

“It has transformed me as a person,” said Rachel. “I’ve always been a hard worker, but this program pushed me to my complete potential.”

During the three-year ASR program, she was able to conduct graduate school-level work. Rachel said she conducted her own statistical analysis and oversaw her own experiments while her mentor, with whom she studied at LIU Post, was away. Her work is on “The Development of a Caffeine Addiction Paradigm to Examine How Dietary Restriction and Level of TOR Signaling Modulate the Effects of Drugs.”

“I was able to look at the underlying biology, chemistry and genetics of these mental illnesses using fruit flies,” Rachel explained. “I looked at the way that a certain genetic pathway, as well as diet, affects propensity for addiction and the ability to withstand drug toxicity.”

Rachel also cited the life skills she gained during this process as invaluable, including learning

how to “write emails to professionals, go on interviews and work in a [scientific] professional setting.”

The salutatorian of her graduating class, Rachel was named a Child Mind Institute Rising Scientist earlier this school year, earning a \$1,000 scholarship toward college expenses. She is also president of Tutors for a Cure, an off-campus peer tutoring group created by ASR students that donates 20 percent of its profits to the American Cancer Society, president of the National Honor Society and co-president of the Science Club. Additionally, Rachel is active in the school’s drama program, Key Club and CHARM (Community Health & Research Medicine) Committee. She plans to study neuroscience in college.

Rachel is among the top 40 young scientists to be chosen in the nation. She will receive an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. from March 10-16, where she will compete for more than \$1 million in awards. She is the school’s fourth finalist.

Before the start of her graduate-level project, semifinalist Sarah’s mentor told her that “failure might be likely,”



*Kennedy seniors Rachel Mashal and Sarah Moussavi.*

according to ASR teacher Barbi Frank.

“I had to first master coding and computer programming before I could begin,” Sarah said. And so she set out to do so.

Sarah worked with a mentor from the New York University Center for Neural Science; her work is titled “Metacognition and Confidence in a Perceptual Decision-Making Task.”

“I was interested in neuroanatomy,” said Sarah. “And I was intrigued by the cognitive process about human behavior.”

Sarah’s research at an oncological science lab over the summer intrigued her to find out how confident people feel about their decision, and she “investigated deeper to see if

her subjects were aware of their own uncertainty.” She said this experience has led her to pursue an education in research and neuroscience.

Sarah is co-president of the Math Club, co-captain of the girls tennis team, president of the National English Honor Society, a Key Club board member, a peer tutor and a member of the CHARM Committee.

Rachel and Sarah were among the top 300 young scientists chosen in the nation as semifinalists. They were each awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. Additionally, Rachel will receive at least \$7,500 for being selected as part of this prestigious group, according to the Intel Foundation.



## FIVE STUDENTS PRESENT AT LI PSYCHOLOGY FAIR

Five students from the district were recently selected to present their scientific research at the annual Long Island Psychology Fair.

Kennedy's Claire Kelly, Rachel Mashal and Alexis Tillman and Calhoun's Paulina Fein and Noelle Perrone were among more than 70 students throughout Long Island who applied. Only 30 were chosen to present.

Rachel placed first in Biopsychology and Claire received honorable mention in Cognitive Psychology. Paulina

participated in the Psychology Bowl and made it to the second round. All five students enrolled in their respective schools' Advanced Science Research programs.

"We are very proud of the psychology projects that were completed," said Kennedy Advanced Science Research teacher Barbi Frank. "Their presentations at the Long Island Psychology Fair were extremely impressive and were the result of hundreds of hours of research."

## ZACHARY NEIGER NAMED LONG ISLAND SCHOLAR OF MATHEMATICS

Calhoun High School student Zachary Neiger was recently selected to the Institute of Creative Problem Solving for Gifted and Talented Students at SUNY College at Old Westbury.

Zachary is among 84 students this year to be named a Long Island Scholar of Mathematics. There were approximately 600 students nominated by schools on Long Island. Selection to the institute implies that the student is among the top one-tenth of 1 percent in math of all students on Long Island in his or her grade.

## HS STUDENTS RECITE POETRY OUT LOUD

Recent poetry contests held at Mepham, Kennedy and Calhoun high schools began at the classroom level and had more than 1,000 students participating.

After a schoolwide event at each building, the top two presenters from each school will move on to the upcoming Regional Poetry Out Loud Competition.

"Poetry Out Loud encourages

the study of great poetry through memorization, performance and competition," said organizer and Mepham English teacher Nicole Maresca.

"The program is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Poetry Foundation, the New York State Council on the Arts and the New York State Alliance for Arts Education," added Adeline Atkins, the district's English chairperson.

Calhoun senior Blake Fisher recited "Four Glimpses of Night" and came in second place. Senior Bianca Liriano recited "Invictus" and came in first place. They are pictured with teachers Julie Rosslee and Saul Wiener.



Mepham winners Maura Singleton (first place), Sarah Schneider (second place) and Kristen Corless (third place) are pictured here with English Department Chairperson Mary Donnelly and Poetry Out Loud coordinator Nicole Maresca.



Kennedy High School winners (from left) Kimberly Miller (teacher of winners Rebecca and Ruth), Ruth Bergman (second place), Stephanie Person (third place) and Stephanie Person (first place).

# Athletic ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## ALL DISTRICT TEAMS EARN SCHOLAR-ATHLETE STATUS

Every athletic squad in the district has been designated a Scholar-Athlete Team for the fall 2015 season by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association. To earn this distinction, teams must earn a GPA of 90 percent or higher.

“Our student-athletes invest a tremendous

amount of time and effort into honing their skills on the field of play, and it takes an incredible amount of perseverance and dedication to do so,” said Eric Caballero, the district’s director of physical education, athletics, driver’s education and health. “To be able to make that type of

investment not only in a sport, but also in the classroom speaks volumes to the type of student-athletes we have in the Bellmore-Merrick School District.”

All teams have achieved this honor previously, as well.



## COUGARS BOYS VOLLEYBALL NABS COUNTY TITLE

The Kennedy Cougars boys volleyball team defeated Jericho to win the Nassau County Class B title this past fall. This is the sixth time in the past eight years that Kennedy’s boys volleyball has won the Nassau County Championship. They won in straight sets — 25-18, 25-20 and 25-19.

“There was a great crowd cheering for the team...that definitely made the gym feel like it belonged to the Cougar Nation,” said Principal Lorraine Poppe.

Michael Ianniello was named the tournament’s Most Valuable Player, Harrison Ivers was named All-County Tournament Honorable Mention, and Josh Levine and Jonah Zeitlin were named to the All-County Tournament Team. Other team members include: Tyler Anderson, Owen Bradley, Steve Carlson, Peter Cuttitta, Dylan Judd, Josh Kaplan, Jordan Kappel, Garrett Krassner, Shawn Linzer, Jeff Lowell, Harrison Marcus, Mitchell Mass, Evan Rothchild and Jonah Zeitlin.

## ALEXIS TILLMAN NAMED WENDY’S HEISMAN STATE WINNER



Kennedy High School athlete Alexis Tillman was the only student in Nassau County to be selected as a Wendy’s High School Heisman state winner.

“She is a fierce competitor,” girls varsity cross-country head coach Michael Cooney said of Alexis, who co-captained the team and was named MVP. “She won All-Conference and All-County this season and was a wonderful role model for the team not only while running on the course, but inside the classroom as well.”

The criteria for the Heisman award is being a high school senior who is dedicated to learning, leading and performing in his or her school and community.

“Alexis has done all three — she has been named captain, she strives for excellence with her advanced science research and she has earned All-County honors,” said cross-country coach Chris Mammoni. “She is extremely determined and a very driven athlete.”

State winners earn \$1,000 for their school in their name, in addition to Wendy’s gift cards.

*In addition to the above honors, the fall 2015 season proved to be another successful one for many teams in the district.*

### Kennedy

- Boys varsity volleyball – Nassau County Class B Champions
- Girls varsity volleyball – Final Four and Nassau County tournament semifinalists

### Mepham

- Boys varsity soccer – Conference AA4 Champions
- Boys varsity volleyball – Conference B2 Champions

### Calhoun

- Boys varsity volleyball – Conference IIIA Champions
- Boys varsity cross-country – Conference II Champions and State Qualifier Champions

## Save the Dates

### One Voice One Message Walk/Run

Saturday, April 16, 2016  
9 a.m.

The walk/run begins at Grand Avenue MS, continues to Merrick Avenue MS and loops back to Grand Avenue MS. Proceeds will benefit a charity.

### Relay for Life

Friday, May 13, 2016  
Sanford H. Calhoun HS  
7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

The Bellmore-Merrick CHSD Relay for Life event will take place at Calhoun. It begins around the track on the evening of May 13 and lasts until the morning of May 14.

To sign up, visit: [www.relayforlife.org/bellmoremerrickny](http://www.relayforlife.org/bellmoremerrickny) or call Staff Partner Julia Biggiani, American Cancer Society: 631-300-3464

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