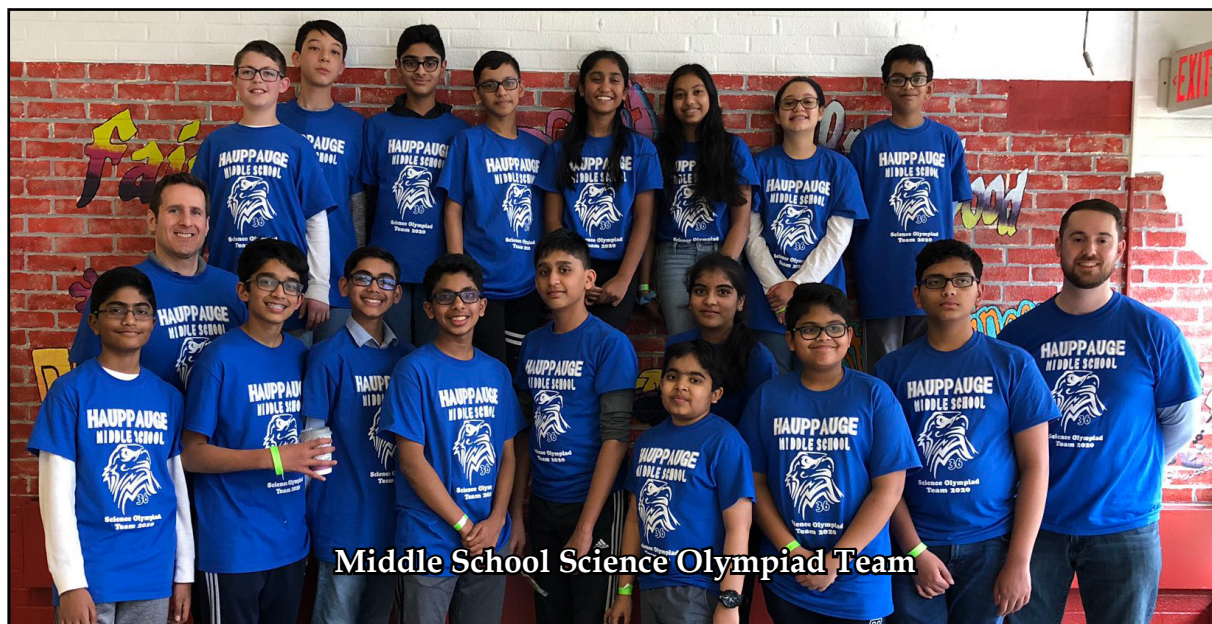


MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM HAS IMPRESSIVE FINISH AT EASTERN L.I. REGIONAL AND EARNS SPOT IN N.Y.S. COMPETITION

Last Saturday our Middle School Science Olympiad Team participated in the Eastern Long Island Regional Science Olympiad Competition at Candlewood Middle School in the Half Hollow Hills School District. The team came in 4th place and earned a spot at the New York State Science Olympiad in Syracuse. Below are the names of the students that won medals in the various science and technology events. The coaches are Chris Agoglia and Tom Bucci. Also attending was Dr. Wankmuller.

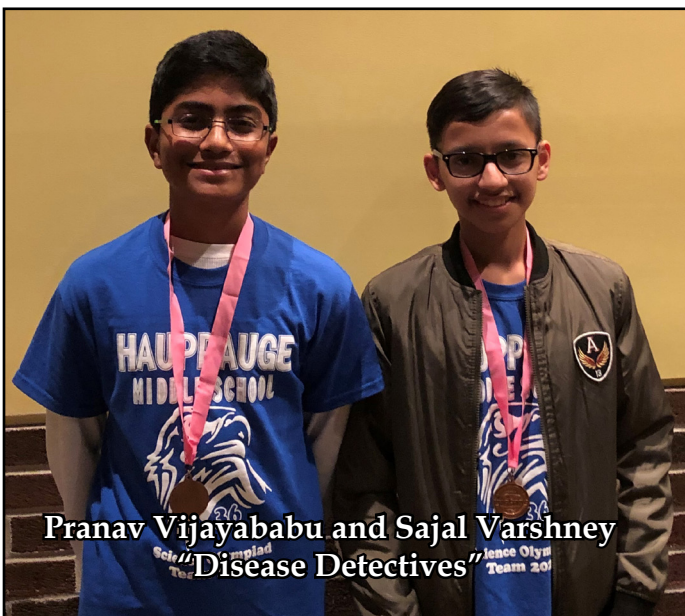


Here are the winners below:

- Boomilever (10th place) Arav Prabhu and Ayaan Shah
- Circuit Lab (9th place) Sadiq Shaik and Krithika Vulavala
- Crime Busters (6th place) Ayaan Shah and Sri Sagiraju
- Density Lab (7th place) Mihika Grandhi and Krithika Vulavala
- Disease Detectives (9th place) Pranav Vijayababu and Sajal Varshney
- Elastic Launched Glider (3rd place) Akshar Gopa and Sri Sagiraju
- Food Science (5th place) Akshar Gopa and Mihika Grandhi
- Game On (6th place) Mrijesh Dakoji and Sajal Varshney
- Heredity (9th place) Mihika Grandi and Srihan Adabala
- Reach for the Stars (10th place) Sadiq Shaik and Arav Prabhu
- Road Scholar (8th place) Sai Lanka and Ayaan Shah
- Water Quality (8th place) Srihan Adabala and Sai Lanka
- Write It Do It (3rd place) Krithika Vulavala and Sreeja Geevanagari

Congratulations to the team and their coaches on a great finish and good luck at the New York State Competition in Syracuse! GO EAGLES !!!

Middle School Science Olympiad



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Middle School Science Olympiad



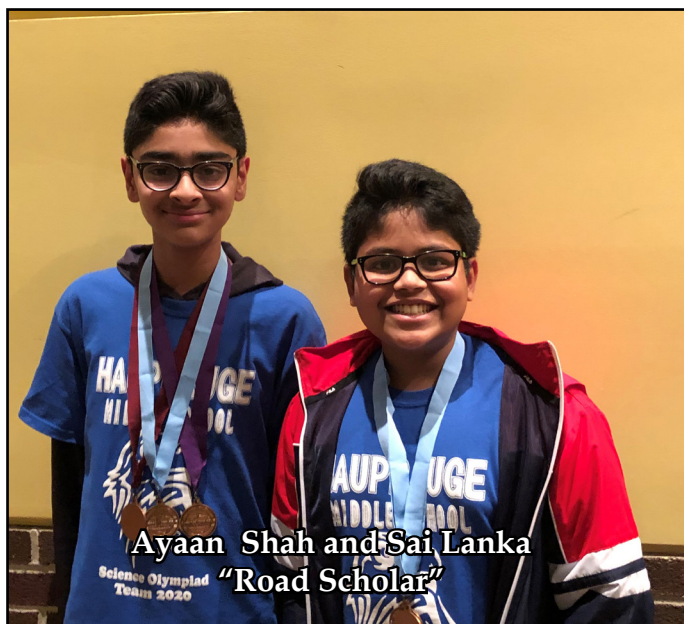
Mrijesh Dakoji and Sajal Varshney
"Game On"



Mihika Grandhi and Sriham Adabala
"Heredity"



Arav Prabhu and Sadik Shaik
"Reach for the Stars"



Ayaan Shah and Sai Lanka
"Road Scholar"



Srihan Adabala and Sai Lanka
"Water Quality"



Sreeja Geevanagari and Krithika Vulavala
"Write It Do It"

VARSITY KICKLINE PLACES SECOND IN THE NATION FOR THEIR HIGH KICK PERFORMANCE AT NATIONALS

Congratulations to the Varsity Kickline! The girls placed second in the nation after their "High Kick" performance at Nationals this past weekend in Disney World.

Also congratulations to the team's coaches, Ana Goodfellow and Cynthia Gingo.

GO EAGLETTES!



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Varsity Kickline at Nationals



PINES STUDENTS ARE “MAKING A DIFFERENCE”

Pines Elementary School celebrated the first “Making a Difference” ceremony of this school year. Several times a year, staff members nominate students who they believe went above and beyond with an extraordinary act of kindness or who have helped in a significantly, extraordinary way. Families are invited to attend a ceremony and students are awarded a certificate.

Congratulations to this group of “Making a Difference” award recipients!



Pictured with their Principal, Dr. Claudine DiMuzio, are: Mia Scarfo, Mia Tencic, Michael Granshaw, Dylan Faggioni, Aaron Kyle, G.J. Meenan, Zoey Puttagio-Carniol, James Aversa, Wyatt Cira, Brian Sgaraglia, Sreeanay Mallisetty, and Dominick DeSiervi
Not pictured are: Michael Economico and Therry Plaisimond



"TEACHER SPOTLIGHT"

Josh Gutes
Health and Physical Education
Hauppauge High School



Why did you want to become a teacher?

I wanted to become a teacher because I knew I wanted to work with kids. I've worked at baseball and basketball camps since high school, so the seed was planted pretty early on that this was something that I enjoyed doing and would hopefully have the opportunity to do one day. I had such a great high school experience and so to be on the other end of it now is incredibly rewarding.

Where did you go to college?

I went to SUNY New Paltz for my undergraduate degree. I majored in Public Relations and minored in Sociology. I went to Adelphi for my masters in Physical Education and earned my certification in Health Education shortly after.

What did you like about college?

I loved everything about college, but playing baseball was definitely my favorite part.

What is the best part of your job?

The best part of my job is having daily interactions with both the students and adults in the building. I've gotten to know so many students in the building that it's fun for me to be able to catch up with those who maybe are now seniors that I had in class as a freshman. College decisions are starting to weigh on the seniors now and those are conversations I really enjoy having with them. I love hearing about their thought process and what schools they are deciding between.

How long have you been teaching?

This is my 10th year teaching in Hauppauge. My first year I just taught Health, and since then it's been a mix of both Health and Physical Education. The last few years I've only been at the High School, but prior to that I have worked in the Middle School, Bretton Woods, and The Pines. Forest Brook is the only school I've never worked in.

Do you have any traditions or superstitions regarding the first day of school?

It's always exciting to be back on the first day of school. I don't really have any set traditions or superstitions but I just try to show the students my personality and make my classroom a place they look forward to coming to every day. Setting the tone for the school year is all I try and do on the first day.

What makes a good day at school for you?

Well, when you get to work with kids, there are really no bad days. But a perfect day of school would be when everything in the classroom just clicks. Everyone is participating and having fun in their physical education class. Lessons go as planned. All of the students are on time and engaged, and there's a great classroom discussion.

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What accomplishment fills you with pride so far this year?

I'm extremely proud of the success that our Fall and Winter sports have had so far this year. Every team - both boys and girls - has had a great season and that can't happen without athletes and coaches who are putting in an incredible amount of time and effort. I get to watch so many of the games, and I'm amazed at the product that Hauppauge puts out there. Spring sports are right around the corner and I have no doubt that they will experience the same success.

How does technology make teaching more simple or difficult?

I don't think technology necessarily makes teaching easier or harder. Just different and better. There are so many great things that can be used in the classroom and I'm learning more and more every day on how to best implement it for how I teach. So many of my colleagues are incredibly helpful in explaining what technology they use and how it helps their class. I just try to hear what they say and find what works best for me.

If you could sit in on another teachers class for a day, who would it be and why?

There are so many wonderful teachers in the building that it's hard to choose one. Mrs. Surian was my teacher for two different classes when I was in high school so I'd love to be able to go back and take her class again.

Is there a piece of wisdom you would pass on to your students?

I would just try and bring it back to the human element. Do the right thing. Be a good person. Control what you can control. I'm a big believer that good things happen to good people. If you just consistently make good decisions day after day then you can be proud of yourself and your values.

If you could take your students on a field trip anywhere in the world, where would it be?

I've always wanted to go down to Yankees spring training and spend a few days there. I coach the varsity baseball team here at Hauppauge so taking all the players on that trip would be pretty awesome. Being able to watch the games from up close and having the high school kids see all the little things that these big leaguers do that makes them the best players in the world would be an incredible learning experience.

What is one of your best memories of being a student?

It would have to be playing sports. I played baseball and basketball in high school and those are memories that come up often with my teammates and coaches still today. Of the 5 different coaches I had in high school, 4 of them still work in Hauppauge. Talking about our teams and great wins or tough losses is something I'll never get tired of speaking about.

Do you have a favorite thing about your classroom?

My favorite thing about my classroom is the environment. Students have so much added stress and pressure on them that I want the Gym or my Health classroom to be a place that reduces those stress levels and not adds to it. My hope is that it's a place where students come to learn every day and they leave feeling better about themselves.

What advice would you give to new teachers?

I would tell them to make sure that they make it about the kids. Give them the best possible experience they could have. Make it a daily habit to show and prove how much you care about their success. There may be a rough lesson or something unanticipated that comes up here and there but at the end of the day we get to work with kids and there's no better job than that.

What would students be surprised to find out about you?

I don't have too many surprising things to share because I'm a pretty open book with the students. I suppose it would be that I'm a Hauppauge High School graduate, as I mentioned before. A few of my teachers are still working here and it's so great to have a different type of relationship with them now all these years later.

What word would describe you best when you were a student?

I would go with the word energetic. My personality hasn't really changed since I've been a student at Hauppauge High School. I enjoyed interacting with my friends and teachers when I was student and that's still the same today as a teacher.

Do you have any favorite books you would recommend to students to read?

My two favorite authors are Malcolm Gladwell and Jon Gordon. There's nothing they've written that I haven't read. My recommendation to the students would be to find something that interests them and start with that. It's tough to read anything that doesn't apply to you at all. With that said, The Energy Bus by Jon Gordon is a great read because it is all about optimism and positivity. Regardless of someone's interests, everyone can benefit from those two traits.

If you could meet any person, living or dead, who would that be and why?

I'm going to cheat on this one also and choose three people - all from the sports world. Vince Lombardi because I'd want to speak to him about getting the most from his players. Jackie Robinson to discuss how he was able to do what he did while battling the most adverse situations that I can't even imagine. Lastly, Derek Jeter because I'd love to speak to him about consistency and how he was able to be the same player day after day regardless of success or failure that he's had.

Why did you choose Hauppauge Schools?

I'm so incredibly fortunate to have gotten the opportunity to work in Hauppauge. As a 17 year old kid I would have never imagined that this would be my career some day. I get to come to work every day to a place where I had some of the best times of my life as a student.



Thank you, Josh, for a wonderful interview!

HAUPPAUGE WRESTLERS

FINISH OUT AN AWESOME SEASON

Under the direction of Coach Chris Messina, the Hauppauge Wrestling Team finished out an awesome season! The Hauppauge Wrestling team won the Suffolk County D-1 Wrestling tournament for the second year in a row. They placed third in the NYS as a Team. Placing in the Suffolk County tournament were the following;

Champions

Mikey Manta, 10th, 99 lbs.
Anthony DiBartolo, 12th, 126 lbs.
Danny Mauriello, 12th, 170 lbs.

Runner-Ups

Frankie Volpe, 9th, 113 lbs
Luke Smith, 12th, 126 lbs.
Fourth - Chris Boudreau, 11th, 145 lbs.
Fifth - Andrew Maiorini, 11th, 132 lbs.

New York State Placewinners

Mikey Manta 3rd, 99lbs.
Danny Mauriello 3rd, 170 lbs
Luke Smith 4th, 126 lbs.
Anthony DiBartolo 5th, 126 lbs.
Michael Tyrrell, 12th, 182 lbs. (One match away from placement)



Hauppauge Varsity Wrestling Team

FOREST BROOK STUDENT GOVERNMENT HOSTS A FUNDRAISER FOR “FURRY FRIENDS”

Student Government at Forest Brook sold “bendy” pencils from February 11th - 14th to help save a furry friend. A \$200 check and a basket full of treats were donated to the animal shelter in Port Jefferson.

Thank you to all who supported the students in this worthwhile endeavor!



ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADERS GET A TASTE OF “COLLEGE LIFE”

Eighth graders from Hauppauge Middle School recently got a taste of college life! On Tuesday, March 3rd, the entire eighth grade traveled to New Haven, Connecticut to visit Yale University.

The students participated in an official campus tour, ate lunch in the dining hall and visited the campus bookstore. This is the third year Hauppauge’s eighth graders have visited Yale and it was, again, a great experience.

Assistant to the Superintendent, Carolyn Probst, believes that bringing students to visit college campuses prior to the start of high school is crucial to the post-secondary planning process. She said, “When a student gets to spend time on an iconic campus like Yale’s, they begin to understand why their school work matters. They have something to work toward. It’s important that students have these experiences before starting high school, so that their entire academic runway is still wide open.”

Enjoy these great photos from their trip!

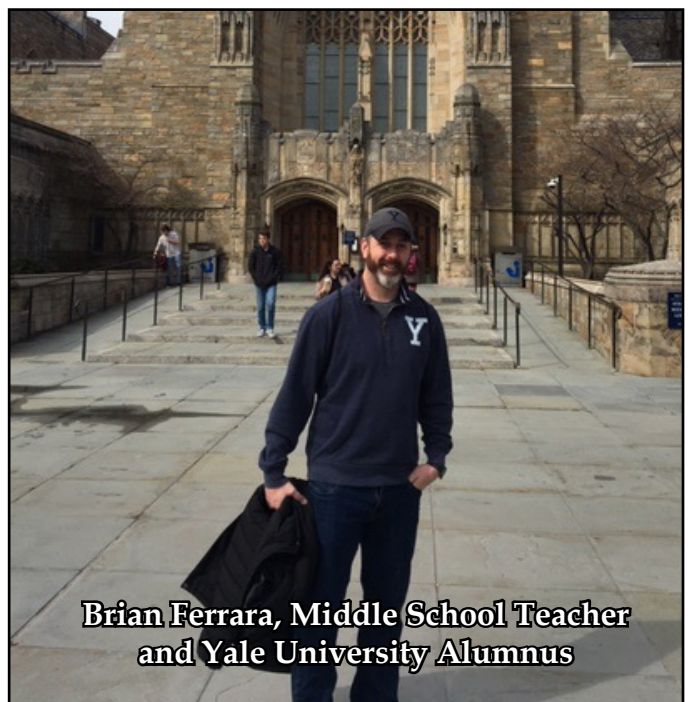


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Eighth Grade at Yale University



**Dr. Carolyn Probst with Hauppauge HS
Class of 2019 Graduate, Jared Shelby**



**Brian Ferrara, Middle School Teacher
and Yale University Alumnus**

PINES KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS

Pines kindergarten students celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday the week of March 4th. Dr. Seuss' birthday is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on March 2nd. Across the country thousands of school, libraries and community centers participate by bringing together students and his books. Theodor Seuss "Ted" Geisel wrote and illustrated more than 60 books under the pen name Dr. Seuss.

Pines students celebrated by dressing to a different theme each day and highlighting a different Dr. Seuss book:

Monday - The week began with students and teachers dressing in red & blue, featuring the book *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*

Tuesday - Students and teachers dressed in stripes and hats and the featured book was *The Cat In The Hat*.

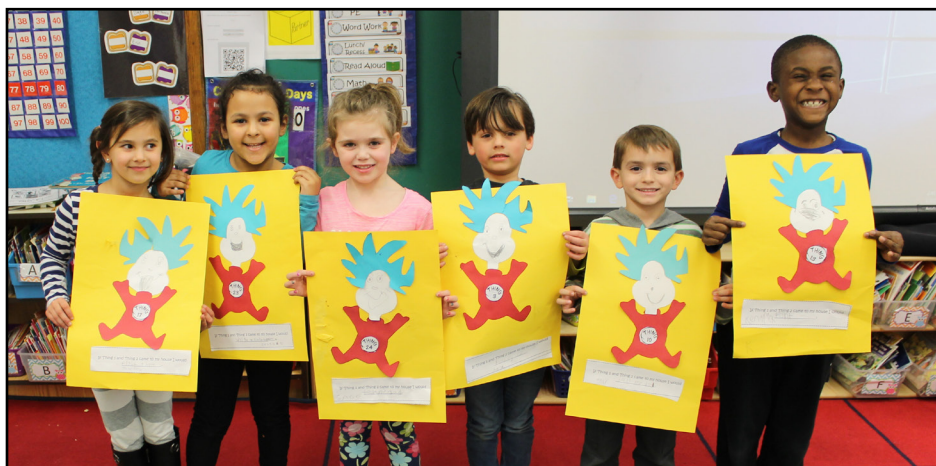
Wednesday - Students and teachers dressed in mismatched clothes and read the book *Wacky Wednesday*

Thursday - Students and teachers wore green as it was *Green Eggs and Ham* day

Friday - The week concluded by wearing pajamas as the final book, *The Sleep Book*, was celebrated



Ms. Marcus and her students



Ms. Serocki
and her students

Celebrating Dr. Seuss



Ms. Marcus and her students

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL DEBUTS

"FOOTLOOSE"

The high school musical, "Footloose," will debut tonight, Friday, March 6th and Saturday, March 7th, at the high school auditorium. The cast, pit and crew have been working hard to make this a great show! Don't miss this one! Tickets are free!

Here are some photos from rehearsals.



VARSITY BOYS TRACK TEAM ENDS A TERRIFIC SEASON

The Boys Varsity Track Team competed at the Long Island Championships this past weekend.

- Tyler Charles placed first and Champion at the Long Island Elite Meet with another personal record and school record Triple Jump of 45'11.5".
- Dorian Boatswain finished fourth with a personal record of 43'11.5".
- Martine MacDonald placed third in the Long Jump at the Long Island Elite Meet with a jump of 21'8".
- Joe Ferreri placed third in the Shot Put with a throw of 48'8.5". What an incredible way to end his high school track and field career!

Congratulations to the team! **GO EAGLES !!!**



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POWER OF ONE 5K FAMILY FUN RUN AND 1 MILE RUN

On Saturday April 25th the Hauppauge Youth and Community Alliance and Wellness Committee presents our annual Power of One Family Fun Run. All members of the Hauppauge School District community are invited to participate. Whether you wish to walk or run, the 5K course is open to residents of all ages who would like to participate. All proceeds will benefit P.O.W.E.R. Scholarships for our HS seniors. The run begins at 8:30 a.m. in front of Hauppauge Middle School and will proceed through the streets of Hauppauge. Official times will be recorded for all participants. Awards will be presented to the top three male and female runners in each of the following age groups:

12 and under, 13-15, 16-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, and 60+.

We will also have a one mile fun run on the grounds of the Middle School at 8:00 a.m. Each participant will receive a fun run certificate to celebrate their accomplishment.

Entrants may pre-register by completing the form below, which must be postmarked no later than April 23rd. The cost of pre-registration is \$15.00 per adult and \$10.00 per student.

Hurry! The first 50 entrants to pre-register will receive a specially designed T-shirt that may be picked up in the Middle School main lobby prior to the start of the race.

Registration will also take place on the day of the race at the sign-in tables set up in the Middle School main lobby from 7:30 a.m. – 8:20 a.m. No entries will be accepted after 8:20 a.m. THE COST OF REGISTRATION ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT WILL BE \$20.00 PER ADULT AND \$15.00 PER STUDENT.

For more information, contact Carol Pacileo at 761-8243

PLEASE PRINT AND FILL OUT COMPLETELY

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REGISTRATION FORM

I, intending to be legally bound, hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, do waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the County of Suffolk, Town of Islip, and Hauppauge School District, or all participating sponsors for any and all injuries suffered to me in the 3.1 mile race and 1 mile run on April 25, 2020. I am physically fit and well prepared to compete, this having been certified by a medical doctor.

SIGNATURE

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Name _____ Age Category _____

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