



Horizons

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HAUPPAUGE BOYS SWIM AND DIVE TEAM MEMBERS ARE HEADING TO SECTION XI

The Smithtown Hauppauge Boys Swimming and Diving Team has just ended a great season. The Hauppauge boys on the team are:

Colin Buscarino
Noah Hutzler
Connor Leddy
Brady Park
Cole Orehosky
Nick Napolitano
Ryan Reed

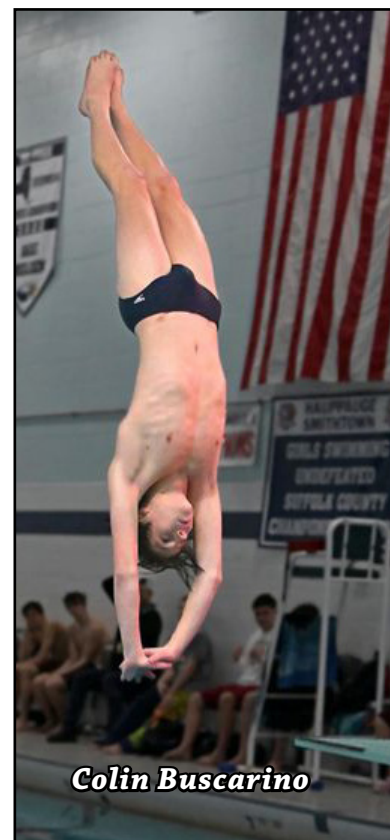
Coaches:
Rich Lionetti
Jeff Chu

The team had their last home meet on Thursday, January 19th. At this meet, Colin Buscarino broke the Six-Dive Hauppauge School Record of 294.86! The old record of 283.56, held by Sean Rorke, was set in 2016.

Colin Buscarino and the Smithtown Hauppauge divers also recently met with Huntington/Harborfields/Walt Whitman in a dual meet, and swept the event. Colin ranks first this season and is undefeated in dual meets. Also, congratulations to Colin for being named in "Newsday's Top 25!"

The members of the team who have qualified for the Section XI Championships are Colin Buscarino, Diving; and Noah Hutzler, 500 Freestyle and 200 Freestyle. The Section XI Championships are being held on February 11th at Stony Brook. We wish these boys the best of luck!

GO EAGLES !!!



Colin Buscarino



HAUPPAUGE TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION SPECIALIST IS "ASSET 2023 BRIGHT LIGHT WINNER"

Dr. Tim McCarthy is proud to announce that Hauppauge Technology Integration Specialist, Leslie Brophy, is the recipient of the "Asset 2023 Bright Light Award!" Leslie was honored at a luncheon on Thursday, January 12th, 2023, at the Bethpage Heritage Club, along with other award winners. Leslie was given this award for the following reasons:

"A Bright Light in the District Because:

Leslie goes to great lengths to ensure that Hauppauge is always moving forward. She has spearheaded the districtwide tech coaching model, is leading the district's digital fluency standards, and oversees all of Hauppauge's tech coaches from across the district."

Leslie has a Masters Degree in Educational Technology. She is a Google Certified Trainer and an In-Service Facilitator. She is completing her SDL (School District Leader) /SBL (School Building Leader) Certification. Some things that Leslie is passionate about are Professional Development, STEM/STEAM, and Differentiated Instruction.

ASSET stands for Association of Suffolk Supervisors for Educational Technologies. They exist to enhance teaching and learning in Long Island and New York school districts through the use of computers and other educational technologies.

Congratulations, Leslie, on receiving this special recognition! Here are some photos from the "ASSET Bright Light Awards."



HIGH SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS ARE SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN "MID-ISLAND BAND FESTIVAL"

High School Band students were selected to participate in the Mid-Island Band Festival at Patchogue-Medford High School during the weekend of January 14th and 15th. They joined other Band students from central Long Island to perform with a guest conductor. Other participating schools were Sayville, West Islip, Miller Place, Port Jefferson, and Patchogue-Medford.

The Hauppauge students who were selected to participate are:

Liana Gentile
Abigail Mensing
Mackenna Hogan
Colin Hodgkinson
Kaitlyn Kerwick

Megan Connolly
Rory Maggio
Hunter Pipia
Gennady Borisov
Rowen Covino

Aidan Bento
Samantha McGay
Christopher Primiani
Aiden Happe
Owen Orechovsky

Congratulations! Here are some photos of the students at the Festival.



MIDDLE SCHOOL SCMEA
ALL-COUNTY ENSEMBLES

Dr. Laura Landor, Director of Fine and Performing Arts, recently announced the students who had been accepted into the Suffolk County Music Educators' Association (SCMEA) All-County Ensembles. Here is a photo of our Middle School Chorus students who have been accepted.



Back row from left to right:

Louis Constante, Michael Malik, Logan McKee, Aivary Genninger, Allyson Winiarz

Front from left to right:

Sophia Cotgreave, Mia Cabrera, Luiza Oliveira, Emma Gill

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI CHEERLEADERS EARN TOP PRIZES AT NATIONAL COMPETITION

This past weekend the “2023 UCA College Cheerleading Championships” were held at the ESPN Arena at Disney World, Orlando Florida. In attendance were three Hauppauge High School Alumni:

Francesca Capilets ('18)
Alexa DiBennideto ('21)
Elizabeth Szachacz ('18)

This wasn't the first time these three girls have competed at this arena, and all three have excelled on this stage as Varsity Cheerleaders during their time at Hauppauge HS, as well as their previous years as College athletes. Just last year Francesca won the National Title in the partner stunt division, and back in 2020 Elizabeth Szachacz won the National Championship with her team from Sacred Heart University.

This year the stakes were higher for Francesca and Elizabeth as they are in their 5th and final year on their college teams. The pressure of knowing this was the last time did nothing but motivate them to do their best. That said, Elizabeth hit two clean routines with her squad and received the Bronze Medal in the final round of competition. Francesca and her all-girl squad from Morehead State University stunned the crowd and the judges with their flawless performance, awarding them with the Gold Medal and the title of National Champions!

If one wasn't enough, later in the evening Alexa DiBenedetto performed with the newly formed Small Coed Squad, also from Morehead State University, and was awarded the top prize in that division as well; Gold Medal and the title of National Champion!

Their High School Coaches Laura Alonzo, Matt Jones and Crystal Corrigan, were in attendance and were just blown away by their skills and dedication to their sport. They are very proud of their alumni cheerleaders and hope that there will be more cheerleaders from the program that will continue with the sport at the collegiate level. It is so rewarding to see former athletes perform at this level and still do what they love to do.

We also wanted to shout out another Hauppauge Alumni, Dale Console ('21), who is on the LIU Dance team. The LIU Cheer and Dance team won their 1st National Title in the Open Spirit Game Day Division.

The Hauppauge Varsity Cheerleaders will be heading down to the 2023 UCA High School Cheerleading Championships. If you'd like to attend their send-off showcase, it will be held at Whiporwil on Monday, February 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Congratulations to our Hauppauge Alumni Cheerleaders! We also wish the best of luck to our Varsity Cheerleaders in their upcoming competition! GO EAGLES !!!





**Francesca
Capilets**



**Francesca Capilets with
Laura Alonzo and
Crystal Corrigan**



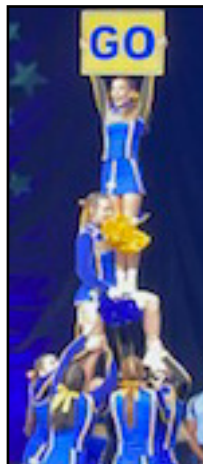
**Alexa
DiBenedetto**



**Francesca Capilets and
Elizabeth Szachacz**



**Francesca Capilets and
Elizabeth Szachacz with their former coaches,
Crystal Corrigan and Laura Alonzo**



HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS STUDENTS MAKE A VISIT TO BRETTON WOODS ELEMENTARY TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT “JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT”

High School Business students visited Bretton Woods Elementary students in all grades to talk to them about “Junior Achievement.” Presentations were conducted according to the grade level of the students. Junior Achievement’s purpose is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. Junior Achievement maintains an active vision, front and center, on how they can have a positive impact on the lives of more students guided by the core values of:

- Belief in the boundless potential of young people.
- Commitment to the principles of market-based economics and entrepreneurship.
- Passion for what we do and honesty, integrity, and excellence in how we do it.
- Respect for the talents, creativity, perspectives, and backgrounds of all individuals.
- Belief in the power of partnership and collaboration.
- Conviction in the education and motivational impact of relevant, hands-on learning.

Junior Achievement is the nation’s largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their futures and make smart academic and economic choices. Their programs ignite the spark in young people to experience and realize the opportunities and realities of work and life in the 21st century.

Thank you to our high school students for taking the time to visit our Bretton Woods students. We are sure that they were definitely an inspiration to them! Here are some photos of their time spent together.



Bretton Woods - Junior Achievement



Bretton Woods - Junior Achievement





PINES STUDENTS LOVE "WACKY WEDNESDAYS!"

During the month of January, the Pines Student Council was pleased to sponsor "Wacky Wednesdays!" Each Wednesday, students were asked to dress up as follows:

January 4th - Crazy Outfit/Hair Day

January 11th - International Day

January 18th - Pines Staff Day

Here are some great photos of the students as they go "wacky" for "Wacky Wednesdays!" Students and staff had a lot of fun participating!



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



International Day



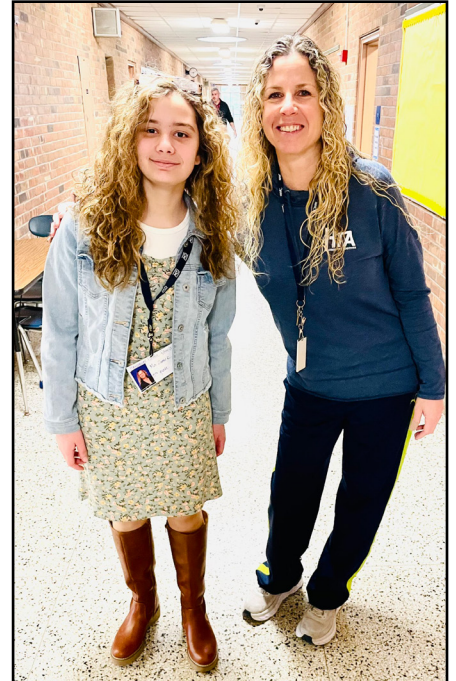
Dress Like Pines Staff Day



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



Pines - Wacky Wednesdays



BRETTON WOOD STUDENTS WEAR PURPLE FOR "COMPASSION"

Bretton Woods students continue to participate in the "Choose Love for Schools" program, which was adopted in an effort to address the social and emotional needs of our students and promote their academic and personal success.

Wednesday, January 18th was the school's first "Compassion in Action Day" for the 2022/2023 school year. Students were able to access a social, emotional learning experience this month on compassion. All staff and students were invited to wear "purple for compassion."

Here are some photos of the students as they participate in this worthwhile program.



Use your voice for
kindness, your ears for
compassion, your hands
for charity, your mind
for truth, and your
Heart for Love.

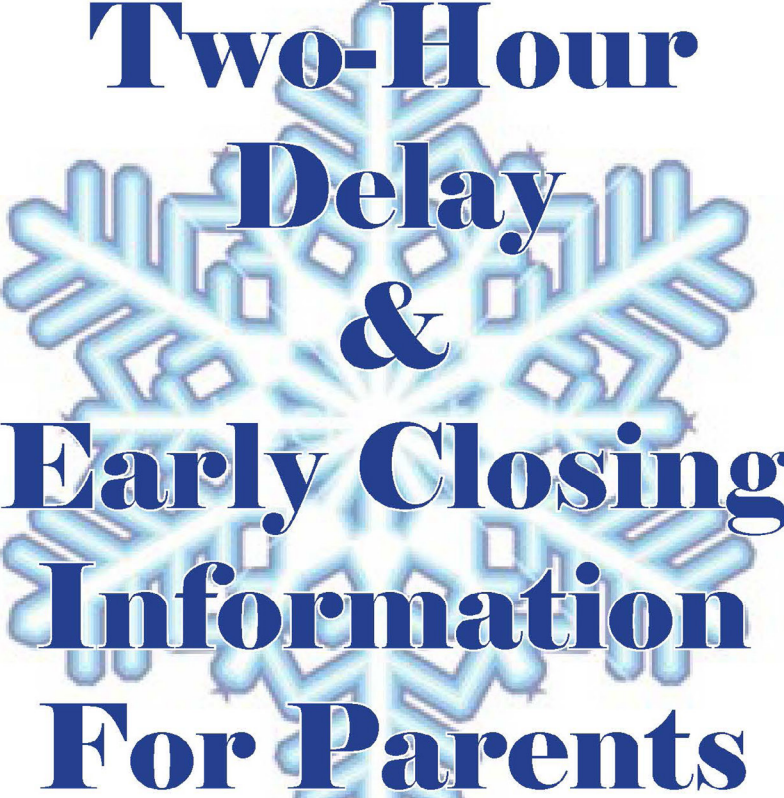


Bretton Woods - Purple for Compassion



TWO-HOUR DELAY & EARLY CLOSING INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Winter is here! In order to be prepared for those days when we may have a two-hour delay or early release, please [click here](#) to see a "School Delay and Early Release FAQ for Parents." You can also view High School and Middle School Delay Schedules.



**Two-Hour
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