

JSHS NEWS

Canastota CSD

A MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL SCHULTZ...

Dear Parents and Guardians,

One of my goals with this newsletter is to share with you the great things that are happening in our 7-12 building with our teachers and our students. Our 7th grade ELA teacher, Mr. Tim Bazan, has a Poetry in the Making project that is worth sharing.

At the start of this school year, Mr. Bazan wanted to learn more about his students, so he created lessons on the bio-poem. A bio-poem is a poem written about a person, and it follows a specific pattern. Mr. Bazan's seventh graders created the ten-line poem that encouraged them to see themselves as more than twelve-year-olds. The poems they created encouraged them to focus on factors that have shaped their identity. For example, students identified one or two accomplishments they are most proud of and two or three specific things they would like to see happen during their lifetime. Students were provided a structure that enabled them to think more critically about their individual traits and experiences. In the end, students' poems were placed inside the classroom for all students to learn more about their classmates. As you can see from the pictures, the students took this project seriously and produced outstanding results.

This is just one of the many lessons that are going on in our school that help build peer relationships and student-teacher relationships, which lead to a positive and engaging learning environment. Thank you, Mr. Bazan!

Homecoming week has been going very well for our school! I look forward to seeing you at the Homecoming football game tonight at 7 pm and the girls' varsity soccer game tomorrow at 11 am.

Sincerely,

Peter F. Schultz, Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/29 - Homecoming Football Game
At 7 pm

9/30 - Varsity Girls Soccer Game
At 11 am
Homecoming Dance
At 7 pm

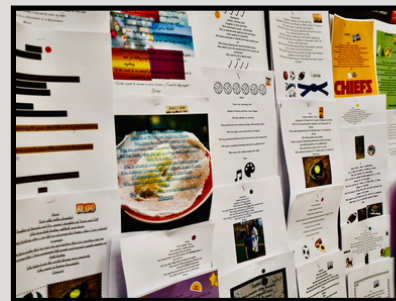
10/05 - Club Fair
Early Dismissal

10/06 - Superintendent's Day
No School

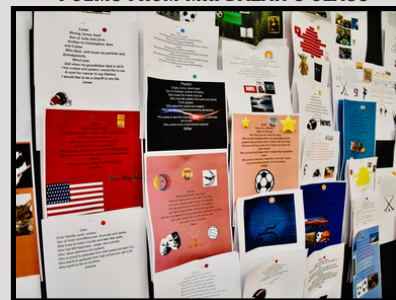
10/09 - No School

10/14 - Athletics Meet
At New Hartford

10/18 - Picture Retakes



POEMS FROM MR. BAZAN'S CLASS



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