Dear Pawling Community,

The Pawling Central School District is an important hub for our community, and we continue to find new ways to showcase our student and staff accomplishments. To create this newsletter, we asked the PCSD community – students, staff, administrators, and parents – for help compiling an index that reflects our individual and shared experiences and values.

What did the responses tell us? That Pawling is small in size but big in opportunities. That in academics, arts, and athletics, we consistently offer excellence, rigor, choice, and support. The numbers show how focused the PCSD community is on giving back. We see investment in professional development and technology, and pride in school maintenance and safety.

Ours is a school district where the sum is more than its parts, learning is fun, curiosity is nourished, and sustainability is important. Staff work in teams and individually to educate the whole child. This index demonstrates, once again, that all of our residents benefit from our community’s commitment to our award-winning public schools.

Please enjoy our PCSD Index!

Sincerely,

Karen Burka
President, Pawling Board of Education

Dzongkha English Spanish
Polish Hungarian Albanian
Hindi French
Japanese Portuguese
Chinese Italian Russian

17 languages spoken by the 1,109 PCSD students

School buses drove 208,265 miles on their regular routes

40 TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETES swiftly rebuilt a program following COVID & upperclassmen competed at the highest level possible, qualifying for State and National Meets.

Volunteer hours Honor Society Members will complete this year: 735

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Custom popsicle sticks for the “It Starts With Hello” initiative that taught Elementary students empathy and ways to reach out to others

382

Pounds of used clothing donated by families to the PTSA clothing drive

5,500

Funds raised to support programs

$800

Pawling High School has 116 students enrolled in 15 AP courses this school year taking 186 AP exams in May.

30 Different seasonal fruits and vegetables provided by local farms, including corn from Dykeman Farms, to PCSD’s Food Services for scrumptious and healthy Harvest of the Month recipes.

14 PHS Science Research students have read 226 scientific journal articles, attended 12 conferences, and have 22 professional scientists and engineers as mentors.

100% of 8th grade students currently take Regents Living Environment

Pages in the student-edited literary/science journal, Franken Dip, which considers scientific progress and technological tragedy

28

Letters sophomores in Spencer Goot’s English classes mailed to Congressman Antonio Delgado about current events and issues they’re concerned about

59

Approximate number of cups saved when the PRIDE Perks Cafe switched to reusable mugs

123

Dictionarys the Pawling Rotary Club gave to third graders

80

Through its weekly laundry service, PRIDE has folded 1,952 dish towels, rags and aprons for the volunteers of Second Chance Foods, a non-profit organization dedicated to feeding the Hudson Valley and eliminating food waste.

Combined hours Board of Education members worked for School Year, 2020-21

482

Compensation received

$0

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COUNTING THE WAYS OUR PAWLING COMMUNITY SHINES!

2,627 books circulated in the first semester of the Middle School Library. The number one title checked out was Smile by Raina Telgemeier.

1 middle school student read 827 pages of stories and appreciated the multifaceted relationship between author and reader.

College applications processed by PHS Counseling Office

492

Different species of animals, plants, and fungi identified in the schoolyard by Grade 8 from October 14 - 21

95

Books shared in the inaugural year of the state-funded Pre-K program, more than

300

Unique apps developed by Steven Malone’s Computer Science Essentials class

160

1 basketball player scored 1,035 points in high school career

From Culinary Arts to Computers, Construction to Cosmetology, Urban Forestry to Graphic Design and Veterinary Sciences, trades that Pawling High School students study at BOCES: 19

Paper maché masks students and staff made for the Middle School musical Disney’s The Lion King JR.

46

8th graders read 141,856 pages in their independent reading books in the first half of the year.

480 gallons of field paint used for fall sports field marking

329,400 feet of hallways swept this year (62.40 miles)

Number of desks custodians wiped down this year

60,931

Words in the U.S. Constitution (including signatures) counted by 7th grade students, 4,543. Students learned that the Constitution is the world’s longest-surviving written charter of government, turning 233 this year.

7,200 sketches drawn into art books by Pawling Middle School students.
Our optimism not seen in many years. In 2018. With a number of younger players on the team, the Boys' Soccer team has an additional year. The team went from 1-48 over the past 6 years to a Section 1 tournament appearance in 2019. Fallsburg, Sullivan West, Tri-Valley, Eldred, Downsville/Roscoe, and Dover, the team looks poised to compete for a championship in 2019.

Boys' Volleyball

In the Class B Sectional Championship. After finishing as runners up in the Class C, Section 1 Championship game last year, the Girls' Soccer team was hungry for another successful season. This year's route to a sectional title was more challenging, as the team moved up to Class B, competing against larger and stronger teams.

Girls' Track & Field

The team also finished with one of their best seasons in many years, earning an opportunity to compete in the Championship tournament for the first time in 9 years. The Tigers suffered a heartbreaking 1-0 loss in the first round of the playoffs. A hard-fought battle led to a 40-38 overtime loss in the semi-finals. With wins over Pleasantville, the team went on to beat North Salem to earn the Class C, section 1 Championship. Following a 1-0 victory against Taconic Hills, the Section 9 Champion, in the semi-finals, the Tigers faced Pine Plains, their only defeat of the season, in the first round of the Section 9 tournament. BoArd o F ed UCAtIoN

Math Team members participated in 5 competitions against 21 schools in Dutchess, Ulster, Sullivan and Orange counties.

Girls' Cross Country

The team placed 3rd in the Class B Sectional Championship. After finishing as runners up in the Class C, Section 1 Championship game last year, the Girls' Cross Country team placed 3rd in the 17th League Championship in the last 18 years, and the youth-laden team is poised to compete for a championship in 2019. Girls' Tennis

With many quality runners returning in fall youth-laden team is poised to compete for a championship in 2019. The team was recognized by opposing coaches and players for their outstanding sportsmanship throughout the season. As this group continues to develop, a return to their winning ways is expected.

Girls’ Varsity Hockey

In the Class B Sectional Championship. Following a 1-0 victory against Taconic Hills, the Section 9 Champion, in the semi-finals, the Tigers faced Pine Plains, their only defeat of the season, in the first round of the Section 9 tournament. It was bound to be more challenging, as the team moved up to Class B, competing against larger and stronger teams.

Girls’ Basketball

The team went from 1-48 over the past 6 years to a Section 1 tournament appearance in 2019. Fallsburg, Sullivan West, Tri-Valley, Eldred, Downsville/Roscoe, and Dover, the team looks poised to compete for a championship in 2019.

Girls’ Golf

The team went on to beat North Salem to earn the Class C, section 1 Championship. After finishing as runners up in the Class C, Section 1 Championship game last year, the Girls’ Golf team was hungry for another successful season. This year’s route to a sectional title was more challenging, as the team moved up to Class B, competing against larger and stronger teams.

Girls’ Football

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