

Dear Parents, Guardians,

Good Afternoon! Please see some important information below:

HAVE YOU SIGNED?

The state wants to strip our district of \$70 million over the next six years, but we're fighting back for our students and community. The Save Our Students! parent-led petition needs your signature! Please take two minutes to sign if you have not already:

https://www.change.org/p/new-jersey-governor-save-our-students-help-the-students-of-toms-river-regional-schools-before-it-s-too-late?recruiter=87403768&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition

Jeremy Grunin's fitness challenge to benefit Toms River Regional Schools is drawing to a close, but donations are still needed for the Foundation to reach its \$20,000 goal (for a \$40k donation to our schools)! Your donation will be matched dollar for dollar: <https://www.gofundme.com/toms-river-schools-health-programs>

Parent-led Petition Surpasses 10k Signatures As Fight to Restore Funding Accelerates: <http://www.trschools.com/community/parent-led-petition-surpasses-10k-signatures>

2018 Annual Booklet Highlights District Accomplishments,
Goals: <http://www.trschools.com/docs/2018/09/2018-TRRS-Booklet.pdf>

FAMILY CODE AND ENGINEERING NIGHT

Please join us for Family Coding and Engineering Night Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Toms River High School East Media Center. This evening will be a wonderful opportunity for families to do an hour of computer programming together!

Our robotics team, "The Iron Mariners" will join the teams from East and South to present their work and conduct demonstrations with their FTC robots.

At this special evening of learning and fun, parent-child teams will complete fun Code.org puzzles and challenges and learn core concepts in coding. Teams will learn how to apply their coding through various programs, such as, Arduinos, Finch Robots, Spheros, some logic and reasoning puzzles and games.

No coding experience is needed and it is free for all participants! Student volunteers will be available for support. We encourage all of our students and family members to attend this exciting evening to learn the basics of computer programming and how coding is applied to real-world problems.

We hope to see you at Family Code Night!

THE GRINCH

Please save the date for our Fall Play, How the Grinch Stole Christmas. It will be performed on Saturday, December 8 at 11 am and 7 pm in Intermediate North's Cafetorium. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Immediately following the 11 am show, there will be a free Meet and Greet with the cast and crew. This event will include crafts and snacks. It is fully sponsored by the TREA.

ATTENTION PARENTS!!!

Are you a caregiver for an individual with special needs?

Are you stressed out?

Do you struggle to find time for your own personal wellness?

Do you need help with resources?

INSPIRE TR (SEPAG) has an event for you! Join us on Dec. 5th for an evening ALL ABOUT YOU as a caregiver.

Some discussion topics will be-

Stress management techniques for parents

The Mind/Body connection

Healthy Eating

Family Support

....and more!

Date: Wednesday, December 5th

Location: High School East Media Center

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

No RSVP required...Just show up!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

Students looking for employment are encouraged to check the Student Information Board in Guidance for local job openings. It is located on your left after entering the office, across from the Scholarship Board.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS – SECRETS AND STRATEGIES

Attention parents and Students! Peter Buskirk, college admission expert as seen on “Oprah and Friends” and contributor to U.S. News and World Reports and College Guide magazine, will guide you through the complex college admission process including:

Finding the right college match

The application and selection process

Getting the most financial aide available

Writing a winning essay

The program is sponsored by New Jersey Natural Gas – Energy for Education and will be held at Toms River High School East at 6:30pm on Wednesday, December 5th. Register Today! Space is limited for the FREE event. Call 732-938-1035 or email ccannon@njng.com

COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Seniors, please remember to be aware of deadlines for the schools you are applying to. The Guidance Office and teachers need time to submit materials and recommendations, even if you are using Common App, Coalition, etc. online. Students must submit a Green Cover Sheet for each school they are applying to.

Also, keep in mind winter break. We are NOT in school for January 1, which is the deadline for many schools. For any January 1 deadline, students need to submit their green sheets to the Guidance Office by Wednesday December 12, in order to be processed before winter break.

If you have any questions, or need assistance with applications, please contact the Guidance Office.

COLLEGE VISITS

College visits have been scheduled for this month. Meeting with representatives helps you in your selection process. Come hear what the colleges you're interested in have to offer. You MUST see Mrs. Rose in Guidance to sign up in advance to attend. A list will be posted in your Junior and Senior English classrooms and check the HS North website at www.trschools.com for complete lists each month.

Thursday 11/29/18

Hartford University

The College of New Jersey

UPCOMING DAYS OFF

Wednesday, November 21st - ½ Day for students/staff

November 22-23 – Closed for Thanksgiving

December 4th - ½ Day Students, Staff Professional Day

December 24 – January 1 – Schools Closed for Winter Break

Have a great Thanksgiving!

Ed Keller