



WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM

DR. KATHLEEN DAVIS, INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DISTRICT NEWS:

DISTRICT FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Staff,
I have a very important announcement to share with you today. On behalf of the District Food Service Program, I am pleased to announce that every enrolled student in the district will be eligible to receive a free breakfast and a free lunch meal every school day effective Tuesday, January 2, 2024. The United States Department of Agriculture expanded access to the federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) grant program, which allows eligible schools participation in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs to offer school meals at no charge to all students. The district previously did not qualify for the grant program.

When we return from our holiday break, every student enrolled in the district will receive one free breakfast and one free lunch each school day regardless of the family's household income. Milk is free with a full meal. Please read more about this program on our website.

ELEMENTARY NEWS:

SCHOOL CHALLENGE WINNERS

Congratulations to General Herkimer Elementary School for winning the Stuff the Bus CNY Challenge! They collected the most toys out of all the local schools that participated.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS:

HILDA JORDAN VISITS DONOVAN

Hilda M. Jordan visited Donovan Middle School on November 21st. Hilda's assembly presentation focused on the Everyone EATS model. HMJ Consulting is building a system for student empowerment that helps each student make progress on the path to sustainable success following the four EATS Pillars of change. **Empowerment:** Motivational assemblies expose students to diverse success stories and focus groups to open up communications between students and administration. **Accessibility:** Increasing awareness and access to resources through a centralized directory of community events, programs, and organizations. **Tools:** Training and tracking of developmental goals through college-readiness and application



coaching. **Sustainability:** Developing regional coalitions to develop a diverse and equitable cradle-to-career pipeline.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS:

COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR

Approximately 1,400 of Proctor's juniors & seniors attended the Fall College & Career Fair where they had the opportunity to visit 95 different booths to explore careers, meet prospective employers, and practice professional behavior. Students were engaged while networking with various higher education and business partners from the region. Thank you to all who participated in making this opportunity available to our students!



ATHLETIC NEWS:

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Proctor's Jazmine Brown on being selected to the All Tournament team at the Bill Middleton Tip-Off Tournament in Baldwinsville, NY.



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