

BAYARD RUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL



THE GOLDEN KNIGHT

March 1, 2021

Dear parents and families,

Please make sure you complete Dr. Scanlon's survey by March 4th.

You can click on this link to access the brief survey:

<https://forms.gle/MaCTDfkxfd1HMZ17A>

We need all families to complete this survey, one for each student.

This will help us plan safely for the return to 5 day in-person instruction.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you!

Mike Marano

Spring Sports Update

Hi Everyone,

The Spring Sports Season is right around the corner and some teams have even started to hold voluntary workouts. Please check out the **Spring Sports Newsletter** below and let me know if you have any questions. Spring sports officially start **Monday, March 8th**. At the bottom of this email are coach contacts for each spring sport. Spring teams are beginning to hold voluntary workouts, so please reach out to a coach if you are interested!

To participate beginning March 8th you will need to...

- Register in **Family ID** for the sport you will be participating in(yes, fall and winter athletes will need to re-register under your new spring sport).
- Have an updated PIAA Physical Form upload the physical into Family ID
- Complete the following two forms:

WCASD Spring Sports & Activities Participation Waiver Form- 2021

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdYYPjG7lt4kamYK1x7zd8CqtP4keLq0a7lsIToyyMzr4HRmzQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Rustin Spring Sports/Activities Contact Information Form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNDyBvNPZ1_VpVi7p-r4kLjOXOKi8v9R3_s88gvTRpt_xuOA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Rustin Spring Sports Informational Newsletter: <https://www.smore.com/cjvth>

SPORT	Head Coach Contact
Baseball	bharkins@wcasd.net
Softball	dbecker@wcasd.net
Boys Lacrosse	kphilibin@wcasd.net
Girls Lacrosse	mstclair@wcasd.net
Boys Track & Field	sbrown3@wcasd.net
Girls Track & Field	jcollins@wcasd.net
Boys Tennis	wmcelroy@wcasd.net

TOWELS FOR TAIL WAGGLERS

Sophomore Emma Bryan, who volunteers her time at the West Chester SPCA, informed us that recently three fully packed airplanes of dogs and cats from Texas and Louisiana were flown in to be sheltered and cared for. The SPCA is in dire need of the following items to help these wonderful, loving animals. The Brandywine Branch is just 4 miles away, and in OUR backyard so to speak, in essence part of OUR Rustin family. Any help is much appreciated if you can!!! Every Friday for the next 4 weeks, we will be dropping off supplies.

Thank you everyone for your awareness of creatures in need!

ITEMS NEEDED:

- 1) Towels/blankets (they can be used – any extras sitting in the linen closet)

- 2) Dog Food of any kind
- 3) Cat food of any kind - pate preferred
- 4) Pee Pads

Additional items can be found on their website.

Item #1 is the most sought after (towels and blankets)

All donations can be dropped off in room A313 - thank you!

Student News

Sophomore Gayatri Venkatesan participated in this year’s annual Poetry Out Loud contest sponsored by the Philadelphia Arts in Education Partnership. She competed against entrants from at least a dozen other school districts, and while she did not place, she represented RHS very well by reciting poems by Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Joy Harjo, and Emily Bronte. It was all virtual this year. So Gayatri had to record and submit her recitations. But she worked very hard over 2 months to prepare, and she was awesome! Great job Gayatri!

We will be starting peer support groups through our **UKNIGHTED** student mentoring club. Academic and social support will be offered to students who are struggling with remote / hybrid learning.

Our **Student Equity Team** has been meeting every other Monday! This is a student-centered team that facilitates a safe space to hold conversations and take action on crucial topics concerning systemic racism and other institutional bias as it relates to learning and school climate. Equity is when everyone gets the support that they need.

Senior Karisma Jaini is a published author! Her piece entitled “To You, Women, I am Eternally Grateful” is in the collection of written work called *A Teenager’s Guide to Feminism*. This is available on Amazon.

Congratulations to the following students for placing at **DECA** States. It was 100% virtual so they had to take their test online and also had to convey their message to two situations professionally through a recorded response. There were over 30 participants in almost every event.

Molly King – 4th place – HLM

Ellison Skinner – 5th Place – PHT

Grace Page – 6th Place – PMK

Ainsley Eaton – 4th Place – QSRM

Avani Kuders – 6th Place – RFSM

Freddie Runzer, Merek Cometa and Johnny Orth – 4th Place – FOR

Abby DeMaioribus – 4th Place – HTPS

Also, the following students received recognition for top test scores and top role play scores:

Top Test Score for PFL: Nick Meisinger

Top Role Play B for PHT: Ellison Skinner

Top Role Play A for QSRM: Ainsley Eaton

Top Role Play B for QSRM: Ainsley Eaton

Top Test for HTDM: Danya Khan

Post Prom Information

Hello Rustin Parents,

Post Prom is a long standing tradition designed to keep our seniors and their guests safe in the dangerous hours following the Senior Prom. It offers games, food, entertainment and decorations that transform Rustin High School into a themed party seniors look forward to every year.

Post Prom receives no funding from the school or district. It takes a dedicated army of parent volunteers and monetary donations to make this memorable event happen. It's difficult to ask for donations knowing that Covid-19 has created difficulties for many, but we do so hoping to offer the class of 2021 hope and normalcy in an otherwise unpredictable, difficult year. Please note that in the event Post Prom is cancelled due to the pandemic, all donations will go to the class of 2021. (Post Prom was able to give a substantial gift card to every senior in the class of 2020 in lieu of holding the event.)

If your student is not yet a senior, he/she will be one day. Please consider "paying it forward" so that Post Prom is able to run until the time your student dons his/her cap and gown! Please consider donating by using the link below. Any amount is greatly appreciated!

Suggested family donation:

Grades 9-11 : \$25/family

Seniors : \$35/family

To donate, please go to our website, scroll down, and click "Donate".

<https://rustinhspto.weebly.com/post-prom.html>

Sincerely,

Rustin Post Prom Committee

PTO News

The PTO would like to thank the families who have paid their dues for the 20/21 school year. It's never too late to make a contribution! If you have not done so, we are asking each family to contribute \$25.00. You may pay with a check made out to Rustin PTO (mail to the school), or PayPal (RustinPTO@gmail.com). If using PayPal, make sure you send as "sending to a friend" and not "paying for an item or service". PayPal charges a fee if they think your payment is for an item or a service

As part of the Rustin community, you are the reason why our PTO succeeds, and we need your help. We have partnered with **RXfundraising and Rite Aid** to establish a fundraising program that earns funds every time a registered participant fills a prescription or shops at their local Rite Aid using their wellness+ rewards number.* Join us by registering to be a part of this great program!

All you have to do is follow these three easy steps:

1. Complete the registration form at: <https://rxfundraising.com/s/?id=WCBRHS>
2. Register for a [Rite Aid wellness+ rewards](#) number (if you don't already have one).
3. [Transfer any existing prescriptions to Rite Aid](#) and start using their Rite Aid wellness+ rewards number to accrue funds for us on prescriptions and qualifying purchases.

Help us spread the news about this great fundraising program. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions.

If you would like to serve on the board or have any suggestions, please contact Sandi, Kate or Kelly.

Sandi: sandidalessandro@verizon.net

Kate: katecollins@verizon.net

Kelly: kelmbobb_2000@yahoo.com

Rustincto@gmail.com

March-April Event Calendar

April 17: Junior Prom

April 22: BSU Talent Show

April 23: Senior Knight Under The Stars

April 27/30: Career Day

April 29: NHS Induction