

News & Updates - June 2021

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Congratulations to our District Retirees



At their June 1, 2021 meeting, the Montville Township Board of Education honored those staff members who have retired since June 30, 2020.

Montville Township High School

Michael Foschini

Robert R. Lazar Middle School

Michele Belotti Suzanne Metz
MaryAnn Duffy Dorian Vicente
Kathy Ernst Cheryl Zanone

Cedar Hill School

Joyce Bickham Janice Koch
Colleen Dawson Patricia Swiatek
Anne Fisher

Valley View School

Denise Runne

William Mason School

Wanda Vogel

Woodmont School

Stacey Maciorski

District

Salvatore DePadua

Cedar Hill School and Woodmont School Named 2021 National Schools of Character

Congratulations to Cedar Hill Elementary School and Woodmont Elementary School. Both schools were named 2021 National Schools of Character by Character.org. For both schools, this represents a renewal of this distinction. Dr. Arthur Schwartz, President of Character.org, stated in the announcement of this year's honorees, "The educators at these schools model and reinforce the core values of respect and dignity. They are teaching their students to be honest and trustworthy, to contribute their time and talents to the common good, and when necessary, to show the courage to stand up for what is right." Cedar Hill and Woodmont are two of 17 schools in New Jersey and 41 in the world to earn this designation. All of the district's elementary schools, along with Robert R. Lazar Middle School,



**The Montville Township Public Schools
"Safe Return Plan" for the 2021-2022 School
Year, as required by the New Jersey Department
of Education, will be completed and posted to
the district website by June 16, 2021.**



**Schoolology As An Important
Communication Tool**

Parents are reminded that Schoolology (the District's Learning Management System) remains one of our primary vehicles for communicating important information to parents and students. Principals use the platform to send updates about school activities as well as to communicate critical information, such as the reporting of the identification of positive COVID-19 cases.

Schoolology has a useful app that will allow you to receive updates and access information about your child's courses, etc. Parents are encouraged to install the app. You can find the Schoolology app in the Apple App Store or on Google Play.

If you have any issues establishing your Schoolology account, kindly contact parentaccess@montville.net.

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Bits and Pieces...

Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the National level of competition at the New Jersey History Day State Competition on May 1st:
Individual Website: Ryan Sun - "Nazi Children's Books: Communicating Anti-Semitism to Germany's Youth"

Group Performance: Isabelle Duddie, Jacquelyn Dal Bon, Isabella Catto, and Sophia Kuznetsova - "someone is Watching: Edward Snowden and the NSA's Hidden Data Consumption."

Alternate winner for Group Website: Priyanjali Solanky and Aastha Desai - "Political Cartoons: The Key to Communication During the American Women's Suffrage Movement."

Kudos to MTHS on achieving Bronze Cyber Opportunity School status in the CyberStartAmerica, a free national program for high school students to master

cybersecurity as a gateway to the industry. As a result of this year's competition, Sophia Kuznetsova was named a semi-finalist and was awarded a place at the Cyber Foundations Academy this summer. Safi Patel and David Piwowarski were both named as finalists, were ranked as National Cyber Scholars, and were awarded a \$2,5000 scholarship to their chosen colleges.

Congratulations to Cedar Hill School on receiving a Certificate of Achievement from the New Jersey Department of Education for their participation in the School Climate Transportation Project, focused on creating and sustaining a more positive and inclusive school climate.

Congratulations to MTHS Forensics Team member Thomas Chen for coming in 5th in the nation in Congress at Catnats.
