

Superintendent's Student and Staff Accomplishments June 6, 2018

SEC Fundraiser: Swiftwater Elementary Center students held a fundraiser to raise \$200 to donate to the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department K-9 Unit in memory of Niko.

NPCTM Math Contest: Pocono Mountain School District sent 28 students to participate in the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Math Contest at Johnson College. At the contest, the students were paired up with students from other schools to form teams. Six Pocono Mountain students earned team medals at the contest.

Earning first place team medals were Michael Peterson, from Tobyhanna Elementary Center, and Daniel Martinez, from the West Junior High School. Earning second place team awards were Juliya Obydonov, from Clear Run Intermediate School, and Azariah Cooper, from the West Junior High School. Earning third place team awards were Collin Keller, of Clear Run Intermediate School, and Mychaela Dunham, of the West Junior High School.

Showcase Music Festival: The West Junior High band and chorus earned numerous awards at the Kalahari Showcase Music Festival in May.

- 7th Grade Band: Superior Rating
- 8th Grade Band: Superior Rating
- 8th Grade Chorus: Superior Rating
- Madagascar Cast: Superior Rating

- Best Section: 7th Grade Band- Low Brass
- Best Section: 8th Grade Band- Percussion
- Best Section: 8th Grade Chorus-Sopranos
- Best Section: Madagascar Dance Crew

- Best Soloist: Zuriel Jimenez
- Best Soloist: Aurora Ferraro
- Best Soloist: Jaime Smith
- Best Soloist: Connie Guinnelly

Also, the 8th Grade Chorus received the Highest Overall Vocal Score.

CH Sports Performance Center at PMSD: This afternoon we held the dedication ceremony for the new Coordinated Health Sports Performance Center at Pocono Mountain School District which is housed in the gymnasium at Pocono Elementary Center. The Sports Performance Center is the result of an ongoing partnership between Coordinated Health and Pocono Mountain, and was created at no additional cost to our taxpayers. It is a state-of-the-art indoor training facility with batting cages and the necessary equipment for baseball and softball players to train indoors. It also includes a weight training and conditioning area for student athletes. The Center is available for both our East and West students. I'd like to again thank Coordinated Health for

their commitment to our students and for their support in creating this wonderful Sports Performance Center.

Special Recognition:

World Odyssey of the Mind Competitors: Tonight we have our two Odyssey of the Mind Teams with us who qualified and competed at the World Odyssey of the Mind Finals at Iowa State University at the end of May.

The Pocono Mountain East High School Team for Problem 5: A Stellar Hangout Division 3, placed 21st out of 54 teams at the World Finals.

The Pocono Mountain East Junior High School team for Problem 5: A Stellar Hangout Division 2 placed 7th out of 75 teams. This is the highest placement of any of our teams at the World Finals.

Pocono 96.7 Radio Broadcast from PM West HS: This morning the Pocono 96.7 Gary in the Morning Show broadcast live from the West High School library as part of the radio station's HYPED sponsorship of the District. The 3-hour broadcast highlighted students and faculty at West, and some of the great opportunities available to our students to help them succeed academically and through co-curricular and athletic opportunities. Here tonight to discuss more about our students producing the HYPED digital magazines at the East and West High Schools is Jeanine Hofbauer. With Jeanine are some of our HYPED students.