



**Every Child a Star.
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Spotlight

Season 2, Episode 2 of the SPS STARCast aired on Friday, Oct. 21. In this episode, our Community Engagement Officer sat down with our Coordinator of School Counselors, Dr. Angela King, Ms. Cindy Devers, Social & Emotional Support Coordinator and Ms. DaLea Sneed, School Counselor of Auxiliary Programs to discuss bullying prevention and awareness during National Bullying Prevention Month.

Episode 2 is available for download on Apple, Google, Spotify & YouTube.

****The podcast was downloaded over 400 times since it's air date.***



Spotlight

Mr. Bernard Bradley has been employed with Suffolk Public School for 13 years at KFHS, and for ten of those years he served as the school's Band Director. The Band typically performs well year after year. However, this year, The KFHS Mighty Marching Bulldogs earned 26 top honors through four major competitions (One at I.C. Norcom High School, Hopewell High School, Highland Springs High School and Lakeland High School), bringing a total of 30 awards home to their school. 26 awards were first place or “grand champion” awards where the band was the highest scoring band at the event.



Athletics & Activities



In the United Kingdom, Landon Jones, 12th grade student at NRHS, became the 2x World Kickboxing Association World Champion for Team USA. Landon won the kickboxing brackets in 2 different weight divisions fighting against the best fighters from countries all over the world.

Athletics & Activities



Congratulations to the KFHS Mighty Marching Bulldogs on another amazing performance at the Lakeland HS Eye of the Storm Marching Band Competition where the band won the following awards.

2nd Place Overall Dance

1st Place Overall Majorettes

1st Place Overall Flags

1st Place Overall Drum Major

1st Place Overall Percussion

1st Place Class AAA band

1st Place Overall Marching, Maneuvering, and General Effect

**Grand Champion Award for the Highest Overall Score at the event for the 4th Straight Marching Band Competition. (This is the only the 2nd time in program history where the band has won 4 Grand Championship Awards in a single season).*

KFHS will host the 2022 Kennel Classic this Saturday November 5th beginning at 2:30 PM.

Athletics & Activities



Congratulations to the KFHS band for winning the following awards at the Highland Springs Mid Eastern Band Competition. The band won the following awards:

- 2nd AAA Flag
- 2nd AAA Dance
- 1st AAA Majorettes
- 1st AAA Drum Major
- 1st AAA Percussion
- 1st AAA Overall Band

*Grand Champion Award for Highest scoring overall band at the event!!

Athletics & Activities



Congratulations to the Lakeland High School Marching Quiet Storm Band, who competed in the Highland Springs Marching Band Day Competition! The band received the following awards:

- 1st Place Drum Major
- 1st Place Majorettes
- 1st Place Percussion
- 2nd Place Flags
- 2nd Place Dancers
- 2nd Place Marching & Maneuvering
- 3rd Place Band

Athletics & Activities



Congratulations to the Nansemond River Competition Cheer Squad – Region 5B Regional Champs! The squad went on to place 4th in the State Competition!

Athletics & Activities

Nansemond River High

- Varsity Field Hockey team – Region 5B Champs. (*The team will participate in the State Quarterfinals on Tuesday, Nov. 8*)
- Cross Country team – *Region 5B Champs (The team will compete for the State Championship on Nov. 12)*
- Varsity Football team – Suffolk City Champs (*The team will play in the regional semi-finals on Nov. 18*)
- Golf team - Finished 2nd in regionals and the team qualified for the State tournament

Lakeland High School

- Lakeland H.S. theatre participated in the VHSL Region 3 One Act Festival. Special congratulations to actress Nyima Wiggins who won Honorable Mention as Best Actor/Actress of Festival.
- Varsity Field Hockey team - finished 3rd in regionals. (*The team will compete in the State Quarter-Finals on Nov. 8*)
- Varsity Boys' and girls volleyball teams qualified for regions
- Cross Country team - qualified for regionals and 1 runner qualified for the state championship

King's Fork High

- Varsity Football team will play in the regional quarter-finals on Nov. 10
- Varsity Boys' Volleyball will play in the regional finals on Nov. 8, State quarter-finals on Nov. 12
- Varsity Girls Volleyball qualified for regionals
- Girls Field Hockey - Qualified for regionals
- Cross-Country team - 1 runner qualified for the State Championship

Awards & Recognitions

October Teacher Spotlight

- Sara Keene, MBEJES
- Michael Camenisch, CPPA
- Juanita Smith, NPES
- Rachel Spagnuolo, HES
- Gwyndolynne Yates, CFCMS
- Joseph Rotzler, FGMS
- Dollicia Knight-Boone, FBES
- Maureen Mahoney, JFKMS
- Hailey Delgado, CFCMS



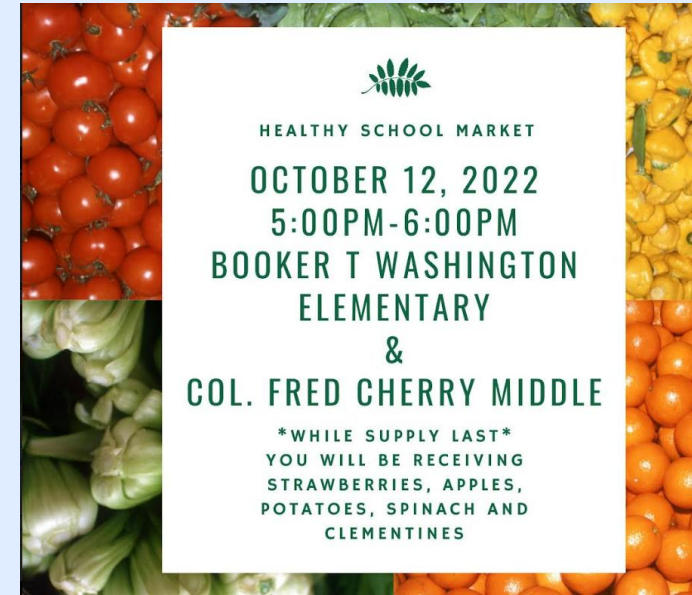
TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

October 2022

<p>Sara Keene MBES</p> <p>Ms. Keene, First Grade Teacher, has started the year off determined to provide hands-on learning opportunities for her students. She is eager to expand science curriculum by investigating new opportunities for her students to engage. We appreciate her willingness to ensure her students have experiences to connect the content!</p> 	<p>Michael Camenisch CPPA</p> <p>Mr. Camenisch, Specialist for the Center for Performing and Production Arts, has successfully launched the first cohort of classes this year. He manages daily activities of the program and helps with student projects. He assisted in the "All District Reads" program recordings and is working with Lakeland High School on additional community fine arts programs. His contribution to SPS has been invaluable.</p> 	<p>Juanita Smith NPES</p> <p>Ms. Smith, Health and PE Teacher, is always looking for ways to grow her program. She attended the Adapted Physical Education Content Teaching Academy as well as the Physical Activity Institute this summer at James Madison University. She used the information learned to facilitate pre-service professional learning sessions for SPS. Ms. Smith is a true leader in the health and PE department.</p> 
<p>Rachel Spagnuolo HES</p> <p>Ms. Spagnuolo, Fourth Grade Teacher, has embraced learning about best practices for teaching fact fluency and building conceptual understandings in math for her students. She is a positive, collaborative member of her team and brings joy and engagement to her math lessons. We are excited to see all the student growth occurring in her class.</p> 	<p>Gwyndolynne Yates CFCMS</p> <p>Ms. Yates is a Family & Consumer Science Teacher who has done a tremendous job creating excitement and encouraging her students towards innovative recipe planning. She collaborates frequently with her colleagues and promotes the Hospitality and Culinary programs at the high school level. We are excited to hear, see, and taste the final products created in her class.</p> 	<p>Joseph Rotzler FGMS</p> <p>Mr. Rotzler, Civics Teacher, creates a learning environment that provides students with every opportunity to be successful critical thinkers of government and economic concepts. He plans and facilitates engaging activities that allow students to take ownership of their learning. His collaboration with the social studies department, dedication, hard work and intentionality is greatly appreciated!</p> 
<p>Dollicia Knight-Boone FBES</p> <p>Ms. Boone, an Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, is one of the most dedicated and caring teachers you will ever meet. You will find Ms. Boone busy working before and after school to prepare activities, lesson plans, and IEPs. Her goal is to always put the kids first. Everything she does is focused around her students - from collaboration, participation in professional development, and implementation of new instructional techniques, Ms. Boone is the epitome of a "growth mindset."</p> 	<p>Maureen Mahoney JFKMS</p> <p>Ms. Mahoney, Literacy Teacher, is committed to teacher learning and student success. She has completed the LETRS course and applies new understanding to support students and teachers alike. This year, Ms. Mahoney has stepped up as president of the Suffolk Reading Chapter and is using the platform to partner with the English Department for LIT Academy, a new initiative designed to engage teacher strengths across the district for ongoing professional development.</p> 	<p>Hailey Delgado CFCMS</p> <p>Ms. Delgado, a new Gifted Resource Teacher, has been instrumental in supporting instruction with project-based learning and collaborating with teachers to provide enrichment services. She has proactively prepared lessons that incorporate standards for making cross-curricular connections. Ms. Delgado is developing a great rapport with her team, students, and parents and is an asset to the SPS Family!</p> 

SPS In The Community

The Food and Nutrition Services Department held the first Healthy School Market for the 2022-2023 school year. **The next event will be held on Thursday, November 17 at BTWES & CFCMS from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**



SPS In The Community

Our SPS Administrators, along with the Lakeland High, Nansemond River High and King's Fork High golf teams, participated in the Annual Milton Liverman Golf Tournament hosted by the Suffolk Education Foundation. The mission of SEF is to support Suffolk Public Schools by connecting the community's talents and resources to expand educational opportunities for students and staff!



SPS In The Community

The Special Education Department held its very first “Big Feet Meet” on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022 at King’s Fork High School. The Big Feet Meet was developed for Middle School Special Education Program classes in partnership with Special Olympics VA. Since establishing the “Young Athletes” (ECSE) and “Little Feet Meet” (Elementary school), the Big Feet Meet is the next step in Suffolk Public Schools' journey toward inclusive clubs and sports within our division.



SPS In The Community

On Thursday, Oct. 18, Suffolk Public Schools Administrative Offices, City Hall officials, the Suffolk Sheriffs Dept., and Suffolk Courts came out this afternoon to support Breast Cancer Awareness Day in SPS with a breast cancer awareness walk around downtown Suffolk. Participants gathered to honor those we've lost, support those fighting the good fight, and celebrate all survivors!



SPS In The Community

The Special Education Department held the Disability Awareness Fall Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at King's Fork High School. The goal of the event was to connect with local disability resource agencies, learn about services and resources available to families with special needs, and engage in fun disability awareness activities! This event was free and open to the public.



SPS In The News

Suffolk News-Herald

- King's Fork High Band Members Soar with Numerous Accolades
- Suffolk Public Schools Launch Innovative Family Reading Program
- Boyd to Play in Blue-Grey Bowl in Florida Next Year
- Fall Themed Disability Resource Fair

13 News Now

- Suffolk Public Schools to Distribute Clear Backpacks



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