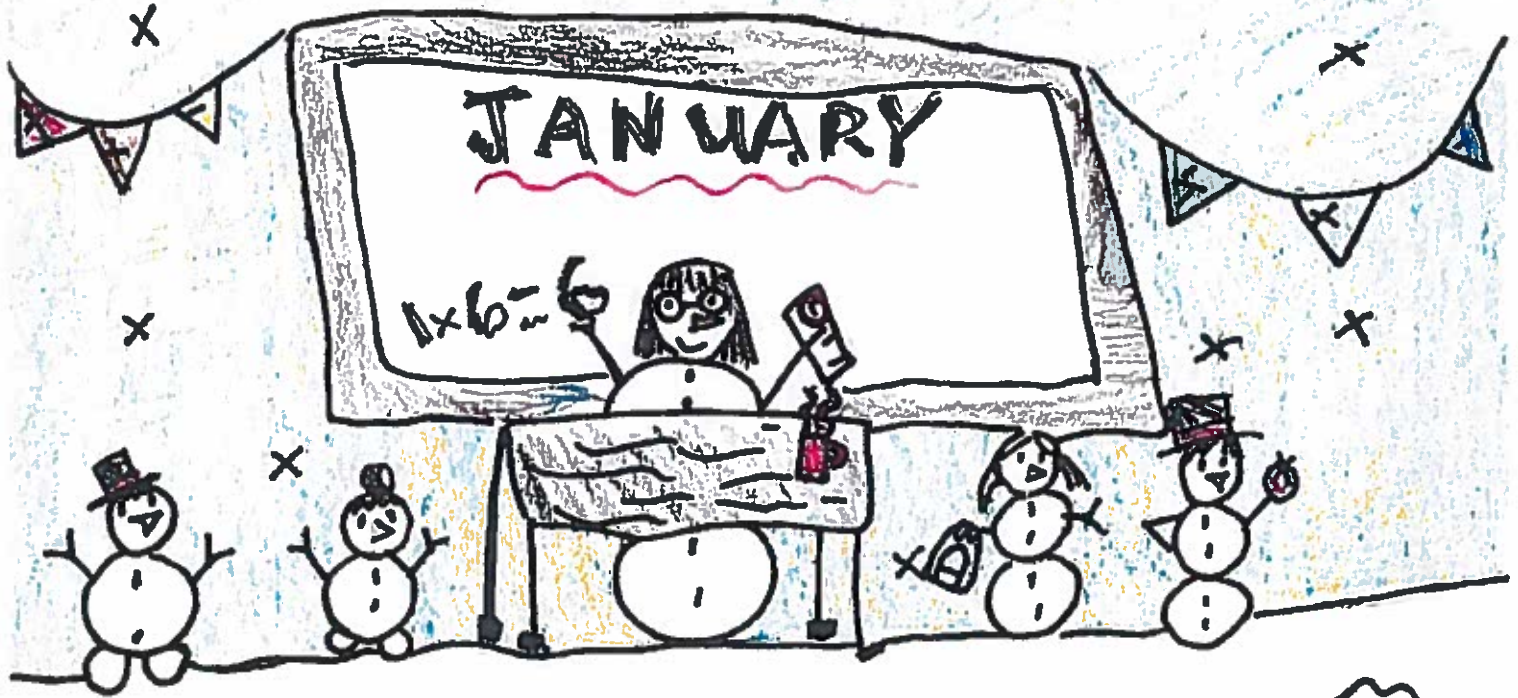


January 2018

Superintendent's Report



ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE AS OF JANUARY 10, 2018

SCHOOL	ENROLLMENT	ATTENDANCE
Cedar Creek Elementary School	514	93%
Forked River Elementary School	410	94%
Lanoka Harbor Elementary School	458	96%
Mill Pond Elementary School	764	94%
Lacey Township Middle School	687	95%
Lacey Township High School	1199	90%
Special Education (Out-of-District)	32	
*OCVTS – M.A.T.E.S	25	
*OCVTS – Performing Arts	10	
*OCVTS – Law & Public Safety	1	
TOTAL	4100	

* Tuition paid by the LTBOE

COMMENDATIONS:

**JANUARY 2018
“SENIORS OF THE MONTH”**

**CODY CONROY
DAPHNE STANFIELD**

**MATTHEW BLUM
“DECEMBER UNSUNG HERO”**

CHRISTOPHER GERISI



CEDAR CREEK SCHOOL



The following students have been selected as Cedar Creek's Students of the Month!

DECEMBER 2017

ART	Adam Carling
MUSIC	Mareena Ferriauolo
PE	Julia Moskov

The following students have been selected as “Bus Stars” for December 2017.

<u>BUS #</u>	<u>STUDENT NAME</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>
2	Robert MacDonald	Mr. Carter
3	Selale Baysal	Mrs. Casaletto
4	Timothy O’Sullivan	Mrs. Papa
5	Lily Shiflett	Ms. Forrest
6	Justin Gebhardt	Mrs. Newman
8	Riley Simonson	Mrs. Schoenemann
12	Mason LaMore	Mrs. Bove
14	Emma Brannick	Mrs. Bove
14	Victoria Brannick	Mrs. Bove
17	Mia Labbate	Mrs. Tsarnas
22	Jace Jarrow	Mrs. Tsarnas
23	Morgan Reseter	Mrs. Panckeri
27	Lena Poulos	Mrs. McCue
Van 1	Joseph Johnsen	Mrs. Papa
Van 2	Matteo Barbato	Mrs. Beyers
Van 3	Nayanna Williams	Mrs. Mantegna

SCHOOL NEWS

Happy New Year from Cedar Creek School! Our staff enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Breakfast before the break. It was great to visit with so many of our retirees and district administration!

The Cedar Creek School Chorus, Ukulele Club and Cedar Creek Ringers performed beautifully for our school and community. Our holiday concert was one to remember! The students were fortunate and very excited to perform their evening concert on the big stage this year, in the Lacey High School auditorium. Our grade 4 chorus also performed for the Forked River Rotary Club's holiday luncheon and also for the folks residing at the Spring Oaks assisted living in Lanoka Harbor. Thank you to Mr. Brennan for helping spread some holiday cheer not only to our students, staff and parents, but also to our community at large!

The Giving Tree has long been a tradition here in the Cedar Creek School. The faculty and staff anonymously donate gifts to families in need from the Cedar Creek School. Over 70 presents and gift cards were collected and donated as part of our Lend a Hand and Giving Tree program.

Cedar Creek partnered with the Lacey Food Bank once again this year. We, as a school community, collected socks for the Holiday Food and Clothing Bank distribution. Over 800 pairs of socks were collected and donated to families in need, way to go CCS!

Once again, former Cedar Creek student Savannah Mozal collaborated with Cedar Creek to collect gifts for residents of Spring Oaks Assisted Living. This was a community service project initiated by Savannah to make the holidays. G & T students from our three elementary schools competed with their inventions. It was a great showing of ingenious ideas!

The Cedar Creek annual Blood Drive is underway. Information and appointment forms have been sent out. The Blood Drive is set for January 31, 2018, please call the main office if you would like to donate.

Our American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart community service project assembly was held before the holiday break! The students were educated about the event to come and how it will help the Heart Association. Special thanks to Mrs. Ziegler for leading the charge! Jump Rope for Heart week is January 8 -12, 2018. Please contact the main office if you would like to make a donation.

RECYCLE RALLY is still going strong! Congratulations to Kindergarten for winning the most pounds in November! December was a close race and a grade level winner was not yet determined. Cedar Creek Schools is in the **top 10 in the country** in the race to win **\$20,000** for our school! Any plastic that is a 1 or a 2, we will take! Keep up the great work Cedar Creek, keep the recyclables coming!!



FORKED RIVER SCHOOL



We are proud to announce the Forked River School's "Students of Distinction" for the month of:



DECEMBER SPECIAL AREA STUDENTS

Art: Abby McPherson
Ricardo Aguilar-Reyes
Music: Samantha O'Connor
Cooper Miick
PE: Cole Sturman
Ava Schmidt
Library: Marissa Larney
Gregory Suter

SAFETY PATROL

Damien Romeo
Joseph Schinder
Cole Sturman
Nathan Salgado
Tabytha Wedderman
Isabella Wioland
Edwin Torres-Ibarra
Isabella Vergallito
Andy Tlacocala
Giovanni Stamatogiannis
Gabriella Stamatogiannis
Austin Seaman

ANNOUNCERS

AM: Ava Schmidt
Ryan Barry
PM: John Tomredle
Christina Watrous



December Superstar Citizens



Teacher	Student	Teacher	Student
Ms. Crisafulli	Aiden Fleming	Mrs. Bivona	Olivia O'Connor
Mrs. Iorio	Ariana Hynes	Mrs. Lavorgna	Kevin O'Connor
Mrs. Mulligan	Anthony DeCrescenzo	Mrs. Weaver	Raymond Cheng
Mrs. Schubiger	Micah Glasser	Mrs. Halliday	Sasha Aguirre
Mrs. Crepezzi	Jacob Picone	Mrs. Flynn	Kayley Bogurski
Mrs. Matteo	Niko Margeotes	Mrs. Camaligan	Isaiah Otero
Ms. Mahar	Vladimir Esteves-Aguilar	Mrs. Coller	Olivia Tholen
Mrs. Opacity	Brayden Fonseca	Mrs. Robibaro	Brianna Biagi
Mrs. Clark	Aileen Cruz	Mrs. Holmgren	Cole Sturman
Mrs. Latwis	Emma Harding		

SCHOOL NEWS

In honor of Computer Science Education Week, December 4th through 10th, our technology teacher, Mrs. Moore, had her students participate in the “Hour of Code 2017”. In an effort to garner interest and raise awareness in careers related to the computer sciences, our students engaged in coding exercises that mimicked computer programming and design.

Again this year, Ms. Kiser’s grant writing efforts were rewarded when she received notice from Target Field Trips that our third grade students will travel to the Novins Planetarium on the campus of Ocean County College to study our universe utilizing the \$700 Target Field Trip Grant that she was awarded!

The Forked River School Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Faille, performed their annual “Holiday Concert” on Thursday, December 7, 2017. Our chorus provided two great performances during the day and a culminating performance for families and friends in the evening at Lacey Township High School. We are very proud of our third and fourth grade chorus students for a job well done! We would like to thank Mr. Muermann and his WLTS crew for live streaming our concert on You Tube and the LTHS custodial staff for all their help in setting up for the concert!

We would like to thank the Forked River School PTA for hosting their annual Student Holiday Shop. Our students enjoyed buying small gifts to give their loved ones for the holidays. We would also like to thank our PTA for their efforts in creating our newly-designed Forked River School Spirit Wear!

On Friday, December 15th, the Forked River School’s kindergarten staff, in coordination with parent volunteers, held a holiday tree decorating event. Students exercised their mathematical, engineering, and fine-motor skills to build and decorate their very own three-dimensional holiday trees.

We would like to congratulate our students who were chosen to serve as the Forked River School Peer Mediators for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Boedigheimer, our Peer Mediation advisor, conducted his annual Peer Mediation training with our mediators who will then work to help fellow students resolve conflict in a healthy, independent, and productive manner.

Congratulations to Lily Allen, Skylar Rivera, and Rhiannon Fraser who participated in the annual LTSD's Invention Convention!

All students at the Forked River School participated in our annual "Holiday Sing Along" on Friday, December 22, 2017. We would like to extend thanks to the Forked River School's special area teachers: Mrs. Faille, Mrs. Paris, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. McAndrew, Mrs. Pitts, Mr. Boedigheimer, and Mrs. Swensen for planning and hosting this event. Students gathered in the all-purpose room by grade level during their scheduled special time to sing and dance to their favorite holiday songs. A spirited time was had by all!

Community Service

Overall the spirit of giving was alive at the Forked River School during the December holiday season. We would like to thank our very generous students, staff members, and parents for all of their support with the numerous charitable programs at FRS which served to help families within the community during the holidays. As always, the charitable support was amazing!

In closing, the Forked River School family wishes everyone in our great community of Lacey Township a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2018!



Invention Convention 2017!



A Special Guest at FRS!



Holiday Chorus Concert 2017



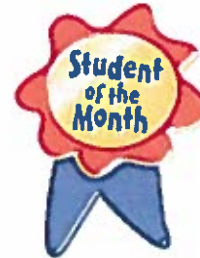
LANOKA HARBOR SCHOOL



The following students have been selected as Lanoka Harbor's Students of the Month for:

DECEMBER 2017

ART:	Braiden Godwin
MUSIC:	Lindsay Broome
PE:	Noah Riley



SCHOOL NEWS

COMMUNITY SERVICE



Holiday Cheer

The Lanoka Harbor School Family helped to make this Holiday Season bright for the Lacey Food Bank Kids. This year students were asked to bring in pajamas and socks for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of students and staff, we filled a van with items sure to bring a smile to those in need.

CLUB NEWS

Intergenerational Club

The Intergenerational Club visited Pheasant Run to do holiday crafts. Participants along with the senior community worked together to create special holiday decorations painted snowmen on wood shims and then they used wire so that they could be hung. Participants also made countdown paper chains and did holiday puzzles and mazes. Members shared their holiday experiences with each other and they discussed what they were hoping for at Christmas. A good time was had by all.



CLASSROOM NEWS

Kindergarten

Mrs. Weber's, Mrs. Keelen and Mrs. McCulla's classes celebrated "Reindeer Day!" on December 15th. The children worked on many creative reindeer projects. They made reindeer antlers to wear at their holiday celebration. The children also made reindeer food out of oatmeal and some magical sparkling glitter. An extra big thank you to all of our wonderful parents for helping us make this day so very special!

Third Grade

On December 13th the Lanoka Harbor School Third Grade Chorus put on a wonderful production of "Old Man Winter's Icicle Follies!" Students participated as singers, dancers, narrators, and instrumentalists. They entertained staff, students, family and friends. The outstanding performance put everyone in a holiday mood! GREAT JOB Mrs. Ferruzza and the Third Grade Chorus!



Technology/Hour of Code

In the TECHNOLOGY LAB, during the week of December 4th -8th (Computer Science Education Week), Lanoka Harbor School students participated in the "Hour of Code".

The "Hour of Code" is a one hour introduction to Computer science, designed to demystify "code", to show that anybody can learn the basics, and to broaden participation in the field of computer science.



Gifted & Talented

Lanoka Harbor School had thirteen 4th grade students participate in a school invention competition. After presenting their inventions to a panel of judges, the three top inventions were chosen to represent our school at the district competition on December 20th. The following students were chosen:

1st - 3 Sided Ziploc Bag - Lola Giordano

2nd - The Fearless Kit - Ava Flanagan

3rd - Pretty Pool - Caroline Zonkowski

Results of the district invention convention that was held on December 20th are as follows:

1st Place - Lola Giordano

2nd Place - Caroline Zonkowski

Honorable Mention - Ava Flanagan

Congratulations to all of our inventors that participated in the competition! We are so proud of you and all of your hard work and perseverance throughout this project!



MILL POND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



DECEMBER 2017

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

PHYSICAL ED:	Jack Harken	5F	&	Julianna Lehto	6N
ART:	Avery Johnson	5KH	&	Drew Waters	6K
MUSIC:	Madison English	6LA	&	Broden Connelly	6DS
HEALTH:	James Farmer	5K	&	Morgan McSherry	6DS
BAND:	Amanda Klass	6AS	&	Konstantine Calabrese	6DS

CAUGHT BEING GOOD

Dylan Sandquist	RS	Melissa Esteves	RA
John Considine	5R	Kira Kownacki	5F
Isabella Carter	6MD	Seanna Fallon	6S

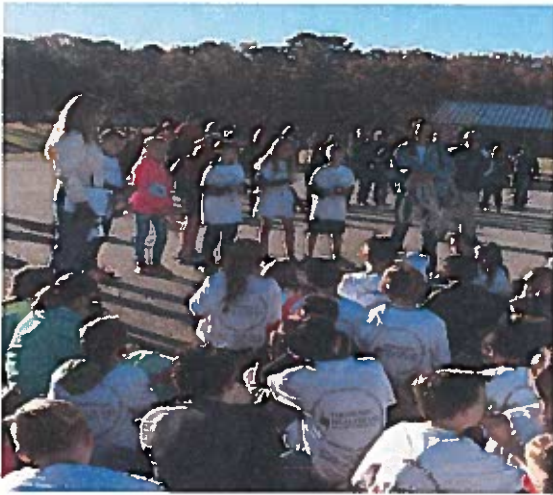
DECEMBER ANNOUNCERS

Maeve Meehan	6MR	Bennett Talbot	6AS
Alyssa Jeremiah	6AS	Grace LeFurge	6AS
Landon Sheedy	6AS	Avery Hayes	6AS
Broden Connolly	6DS	Kailey Zarrello	6LA
Isabel Heim	6DS	Ashley Potelunas	6LA
Lindsey D'Adamo	6DS	Gavin Roden	6JS
Travis Butow	6JS	Emil Castro	6JS
Haley Austin	6JS		

MILL POND NEWS

Mill Pond's Marathon Club's Turkey Trot:

Great job 5th Grade Marathon Club on completing the Turkey Trot Fun Run. 114 runners bonded together in the great outdoors. Thank you Ms. Burger and Ms. Ridsen for volunteering to manage the club. It means a lot to these children. We are all proud of our student participants.



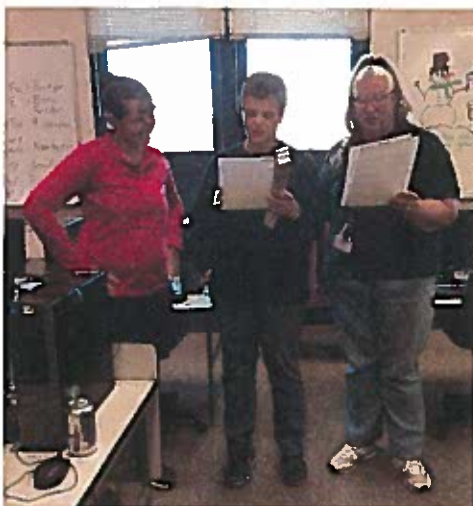
Happy Thanksgiving from Mill Pond:

Students enjoyed a delicious feast with their classmates and their teachers. We are very thankful for our Mill Pond students.



Passing of the Belt:

Mrs. Spexarth and Mrs. Anderson Pass the Belt to Ms. Hanaway. Congratulations Ms. Hanaway for being recognized by your peers.



Winter Concert:

Great Job 5th and 6th grade Band and Chorus. You all sounded amazing during your big concert. You really brightened up everyone's moods.



National Guard Visit:

Thank you to our National Guard members for sharing some time at Mill Pond. Thank you for your service to our country. Students had a chance to tryout some of their gear.



Students are learning about the longest and shortest days of the year through Article of the Day! Keep reading!!



Classroom Learning Activities:

Talented students working together performing a mini play based on Rip Van Winkle from our Scholastic Scope magazine in ELA this week!



The Blizzard of January, 2018:

Thank you Mill Pond custodial crew for clearing the many inches of snow that fell on our campus. We truly appreciate your efforts to keep our students and staff safe. The snow was steep and deep, and you rose to the occasion to dig us out. A huge thank you to you all!



Holiday Cards for Soldiers:

Students made many cards to send to recovering soldiers at Walter Reed Medical Center in MD! Mill Pond students once again reach out to American Heroes to help brighten their spirits.



Holiday Cookie parties are a great time to bond with family members. Thank you preschool parents for attending.



Here is a special moment! Fifth grade students volunteering to read to our preschool children. Great job being role models for our little ones.

Preschool Happenings:

Our Preschoolers sure do love reading books. Thank you preschool teachers for teaching the love of reading at such a young and important age.





LACEY MIDDLE SCHOOL



“Students of the Month”

Mr. Jason King, Principal, commends the following middle school students who were selected for P.R.I.D.E. students of the month:

DECEMBER 2017

**Summer Apgar
Jared Danko
Katlyin Rae
Isaac Savadsky**

P.R.I.D.E (Personal Recognition for Individual Dedicated Effort) is a program designed to recognize student achievement for both personal and academic achievements. Students are nominated each month by a teacher and/or activity advisor. Nominations are reviewed by the P.R.I.D.E selection committee.

Selected students are recognized for their achievement in a special PA announcement. Framed pictures of them are hung on the Middle School’s “Wall of Pride”.

SCHOOL NEWS

LTMS Music Teacher/Band Director, Jeremy Leighty has been recognized in a special announcement by WJRZ-FM (100.1) as a Teacher Who Rocks. Congratulations to Mr. Leighty as a recipient of this award.

The Middle School Band/Chorus Concert will be held on Thursday, 01/18/2018, 7:00 PM at Lacey Township High School.

DECEMBER 2017

7th Grade Student - Summer Apgar

This seventh grade girl is a very cheerful student who always has a kind word for her peers. This student always turns in assignments on time and is very eager to assist her teachers. This seventh grade girl enjoys helping people and animals. She babysits her two little cousins whenever she is asked. She also enjoys spending time with her family and listening to her grandparents tell stories about Germany. This student is involved with the Buddy Program, Chorus and Band. She also enjoys playing softball. Being kind, conscientious, family orientated, giving, talented and athletic are qualities to admire. It is for these reasons the PRIDE Committee has chosen **Summer Apgar** as Student of the Month for December. Congratulations, Summer!

7th Grade Student - Jared Danko

This seventh grade boy takes education very seriously. He is an active participant in class and works to the best of his ability. He is always polite to teachers and his peers. His positive demeanor keeps the morale in the classroom very upbeat. Some of the activities this seventh grade boy is involved in is soccer, wrestling, track and computers. Out of school, this student takes karate and is involved with the Boy Scouts. Smart, polite, positive, athletic and involved in the community are all qualities to be admired. It is for these reasons the PRIDE Committee has chosen **Jared Danko** as Student of the Month for December. Congratulations, Jared!



8th Grade Student - Katlyin Rae

This eighth grade girl is very kind, hardworking and helpful. She participates in sports in and out of school. She shows great maturity in class and patience with her classmates. She is always very respectful and helpful to both teachers and her peers. This student works hard in school and in everything she participates in. She goes above and beyond what is expected from her. This eighth grade girl plays field hockey, basketball and softball. Hardworking, kind, helpful, athletic, mature, patient, and respectful are all qualities to admire. It is for these reasons the PRIDE Committee has chosen **Katlyin Rae** as Student of the Month for December. Congratulations, Katlyin!

8th Grade Student - Isaac Savadsky

This eighth grade boy came to eighth grade ready to work, but more importantly ready to succeed. His smile radiates throughout the classroom. This student's positivity and caring nature makes him a Lacey student that should be admired. He works hard at his school work and puts forth his best effort. He is always willing to lend a helping hand to teachers or classmates. This student also helps around the house with chores. He is involved in Anime Club also. Being positive, hard working, caring, kind, giving, and taking pride in helping are all qualities to admire. It is for these reasons the PRIDE Committee has chosen **Isaac Savadsky** as Student of the Month for December. Congratulations, Isaac.





LACEY TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL



Great things happening at the High School!!



JANUARY 2018

Junior **Carl Swensen** was chosen for Shore Sports Network/Orthopaedic Institute of Central Jersey's Player of the Week.

Manchester Singles Bowling Classic. Senior **Julia Muro** - 3rd, senior **Liz Schreier** - 8th, junior **Samantha Trembley** - 26th, and senior **Autumn Laird** - 43rd out of 72 bowlers!! Awesome job!

Interact received a Presidential Citation for the 2016-2017 school year. Congrats officers and Interact members.

LTHS Wrestling 3rd Place Team Finish at the Collingswood Tournament! Champions: 152 - **Luke Gauthier** 195 - **Vinnie Ceglie** Runner-Ups: 132 - **Luke Moynihan** Third Place: 160 - **Jackson Brandt** 182 - **Quint Kearns**

Come out and support Lacey Wrestling, Lacey vs Pt. Boro for the B-South Division Championship Friday 1/12 at 6:30 PM.

January's Feature Teacher is Megan Capone.

SENIOR OF THE MONTH – JANUARY 2018



CODY CONROY



Lacey Township High School’s “Senior of the Month” for January is Cody Conroy!

The administration and faculty of Lacey Township High School have enthusiastically awarded the January 2018 Senior of the Month to Cody Conroy.

Since his freshman year, Cody has pursued the most rigorous course of study that Lacey Township High School offers. As a STEM Academy and National Honor Society student, Cody has been enrolled in fifteen Honors classes and six Advanced Placement classes throughout his high school career. Cody’s academic excellence has earned him an impressive cumulative GPA of 4.385 and he currently ranks in the top six percent of his graduating class.

A strong work ethic, diligence, and personal drive are only a few of the outstanding characteristics that would describe Cody. In addition to succeeding in the classroom, Cody is an honorable leader and a strong asset to Lacey Township High School’s community. His extracurricular activities include serving as a Cadet Commander of Ocean Composite Squadron, Captain of the Varsity Swim Team and member of the Junior Varsity Tennis Team. Cody is also a member of the Fishing Club, Film Club, Debate Team and Physics Club. In his free time, Cody makes it a priority to volunteer at two local churches within the Lacey Community.

It is evident that Cody demonstrates responsibility and a high degree of reliability in the commitments that he has made in his life. Regardless of the activity in which Cody is involved, he is always a gentleman, always polite, and always striving to be the best version of himself. There is no doubt that Cody will make meaningful contributions in his pursuit of academic achievement and the career goals that he wishes to attain. At present, Cody has applied to both the United States Air Force Academy and the United States Naval Academy. The administration and faculty are very proud of Cody Conroy’s many achievements and wish him well as he embarks on his journey to pursue a career as an Officer in the United States Military.

SENIOR OF THE MONTH – JANUARY 2018



DAPHNE STANFIELD



Lacey Township High School’s “Senior of the Month” for January is Daphne Stanfield!

Daphne is the quintessential Lacey student: hard-working, dedicated, caring and simply sweet. She is an exemplary student-athlete who has a tremendous amount of heart and desire. Ms. Stanfield has always been an ideal student who strives to be the best version of herself by successfully executing honors and collegiate level classes. Daphne’s transcript is a true reflection of her dedication and work ethic as she maintains a cumulative GPA of 4.333 while being ranked 22nd in her class.

Just as impressive as her academic experience is her extracurricular involvement. Daphne participates in Lacey field hockey, ice hockey, and lacrosse. Outside of school she participates in fast-pitch softball, USA Futures field hockey and recreational ice hockey. As a standout athlete, Daphne received the Academic Award for both field hockey and ice hockey in the 2016-2017 school year. She is a role model student-athlete that younger players look up to.

Along with athletics, Daphne also participates in AADA as an advisory board member, Future Teachers of America President, Interact member, Heroes and Cool Kids and National Honor Society. Daphne still finds time to work a part-time job as Lacey Roller Hockey score keeper and volunteers at various organizations such as Red Night Out, blood drives, tutoring and helping multi-disabled students at Lanoka Harbor Elementary. She also petitioned to take, for a second consecutive year, our internship class to work with our students with cognitive difficulties at LTHS.

More remarkable than any of these accomplishments and activities is the kind heartedness, immeasurable joy and enthusiasm that Daphne introduces to any room she enters--or the positivity that she embraces in all arenas of her life. She has been so impactful at LTHS, and will continue to be in her future endeavors TCNJ in the Fall. Daphne will never stop making a difference--and that is one of many reasons why she is so deserving of being our Senior of the Month.

MATTHEW BLUM UNSUNG HERO AWARD

JANUARY 2018



CHRISTOPHER GIRESI

January's Matthew Blum Unsung Hero Award is awarded to the the commendable Christopher Giresi. Christopher balances his academics with being involved in SGA, and managing the track team. He has a very positive attitude and puts 110% in everything he does. Christopher puts everyone's needs before his own, and he has a very kind heart. He makes you feel a positive attitude with just a smile. Christopher's ambition to strive for a better school environment warms others hearts. Christopher was also a part of the 2017 homecoming court. With Student Government Association, Christopher is a very big help in planning and decorations. He always steps up to the task when nobody else wants to, and his pride for his school is unimaginable. His charisma inspires others to push forward to exceed their expectations. It is for these reasons that he is the recipient for the Matthew Blum Unsung Hero Award.