



From the desk of the Principal:

This school year was unlike any other year we've experienced. The COVID-19 pandemic effected every school district. When the state ordered the schools to close on March 16th, our teachers gathered the students' books and wrote lesson plans for them for the following two weeks. After ensuring that every student had access to the internet, we spent those two weeks learning new technology skills for on-line learning.



Zoom. Zoom. Zoom. We utilized the platform zoom for on-line classes. Our early elementary teachers spent 45 minutes to an hour every day with each student individually teaching phonics, reading, and mathematics. The other elementary teachers had whole class zoom meetings, individual meetings, and created YouTube videos to teach ELA and math concepts.

Middle school and high school students attended zoom classes following their regular class schedule for academic subjects, along with YouTube videos and google apps such as google classroom, docs, slides, etc.

Teachers communicated weekly through zoom faculty meetings, and parents joined their children for chapel service on Friday mornings. Even though it was difficult at times, and technology didn't always work the way we wanted it to, God's grace was sufficient to carry us through.

"Therefore, know that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations," (Deuteronomy 7:9).

HONORS STUDENTS

West Sayville Christian School Is proud to announce that six WSCS students made the High Honor Roll and nine students made the Honor Roll at the end of the fourth quarter of the 2019/2020 school year.

Congratulations to the following well-motivated students. Those on the High Honor Roll include Aidan Bailey, Isaiah Benavides, Kingston Cody, Martha Soto Galeas, Gabriel Vignato, and Gwendolyn Vignato.. The Honor Roll Students are Chloe Aprivelo, Genesis Benavides, Benjamin Hlavac, Anna Pollard, Daniel Pollard, Madison Satava, Joi Seals, Briseyda Soto Galeas and Michael Soto Galeas.



Christopher J. Fedele Memorial Scholarship Award

Every year we present this award in honor of Christopher John Fedele to a student who consistently and faithfully demonstrates Christ-likeness; a student who

"shines for Jesus" and stands out for Christian commitment. The 2019-20 Fedele award was presented to:

Lydia Pollard

Lydia is "an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

1 Timothy 4:22



SAVE THE DATE!! **April 10, 2021, 6 pm to 10 pm**



We are pleased to announce our 24th Annual Live and Silent Auction will be held at the beautiful Bellport Country Club. Mark your calendars today and check out the Auction website for up to the minute happenings – www.wscs.org and click Auction Homepage.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Dear Friends of West Sayville Christian School,

The 2019/2020 school year has been a challenging year for all of us here at our school, in our churches and our nation. With the COVID virus coming on the scene in mid-March, we were ordered by the state to close the school during this pandemic, however, I think we all learned a new word - "Zoom". I would like to thank the leadership of Principal Warren, Pat Baker and Eunice Garrett for being at the school and making sure things were going as well as they could. Thank you to all the teachers who adapted well to teaching our children via online classes and, let me tell you, they ALL did an excellent job. Let me also say that come September 8, 2020 those Red doors out front will be open for school as usual. Last year we added 9th grade and we will be adding 10th grade this upcoming year. The administration has all the plans set even if there is a flare up. In one way we are blessed because we do have a large facility and a small enrollment.

As we look to 2020/21, which will be our 75th anniversary, we are thankful to have been blessed and rewarded from the Lord with such a wonderful Christian school and have the teachers and administration carry on the Lord's work and its outstanding scholarship. But also let us remember that for seventy-five years this school has been a gift from God to all the children who have attended.

The upcoming year for WSCS will be tough. Because of the virus, we were forced to cancel our annual auction which is our single largest fundraiser. Together with our enrollment being down, that does put a large strain on finances. We look to our school families and friends to help support WSCS. If you do not have the means monetarily, we ask for earnest prayer. Also, if you have any ideas of ways to increase the enrollment, we would love to hear them. If you can help out at the school or volunteer in any way that would be much appreciated and needed. Our school auction is now scheduled for April 10, 2021 at the Bellport Country Club. Please get the word out so this can be an auction like no other.

As we have come to the close of the school year, we, as a Board, see the many financial hurdles we face. Enrollment is down from the previous year and the cost of operating OUR school goes up every year; so at this time, I ask all of you to keep WSCS earnestly in your prayers that God will open the eyes of the Christian parents to see the benefit of having Christian education in their children's lives and the strong foundation it provides. Even if you don't live in the area anymore, I would ask you to contact your friends, family, and former churches in our area to get the word out about God's great jewel here in West Sayville. We could really use your financial help with the operation of the school and to keep the red doors open. WSCS has existed the past 74 years because of our faithful teachers, parents, friends, and our Almighty Lord.

In closing, I would personally like to thank all the friends of WSCS for all your hard work and support that you and your families have given to God's lighthouse here at 37 Rollstone Avenue for close to seventy years. It has been a rock for our children.

I wish you all a wonderful summer with your family and friends.

In WSCS Service for Christ,
John Mazzone
School Board President

Yes, I would like to share in the ministry of West Sayville Christian School.

Name: _____ () School Parent () Alumni () Friend

Address: _____ () Relative of _____ school family

I would like to share () a monthly gift of \$ _____ () a one-time gift of \$ _____ .

All gifts are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to West Sayville Christian School.

YOU MAY ALSO MAKE A DONATION ON OUR WEBSITE WWW.WSCS.ORG

Alumni News – by Eunice Garrett

Class of 2016:

Sophia Ermmarino graduated from St. Anthony's High School. She has received a scholarship from St. Joseph's College. Her goal is to become a Speech Therapist. She continues to volunteer at Pal O'Mine Equestrian.

Skyla Fay graduated from Brentwood High School. She plans to attend St. Joseph's College, majoring in hospitality and tourism management. She has been working for Shoprite.

Lauren Ferrara graduated with Honors from St. John the Baptist High School. She is enrolled in the AP Bio program at Suffolk Community College in the fall.

Meagan Herritt graduated from Connetquot High School. She wants to go to Hillsong United in Australia next January.

Providence Kempf graduated from Sayville High School. She plans to continue in the work world.

Class of 2014:

Marissa Herritt is married and living in Alaska. Her husband Colby serves in the military. They are enjoying their baby girl, Avalon Grace who was born on May 3, 2020.

Juliana Slager has been working with YWAM in Mexico for the past 2 years. She is currently home.

Class of 2012:

Emily Feldman is working on her Bachelor's degree in Psychology at St. Joseph's College while working full time as a server at Hurricanes. She has a strong interest in sleight of hand and has designed and sold three sleight of hand playing card decks. Her designs are available worldwide. Emily is well known in the magic community and has a large following on her sleight of hand page on Instagram.

Caroline Painter is taking a gap year after completing her Associates Degree at Suffolk Community College and attending a year at Cedarville University in Ohio. She is currently working at Teachers Federal Credit Union. She is seeking the Lord's direction while deciding on her next step.

Morgan Schamberg is a "Super Senior" at Molloy College and will graduate next spring with her Undergrad/Masters in Childhood Education/Special Ed./Spanish. She is also a supervisor at Safety Swim.

David Slager is working on completing his Master's program in Accounting at St. Joseph's College. He helps run the Young Adult group at Gospel Community Church. He is working for a sprinkler company.

Robert Sparacio graduated from the University of Scranton with a BS in Healthcare Administration and minor in Business. He was inducted into the National Administration Honor Society. He will start working remotely on July 13 for a company in Philadelphia.

Rebecca Van Essendelft is attending Arizona State University studying for a degree in Marketing. She hopes to graduate in the spring of 2021. She babysits and is helping with the digital website at Christ Community Church.

Class of 2010:

Luke Dorney is a Data Scientist/Software Engineer who works on Machine learning and natural language.

Caitlin Van Essendelft graduated from Grand Valley State University with a degree in Advertising and Public Relations.

Class of 2009:

Maria Slager is a personal trainer. She and her husband are Youth Group leaders at Gospel Community Church.

Class of 2008:

Michael Slager completed his Masters in Theology from Oral Roberts University. He and his wife live in Patchogue.

Class of 2007:

Alyssa Dorney is a Physical Therapist working and living in NJ.

Class of 2005:

Jordan and wife Amanda Dorney welcomed daughter Charlotte Octavia born on March 9, 2020. They live in Gilbert, Arizona. Jordan is a professor at Arizona State University.

Class of 2003:

Cara Dorney lives in Tarrytown, NY, and works for an architecture firm in NYC.

CONGRATULATIONS

8TH GRADE GRADUATES of 2020

Aidan Capone

Favorite verse: Mark 10:27 *"With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."*

Aidan participates in hockey & skateboarding. Two years ago, he visited Cambodia and rode an elephant. He would like to visit Hawaii.

Lydia Pollard

Favorite Verse: Ps.100:1-3 *"Shout for joy to the Lord all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness: come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture."*

Lydia is an executive member of the Teen Advisory Board at the South Huntington Public Library and is taking piano lessons. She would like to go to Japan someday.

Julianna Quintanilla

Favorite Verse: Psalm 23 *"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake..."*

Julianna likes to plant and work in the garden. She has a gift of singing and is learning to play some instruments. She has been to Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic.

Gwendolyn Vignato

Favorite Verses: Colossians 3:2 *"Set your minds on things that are above, not things that are on earth."* Isaiah 40:31 *"But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."* Philippians 4:13 *"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."*

Gwen loves to go hiking and bike riding with her family. She also loves to figure skate, rollerblade, and dance. She would like to travel through Europe one day, especially to visit Italy.

Sarah Winslow

Favorite verse: Psalm 31:30 *"Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised."*

Sarah loves to read. She enjoys singing, step dancing, playing the ukulele, and spending time with family and friends. Her favorite subject is English. She is very excited about high school, new challenges, and responsibilities at school and home.

All of the graduates will be attending 9th grade here at WSCS!

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