

Suppe SCOOP

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GREAT NEWS TO SHARE FROM MARCH 2018



Written by Waterford School District Superintendent, Keith Wunderlich, Suppe Scoop is published near the last school day of every month. It's your news between District newsletters. Generally, you'll find items about multiple buildings rather than from just one building. Or, it's information that reflects positively on us beyond the school district. All of it is great news about Waterford. Please share the great news with friends and neighbors.



Waterford Foundation Honors Select Fifty

Congratulations to the 2018 Select Fifty recipients! The Waterford Foundation honored 25 students each from Mott and Kettering in recognition of their achievements in academics, leadership and citizenship. It was a wonderful event in celebration of these students and we appreciate the ongoing support of the Waterford Foundation.

MARCH IS READING MONTH!

The month of March is "reading month" and serves as a great time to enjoy your favorite book. Special events and activities took place across the District to encourage students and families to read every day.

Schoolcraft Elementary held a *Hitting it Out of the Park* assembly. The United Shore Professional Baseball League (USPBL) came in with their mascot to read to the students and get everyone excited to finish hard with March is Reading Month goals. They spoke about the reading program students have been participating in, took photos and any student who turned in four successful weeks of reading minutes received a free ticket to the Jimmy John's Field in Utica and will be brought onto the field and recognized.

At Houghton Elementary students enjoyed a visit earlier in the month from local author, Maria Dismody, who shared her children's books. Later this month Houghton held a Read-In and our own Wilbur stopped by the kindergarten classroom. These are just a few examples of the reading fun had this month!



Student Leaders Bring Home Awards

We are very proud of Kettering High School Student Council and Leadership teams achieving Star School Award, Exceptional Service Project Award and Award of Excellence at the MASC/MAHS State Conference! The group donated to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Great success by our outstanding student leaders!



Dove Awards

The Arc of Oakland County has announced it will award Waterford School District employees Christina Barnes, Special Education Teacher, (Therapeutic Program) Beaumont Elementary, the Leonard Cercone Teacher of the Year Award and Karen Hofman, Special Education Paraprofessional, Grayson Elementary, the Educational Service Award. The Arc of Oakland County recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions and improvements to the quality of life for children and adults with developmental disabilities.





Scholastic Art Awards!

This year the Scholastic Art Awards – Southeastern Michigan Region – honored 19 ceramic pieces with gold keys. Among those pieces honored was a piece titled “Textured Cookie Jar” from Mott senior Hannah Cripps. Congratulations, Hannah!



WSD Welcomes Guests

Waterford School District was honored to host a group of educators who came all the way from Chicago to learn about the great things happening in our district. They stopped by Kettering High School to meet with student leadership and Mott High School to check out the STEM Academy. They also visited the Pierce to learn about the aquaponics program and Beaumont where student leaders talked about Leader in Me. Our guests were very impressed with all we are doing in Waterford Schools!!

CTE Students Visit Ford Rouge

Career and Technical Education students from Ms. Haller’s, Ms. Rose’s and Ms. Spencer’s class visited the Ford Rouge Factory Tour. The students saw great examples of business, engineering and programming.



Student Leaders Call for Kindness

National Walkout Day was observed on Wednesday, March 14. Secondary students worked with administration to plan and implement respectful rallies to exercise their first amendment rights with minimal disruptions to instruction. It was a great civic lesson for our students as well as an opportunity to bring attention to school safety and the importance of being kind to one another. Kettering students, for example, called on peers to offer seventeen acts of kindness in honor of each of the Florida victims.



Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss

Leggett Preschoolers, along with members of the Senior Center Encore Program and Kettering High School Interns, celebrated Dr. Seuss’ birthday this week with a story and a song!



First Friday

Since there was a snow day on the Friday this month, we celebrated First Friday on Monday. This month we recognized our foreign language teachers for providing a world of opportunities to our students. Be sure to check out the video highlighting the event. We are very lucky to have such amazing world language teachers.



DECA

Congratulations to DECA State Finalist Medal Winners Kyle Dennis, Cooper Martin, Pat Bicknell, and Luke Jernigan!

STATE CHAMPS!

Waterford Kettering High School Bowlers claimed the Division 1 State Championship! An indoor parade was held at Kettering in celebration of their success!



District Champions

Kettering Girls’ Basketball celebrated a great season with a big win at the District Championship! Go Captains!

State Runner Up

Congratulations to Kettering Wrestler Mark Brado, State Runner-Up for the 119 weight class!



State Festival

Pierce Orchestras did very well at MSBOA Orchestra Festival March 7- 8. Students worked hard and were very successful. While the Pierce 8th grade orchestra earned a 2nd division score, Concert Orchestra and the combined 7th Grade Orchestras earned a 1st division score. This is a huge accomplishment for our students especially considering the 7th graders meet in two different hours and never practice together except to perform on stage at concerts. Concert orchestra earned the right to attend State Festival on May 5th.



Robotics Champs!

We are very proud of WKHS Team 3098 on their recent big win! The team won the 2018 FIRST Robotics Center Line District Championship!