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POINTS OF PRIDE October 2014

Several hundred students districtwide were joined by members of the Board of Education, administration, staff, parents and community residents at the district's annual Peace Concert and Art Exhibit, an event that promotes world peace through music and art.

Hundreds of families and community residents showed their Freeport Pride by attending the district's annual homecoming. Kicking off the festivities was a parade showcasing some of the district's talented student-musicians. Following the parade, there was something for everyone to enjoy at the fair, including face painting and a variety of food. School spirit and pride were everywhere during a spectacular halftime show, followed by a game-winning performance by the Red Devils.

ACADEMICS

- Upon competitive application, Freeport School District was selected for the Capital One & Heart of America Foundation READesign program, which granted funding for a redesign of the Freeport High School library. The library was transformed into a new college and career learning center complete with new computers, furniture, books and a new look.
- Class of 2014 graduate Lee Stetson was recognized as a National AP Scholar.
- 42 students in the Freeport High School Classes of 2014 and 2015 were recognized as AP Scholars, of which nine were named AP Scholars with Distinction, five were AP Scholars with Honor and 28 were AP Scholars.
- For the sixth consecutive year, New Visions School was awarded a trophy by the Freeport Memorial Library for its students reading the most books in the district during the summer.

ATHLETICS

- Freeport School District was awarded an additional \$93K from the Carol White Physical Education Program grant, bringing the new total for the three-year grant to \$795K. The additional money will be used to fund garden projects and purchase new fitness equipment to support the district's K-12 health and wellness curriculum.
- New Visions School third- and fourth-grade girls are participating in Girls on the Run, a physical activity-based positive youth development program designed to develop and enhance their social, psychological and physical competencies.

THE ARTS



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- Freeport High School senior Kristopher Saint-Louis became the district's first-ever NYSSMA All-National Chorus selection.
- Eight members of Freeport High School's Select Chorale were selected for NYSSMA All-State.
- Bayview School third-graders were introduced to the art of composition and performance with the launch of new technology-based music program QuaverMusic by faculty advisor Michael Young.

ALTRUISM

- Freeport is the first school district in Nassau to provide SpotVision, a new state-of-the-art vision screening system, to its students. The screening takes just seconds to complete, and results are available immediately.
- Bayview School fourth-graders honored senior citizens from the Meadowbrook Care Center on Grandparents Day.
- Dodd Middle School eighth-graders and staff members participated in a breast cancer awareness walk with senior citizens from the Meadowbrook Care Center.