



MANCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Good News Newsletter



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[Board of Education Reorganization Meeting](#)

The Board of Education held its reorganization meeting Wednesday January 7, 2015. Congratulations to our new Board member Douglas Boydston from Prospect Park and re-elected Board members Ellen Fischer and Michael Boyle from Haledon pictured below taking the Oath of Office administered by County Clerk Christine Corrado. During the reorganization of the Board Mrs. Fischer was also elected president of the Board and Mr. Joseph Foti was elected vice president of the Board. Congratulations to our elected and re-elected Board members and the officers.



Douglas Boydston, Ellen Fischer, Michael Boyle, Christine Corrado

PTSA Teacher of the Month

Congratulations to Mr. Krassy who was named the PTSA Teacher of the Month. Mr. Krassy. This is Mr. Krassy's 10th year as a valued science teacher at Manchester and currently teaches physics and astronomy. Over the years he has augmented his teaching duties by providing other out of class activities including robotics and a chess club. He is a devoted teacher and committed to his students. Students describe Mr. Krassy as helpful, kind, wants students to succeed, wonderful, makes learning fun, and awesome. "Thank you for being Great!!!"



Taking the Message Outside the School

In an effort to provide an opportunity for parents who missed the annual Open House, we hosted an informational meeting at the High Mountain School in North Haledon Thursday January 8th. Manchester staff, students, parents of current students and



alumni met with sixth, seventh and eighth grade North Haledon students. Our student produced video was presented, and parents were provided copies of the video and an informational packet. The two hour meeting featured an hour of open discussion and dialogue which left the North Haledon parents very favorably impressed. Thank you to our staff who offered their time to participate: Chris Wach, Rob Lehmann, Joe Ercolani, Tara Sager, Kimberly Kraft, and Debbie Vander Groef.

[Learning Sense of Self](#)

Melissa from the Falcon's Lounge did an amazing presentation for Ms. Krafft's English classes on Friday December 19th. The classes have been studying the role of external factors on a person's sense of self (the essential question for their unit), and Melissa created interactive discussion questions to help students continue to connect this question to their personal life. Thank you Melissa and the Falcon's Lounge!



[DECA Role Play Activity](#)

On Wednesday January 7th, 18 students participated in the Northern Regional DECA competition at Ramapo College in Mahwah, NJ. Students competed in a variety of career role-play situations. Approximately 2,500 students are in attendance annually at this conference. The results will be released next week.



[NHS Expands Tutoring](#)

The National Honor Society has expanded its tutoring hours to include mornings and lunch periods! Tutoring is now available on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:40 and 2:45-3:15 and during the second and third lunch periods. Please encourage your students to attend.



NHS Serves Homeless

On December 29, five members of Manchester's National Honor Society cooked, delivered and served a meal to 25 residents of St. Paul's Community Development Men's Homeless Shelter in Paterson. The residents claimed the meal was delicious and were very appreciative of our students' time and effort. Thank you NHS, Mrs. Hirschfield, Ms. Miller, and Mrs. Hantson.



Rbrey Singleton, Alanis Bindels, John Vargas, Brian Cadavid, Ivette Marte

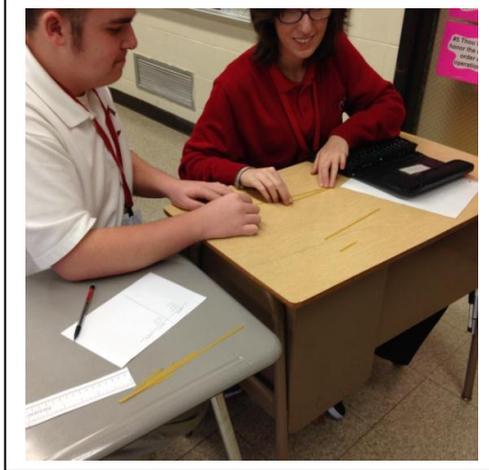
Snow Ball Dance

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Delicious Triangles

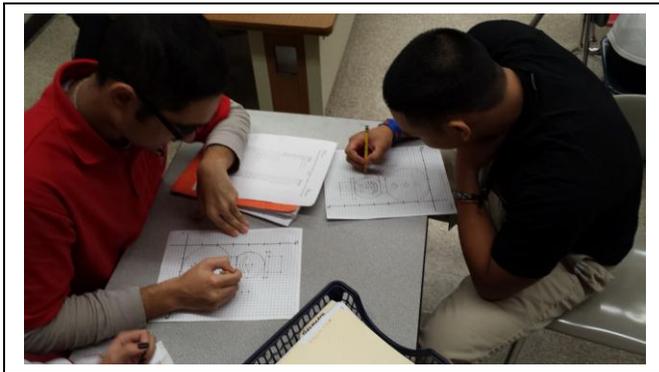
Ms. Falzarano and Mrs. Cortese's geometry classes used pasta to determine which side lengths would form a triangle. Students took pieces of fettuccine, broke them into the appropriate lengths, and put them together, attempting to make a triangle. Some combinations of lengths worked; other combinations did not. Little did the students know--they were discovering what the Triangle Inequality Theorem was!



John Shermond and Ilira Goca

Using Precalc to Draw Holiday Pics

Students in Ms. Vander Groef's Precalculus class spent the short week completing a graphing project. They had to carefully plot a series of circles, parabolas, absolute value and linear equations to produce a holiday picture. Then they were asked to color and decorate over the break.



Abid Chowdhury and Benzen Fernandez



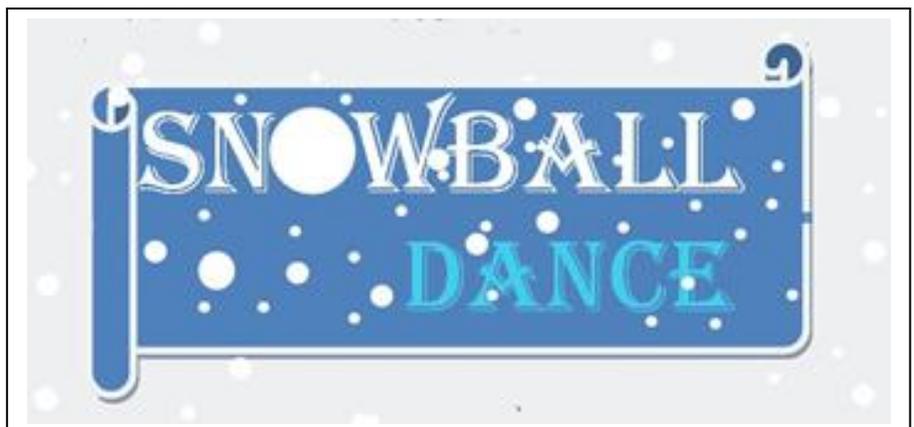
[Art 1 Learns Weaving Paper](#)

Art 1- Students learned how to manipulate fabric weaving by using two 12x12 square sheets of paper. This paper weaving assignment involved a lot of precise measurements and intricate cool and warm color zentangle designs.



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[Facebook Spikes](#)

This week 112 people visited our Facebook site. We usually have about 30-40 people visit our site each week. 112 visitors is the highest amount of visitors that we recall.

We currently have 632 Facebook users that have declared that they "Like" Manchester Regional High School. We created this site last year so the growth of the site is strong.

46 people were "engaged" in our Facebook site this week. That means that 46 people either opened one of our Good News Letters, "Liked" something we posted, or viewed an image that we posted. 46 "engaged" people also serves as the most activity we have ever had on the site.

[Sports](#)

Varsity Boys Basketball – 4-2 Beat Pompton Lakes

JV Boys Basketball - 4 - 0

Frosh Boys Basketball – 3- 1

Girls Varsity Basketball – 2 – 5

Girls JV Basketball – 1 – 2

Wrestling – 2-6

Bowling 3-3

JV - 3-1