J. Harvey Rodgers School BOARD REPORT

June 2025

Principal - Melanie Sweeney

PERSONNEL

- Appointments N/A
- Resignation/Retirement N/A
- Staff Evaluations to Date:
 - o Tenured: 27
 - o Nontenured: 48
 - Non-Certificated Staff: 10

COMMITTEE MEETINGS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Dept/Level
 - o June 3rd District Character Council Meeting
 - June 3rd District NJTSS Meeting
 - o June 4th JHR Character Champion Team Meeting
 - o June 4th Staff Meeting (Budget Presentation)
 - June 9th Attendance Meeting
- Safety & Security
 - June 17th Classroom Key & Walkie Talkie Check
- ScIP June 11th
- PD N/A

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (C&I)

- Pacing Guide for Wit & Wisdom Revisions (Module 4)
- Revisions to Pacing Guide for Eureka Math Revisions (MP 4) & Review of Eureka Math2
 Pilot

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Athletics N/A
- Visual & Performing Arts N/A
- Community Events
 - June 13th MVP Day
 - o June 17th PAL Event
 - June 18th GHS Bulldog Buddy Farewell Celebration

OPERATIONS

- Safety & Security Meeting
 - N/A
- Safety & Security Drills
 - o June 13th MERT Drill
 - o June 17th Fire Drill



FACILITIES

Needs Assessment: See Miquel Olivo's Report, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES (Guidance/SAC/CST)

• In June, our monthly virtue focused on charity, defined as caring for and helping others through acts of giving and service. To build on May's virtue of love, which was represented by a heart, we used the image of a heart with hands to symbolize charitable action. Throughout the month, students were encouraged with the phrase, "Show us how you can help your school and community." The featured read-aloud text was A Friend Like You by Frank Murphy, which reinforced the theme of giving and friendship. Our preschool students contributed by raising over \$500.00 through a Coin Drive held in April and May, which was used to purchase summer items for the Glassboro Boys and Girls Club Summer Program. To continue this initiative, our kindergarten students participated in a donation drive throughout May and June, collecting specific requested items to support the same program and deepen their understanding of charity through direct service.

BULLDOG PRIDE

- On June 10th, our kindergarten students visited the Dorothy L. Bullock School to help prepare for their upcoming transition to first grade. During the visit, students toured the building, met key personnel, and learned about what to expect in the next chapter of their academic journey. The experience helped build excitement and reduce first-day jitters for the fall.
- On June 13th, our preschool and kindergarten classrooms hosted MVP Day, a special event designed to honor the Most Valuable People in our students' lives. Each classroom held a "working session" where students and their special guests engaged in themed activities that celebrated the important role these individuals play in their growth. Many classrooms embraced a sports theme by creating visors to wear during Field Day, playing games, and working on heartfelt projects. MVP Day provided a meaningful opportunity for families to connect with their child's learning environment and celebrate the strong partnerships that support student success.
- Our Preschool and Kindergarten students celebrated the end of the school year with Field Day events on June 16 and June 17. This year's theme, "Wild About Field Day," featured animal-themed activities inspired by games from around the world. While preschoolers enjoyed their Field Day indoors due to weather, and kindergarteners celebrated outside the following day, both groups participated in the same engaging activities. Each student received a special treat and a pair of animal sunglasses as a prize. The events were filled with energy, laughter, and teamwork, creating lasting memories for our youngest learners.
- On June 17th, the Glassboro Police Athletic League (PAL), in collaboration with the Glassboro PTO, hosted a pop-up event at Rodgers. Students and their families participated in a variety of backyard games, enjoyed lively music, and cooled off with a visit from the Kona Ice Truck. The event added an extra layer of fun and community spirit to the end of the year.
- On June 18th, a cherished Rodgers tradition continued as graduating seniors from Glassboro High School returned to walk the halls one last time. Our preschool and kindergarten students lined the halls to cheer on the seniors, many of whom began their

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- educational journey right here at Rodgers. This symbolic send-off reinforces the importance of lifelong learning and community pride, and it's a moment both students and staff look forward to each year.
- We are proud to continue our partnership with Glassboro High School's Early Childhood Education program, led by Mrs. Nancy Brown. This collaboration offers high school students valuable, hands-on experience in early childhood classrooms while providing additional support to our Kindergarten students and staff. Each kindergarten classroom has been assigned a high school student intern who assisted daily from 12:05 to 1:05 p.m. These students participated in a range of classroom responsibilities, including working with individuals or small groups, supporting classroom organization and bulletin boards, assisting with materials and equipment, reading to students, and even introducing parts of lessons. Currently, 18 high school students are placed across our kindergarten classrooms, contributing meaningfully to instruction and classroom routines. This partnership continues to benefit both the aspiring educators and the young learners at Rodgers, enriching the experience for all involved.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• September 2nd - PreK & Kindergarten Orientation (10:00 am - 11:00 am)