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JTHS GOOD NEWS *March 2025*

February Students of the Month –

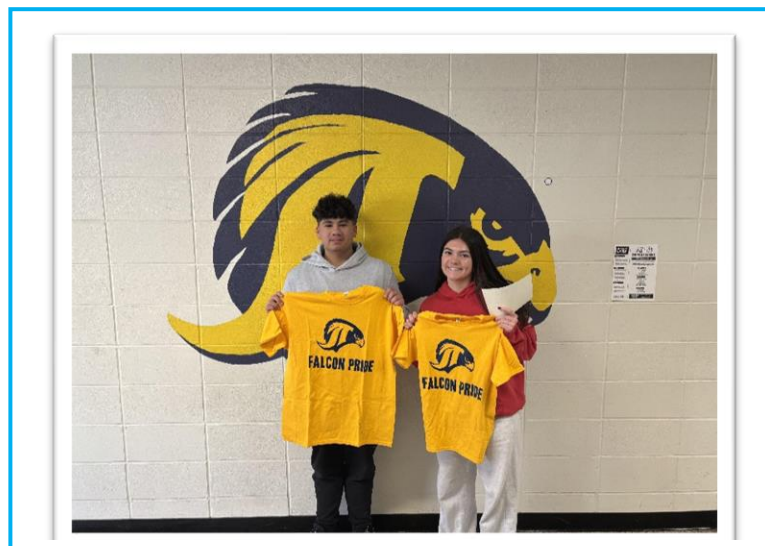
Art –	Jordan Taveras
English –	Zaria Griffin
Health/PE -	Alyssa Aiello
Mathematics –	Brandyn Gall
Music –	Robert Rysdeck
Science -	Valeria Miranda Lopez
Social Studies -	Erin Leonard
Technology -	Christian O'Donnell
Video Production -	Kalli Grlica
World Language -	Dakota Psensky

FALCON PRIDE Student Recognition Award for February –

Recipients: **KAYLA MCKELLAR & IRON GIRON**

Both Kayla and Iron have demonstrated strong character, leadership, and participation in the school community over the past month, and have been recognized by staff members for their accomplishments!

Nominated by Mrs. Vislosky, Iron has dedicated himself to the research process, demonstrating the care and commitment to learning we hope to see in all students. According to Mrs. Vislosky, "Iron is working so hard on his research paper. He has put forth so much dedication in doing well. He accepts



challenges with a smile and is not afraid to ask questions to learn how to improve.

Nominated by Mrs. Neral, Kayla works to build connections with students in the classroom, and asks questions that show she is focusing on the learning process. According to Mrs. Neral, "Kayla goes above and beyond in the classroom. Not only does she ask meaningful questions to better her understanding, but she is a classroom role model. She helps her peers grasp the material. Kayla also makes meaningful personal connections to her classmates. She always asks how extracurricular activities are going for students and makes everyone feel included. She always has a smile on her face and a positive attitude."

Both students will receive custom t-shirts, certificates, and a gift card to a local business in the community. Please congratulate both students when you see them!

Congratulations Carla Madueno –

A true testament to the power of collaboration! 11th grader Carla Madueno, guided by the expertise of Mr. Chadwick and Ms. Moore, has authored a children's book exploring the fascinating world of cells and their role in animal life. We celebrate this incredible accomplishment!

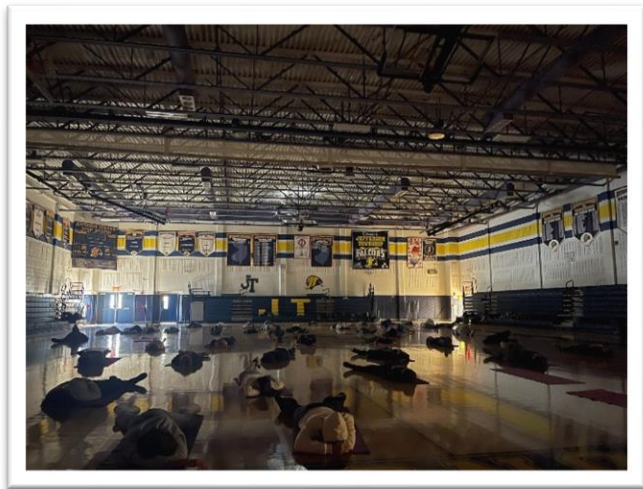
Pictured below: Sandra Yanez-Valenzuela (Mom), Carla Madueno, Mr. William Chadwick



~ Mr. Chadwick ~

Wellness Week –

In PE this week, students celebrated Wellness Week with fun and engaging activities. From learning meditation, to a visit from the Marines to Lifetime Activities Stations, it was a busy week! Thank you to Ms. Cannarozzi and the PE teachers for coordinating with the school nurses on this great opportunity!



~ Mr. Lonie ~

FBLA –

JTHS-FBLA Chapter members are getting ready to compete at our annual State Leadership Conference in Atlantic City in March. Seventeen (17) students will be attending and competing for a chance to attend Nationals in Anaheim, CA in June.

Send us your best wishes!

~ Mrs. Iliff ~

Black History Month –

On February 26, 2025, Jefferson Township High School proudly hosted a Black and African American Read-In in the Media Center with Mrs. Vislosky to celebrate Black History Month. This national initiative, created by the National Council of Teachers of English, aims to highlight and honor the works of Black authors.

In the morning, Miss Lindstedt's English classes visited the Media Center to explore children's literature and engage in meaningful discussions about the importance of diversity in storytelling. Later in the day, the Falcon Ambassadors, under the guidance of Ms. Daken, led an engaging session with Mrs. Barnhart and Mr. Reilly's ELA class, as well as Ms. Daken's Media Studies students. Together, they delved into children's books and poetry written by Black authors, fostering insightful conversations.

A special shout-out to our Falcon Ambassadors for their leadership in facilitating discussions and reading aloud to their peers. Their confidence and poise truly made the afternoon a success. This inspiring event would not have been possible without the dedication of Ms. Daken and the Falcon Ambassadors—thank you for making it such a memorable celebration!



~ Mrs. Vislosky ~

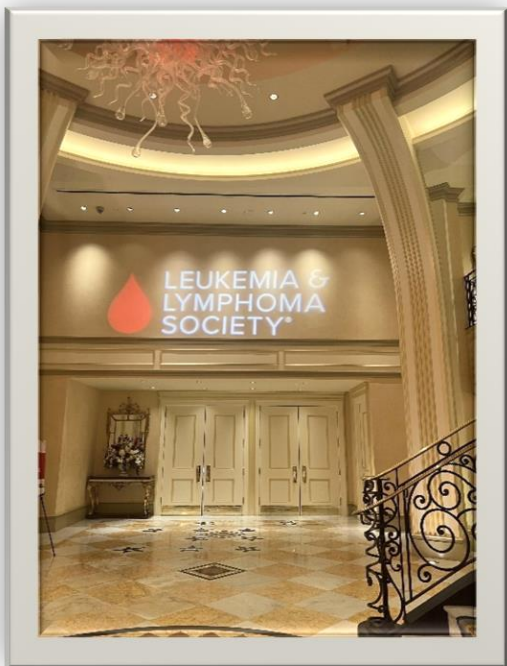
Career Based Instruction –

On Friday, February 21st, Mrs. Hutchinson's 11th grade Career Exploration went on a career-based instruction trip to Mancuso's Salon and Spa in Sparta. The students greatly enjoyed the tour of the business. After the tour students were given the opportunity to shadow a stylist. This hands-on experience was invaluable in helping them learn more about working in the salon and spa industry.

~ Mrs. Hutchinson ~

National Honor Society –

National Honor Society members raised funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in support of our Student Visionary of the Year Candidates: Ashley Force and Kevin Gallagher. The team had a goal to raise \$10,000, but NHS members helped to surpass the goal by raising a total of \$11,578.98. Ashley and Kevin were honored along with the other Student Visionary of the Year Candidates from Northern NJ at a Gala held at The Grove on March 1. Efforts to raise money included a student vs. teacher volleyball game, an ice cream social, Dine-to-Donate events, and canning at local bagel shops.



~ Mrs. Kula ~

ATTENTION SENIORS –
Check out the available
scholarships



French Culinary Workshop –

Under the coordination of Mademoiselle Crowe our JTHS students of French AP, 4 Honors, 3H, 3CP, 2CP, and 2H participated in an authentic French cuisine experience in tandem with the technical education students from SCCC at their on-campus Arbor restaurant. ~ Mr. Sica ~



DECA –

DECA States has concluded and we are extremely proud to announce that we had 4 students win mini awards, 2 students got 6th place in their event and 4 students completed chapter campaigns. Consequently, we will be sending 6 students to Nationals. (IMC below stands for Integrated Marketing Campaign).

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Mini awards

- Izzy Wasilewski and Kenrick Kleid for IMC-Service for presentation
- Andrea Murillo and Mikayla Koval for IMC-Event for presentation. Their judge literally said their event was the best idea he's heard all day.

Finalists and ultimately receiving 6th place (going to Nationals)

- Izzy and Kenrick for IMC-Service

Thrive level awards for chapter campaigns (going to Nationals)

- Claudia Kaminski
- Mikayla Koval
- Izzy Feiner
- Ashley Force

Please congratulate them on their achievements when you see them.