

**Teaneck Public Schools**  
**Superintendent Report**  
**January 17, 2018**

Hawthorne School held its National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony on Tuesday, January 9, 2018. Congratulations to the eighteen students who were inducted. The students will begin working on projects that will enhance Hawthorne School. Also at Hawthorne School, the student council teams for each grade level have been identifying ways to sustain and improve the positive climate and culture. The student council teams have created and are implementing action plans for school improvement.

The Benjamin Franklin Middle School sixth grade went on a field trip last week to the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. Students interacted with artifacts and displays about space science, which they have been studying in school. They also explored displays about indigenous people of the North American northwest coast, which helped them to deepen their understanding of the native people in Alaska who they have been reading about in “Children of the Midnight Sun,” which is part of the language arts curriculum. The students gave the field trip a “thumbs up.”

On Thursday, January 11, 2018, Benjamin Franklin Middle School held its National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony. The eighteen eighth grade students who were inducted have shined in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, citizenship and character. Congratulations to the new inductees at BFMS!

The Teaneck High School will hold an information night for high school juniors and their parents on Thursday, February 1, 2018, at 7:00 pm in the student center. Students and parents are encouraged to attend.

The Teaneck Organization for Public Schools (TOPS) will sponsor a USATF sanctioned 5K Run on Sunday, May 6, 2018. There will also be a 1 Mile Color Run. Walkers and wheelchairs are welcome. I am grateful that TOPS will share the funds raised with the Teaneck Public Schools. More information and registration forms can be found at <https://runsignup.com/teaneck5k>

January 2018 is School Board Recognition Month. On behalf of the students, parents, teachers, staff members and administrators in Teaneck, thank you, Board Trustees, for your selfless dedication to the students of Teaneck and for ensuring that our students have the resources they need to be successful learners. Our entire school community is grateful for your service.

*Vincent Mc Hale*