

Be the Tree for School 12 VP



Every year, Ms. Tyeshia Hilbert, Vice Principal at School 12, wears her Christmas tree outfit on the last school day of the calendar year. She has kept this tradition over the entire 12 years that she has been an educator in Paterson, and this year was no different... well, it was a little different; she sent a picture to her staff from last December, and asked staff and students to compare and contrast from last year to this year. She walked around to each classroom so that the comparisons could take place.

This year, Ms. Hilbert also had a special activity all her own as she planned an outing in New York to see the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree for the first time. She thought, "How fitting to wear the Christmas tree outfit there and begin another tradition." Although most of her ornaments had fallen off before she made it to the city, this did not stop her from proudly posing in front of the Rockefeller Center tree as the Rockefeller *Hilbert* tree! What will Ms. Hilbert's tradition bring next year?

North Pole Bound Letters from Dr. Hani Awadallah School

Did you know that the North Pole was waiting for letters? For every letter they received, Macy's has donated \$1 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation (up to \$1 million). These dollars will be used to grant the wishes of children with critical illnesses. The fourth grade students at the Dr. Hani Awadallah School (DHA) wanted to be part of this benevolent program, so DHA students wrote letters to Santa destined to help the foundation reach the \$1 million goal. After their letters were sent, the students received certificates showing that they are helping kids get their wishes granted. Hoda, a student from Mrs. Giarrusso's class said, "I think it was a good idea to do because helping those in need is all I want for Christmas."



The William Paterson University Teacher Advisory Panel (TAP) Community Outreach Forum took place at 90 Delaware on December 12.



Santa came for a holly Jolly breakfast with School 2 parents and students. They enjoyed many family activities and took pictures with Santa himself!



The halls were alive with the sound of Holiday music during School 27's annual Holiday Concert. Under the musical direction of Dr. Marcy Jatovsky, students from Pre-K-through Grade 3 performed various songs honoring the many holidays.

Upcoming Events

Jan. 15: Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
District Closed

Jan. 18: Parent University Mini Conference
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at School 9

Jan. 20: Saturday Academy Program Begins
8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Various Locations.

Jan. 30: 2nd Marking Period Ends

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