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Doing Our Part for Hurricane Relief

Nelson Mandella once said, “What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made in the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead.” In that spirit, Acting Superintendent Eileen Shafer has designated Wednesday, September 20, 2017 as a day of giving to the American Red Cross for district staff in support of relief efforts following the devastation of hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Schools, buildings and Central Office departments who choose to participate should assign a person to collect donations; that person should then [fill out the downloadable donation form](#), and hand-deliver it along with their contributions to Chief of Staff, Ms. Pamela M. Powell at 90 Delaware Avenue.



Learning About the “Black Angels” of WWII



On Friday, July 21, Upward Bound Math and Science (UBMS - a collaborative program with Ramapo College) from the Academy of Health Science (HARP) students traveled into New York City to see an “Off-Broadway” play entitled *Black Angels Over Tuskegee*. The play, written by Layon Gray, tells the story of the Tuskegee Airmen and the obstacles they had to overcome to earn their wings, as well as illustrating their place in history. After the performance, the students had an opportunity to speak with and mingle among the performers. This is a culturally relevant play that not to be missed!

STEM’s Summer Chemists

Two seniors from the School of Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) at the JFK Educational Complex, Ishmam Chowdhury, and Amel Hassan, were selected to do chemical research at Ramapo College this past summer. The intensive research opportunity was part of their six-week UBMS summer session. The students submitted applications in May and were selected by an academic panel at Ramapo College. The research is done as a scholarship from the American Chemical Society's *Project SEED* program and provides a \$2500 and \$3000 fellowship (respectively) to the selected participants.

"There is very little difference in people, but that little difference makes a big difference! The little difference is attitude. The big difference is whether it is positive or negative."

— W. Clement Stone, entrepreneur and writer

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