



May 22, 2014 Superintendent Report

1. SNAPSHOT OF EXCELLENCE:

a. Caring Community Award – Sandy Trimble

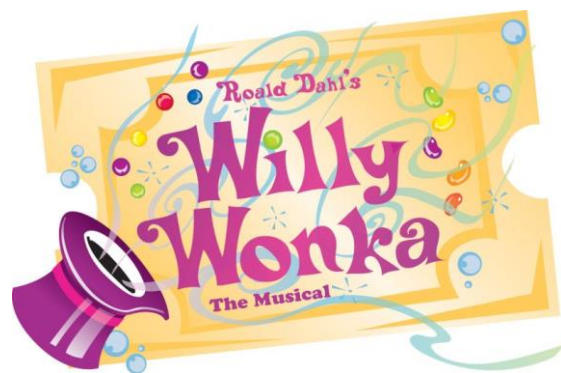
Congratulations to Sandy Trimble, our cafeteria manager, who was nominated to receive the Bucks County IU's "Caring Community Award." The IU explained that this award exists to "recognize special individuals, outside our organization, who have made an extraordinary contribution that directly impacts the students served by our IU," (so, basically, they are saying she is "Strayer Strong").

We know Sandy is a special individual, who makes great contributions to all of us, each day! Please join me in congratulating her for this award.



b. Student Performance, Milford Singers perform in Willy Wonka

Marcia Vanderslice, Milford Choir Director and her students will perform two songs from their Willy Wonka Musical that they will perform on Thursday, May 29 at 7:00 pm in the Milford Middle School gym.



c. Student Performance, Rebecca Krown, Bassoonist



Bassoonist continues to command an audience

QCHS senior Rebecca Krown played her debut solo on Sunday afternoon at Lower Merion High School with the Lower Merion Symphony Orchestra. Guidance Counselor Erica Henry reported, “She was amazing!”

Rebecca will travel cross-country this summer with the National Youth Orchestra (NYO), conducted by the acclaimed David Robertson. The eight-city tour will feature 120 teenage musicians from 33 states, plus Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico. They will begin with a two-week summer residency at Purchase College, State University of New York and play at Carnegie Hall.

c. Kindergarten Registration success is due in large part to Pam Fothergill, QCSD Registrar

I'd like to recognize the excellent work of one of our district's office staff this evening. For several years, Pam Fothergill has done an amazing job of organizing and facilitating the Spring Kindergarten Registration process. This year, we added a huge new dimension to the job – in our work to identify students who will be invited to our pilot Full Day Kindergarten program, it was necessary to organize a screening process – Pam rose to the challenge and created a process so that each student who registered was screened at multiple stations – it ran like clockwork and due to her hard work, and that of our Kindergarten and first grade teachers, we have been able to identify each child's academic strengths and needs so that we're ready to put their program in place when they enter our doors in September.

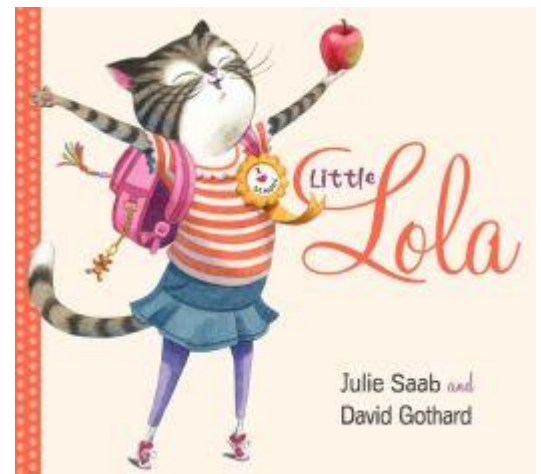


d. Julie Saab, Children's Book Author

Ms. Saab, English teacher on leave from the high school and Freshman Center, has published a children's book with her husband David Gothard, the illustrator. It is appropriate for early elementary grades, and has gotten strong reviews from both SLJ and Kirkus.

Little Lola by [Julie Saab](#), [David Gothard \(Illustrator\)](#)

Little Lola loves everything! So when she discovers school, you can be sure that she'll love every minute of it. Yes, she's a cat. (And when was the last time you saw a cat in school?) But being a cat never stopped Lola!



Meet the Author

Julie Saab and David Gothard live with their two young children, two cats, and two fish in a busy house in Pennsylvania. It was David's silly painting of a dancing cat that inspired Julie to write about Little Lola, a fun-loving city cat who goes on big adventures. David has been illustrating for newspapers, magazines, and books since graduating from Pratt Institute, where he now teaches drawing classes. Julie studied literature at Villanova University and the University of Edinburgh and has taught high school English for many years. Julie and David happily divide their time between changing diapers and dreaming up bigger and bigger adventures for Little Lola.