

Eagle's Nest



HIGH POINT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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All set for our Open House luncheon featuring a special student-prepared menu!

Our Best Open House Yet!

December 14 was a very memorable day at High Point. Not only did our staff and students festively decorate the school and plan a delectable spread to celebrate our annual Open House event, but our honored guests were treated to a guided tour of our renovated campus, swag bags, and welcome comments made by both our school director and two of our very own star pupils. Director Pulido highlighted new staff additions and recent advancements at HPS, like our very first completed ESY program, our participation in Project LEAP (Learning Enables All Possibilities) with Hudson Community

College, our new connection with Hoboken EMS for students interested in training in the medical field, and our existing and thriving partnerships with four other area vocational schools that offer our students postgraduation credit, including our newest relationship with Empire Beauty School. 2017 graduate Melvin Jones talked candidly about his four years at High Point, calling it "a positive experience, where I learned many skills I would not have learned anywhere else." And senior Veronica Rivera shared that her involvement with the EMS volunteer program so far has been "phenomenal." Thanks to the steadfast support and continual dedication of those in attendance, High Point plans to keep guiding more and more students to their own success stories ... and we hope you'll come meet them at next year's Open House!



Blue-Level Field Trip

Fourteen High Point students worked very hard to reach blue level in our school-wide behavioral management system — consistently following all school rules, attending to their academic assignments fully and punctually, and meeting their behavioral goals. So to reward them for their outstanding performance, it was time to play hard.

On Wednesday, December 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., social worker Ms. Brenner, TA Mr. Roach, and classroom teacher Mrs. Patti escorted the lucky group to our local bowling alley, where the kids took up three lanes and enjoyed lunch in between games.



Interacting with peers outside of the school setting proved a very fun diversion, and the whole field trip went off without a hitch. Returning to school, Angel R. thanked us for "a great time," and 12th grader Rose Kessler asked immediately, "Can we do it again?" We sure can!

In the Spirit of Giving

The High Point School of Bergen County is tremendously thankful to Orthopedic Associates, of Fair Lawn, NJ, for generously and selflessly displaying what the holiday

generously and selflessly displayin season is all about. The practice donated presents for each and every one of our students, so they'd have something special to take home with them over holiday break and so that they'd feel a little more special themselves. Our students were truly grateful for the effort, organized by Ms. Pulido's sister, with Antrell M. exclaiming, "I can't wait to open it!" And we're grateful to such supportive donors for opening their hearts to us again this year!



School Director Cindy Pulido handed out donated gifts to all our students.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Friday, February 2: SUPER BOWL JERSEY DAY

