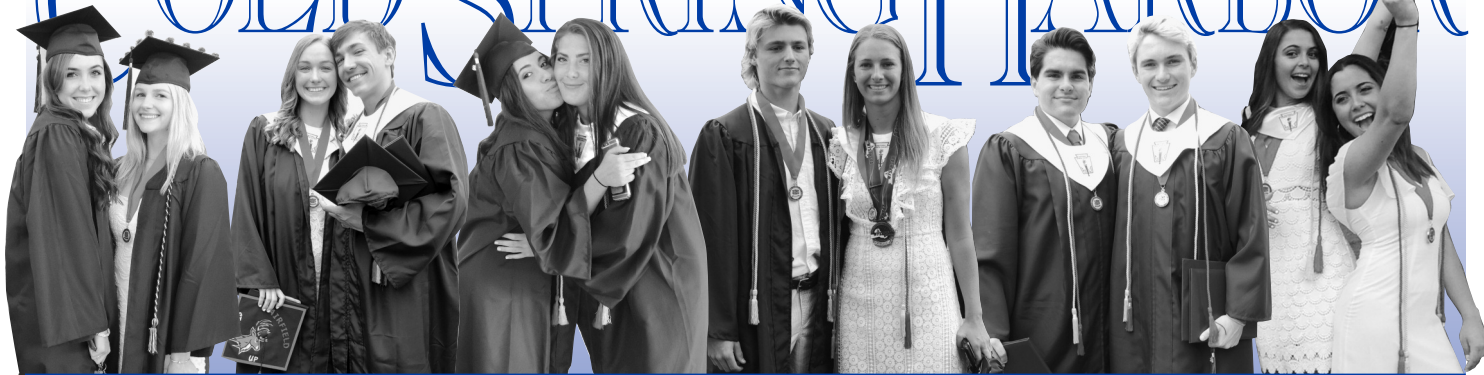


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A REPORT ON OUR SCHOOLS

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Appointment of Kurt Simon

New Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

The Board of Education was pleased to announce the appointment of the new Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Mr. Kurt Simon. With the retirement of Dr. Lydia Bellino, Mr. Simon shifts gears after being the Principal of West Side for the past seven years. Kurt joined the District as a bright and talented 5th grade teacher in 2003. In 2010, he spent a year as an assistant to the principal where he distinguished himself as a leader and his future in administration was realized by the teachers, administrators and Board of Education. In 2011, he was appointed



as the Principal of West Side School. Since that time, he has established himself as an instructional leader and a valued member of the administrative team.

One of the most notable accomplishments for West Side School under Mr. Simon's leadership is the designation of West Side as a "Blue Ribbon School," an award that was designated by the U.S. Secretary of Education. Board of Education President, Mark McAteer, shared, "Mr. Simon has a collaborative, student-centered, leadership style with a strong instructional vision. We look forward to seeing the

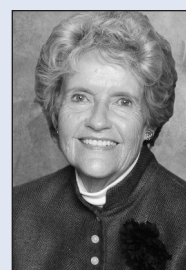
continued growth of our students, teachers and administrators under Mr. Simon's direction and leadership in the years to come." Superintendent, Robert C. Fenter, expressed, "Mr. Simon has distinguished himself, not only as a master teacher and outstanding building leader, but also as a person. His genuine kindness and caring for our students and their learning needs is one of his many wonderful and important qualities that will serve our district well for many years to come. "Mr. Simon earned his Bachelors degree from the University of Maryland, a Master's degree in elementary education from NYU in 2003, and a second Master's degree in educational leadership from NYU in 2007. We all wish you a very warm welcome in your continued career with the CSH family. □

Retirement of Dr. Helen Browne

How do you put into words a career that has spanned over 42 years in the same district? Superintendent, Robert C. Fenter, shared, "Dr. Browne has provided the school district with many years of dedicated service for which we will be forever grateful." She joined the CSH family in 1975 as a Librarian, and ten years later was appointed Assistant Principal in 1985. Her educational background includes a Bachelor's degree from Fordham, a Certificate in Advanced Study in the area of Education

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Administration from Hofstra, a Masters from CW Post, and a Doctorate in Organizational Studies from NY University. If that isn't impressive enough, she also earned a Law degree from Touro Law School in 1997. Board of Education President, Mr. Mark McAteer, shared, "Dr. Browne's 42-year lon-



gitudinal commitment is virtually unheard of in school districts today. The Board of Education is incredibly grateful to her for her unwavering devotion to our school

community and the legacy she leaves behind." Health teacher, Mr. Chris Homer, fondly remembers, "Dr. Browne is a person of great integrity. She has dedicated her career to CSH and was filled with pride whenever she spoke of our district. She is the

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Appointment of Joey Waters

New Assistant Principal Jr./Sr. High School

After an extensive search for a new Assistant Principal, the Board of Education announced at the May meeting that Ms. Joey Waters has been selected to fill that position, joining the building administrative team. Principal, Dr. Jim Bolen, expressed, *"We are thrilled to have Joey on board as the newest member of our building leadership team. Joey will be a valued contributor as we continue with the great work we have been doing to engage our students in a meaningful learning process. I am*



positive that her classroom contributions and student relationships will help Joey be a very successful Assistant Principal here at the Junior-Senior High School." Joey received her undergraduate degree from Boston College, her Masters in English Education from L.I.U. at C.W. Post and her degree in Educational Leadership from Stony Brook University. As a CSH graduate, she knows the history of the community and, as a teacher here for 12 years, has been instrumental in bringing new programs to the district and advancing

district initiatives. Joey said, *"I am thrilled to continue working with the families and educators of Cold Spring Harbor. This new position will allow me to learn and lead alongside fantastic students, parents, staff, and administrators; I am grateful for this opportunity."* Director of Technology (and longtime former Assistant Principal) Joseph Monastero, shared, *"Good people who care about students and understand the challenges of adolescence are hard to find. In hiring Ms. Waters as an Assistant Principal at the Jr./Sr. High School, we have promoted a leader from within who will support our students."* The community, administration, staff and students all welcome you, and wish you the best of luck in your new position. □

Dr. Helen Browne, cont'd

most recognized member of our school. Her office was always filled with students, parents, or staff members seeking her counsel and support. She is such an important part of so many staff members' success. She is a class act. Her intelligence, wit, and advice will be missed." Student, Shaya Tousi, said, *"There has always been one constant at the Jr./Sr. High School. Dr. Browne has been a rock of intelligence, poise, and dignity every day that I have walked through the main doors. She is possibly the one person in the building, teacher or administrator alike, that is respected by every single student who has ever entered or graduated."* Former Superintendent, Dr. Judith Wilansky noted, *"Dr. Browne has been an esteemed colleague who endeavored tirelessly to make Cold Spring Harbor a learning institution of excellence. Her definition of excellence has encompassed so much more than achievement scores. It has been the daily and rigorous work of challenging teachers, supporting all students and partnering with parents. Her longstanding service as the academic backbone of the Jr/Sr High School will be felt for generations of students to come and I am grateful to have worked alongside such an exemplary educator."* On behalf of the entire school community, we thank you for your uncompromised dedication, and wish you all the best in your retirement. □

Honors . . . Honors . . . Honors . . . Honors . . . Honors . . .

Dr. Jim Bolen

Congratulations to Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Dr. Jim Bolen, for earning his Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) on May 15th from St. John's University in the area of Instructional Leadership. The title of his dissertation was "Dynamics of an Instructional Support Team (IST) Related to Student Outcomes." The study looked at how the group dynamics of an IST could impact the behavioral plans that are created to help students. □



Julia Kopp Writing and Art Recognitions: Winner of 4 awards in the *Project Excel Writing Competition*. The contest is anonymous and there were over 750 submissions. Julia won in the following categories: 1st place-short story, 2nd place-essay, 3rd place-short story, 3rd place- poetry. Her art work was also selected by the Center for Social Justice and Human Understanding. The enlarged banner artwork is featured around various Long Island communities. Julia extends her thanks to art teacher, Ms. Cirino, for encouraging her to submit her artwork.

National Geography Bee Finals: Molly McHale, (6th grade West Side) was one of only six girls who com-



peted in the *New York State Geo Bee* in Albany this spring, and for two years in a row she nearly made it to the top 10. Amazing! Then, she continued on to join the 54 students who made it to the *National Geo Bee Finals*, of which only four were girls. A reporter called and interviewed Molly for NBC news, covering the gender difference and why so few girls are participants. The gender gap has persisted since the competition started in 1989; of the 29 winners, only two have been girls. The imbalance puzzles teachers, parents and students. Molly said, *"I got interested in geography after I aced a quiz in third grade. It's my favorite subject because it's relevant to the news. If something happens in the world, learning about geography helps me understand why it happened. Like, why a lot of earthquakes happen in California."* Great job Molly! □

Appointment of West Side Principal

Michael Loughren



At the June meeting, the Board of Education welcomed, Mr. Michael Loughren, as the new Principal of West Side School. Mr. Loughren joins us from the I.S. 349 Middle School in Brooklyn, where he served as Principal starting in 2015. Prior to that, he was a senior School District Improvement Liaison, and an Assistant Principal for Instruction and Curriculum for Rockaway Collegiate High School. He began his career as a Social Studies Teacher starting in 2005, after earning his Bachelors in History from Stony Brook University and two Masters Degrees from Fordham; one in Social Studies and the other in School Building Leadership. Of special note, he has received numerous medals of achievement from the US Army (2001-2004). Mr. Loughren shared, *"I am thrilled to be joining such a wonderful district and look forward to getting to know all the members of the school community. Throughout the process, everyone has been incredibly warm and welcoming; their pride and passion in the traditions of West Side is evident. I hope that I can help to build upon the success of the school while, at the same time, preserving its rich history."* Superintendent, Robert C. Fenter, expressed, *"Mr. Loughran distinguished himself throughout the interview process as a most caring and thoughtful leader. His commitment to ensure that all of his students receive the attention and support that they need to grow as people and learners established him as the person whom we believe is best to lead the West Side School."* Welcome to the CSH family, we all look forward to getting to know you! □

Junior Book Awards

At the June 12th Board of Education meeting, fifteen students were presented with the class of 2018 Junior Book Awards by the Assistant Principal for Counseling, Gregory Sloan, designated by colleges to Juniors with the highest levels of academic achievement. The honors went to: **Grace Tauckus** (Brown University), **Emily Berlinghof** (College of the Holy Cross), **Harley Weiss** (Cornell University), **Elizabeth Lites** (Hamilton College), **Joseph Massa** (Miami University of Ohio), **Sophia Tablich** (Princeton University), **Madeline Cover** (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute), **Taylor Kiefer** (St. Lawrence University), **Anna Ruocco** (St. Michaels College), **Michael Davis** (University of Rochester), **Kelly Gallagher** (University of Pennsylvania), **Nicholas Suter** (Yale University), **Caroline Ambriano** (Dartmouth University), **Aina Khan** (Harvard University), **Henry Tsekerides** (Notre Dame University). □



Tenure Granted

Congratulations to, Marissa Puleo, who was granted Tenure at the recommendation of the Superintendent at the May 8th Board of Education meeting in the Tenure area of Mathematics. Superintendent, Robert C. Fenter, the Board of Education, and Administration offered congratulations with the highest of praise and support. Congratulations Ms. Puleo! □

Honors . . . Honors . . .



**Annual List of
Best High Schools**

**CSH High
School ranked 2nd
in Long Island.** Six

Long Island public high schools were among the nation's top 200 in US News & World Report's annual list, ranking CSH 21st in the state (143rd nationally); first in Suffolk County and second on Long Island. Congratulations to the administration, staff, and students for this amazing recognition. □



Exemplary Service

The Exemplary Service Award was presented to **Fern Chase**, at the June 12th Board of Education meeting. Every year, at this time, the Board wishes to honor an employee who supports, with great distinction, our school community. The criteria for eligibility established in order to be considered for the award includes having worked in the district for at least five years, have the unanimous recommendation of the administration and the Board, and exemplify leadership and excellent character among others. Board President, Mark McAteer, thanked Fern for her many years of dedication and service as the Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Coordinator at Lloyd Harbor Elementary. Ms. Chase began her career in 1994 as a Special Education and Reading Teacher. Mr. McAteer shared a response written by Ms. Chase upon her hiring, which stated, *"My greatest strength lies in the commitment I have to the children I teach. I consider myself not only a teacher but an advocate in their education..."* Ms. Chase, you have done just that in your 24-year career here. Thank you, and congratulations on this very distinguished award! □

Honors . . . Honors . . .



Athletic Honors

Congratulations to the following senior student Athletic College Commitments. This is quite an achievement and CSH is proud to honor five (5) athletes this spring who earned this recognition. Athletic Director, Michael Bongino, congratulated the student-athletes, along with their coaches, wishing them the best of luck next year!

Gannon Odierno – Carleton College (Football), **Caileigh Gulotta** – College of William and Mary (Gymnastics), **Christian Gulotta** – College of William and Mary (Gymnastics), **Mitchell Goldman** – National Letter Intent Signed for Brandeis University (Swimming), and **Jenna Galli** – WPI (Worcester Polytechnic Institute) in Massachusetts. □



Art Honors

The following students were recognized at the June Board of Education by Art Department Chair, Ms. Christine Oswald:

Arnaud Lamy (Second Place Eschooldata Art Competition), **Augustine Maiorino** (Honorable Mention Eschooldata Art Competition), **Katherine Brennan** (Scholastic Arts Award Winner), **Gloria Gang** (Photographer's Forum Competition Finalist), **Sophia Marino** (Tulip Festival Winner), **Martina Simone** (Speak Truth to Power Video Competition Finalist), **Gloria Gang & Payton Odierno** (Long Island's Best Young Artists Heckscher Museum), **Hayden Calabreta & Kathryn Licciardi** (Long Island Museum "Colors" Exhibition Stony Brook), **Isabella Garra** (NY Senator Carl Marcellio contest "What are you thankful for"), and **Katherine Brennan, Julia Kopp and Julianna Sousa** (Embracing Our Differences Contest). Congratulations to all! □

Science Symposium

On May 30th the High School hosted its first Research Science Symposium, with students showcasing their research projects in a



lecture format followed by a Q&A session. Teachers, parents and future research enthusiasts made inquiries about the process and methods involved in each of the studies explored. Science teacher, Mr. Jaak Raudsepp, hosted the event and introduced guest speaker, Anthropologist Dr. Lindsay Barone, from CSH Laboratory DNA Center, who spoke about the legacies of Ancient Humans. The student program included such topics as; *Inside a Mouse's Head: What Algorithm Drives Reinforced Learning*, *Effect of the Dunce Mutation in Drosophila on Short Term Memory*, *Regulation of Adenocarcinoma-in-Situ Carcinoma by HTR@B and Estrogen*, and *The Effect of Optogenetic Stimulation of Basolateral Amygdala Terminals*. It certainly was impressive, with many bright futures ahead for these students! □

Grade 6 STEAMS through Junior High

Sixth graders from West Side and Lloyd Harbor had a chance to visit the Junior High to catch a glimpse of some of the amazing classes they will be taking in the near future. Students visited the Media Arts Lab, and then viewed the solar panel station,



where they learned how the sun's energy is captured and stored into a charging station. Next, Marine Biology Club members led them on a tour where they learned about growing coral and the various symbiotic relationships between aquatic organisms. The Coral project is in its 2nd year and has made progress in the growth of corals; many of which are thriving in the show tank. Teacher Ms. Oshan, shared, "True to real science, there have been some unexpected results!" What a great experience for our 6th graders who were fascinated by all the tank life and marine biology happening and available for them to explore next year. □



Night of the Living Museum

Jr./Sr. High School: On May 31st the Art Department transformed the hallways into a gallery display of artwork, sculpture and video installations, along with drop-in workshops to test one's talents!

Students and parents tried their hands at life drawing, etching with foil, Asian brush painting, linoleum block printing, stippling and more! The night kicked off with the annual Fashion Show, with fashion design challenges that included; *the little black dress*, *Mother Nature*, *MET Ball and Global*. Media Arts Film Makers also delighted the audience with visual experiences of creativity and imagination. Art Department Chair, Ms. Oswald, shared, "Thank you to everyone who participated in the event, the entire District Art Department, the tech team, and the support of the CFA, who made it all possible! □

Lloyd Harbor



Little Apple Fun Run:

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Fun Run at Lloyd Harbor School. It was a beautiful day for the school and community. Event coordinators, Diane Guariglia and Lisa Kiefer made it look effortless, but we all know it was not! This tradition continues to be a favorite, and every year all are grateful to watch and of course, run!



Full STEAM Ahead!

Lloyd Harbor School's fifth graders took bold steps into the future as innovators exploring the theme "Changing the World One Idea at a Time." The students' ideas highlighted problems that people face both globally and locally. "The children really took the theme seriously and investigated challenges faced by people all over the world. Their imagination and determination blew me away!" said Mrs. Wetzel. Some projects examined pollution and climate change while others experimented with renewable resources like wind and solar energy. Some students chose to tackle problems we may face in our own homes and backyards like deterring mosquitos, making healthy food and drink choices, and determining if someone is lying with a homemade lie-detector. Well done!

Shrek, Jr. – Theater Arts at Lloyd Harbor School has become a hallmark of the spring season. It is, without a doubt, an event that the entire community embraces. Year after year, the talents of the students amaze us and never disappoint. Every participant, whether on stage or back stage, works collaboratively, acts as problem solvers, and celebrates everyone's unique gifts and talents. Director, Mr. Chris McKee outdid himself once again, on this journey of fairytale characters through the swamp and into the castle. Bravo to all involved – what a show!



West Side



Talent Show: The annual West Side Talent Show was held on May 4th at the High School Performing Arts Center (PAC). Performers from grades 2-6 were cheered on by families and West Side enthusiasts. All were treated to a PTG sponsored "Ice Cream Social" after the event in the cafeteria. Mr. Simon thanked all of the performers, Mrs. Albers and Mrs. Murray who co-chaired this event, and all the PTG volunteers for making it a true success.



Day in Clay: As part of the West Side Elementary School Artist in Residence program, students in 5th and 6th grade had the opportunity to observe work of professional artist, sculptor, potter, Mr. Cliff Mendelson. Thanks to the sponsorship of Cultural Arts enrichment, the WSSPTG and art teacher, Andria McLaughlin, this workshop empowered the students with knowledge concerning how Constructivists sculptures are created. Conversation and dialog were encouraged considering how design is an integral part of the creative process. All 5th and 6th grade students built one of a kind hand built ceramic art pieces. Each student created a ceramic mask in the same style and techniques as the Constructivist artists and movement originating in Russia in 1913. Students also inscribed patterns and symbols using the Sgraffito techniques of the past.

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At the June Board of Education meeting, President, Mark McAteer, gratefully accepting a gift of \$179,000 from the CSH Educational Foundation.

This phenomenal sum will be used to expand the Chromebook program, purchase technology and flexible furniture for the high school library/next and math lab. Thank you!

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Girls Varsity Lacrosse STATE CHAMPIONS!!!

Hunting-TONY AWARDS!!!

Congratulations to Augustine Maiorino, who won for Best Male Vocalist for his performance in "Beauty & the Beast." The award of Best Actress in a Play went Shelby Herling for "You Can't Take it With You." And lastly, CSH High School won for Best Scenery in a Musical for "Beauty & the Beast." It was a gala evening at the annual ceremony held at the John Engemann Theater in June sponsored by Town of Huntington. What a wonderful ceremony to celebrate and recognize the dedication, talent, and hard work exhibited by such talented students. Congratulations to all.... □

Goosehill



Let's Recycle: Ms. Katz educated her class about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling in the month of April. She then challenged her students to come up with ideas at home as part of her "choice board homework" assignment to create a recycling project. So instead of throwing away materials at home, they reused them and designed wind chimes, a puppet theater, telephones, pencil holders, view finders, and even a backpack. Something old into something new....great job!

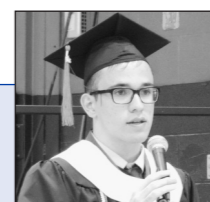
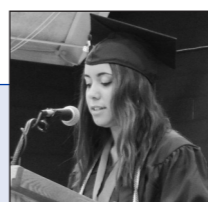
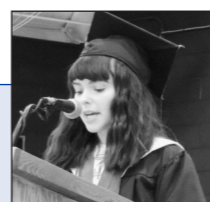
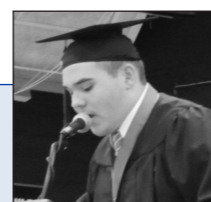
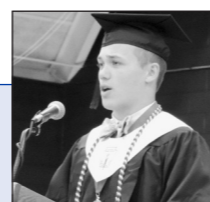
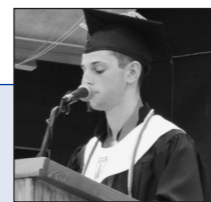
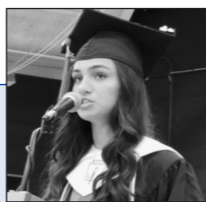
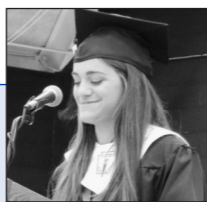


Comic Curiosity: First grade students listened to a read aloud of *The Curious Garden* by Peter Brown, during their Library Media Center visit with Ms. Urso. Students explored how authors find their ideas by seeing things that inspire them in the world. They were first showed a picture of the NYC Highline; an old railway that was repurposed into a park. As Ms. Urso read the story, students looked for details about how the author was inspired by the park. Peter Brown chose to create comic panels in his illustrations. Students then responded to the book by creating a comic about transforming a dull city into a green one. The first graders had so much fun using their imagination to create their own comics!

Building the Farm:

Students love to read the book series *Mrs. Wishy Washy Farm* in Ms. Gross' class. In fact, the kids love the series so much, they asked if they could build a farm! They decided to use recycled materials collected both at school and at home. Then, they listed all the buildings and animals they would need to make; the barn, house, shed, garage, pond, mud puddle for the pigs, and all the animals. Mrs. Gross shared, "They worked on it for a week, and they are so proud of their creation!"





Katherine Zimmon sang the National Anthem. Reflection Speakers; Sophia DeRosa, Allie Homer, Elijah Gordon, Lim Kaley, Nicholas Melillo, Sarah Kopp, and Davey Shammah. Vocalist Trevor Bacchi performed "Pure Imagination"

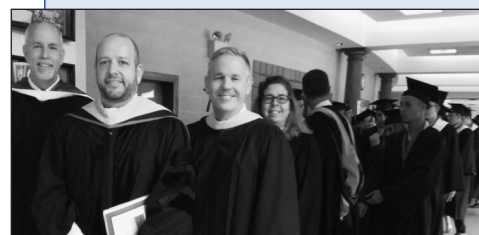
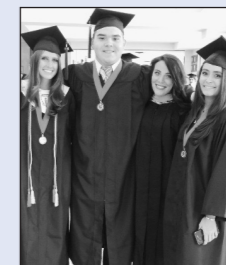
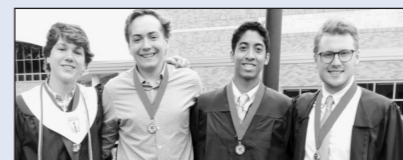
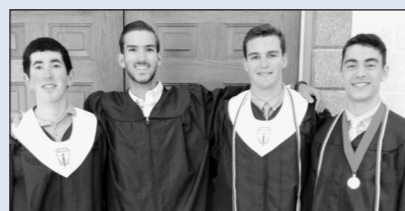
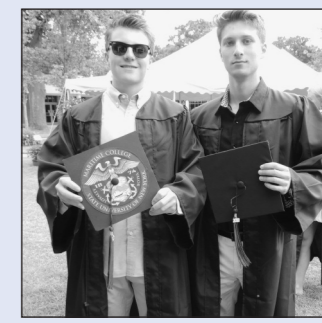


The Graduates of 2018

The 55th commencement was held on June 10th as the graduates marched to the stage for their final farewell. Today marked Dr. Jim Bolen's first graduating class as Principal. He congratulated the class of 2018 on this crowning achievement of their academic careers, as they look forward to their future hopes and dreams. He asked each student to reflect upon legacy, and "What is it like to be a senior?" He thanked them all, for sharing with him what it means to be a Seahawk and demonstrating pride. He concluded, "Your level of respect astounds me!" Following tradition in CSH, there were seven Reflection Speakers this year. Reflection Speaker, Allie Homer, spoke of the 159 graduates, the "stories" they shared as classmates, and preparing for the "next chapter." Liam Kaley encouraged everyone to "Keep your head up...stay happy and positive!" Sophia DeRosa said, "Graduation is not an ending, look around and thank the people beside you...there are so many things we will miss!" Sarah Kopp talked of "turning points" and how CSH is part of our history now, "Our 13 years growing up together has shaped us...and we can always come back home." Davey Shammah shared, "I am ready to face the world with the CSH values instilled in me." Elijah Gordon smiled saying, "This is our day...Seahawks always fly high!" Nicholas Melillo humbly thanked so many great friends and nice teachers. Superintendent, Robert C. Fenter, extended his warmest congratulations to all the students and families, encouraging all to go forward and make an impact. And lastly, Board of Education President, Mark McAteer asked students to remember, "Your story should not be about your career. Be curious, travel, and when confronted with a choice to be right or be kind, always choose kind." Good luck seniors, we wish you all the very best!



We did it!!!



The final march...



The caps of their future...

