

Superintendent's Report

To: Board Members

From: Leah M. Christman

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• The 'secret' was revealed at the High School that we mentioned during the last Board meeting. Mindy W. won as the PA representative to the Doodle 4 Google National competition based on the theme "If I Could Invent One Thing to Make the World a Better Place...". Young artists coast to coast doodled their inventions and the Doodle 4 Google guest judges chose the 50 state winners. The winner's doodle will appear on the Google.com homepage and he or she will receive a \$30,000 scholarship and a \$50,000 Google for Education technology grant for his or her school. Mindy and her family will attend the event on May 21st at Mountain View, CA- Google's headquarters. The winning entry will appear on Google's site on June 9. Mindy's entry noted: "I feel like the world would be a better place if one could invent a way of understanding others' viewpoints - the girl here is using these glasses to view the world from the little boy's perspective." Voting concluded on Friday, May 9.



- The end of the school year is quickly approaching. I'd like to encourage parents to help their students stay focused and on track to complete their academic year to the best of their ability. Spring weather and the end of the school year with many activities occurring brings challenges to this focus for many, but we want to end the year on a high note for all students.
- A team of High School teachers and administrators visited the Pascack Valley Regional HS in Hillsdale, New Jersey recently to learn about the schools successes with 1:1 and transforming to 21st Century teaching and learning. Teachers returned even more enthusiastic about the possibilities of integrating technology for relevant learning strategies.
- In preparation for High School Graduation, we need 2 Board volunteers to distribute diplomas.