



Superintendent's Report

To: Board Members

From: Leah M. Christman

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- The Fall Sports season has ended with much Southern Lehigh pride.
 - Varsity Field Hockey team won AA District XI Championship
 - Boys Soccer Team won their first AAA District XI Championship
 - Girls Tennis Team won District XI Championship and one of our girls (Nina) was the girls AAA Tennis District XI singles champion
 - Football team won the Colonial League Championship
 - Girls Varsity Volleyball team won the Colonial League Volleyball Championship
 - One of our girls (Meseret) finished 1st place in the Colonial League Girls Cross Country Championship
- The CLIU Superintendent Retreat last week was very informative. Sessions included:
 - Educator Effectiveness Program- Jeff Litts, Esq.
 - Legal Issues in Technology in Education- Mark Watz, Esq.
 - Updates from Washington and USDOE- Noelle Ellerson, AASA
 - CLIU Preliminary Budget- Dr. Elaine Eib & CLIU Team
 - Educator Effectiveness Program- Kim Talipan & Charlotte Golden- CLIU
 - PDE Update and Educator Effective Program- Dave Volkman, PDE
 - Education & Legislation Updates- Jim Buckheit PASA
 - Summer Food Service Program- Mary Ringenberg, PDE
- On Friday, Oct. 31, Lehigh Valley Superintendents, along with LCTI staff toured manufacturing plants to learn more about potential career opportunities for students. These included:
 - Ocean Spray in Fogelsville
 - Amazon in Fogelsville
 - Lutron in Emmaus
- Our technology program at Southern Lehigh School District has been selected as an **Apple Distinguished Program** for 2014–2016, a two-year designation. We are being recognized as **an exemplary learning environment for innovation, leadership, and educational excellence**. We'll be receiving a custom Apple Distinguished Program plaque and banner in December. We will also have the opportunity to host a school visit to share our successes with other educators and will publish the iBook we created for the application process to showcase the many ways technology is used throughout the district.