

November 21-25, 2022

*A summary of events, activities and accolades occurring in
Cumberland County Schools (CCS)*

Taking Time to Give Thanks

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, students and staff in Cumberland County Schools will observe the following schedule:

- Wednesday, Nov. 23 -- Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
 - Thursday, Nov. 24 and Friday, Nov. 25 -- Student/Staff Holidays
- All schools, district offices and buildings will be closed.

Local High School Partners with the Trades

Students enrolled in Seventy-First High School's Cabinet Making class recently traveled to Brock's Cabinets and put their skills to the test. The students participated in four hands-on activity stations, including glass cutting, cabinet assembly, countertop production and hardware installation. The activity stations were followed by a tour of the warehouses and office buildings to learn more about the careers involved in the production and assembly of cabinets. During a special luncheon, provided by the Fayetteville Home Builders Association, the students heard from Owner Edward Brock.



CCS Premier Professional Honored for 'Going Above and Beyond'
During the 2022 CityView Power of Giving Community Impact Awards luncheon presented by PWC on Nov. 16, Retired Sergeant Major (SGM)

Ruby Murray, a JROTC instructor at South View High School, was honored for 'going above and beyond.' She has volunteered throughout the community and worked to improve the quality of life in Cumberland County. SGM Murray has logged more than 4,000 hours of community service through her volunteer efforts with different organizations that include Gold Star Moms, the Purple Heart Foundation and Operation Turkey. In April, the educator was awarded President Joe Biden's prestigious 2021 President's Lifetime Achievement Award, the highest designation of the President's Volunteer Service Award program. SGM Murray shared that her alumni JROTC Cadets nominated her for the Power of Giving Community Impact Award.



A Taste of Our Culture

Tater bread, chicken and "paster," and collard greens with chow-chow are just a few of the mouthwatering dishes those who attended CCS' Office of Indian Education 'Taste of Our Culture' event got to enjoy. About 125 employees and community members took part in the Nov. 10 American Indian Heritage Month observance which also included a Pow-Wow. The founder of CCS Indian Education Program, Trudy Locklear, and the Chief of the Coharie Tribe, Gordon Jacobs, were among the many guests who attended.



District's First Virtual Masterclass Hailed a Huge Success

Numerous families across the district participated in Cumberland Family Academy's (CFA) first virtual Masterclass on Nov. 14. Facilitated by

nationally renowned educator and author Mychal Wynn, parents shared their questions and received helpful information during the nearly two-hour session titled "Helping Students Thrive Socially and Emotionally After COVID-19: What Every Family Needs to Know." A panel of three mental health and counseling experts joined Wynn in sharing information that included tips on how to curtail your child's social media use and how to approach conversation with your child about thoughts of suicide and more.



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Media will be provided a complete listing of school activities. No student or employee in the Cumberland County Schools shall, on the basis of age, sex, race, religion, national origin, marital status, or handicapping condition, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity. This document is available in alternative format by contacting the Communications and Community Engagement Department of the Cumberland County Schools at 910-678-2303.



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