

# RHS Weekly View

A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

5/29/2015



Sean King, Akash Chaurasia, Olivia Facini, Simon Bontoux, Julia Koski, Olivia Shammas, Olivia Szymanski, and Kristen Schretter stand with Madame Helene Palumbo at Ridge Elementary School.

## Teaching French Forward

On May 21, the French National Honor Society visited Ridge Elementary School to teach fourth grade students about French language and culture.

The Ridgewood High School French students taught their younger counterparts about France's geography, as well as the location of francophone countries around the world. They also learned basic French phrases, such as how to ask for someone's name, their age, and their favorite color.

The Ridge students were even able to carry out small conversations with their newfound language skills. In the end, all the elementary school students received a bookmark with French numbers and words written in French.

### FAST FACTS...

RHS is approximately 280,000 sq. ft., was built in 1919, and requires three custodial shifts over 24 hours in order to be properly maintained.



Members of the Ridgewood High School's Project Interact prepare for the coming night during the Relay for Life event in Glen Rock. The relay took place on May 16, and RHS' team raised \$5,876 for the American Cancer Society.

## Overnight Camping

A select group of students at Ridgewood High School learned the basics of camping as they visited Camp Winnebago for an overnight camping trip that took place on May 15 and 16.

The students learned archery, campfire cooking, made arts and crafts, and much more.



Ridgewood High School students prepare for zip-lining at Camp Winnebago under the direction of Ronald Jaremca.

## Upcoming

### May 30:

Model Congress;  
Campus Center

### May 31:

Hockey Car Wash; RHS  
Parking Lot

### June 2:

Spring Dance Concert;  
7:30 pm; Little Theater

### June 3:

Student Ambassador  
Information Meeting;  
11:00 am; Room 310

### June 3:

RHS Choir Year-End  
Concert; 7:30 pm;  
Campus Center

### June 4:

RHS Bands: Tunes in  
June; 8:00 pm

## RHS HIGH TIMES

The Ridgewood High School student run newspaper has recently gone online. Now, the RHS High Times has published its second online edition, complete with news articles, student opinions, and other insights into student life at RHS. This week's feature is an in-depth look at prom-posals.

Check out the RHS High Times on your computer or mobile device for new and updated content.

[www.rhshightimes.com](http://www.rhshightimes.com)

## New Athletic Director



Ridgewood High School is proud to announce that former RHS social studies teacher, Keith Cook, has been hired as the new permanent athletic director. He took over the position as interim AD after the departure of Nicholas Scerbo at the end of February.

Cook has also coached the Maroons' boys swim team, and was named Coach of the Year in 2012, and has been the principal of the Ridgewood High School Summer School program for several years.



### MAKE THE RIGHT CALL...

JOIN LEADING EXPERT  
DR. GERARD GIOIA & RHS ATHLETIC TRAINER  
NICK NICHOLAIDES AS THEY PRESENT -

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CONCUSSIONS IN YOUTH SPORTS

MONDAY EVENING JUNE 1ST  
7:00 PM IN THE BF AUDITORIUM

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ALL PARENTS OF RIDGEWOOD AND WILL BE TARGETED TO CHILDREN WHO ARE INVOLVED IN ATHLETICS FROM GRADES 3-12.

GERARD GIOIA, Ph.D., is the Division Chief of Neuropsychology and the director of the Safe Concussion Outcome, Recovery & Education (SCORE) Program at Children's National Health System. He is a professor at George Washington University School of Medicine. He directs the Neurobehavioral Core research laboratories for Children's National's Clinical and Translational Science Institute, and the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Center. *Childneurology.org, 2015*

NICK NICHOLAIDES, Head Athletic Trainer at Ridgewood High School. He has over 18 yrs experience as both an athletic trainer and strength and conditioning specialist. Nick received his athletic training from Kean University in 1996. He went on to earn his MS in Sports Medicine from the University of Pittsburgh in 1998. He holds certifications as a Certified Athletic Trainer and Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist. He has extensive experience working with athletes of all levels ranging from high school to professional sports. Nick has produced a concussion awareness video, secured by a grant from Seton Hall University, well as being featured in local and national media on the topic of sports concussion.

The Ridgewood Public Library presents:

## 2015 HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER READING

# TEEN READERS TRU UNITE

grades 9+10 11+12

Come for the PIZZA  Stay for the BOOKS 

Attend any one or more of our 6 pizza & book mash-ups:

- ★ Lively, pizza-fueled book discussion.
- ★ Ideas for more good reads from your peers and Library staff.
- ★ Entry in end-of-summer GIFT CARD RAFFLE for every time you attend.



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## Environmental Summer Job Opportunity

Environment New Jersey is hiring students to work on our campaigns this summer in New Brunswick and Ridgewood. We're looking for folks that are hard working, good communicators and committed to making positive social change.

Apply here: <http://bit.ly/SummerJobsForTheEnvironment>

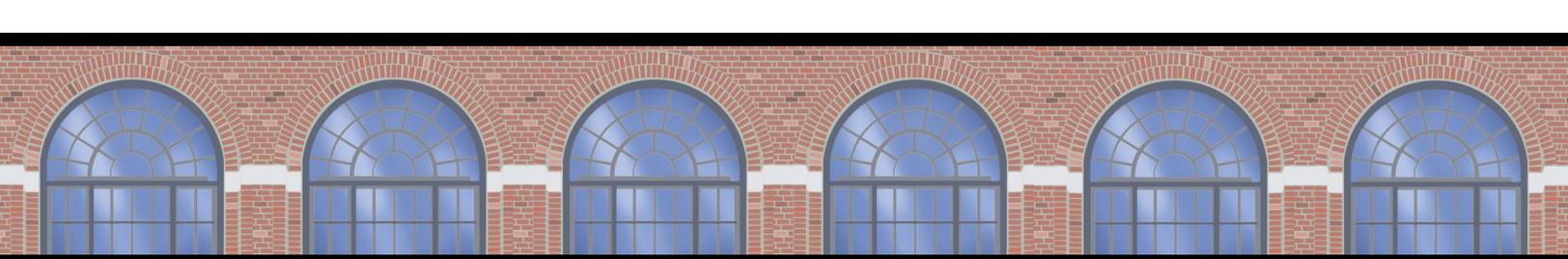
This summer our top campaign is protecting the Jersey Shore. The Shore is what makes New Jersey great. It's where we go to swim, hang out at the boardwalk or just relax and enjoy the beaches. Unfortunately, polluting industries and big developers have carved loopholes in the law that leave 4,000 miles of streams and wetlands in New Jersey unprotected. Environment New Jersey is working to convince the EPA to fix the Clean Water Act, and close the loopholes.

To win this campaign we are hiring students, who are 18 or older, across New Jersey to get out into communities and build support for this issue. Over the course of the summer you can expect to make between \$4,000-\$6,000 and make \$9-\$14/HR. We also offer unpaid internships for students who are not yet 18. These internships are a great way to build your resume and make a difference this summer.

To apply for the job or an internship go here: <http://bit.ly/SummerJobsForTheEnvironment> or call us at:

New Brunswick: 732-246-8128

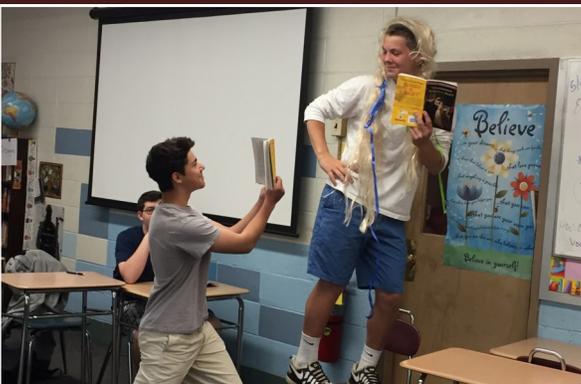
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### A Window Into Ridgewood High School



Students in Stefanie Gigante's Latin class do a "Walkaround Test Review," which is a peer-led activity that helps students review information.



Students in Eva Farrar's and Melissa Maksimov's English 9 conduct a dramatic reading of William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.



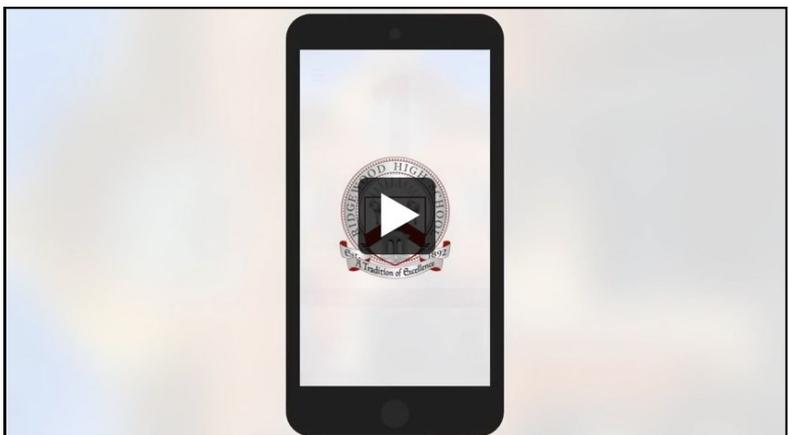
Students on the Camp Winnebago overnight camping trip pause their archery lessons for a selfie taken by Jacqueline Derasmo.

### Ridgewood High School Goes Mobile

Junior Zachary Rubenstein designed, built, and deployed an app which takes Ridgewood High School communication into the twenty-first century. Staff and students will now be able to access schedules, the absence list, and daily announcements on their mobile devices. Nearly eight hundred people have installed and used the app in the first week alone.

Zack envisioned the RHS app and proposed it as a project for his AP Computer Science class during his sophomore year. Last summer, He interned at XO Group where he honed his iOS development skills. Monika Richardson, his advisor for the project said, "Zack's vision, combined with his programming expertise, professionalism, and dedication, made this project happen."

As part of the RHS app project, he coordinated with members of the IT department to secure server access, trained RHS staff to enter schedule and absence data, and worked with administrators to define requirements and market the application.



Click on the above video to learn more about the RHS App, or click on the following link: [Ridgewood High School App](http://rhs.school.ridgewood.k12.nj.us/).

**QUOTE TO REMEMBER...**  
"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose." -Dr. Seuss

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