

# RHS Weekly View

A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

11/20/2015

## RHS Engineering Conference

On November 20, Ridgewood High School's science department hosted an engineering conference along with General Electric's Ecomagination. Various schools from around North Jersey attended the conference in the RHS campus center.

The conference touched on topics of green technology and eco-friendly technology of today. Students participated in hands-on projects and presentations given by practicing engineers from GE.

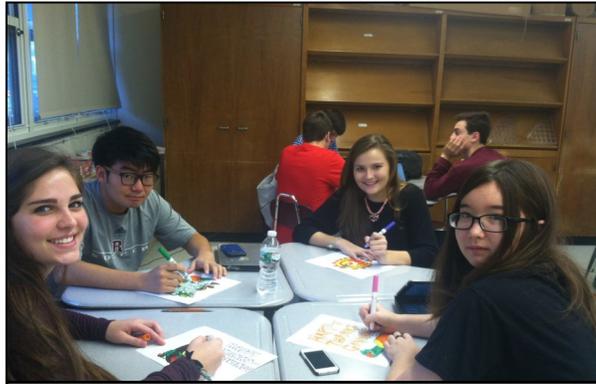
Ecomagination is GE's growth strategy to enhance resource productivity and reduce environmental impact on a global scale. It focuses on cleaner technology and business innovation in areas of emissions, water consumption, and environmental partnerships.



Students from various high schools around the area gather at Ridgewood High School to talk and discuss about engineering and the future.

### FAST FACTS...

Ridgewood High School is ranked 102 nationally by Newsweek, and RHS is ranked 301 nationally by US News.



Students design placemats as part of a DECA led community service campaign, which will be given to residents during Thanksgiving.

## DECA's Epic Community Service

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The placemats will be delivered on November 23 and handed out to the residents during Thanksgiving dinner.



Katie Bourque, Michael Thurston, Cate Shippee, Brett Kennedy, Lindsay Haas, Cooper Telesco, and Mikayla Waddell accepted their athletic scholarships to various colleges for their upcoming freshman year.

## Upcoming

**November 20:**  
A Cappella Concert;  
7:00 pm; Little Theater

**November 25:**  
EARLY DISMISSAL

**November 26 to 27:**  
SCHOOL CLOSED

**November 26:**  
Thanksgiving

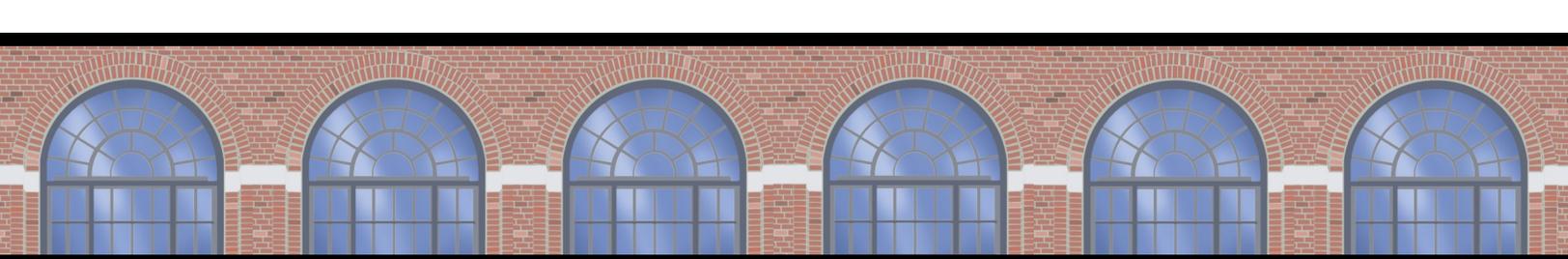
**December 1:**  
Local Scholarship  
Instructions; 9:30 am;  
Campus Center

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Bergen County Bands  
Audition; 4:00 pm;  
Paramus High School

**December 4:**  
Music Ensembles for  
Holidays; Van Neste  
Square

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Tarleton & Family Landscaping Co. helps beautify Ridgewood High School by planting 400 daffodils, which were donated by The Women Gardeners of Ridgewood.



www.cfrpl.org



www.ridgewoodwildscape.org

### Twinney Pond Park

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2015,  
FROM 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. RAIN OR SHINE

THE CONSERVANCY FOR RIDGEWOOD PUBLIC LANDS and THE RIDGEWOOD WILDSCAPE ASSOCIATION are teaming up with Jean Epiphan, Ecologist, of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, to restore Twinney Pond Park.

Please wear sturdy shoes, work gloves, and bring a shovel.

Twinney Pond Park is located at the end of Red Birch Court, off of East Glen Avenue, opposite Benjamin Franklin Middle School.

Twinney Pond Park is a kettle pond, only filled with rain water. By removing invasive plants and re-establishing native plants, the pond will become more beautiful and attractive to the natural wildlife.



#### Vision of the School Culture

Our vision for Ridgewood High School has eight norms that we ask all members of our school community to apply to their daily interactions:

1. Collegiality – working successfully with and learning from others;
2. Experimentation – trying new ideas;
3. Trust & Confidence – trusting the integrity of others;
4. Appreciation & Recognition – honoring effort and achievements;
5. Caring, Celebration & Humor – having fun together and showing that we care for others;
6. Involvement in decision-making – having a voice in the decision, policies, and procedures that impact our lives;
7. Traditions – continuing ceremonies and new creating traditions;
8. Open, honest communications – taking responsibility for sending accurate messages, talking, and resolving conflicts respectfully

THE RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
AND



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BRETT LAUREN IS DONATING **15%** OF SCHOOL COLOR SALES TO THE  
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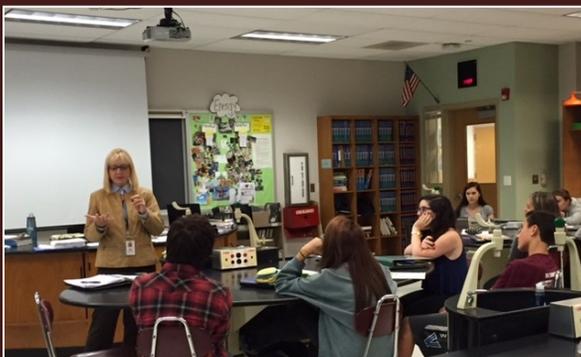
## A Window Into Ridgewood High School



Students in Harold Nelson's science class learn about parabolic motion with a hands on project.



In Laura Fleming's World Literature class, "Life" literally handed out lemons to students.



Ridgewood Public Schools Energy Specialist, Christine Amundsen, talked with Amy Wegman's science class about solar energy.

## Peer Español Pilot Program

Ridgewood High School Spanish students went to Willard Elementary School this past week as part of the Peer Español Pilot Program. Students from the RHS honors program meet with elementary school students in grades 1-5 once a month to present interactive Spanish Lessons via Google Hangouts and Peardeck. In the months of May and June, high school students will visit Willard again for several Spanish themed days.

These opportunities, for both high school and elementary school Spanish students, allow each to enrich their knowledge of a foreign language. It also helps them form relationships with students from different schools that will improve the quality of their educational experience at Ridgewood Public Schools.



Sr. Karen Walters' forensic science class were taught about crime scene investigation by real police detectives. Chief Ward, Detective Captain Lyons, and Detective Henky helped the students with their analysis of mock crime scenes.

### QUOTE TO REMEMBER...

*"A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles."* -Christopher Reeve



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Website: <http://rhs.school.ridgewood.k12.nj.us/>

