

DEMAREST PTO WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK OF APRIL 27, 2026



THIS WEEK

- **TUES 4/28:** PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING & BOE MEETING, 7PM @ CRS
- **FRI 5/1:** SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAY!
- **SAT 5/2:** PHOTO SHOOT FUNDRAISER AT THE DUCK POND, REGISTRATION FULL

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- **MON 5/4:** STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK STARTS!
PRESCHOOL ORIENTATION @ 3:20 PM
- **THU 5/7:** LLE SPRING CONCERT 3RD AND 4TH GRADE @ 6:30 PM
- **FRI 5/8:** KINDERGARTEN MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT @ 8:45 AM
DMS PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT @ 3:15 PM
- **THURS 5/14:** PTO MEETING IN-PERSON, @ 8:30 AM
DMS SPRING CONCERT @ 7PM
- **FRI 5/15:** CRS FIELD DAY
- **SUN 5/17:** DEMAREST 41ST ANNUAL 5K!
- **THURS 5/21:** LLE FIELD DAY
- **MON 5/25:** NO SCHOOL

HELPFUL TIPS & REMINDERS

- **STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK CONTRIBUTIONS OPEN ON MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT! LAST CALL TO CONTRIBUTE**

PRESIDENTS' HIGHLIGHTS

Last week, our middle schoolers got into the groove with a *Writing Through Rap* assembly, coordinated by our Educational Enhancement Committee. All the students seemed hooked and walked away inspired to read, read, write... and then write some more!

Take a look at some pics from the event below.

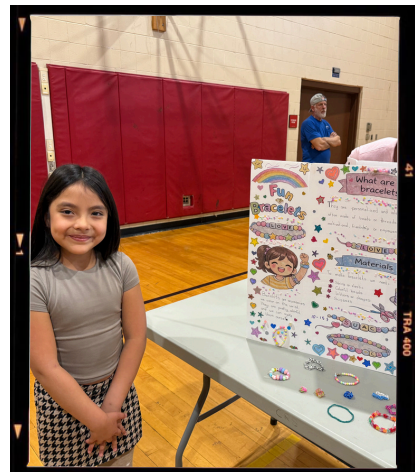
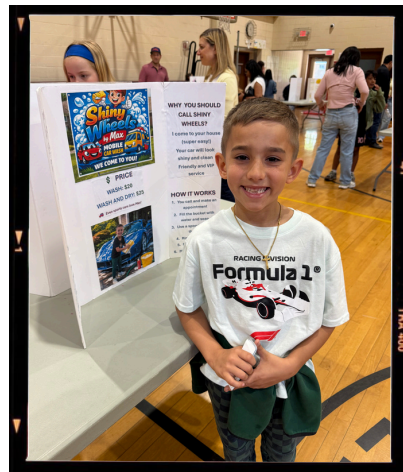
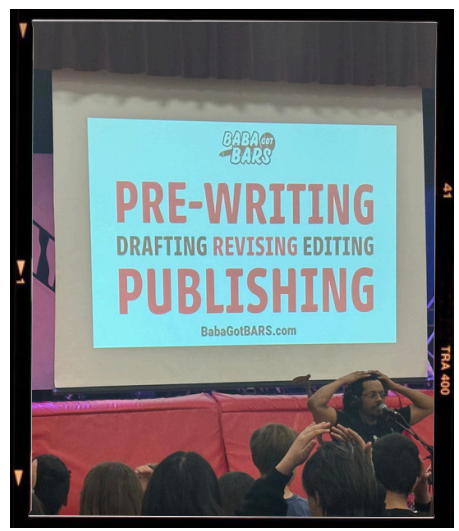
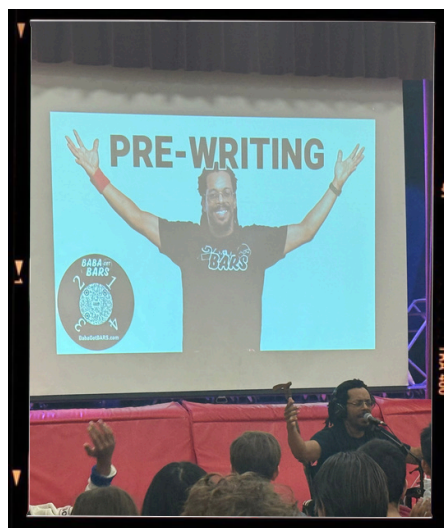
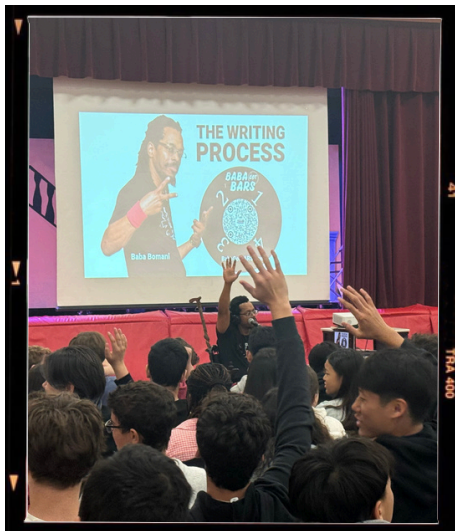
Meanwhile, our Staff Appreciation Committee is in full on planning mode and dreaming up a week's worth of well-deserved treats, surprises, and celebration for our rockstar teachers and staff.

Help us turn up the volume for our rockstar staff!

There's still time to contribute...check out the flyer below for details.

-Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org



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DEMAREST TEACHER & STAFF

2026 Appreciation Tour

MAY 4-8

MONDAY 5/4

"Breakfast at Tiffany's"
Staff: Kick off the week with a bagel breakfast in the staff room beginning at 7:30am

TUESDAY 5/5

"Simply the Best"
CRS/LLE Staff: Jive to the staff room for an Italian lunch beginning at 11am
DMS Staff: Waltz on over to your mailbox for a special gift

WEDNESDAY 5/6

"Footloose"
CRS/LLS Staff: Waltz on over to your mailbox for a special gift
DMS Staff: Jive to the staff room for an Italian lunch beginning at 11:30am

Thank you for being IN - TUNE with our Demarest students.
You are true rockstars.
Thank you for all that you do!

THURSDAY 5/7

"I Want Candy"
Staff: Enjoy a symphony of snacks as the Candy Cart rolls down the hallway
CRS/LLE: 9:30 - 10:30am
DMS: 1 - 2pm

FRIDAY 5/8

"Pour Some Sugar on Me"
Staff: Curtain call on the week with the Glazed and Confused Donut Truck!
LLE 8:45 - 9:45am
CRS 10:15 - 11:15am
DMS 11:45am - 12:45pm

THE PTO IS VERY EXCITED TO SPONSOR THIS YEAR'S 2026 STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK CELEBRATION FILLED WITH FESTIVITIES, FOOD, GIFTS AND LOTS OF FUN FOR ALL THE INCREDIBLE TEACHERS AND STAFF AT CRS, LLE & DMS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN CONTRIBUTING, PLEASE DO SO ASAP!

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A PTO MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE—EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY IS WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE APPRECIATION!

SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS ARE LISTED BELOW, BUT PLEASE KNOW THAT ANY AMOUNT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

- CHILD(REN) ATTEND 1 SCHOOLS: \$25
- CHILD(REN) ATTEND 2 SCHOOLS: \$35
- CHILD(REN) ATTEND 3 SCHOOLS: \$40



**TAKES PLACE ON
SUNDAY, MAY 17TH
9:30AM 5K
10:30AM FREE FUN RUN**

**CHECK OUT
DEMAREST5K.ORG FOR
MORE DETAILS**

**DEMAREST PTO
INVITES PARENTS TO JOIN US FOR OUR
BI-MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING**

**THURSDAY
MAY
14TH
8:30AM**

**Connect with Other Parents
and Learn About Exciting
Upcoming Events!**

- ✓ Learn about upcoming PTO and school happenings!
- ✓ Meet other parents
- ✓ Learn about ways to get involved!

**@ Demarest Middle School
568 Piermont Rd.
in the cafeteria!**



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LUTHER LEE EMERSON AND THE DEMAREST PTO PRESENT

LEVEL UP TO DMS
MOVING UP
CELEBRATION
DATE TBD

LUNCH, DESSERT, DJ,
GAMES AND FUN!

WE KINDLY REQUEST \$40 PER STUDENT,
WHICH CAN BE MADE
ON MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT
(DEMARESTPTO.ORG)
BY MAY 7TH

START



DEMAREST PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

A Tradition of Serving Demarest Schools for Over 80 Years

*Interested in volunteering as a
PTO Board Member?*

The experience is not only gratifying and fun, but it's also a great way to give back to the schools and the community

The position open for the next school year is:

Treasurer

For descriptions of each position and details on the application process, please go to www.demarestpto.org

The deadline to submit applications is May 21, 2026

Questions? Feel free to reach out to us at president@demarestpto.org or secretary@demarestpto.org

The Demarest PTO invites you to

Thanks a Brunch!
Volunteers, Parents &
Members!

Join us for a light
breakfast to celebrate
YOU—our amazing
volunteers and families!

Please RSVP by 6/5
so we order enough food!

<https://forms.gle/Thh2pGnpSPcSFBzF6>

Friday, June 12 at 8:30am
in the DMS Cafeteria



Thank
you! :)



KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR SURPRISE VISITS
FROM METROPOLITAN ICE CREAM TRUCK
AFTER DISMISSAL AT THE BACK PICKUP AREA
AT LLE ON LENOX AVENUE OR AT DMS ON
NORTHWOOD AVENUE

DAYS WILL VARY BASED ON WEATHER!



STOP BY TO INDULGE IN SOFT SERVE,
MILKSHAKES, OR ICE CREAM BARS!

A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR PURCHASE
WILL BE DONATED TO THE PTO!



DEMAREST COMMUNITY NEWS



JOHN GOODWIN PHOTO CONTEST

MAY

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2026

Entries are due by May 1st

Adult and Child Categories.
Cash Prizes!

Photos must be taken at the
Demarest Nature Center.

Digital photos can be uploaded on our website: <https://www.demarestnaturecenter.org/annual-photo-contest/>.
Official rules are also listed there.



Korean BBQ MEAT FUNDRAISER

ORDER PERIOD: APR 27 (MON) – MAY 8 (FRI)
PICKUP: MAY 14 (THU) 2–4 PM (LOCATION TBD)

Menu

- Chadol Beef (USDA Choice thinly sliced beef brisket) \$115 (5 lbs)
- Bulgogi Beef (USDA Choice thinly sliced marinated beef) \$70 (5 lbs)
- Marinated LA Galbi (Beef Short Ribs) \$120 (5 lbs)
- Berkshire Pork Belly (Honeycomb Cut) \$75 (5 lbs)
- Soy Sauce Based Marinated Rolled Pork Shoulder (Duroc) \$90 (5 lbs)

SCAN ME

1. Complete the Google Form
2. Submit payment
3. Pick up your order

KDPA KOREAN DEMAREST PARENTS ASSOCIATION | KOREAN BUTCHERY

JOIN GUIDE AND CONQUER AND THE DEMAREST BOH



FREE REGISTRATION

COUCH TO 5K

MEET AT WAKELEE CLUB HOUSE

SUNDAYS 2PM AND
WEDNESDAYS 5PM

STARTS SUNDAY MARCH 22 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 13
ALL LEVELS WELCOME!
COME STRETCH/ WALK/ RUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
201-768-0167 x130

OR DROP US EMAIL
lcampbell@demarestnj.gov

DEMAREST 5K REGISTRATION
NOT INCLUDED

- Teen
- Advisory
- Board

Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB) of the Friends of the Library for a

STOCK MARKET CHALLENGE

Bi-weekly sessions on Thursdays 3:30 – 4:15pm

- ✓ April 9
- ✓ April 23
- ✓ May 7
- ✓ May 21

Trade, learn, and compete. Who can grow their \$100,000 in virtual cash the most?

Most suitable for ages 10-14



REGISTER HERE!



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