

Demarest Middle School



October 17th 2025

Important Upcoming Dates:

- 10/24 Eighth Grade Visit to NVD
- 10/24 KARE Club Bake Sale
- 10/30 Ryan's Story Bullying Prevention Program
- 10/31 Costume Contest
- 11/4 School Closed for Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11/6 and 11/7 New Jersey Teachers Convention
- 11/14 Fifth and Sixth Grade Dance



B.C.P.O. Visit DMS for Internet Safety

The Bergen County Prosecutor's Office visited Demarest Middle School seventh graders on 10/15 to discuss online bullying. The prosecutor's office also reviewed internet safety and common sense precautions for young adolescents.

Ryan's Story

On October 30th, DMS will be visited by Mr. John Halligan for a presentation designed to prevent bullying and cyberbullying.

DMS News

The DMS News released its first episode of the year. It can be viewed by clicking the link below:

<https://www.wevideo.com/view/3904368424>

We are currently looking for 8th graders to join the DMS News for the second marking period. Interested students can reach out to Ms. DiMartini.

KARE Club Visits CRS

On Monday October 13th our KARE Club visited first graders at CRS as a culminating activity for the Week of Respect. DMS students read stories about kindness and acceptance to their younger peers.

Ribbon Cutting

On Friday, October 10th our Board of Education held an official ribbon cutting to celebrate the opening of our new gymnasium.



DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL HALLOWEEN

COSTUME RULES

Students will be allowed to wear their costumes for the full school day on Friday, October 31st. They should come to school in their costumes and will remain in their costumes for the entirety of the day.

Costumes should adhere to the following guidelines as detailed below.

- Students are reminded that if they are planning to wear a costume to school for Halloween, it must conform to The Demarest Middle School Dress Code.
- Costumes may not be demeaning, insulting, or representing any ethnic group, race, nationality, disability, gender (boys as girls and vice versa), individual (staff or student) at the school, or depict any religious leaders as that may be offensive to other students.
- Costumes may not cause a disruption or distraction to the school program. For example, no revealing costumes such as: nightwear, bathing suits, etc.
- No weapons or props replicating weapons or dangerous items are to be brought to school.
- No costumes are allowed that would completely hide the identity of the student, i.e. gorilla suit, "Scream" character, or a costume mask. **(Costume Masks are not permitted).**
- No costumes are allowed that would impair a student's vision or movement.
- No costumes showing obscene materials or prohibited substances are allowed.
- No inflatable costumes.
- No products such as makeup or hairspray should be brought to school.

Basketball Tryouts

DMS will be hosting basketball tryouts during the week prior to Thanksgiving. Interested students can sign up in the nurse's office. To try out, students MUST have a completed physical that has been approved by the school physician. The deadline for submission of physicals is November 10th.

