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WMBC response to question 17

WMBC NEWS and WMBC HOMETOWN, daily and weekly shows, cover many issues on a regular basis pertaining to children. The programs are designed to be child friendly, nonviolent, wholesome and informative. During the first quarter of 2019, WMBC produced and aired such reports as the following: DURING "THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR," SOME OF NEWARK'S YOUNGEST VOICES HELPED SPREAD HOLIDAY CHEER IN AN UNLIKELY PLACE: TERMINAL A OF NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. A NEW JERSEY APPELLATE COURT HAS STRUCK DOWN A REQUIREMENT THAT STUDENTS MUST PASS TWO STATE EXAMS BEFORE THEY CAN GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL. FINANCIAL LITERACY COURSES ARE NOW REQUIRED FOR NEW JERSEY'S MIDDLE-SCHOOLERS UNDER A NEW BIPARTISAN MEASURE SIGNED INTO LAW. A JUNIOR ICE HOCKEY TEAM IN NEW JERSEY IS REMEMBERING A YOUNG PLAYER IT LOST ON NEW YEAR'S DAY. A 17-YEAR-OLD DIED AFTER HE TUMBLED FROM A SKI LIFT NEAR PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA. THE NYPD SAYS A 5 YEAR OLD BOY WHO WANDERED OUT OF SCHOOL WITHOUT ANYONE NOTICING WAS FOUND ON A SUBWAY PLATFORM. THREE SUSSEX COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE BEGUN OFFERING FREE, FULL DAY PRESCHOOL. A NEW JERSEY HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLER FORCED BY A REFEREE TO CUT HIS DREADLOCKS BEFORE A MATCH TO AVOID A FORFEIT HAS RETURNED TO COMPETITION. THE DRIVER BEHIND THE WHEEL OF A VAN CAUGHT USING VIDEO CHAT BY A HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WILL NO LONGER BE PERMITTED TO DRIVE FOR THE SCHOOL. PROTECTING SCHOOLS AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS IS PRIORITY NUMBER ONE FOR MANY IN NEW JERSEY TODAY. THE FIRST PEDIATRIC DEATH IN NJ ASSOCIATED WITH THE FLU HAS BEEN REPORTED. CAFETERIA FOOD IN NEW YORK CITY MAY SOON GET A LITTLE BIT GREENER. OFFICIALS IN THE BIG APPLE ARE MAKING STUDENT NUTRITION A TOP PRIORITY WITH A NEW BILL THAT WILL ALSO EXPAND NUTRITION EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS. AN AMBER ALERT HAS BEEN ISSUED IN NYC: POLICE SAY 2 YEAR OLD SENIYA BENITEZ, WHO HAS AUTISM, WAS KIDNAPPED BY HER 21 YEAR OLD FATHER. PUBLIC SCHOOL OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK CITY ARE CONSIDERING MAKING SEVERAL CHANGES AND THE CITY COUNCIL IS HOLDING HEARINGS ON EVERYTHING FROM SEX ED, TO LATER START TIMES FOR STUDENTS. Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, more than 900 NJ high school students will have computer science courses available to them, as part of the "Computer Science for All" initiative. ON LONG ISLAND, VAPING IS MORE POPULAR THAN EVER AMONG TEENS AND NOW SOME STUDENTS ARE TRYING TO GET AHEAD OF THE TREND AND STOP IT IN ITS TRACKS. NEW JERSEY GAMBLING REGULATORS HAVE FINED THE COMPANY BEHIND THE PLAYSUGARHOUSE.COM WEB SITE \$30,000 FOR ALLOWING UNDERAGE GAMBLERS TO PLACE BETS ONLINE FOR MORE THAN A YEAR. OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK CITY ARE LAUNCHING A NEW PROGRAM THAT'S AIMED AT REDUCING THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO TEST POSITIVE FOR ELEVATED LEAD LEVELS. IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS MORRIS DEFENDED THEIR HOME ICE, BEATING NEWTON 8-3; SPARTA FELL AT HOME, LOSING TO MONTVILLE 6-3; VERNON TOOK CARE OF BUSINESS AGAINST KINNELON, WINNING 4-1; AND HIGH POINT EDGED OUT A WIN OVER GILL ST. BERNARD'S, 3-2. ALL THE SCREEN TIME SOME TODDLERS GET

MAY NOT BE SO GOOD FOR THEM IN THE LONG RUN. THE JAMES CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS ARE STEPPING IN TO HELP LOCAL FAMILIES WITH HEFTY MEDICAL EXPENSES. THE BOYS AND GIRLS NEWTON-LENAPE VALLEY SWIM TEAMS ARE COUNTY CHAMPS, WINNING THE SUSSEX COUNTY SWIM CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SATURDAY AT KITTATINNY HIGH SCHOOL. INCREASED SECURITY AT A NEW JERSEY SCHOOL TODAY AFTER A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY WALKS INTO THE SCHOOL WITH A LOADED GUN. HERE'S MORE ON WHAT IS BEING DONE TO HELP BETTER PROTECT STUDENTS AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. THE WEST CALDWELL PLANNING BOARD WILL BE MEETING TONIGHT TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED ADDITION FOR THE ESSEX VALLEY SCHOOL. HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS WERE EVACUATED FROM A NORTHERN NEW JERSEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AFTER AN UNUSUAL ODOR SICKENED A TEACHER. TOWN AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AS WELL AS THE NEW JERSEY SCHOOLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ARE CELEBRATING THE GROUNDBREAKING OF THE NEW DAYTON AVENUE EDUCATION COMPLEX IN PASSAIC. In the video posted on Twitter the superintendent sings "Looking out the window, every hour on the hour, being superintendent of school; 'Cause I got one awesome power?It's a Snow Day! A NEW JERSEY EDUCATIONAL COMPETITION IS TEACHING STUDENTS ABOUT FRAUD, DECEIT AND MISREPRESENTATION -- SKILLS THAT WILL HELP STUDENTS EVEN AFTER THEY'VE GRADUATED FROM SCHOOL AND ENTER ADULT LIFE. MUSIC FOR A GOOD CAUSE: THIS SATURDAY FROM 10AM TO 6PM, JAMES CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE HOSTING A MUSIC MARATHON. PERFORMERS INCLUDE THE JCHS BLUE BAND, THE JCHS WHITE BAND. IN BOYS BASKETBALL, SPARTA HELD OFF PHILLIPSBURG, WINNING THE CONTEST BY THREE, 56-53; NEWTON DEFENDED THEIR HOME COURT AGAINST NORTH WARREN, WINNING EASILY, 58-30. IT'S READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK AND RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT STUDENTS WHO SPEND MORE TIME READING DO BETTER IN SCHOOL. The Montclair Police Department Traffic Bureau has spent the last few months working on a School Bus Safety initiative with their goal of addressing the ongoing safety issues and concerns in town. IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ON THE GIRLS SIDE, HIGH POINT CRUISED TO VICTORY AGAINST KITTATINNY 73-40; NEWTON WITH A DOMINANT PERFORMANCE, BEATING JEFFERSON 60-27; HOPATCONG LOST ON THE ROAD, FALLING TO CRESKILL 72-28; AND SPARTA WINS 47-33 OVER RIVER DELL. New rules are requiring students take school-provided, chaperoned coach buses to and from their prom venue this year. A MAJOR WIN FOR THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM. THIS WEEK, THE TEAM WAS ABLE TO KNOCK OUT THE 2017 AND 2018 STATE CHAMPIONS FROM WEST MORRIS MENDHAM HIGH SCHOOL THIS YEAR TO TAKE THE TITLE OF NORTHERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONS AT THE NEW JERSEY LAW. SCHOOL AND HEALTH OFFICIALS IN CHATHAM ARE MONITORING TWO CASES OF WHOOPING COUGH. THIS WEDNESDAY, NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS HOSTING THE FIRST EVER FAMILY AND COMMUNITY CONNECTION EVENT. NEW YORK CITY'S MAYOR SAYS A RECORD NUMBER OF NYC STUDENTS TOOK AP EXAMS IN 2018. THE THIRD ROUND OF THE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT IS IN THE BOOKS AND THE WINNERS ARE ON THEIR WAY TO THE SECTION FINALS. UNFORTUNATELY FOR THE NEWTON BRAVES, THEIR SEASON HAS COME TO AN END. MORE. KIDS AND STRESS: K.C. LOPEZ SITS DOWN WITH DR. MARK MENOLASCINO TO DISCUSS WHERE THIS SPIKE IN ANXIETY IS COMING FROM. Another move to push back the morning bell for New Jersey's high school students is heading to the state senate floor for consideration. Supporters say it's no secret; teens need more sleep than they're getting. SCHOOL SECURITY IS SOMETHING ON THE TOP OF PARENTS MIND WHEN THEY DROP THEIR CHILD OFF AT SCHOOL. IN RESPONSE TO SEVERAL SCHOOL SHOOTINGS OVER THE YEARS, SCHOOLS HAVE HAD TO MAKE CHANGES TO THEIR SECURITY PLANS. Hundreds of New

Jersey students participated in the global climate strikes today. NEXT TUESDAY IS THE OPENING DAY OF THE SUSSEX COUNTY TEENS ART FESTIVAL AT SUSSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE FESTIVAL WILL FEATURE CREATIVE WRITING, DANCE, INSTRUMENTAL, THEATER, VIDEO, VISUAL ARTS AND VOCALS. AS TEENS PREPARE TO LEARN WHERE THEY'LL ATTEND COLLEGE IN THE FALL, LAWSUITS ARE BEING FILED BY STUDENTS WHO CLAIM THEY'VE BEEN DENIED A FAIR OPPORTUNITY FOR ADMISSION AFTER FALLOUT FROM A MASSIVE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SCAM BY THE COUNTRY'S RICH AND FAMOUS. TONIGHT IS THE SECOND NIGHT OF JAMES CALDWELL'S PRODUCTION OF "MAMMA MIA." THE SHOW GETS UNDERWAY TONIGHT AND TOMORROW AT 7:30PM. CHANGING THE LANDSCAPE OF WORKING FAMILIES IS ESSENTIAL TO ADDRESSING CHILD POVERTY ACROSS THE NATION. TODAY IN UNION CITY, SENATOR ROBERT MENENDEZ TALKED ABOUT LEGISLATION THAT WILL HELP PARENTS WITH THEIR GROWING FINANCIAL CONCERNS. NEW YORK CITY IS BEGINNING MEATLESS MONDAYS IN ALL OF ITS PUBLIC SCHOOLS. 13 PERCENT OF NEW JERSEY RESIDENTS ARE FOOD INSECURE, MEANING THEY DON'T KNOW WHERE THEIR NEXT MEAL WILL BE COMING FROM; BUT THERE ARE PROGRAMS ACROSS THE STATE THAT AIM TO HELP CHILDREN AND ADULTS GET THE MEALS THEY NEED. PREPARING STUDENTS FOR JOBS IN THE 21ST CENTURY IS A TOP PRIORITY AND IN NEW JERSEY THE MURPHY ADMINISTRATION IS LAUNCHING A NEW PLAN TO HELP NOT ONLY STUDENTS BUT ALSO THE STATE. ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN OF NEW JERSEY RELEASED THE 2019 NEWARK KIDS COUNT REPORT TODAY, DETAILING THE LATEST STATISTICS ON THE STATE OF CHILDREN, INCLUDING FIVE-YEAR TREND DATA. WMBC-TV's MOUNTAIN VIEWS program, which airs on Saturdays, provides information and discussion on youth programs and other uplifting and encouraging activities. The station also aired numerous public service announcements that encourage the well being of children. Additionally, the station provides educational studio tours to children and young adults in the area.