

## Awards and Accomplishments 2007-2008

### For Excellence in Academics...

- ★ East Brunswick is the only district in the state with eight schools designated as *Blue Ribbon Schools/National Schools of Excellence* by the United States Department of Education. The schools are: Bowne-Munro, Chittick, Irwin, Lawrence Brook, and Warnsdorfer Elementary Schools, Hammarskjold Middle School, Churchill Junior High School, and East Brunswick High School.
- ★ “East Brunswick High School is without a doubt one of the finest high schools in the nation. It is a school that has a very strong academic program, supported by ample financial resources, and guided by excellent leadership.” *Quote taken from The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation for Growth Validation Team.*
- ★ **EBHS students** performed admirably in the *2007 Advanced Placement Testing Program.*

Award	Requirements	No. Students
<i>AP Scholar</i>	Granted to students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more of these exams	<b>70</b>
<i>AP Scholar with Honor</i>	Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.	<b>41</b>
<i>AP Scholar with Distinction</i>	Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.	<b>74</b>
<i>National AP Scholar</i>	Granted to students in the United States who receive an average grade of at least 4 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams.	<b>9</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>194</b>

*Offering Advanced Placement courses does not cost the district additional money and parents pay for the AP tests.*

- ★ Sixty-five EBHS seniors were named *Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars.*
- ★ Fourteen EBHS seniors were finalists in the *2008 National Merit Scholarship Competition.*
- ★ Seventy-two EBHS juniors and seniors were inducted into the *National Honor Society.*
- ★ Ninety EBHS students were inducted into *Mu Alpha Theta, the Math Honor Society.*
- ★ Four EBHS juniors were selected to attend the prestigious *Governor’s School of New Jersey*, a unique summer residential program for artistically and academically talented students: Governor’s School of the Arts (1), Governor’s School of International Studies (2) and Governor’s School in the Sciences (1).

- ★ Twenty-two EBHS students enrolled in the Advanced Placement Institute for Political and Legal Education (IPLE) class placed first in the *New Jersey We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution Competition* earning them the honor of representing the State at the national competition. This was the twentieth time out of a possible 21 that EBHS IPLE students represented the State of New Jersey in this national competition.
- ★ Fifty-six students EBHS enrolled in the International Studies Classes attended the Rutgers Model United Nations (RUMUN) Conference where they were recognized for their “exemplary” performance.
- ★ Sixty-one EBHS students participating in the *National High School Model United Nations* were recognized for their “admirable” performance.
- ★ As a result of their performance at the *Harvard Model United Nations*, eight EBHS students were recognized for their “exceptional” work.
- ★ The articles written by five Chittick fourth-grade students were selected to be part of the *2008 Student On-line Newspaper* on the *Celebrate NJ* website. Read what they think makes New Jersey great at [http://www.celebratenj.org/sp\\_student.html](http://www.celebratenj.org/sp_student.html)
- ★ The EBHS Academic Team placed first in the *2008 National Academic Quiz Tournament (NAQT) New Jersey State Competition*.
- ★ Seven students representing EBHS placed first at the *Junior Engineering Technical Society (JETS) State competition*.
- ★ The EBHS Math Team placed third in the *State Math League Competition*.
- ★ The EBHS Science Bowl Team placed first in the State for the fourth year in a row.
- ★ An EBHS student was recognized by the *College Board’s National Hispanic Recognition Program*.
- ★ Two teams of CJHS students placed first and second from among 366 teams statewide who participated in *The Stock Market Game*. Nationally the teams placed third and seventh.
- ★ A Chittick Elementary School Team of Gifted and Talented Education students placed third in the *Stock Market Game’s Northern Region Elementary School Division*.
- ★ The CJHS Science Olympiad team placed third overall at the *Central New Jersey Regional Science Olympiad* competition held at Princeton University. Hammarskjold also sent a team for their first time and they placed in four events.
- ★ The CJHS’ Math Team participated in *Math Counts*, a nationwide competitive team program for middle schools sponsored by education and business.

Churchill's team placed fourth in our region and one student qualified for the State competition.

- ★ HMS students participated in the *New Jersey Math League*. The sixth grade finished in fifteenth place out of 201 schools. Individually, a sixth-grader placed second in Middlesex County. The seventh-graders placed eleventh out of 203 schools.
- ★ A HMS student received a state level award from the *Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth* in the *Mathematics and Verbal Talent Search Competition* for being among the highest scoring participants from New Jersey.
- ★ For the second consecutive year the same EBHS student was among 20 students nationwide selected to participate in the *National Chemistry Olympiad*. As a result of her performance at the national level, she was one of four chosen to represent the United States at the *International Chemistry Olympiad* which this year will be held in Budapest, Hungary. This is the second time in three years that an EBHS student has gone to the international competition
- ★ The works of two CJHS students were rated as “Outstanding” and “Prizeworthy” in the *New Jersey Council of Teachers of English (NJCTE) 2008 Student Writing Contest*.
- ★ An HMS student was named one of the top-scoring students for the JHU-CTY examination qualifying her for the Mathematics and Verbal summer programs including “Introduction to Biomedical Sciences” at Dickinson College and “Individually Paced Mathematics Sequence” at Johns Hopkins University.
- ★ At the Academic Challengers, the Hammarskjold six seventh-grade team members won first place out of 12 schools.

### **In Athletics...**

- ★ At the NJSIAA 2007 Sports Awards EBHS received the *GMC Sportsmanship Award*.
- ★ Nine EBHS varsity cheerleaders were recognized by the *National Cheerleading Association* to be *All American Cheerleaders*.
- ★ *Fall Accomplishments...*
  - The Girls Soccer Team was the *Red Division* and *GMC Champions*
  - The Girls Volleyball and Tennis Teams were the *GMC Tournament Champions*.
  - The Boys Soccer Team was a GMC Champion.
- ★ *Winter Accomplishments...*
  - Boys and Girls Winter Track Teams won the *Sportsmanship Award*.

- An EBHS Girls Winter Track Team member competed in the State Group IV Sectional 55 meters, the State Group IV Sectional 55 meter hurdles, and the Eastern States Championship Meet 55 Meter Hurdles and was the State Group IV Sectional 55 meter Champion, a State Group IV Sectional 55 meter hurdles Finalist, an Eastern States Championship Meet 55 meter hurdle Finalist and was named a Home News First Team All-Area 55 meters team member.
  - An EBHS Girls Bowling Team member was the *2008 Individual Champion in the Central Jersey Classic Invitational* winning the Central Jersey sectional with a 258-679 and placing eighth overall in the NJSIAA finals, rolling a 618 series to lead East Brunswick in the Group IV State Championship games.
  - EBHS Girls Bowling Team was the NJSIAA Group IV State Champion.
- ★ *Spring Accomplishments...*
- Boys volleyball, golf and tennis teams were the *Red Division Champions*.
  - Boys golf and tennis teams were the *GMC Tournament Champions*.
  - Two boys volleyball athletes were selected for the *All-State Volleyball Team* by *The Star Ledger*.
- ★ Based on both their academic and extra-curricular achievements and because they ranked among the top two percent of all *Pop Warner* participants academically, two HMS sixth-grade students were recognized to be *Pop Warner All-American Scholars*.

### **In the Arts...**

- ★ Two EBHS students were accepted into both the *2008 New Jersey All-State Wind Ensemble* and performed at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark in February 2008.
- ★ Nine EBHS students were accepted into the *2008 New Jersey All-State Orchestra* and performed with others from throughout the state in concerts at the New Jersey Education Association Convention in Atlantic City in November 2007 and at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark in February 2008.
- ★ Three EBHS orchestra students were among 120 students from throughout the country accepted into the *2008 National High School Honors Orchestra*.
- ★ Four EBHS choral students were accepted into the *2008 Eastern Division High School Honor Choir*.
- ★ Ten EBHS students were accepted into the *New Jersey All-State Chorus*.
- ★ One EBHS student and one CJHS student were accepted into the *New Jersey All-State Symphonic Band*.
- ★ One EBHS student was accepted into the *All-State Women's Chorus*.
- ★ Two CJHS students and three HMS students were among the top musicians accepted into the *2008 New Jersey All-State Intermediate Orchestra*.

- ★ Two CJHS students were accepted into the *New Jersey All-State Orchestra*. Seventeen students were accepted into the *Central Jersey Regional Chorus*.
- ★ Six students were accepted into the *Central Jersey Regional Band*.
- ★ Eleven students were accepted into the *Central Jersey Regional Orchestra*.
- ★ Fifteen elementary students were selected for the *CJMEA Intermediate Band*
- ★ At *Festival Disney* in Orlando, Florida the EBHS Marching Band received a *Superior Rating* in their category and a *Silver Rating* overall in the marching band category. (2007-2008)
- ★ An EBHS junior was selected to participate in the *Macy's Great American Marching Band* for the second year in a row.
- ★ The EBHS Concert Choir received a "Superior Rating" and received a trophy for "Best Overall Choral Performance" at the *Heritage Music Festival*.
- ★ An EBHS student placed second in the *Congressional Art Competition*.
- ★ A Bowne-Munro third-grade student was one of the six winners in *Middlesex Water Company's "Tap into a Good Thing-Drink More Water"* poster contest.
- ★ An EBHS junior received a Summer Institute scholarship from the *Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation*.
- ★ Sixty-three elementary students participated in district chorus, 268 participated in district band and 250 participated in district orchestra.

### **Staff Accomplishments...**

- ★ Two Hammarskjold Middle School teachers were chosen to participate in the *Rutger's Graduate School of Education South Africa Initiative*.
- ★ An EBHS chemistry teacher, was selected to be *A Teacher Who Makes Magic* by radio station WMGQ, 98.3.
- ★ The district's Business Administrator was chosen by the Middlesex County's Association of School Business Officials' to represent New Jersey's central region for the *School Business Officials' Meritorious Service Award*.
- ★ A CJHS biology teacher who has been selected by the Rutgers Chapter of Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society, as one of three recipients of the *2008 Excellence in Science Teaching Award*.
- ★ At the NJSIAA's annual banquet, the EBHS Boys' Volleyball Coach received an award for his achievements in coaching.
- ★ The EBHS Athletic Trainer was the first athletic trainer to be inducted into *NJSIAA's Hall of Fame*.
- ★ The Varsity Bowling Coach was selected the *Star Ledger Coach of the Year*.
- ★ A CJHS drama/film teacher received a fellowship with Earthwatch Institute to study sharks and rays in Monterey, CA.

