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# FROM THE HELM

### May 2018

Wilson Central School District Timothy P. Carter – Superintendent

From the Desk of Tim Carter:

At the most recent Champions Breakfast I had the opportunity to share with the students an idea from Jon Gorgons book The Seed. In his book he says,

Be the Seed- Seeds surrender themselves to the ground so they can be used for a greater purpose. Wherever you work, decide to plant yourself where you are and allow yourself to be used for a greater purpose. When you plant yourself and make a difference you grow into the person you were born to be and produce a harvest that will benefit others and change the world.

No other profession in the world exemplifies this concept of be the seed then education. Every day we are in contact with the future with an opportunity to plant a seed. I know that this time of year is difficult, however more than ever we have to remember that in every interactions we are planting seeds in our students to be harvested at a future time. Therefore, as this school year comes to an end please be the seed of:

- -Hope -Kindness -Gratitude
- -High Moral, Ethical and Academic standard

Plant in your student these important seeds and watch them grow.

Have a great week!!!

## Tim



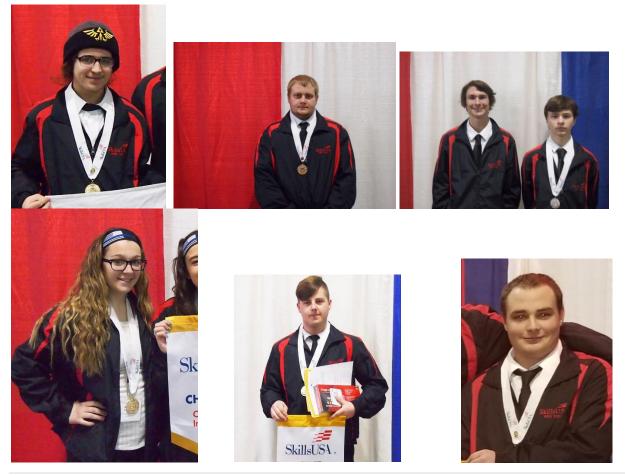


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<u>New York State Skills USA Competition</u>- Please join me in congratulating to the following winners in the SkillsUSA New York State Competition held last week in Syracuse. First Place winners will have a chance to travel to Louisville the last week of June for National Competition: **1st Place:** Jared Feathers, Tristan Kam, Nicholas Nowicki, Ross Simpson, Kasey Taylor and BettyLou Webb **2nd Place:** Louis Penque **3rd Place:** Robert Wilcox

As a point of PRIDE the ON BOCES had 14 1<sup>st</sup> place winners and 6 of them came from Wilson. That says a lot for our students.







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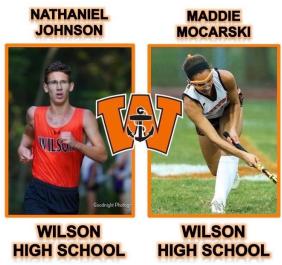
<u>Wilson High School Junior and Senior Prom</u>- On Saturday evening May 5, 2018 my wife Lisa and I had the pleasure of attending the 2018 Wilson Junior Senior Prom. This year's prom was at Samuel Grand Manner. It was a great venue, wonderful food and an awesome evening. It was great to see the student's all dressed up.. Congratulations to our Prom Court:

Princess - Olivia Zappy Prince - Bryce Drewes, Queen - Madeline Mocarski King - Jared Carney.





**Thomas E. Hewitt Sports Award Dinner**- On Sunday Evening May 6, 2018 I had the opportunity to attend the Hewitt Sports award dinner. Two of our very best student athletes were honored. Students are picked to be the district representative on the bases of Athletic ability, Academic honors and service to the community. The all of the students from the nine participating school have to be interviewed. From the interview, one girl and one boy receive a \$2,500 Scholarship. Congratulations Maddie Mocarski and Nathaniel Johnson for being Wilsons 2018 Hewitt honorees.







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<u>The 26th Annual Wilson Free Library Sylvia McQuaig Student Art Show</u>- The 26th Annual Wilson Free Library Sylvia McQuaig Student Art Show opened Monday May 7, 2018 at 7 PM in the MS/HS Library Media Center (LMC). If you were not able to make the reception, the show will be on display throughout the month of May in the LMC. Congratulations to Brian Baker, Lynn Bewley, Chad LaFever and our very talented art students who were recognized at the art show.



**Regional Envirothon Competition**- The following three Wilson 11<sup>th</sup> grade students all tied for first place in the Aquatics and Current Issue Envirothon Regional Competition. The Competition was held on Thursday May 3, 2018. Congratulations too:

-Adrianna Lee

- -Laura Myers
- -Jarrett Pollanz

**<u>5th Grade Band and Chorus Concert</u>**- On Wednesday evening May 16, 2018 I had the opportunity to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band and Chorus Concert. The students sounded awesome. I want to than Mrs. Jeffers and Mrs. Rohring for all of their hard work getting the students ready for the concert. Please enjoy the pictures I took.









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<u>Scholastic Achievement Recognition Dinner</u>- On Thursday evening May 17, 2018 I had the opportunity to represent Wilson School district with Mr. Johnson as we recognized the top three in this year's senior class at the Scholastic Achievement Recognition Dinner. The following student were recognized.

Valedictorian - Mac Musall Salutatorian - Madeline Mocarski # 3 in the class - Joseph St. Onge





<u>Wilson Champions Breakfast</u>- On Wednesday may 23, 2018 I attended the Wilson High School Champions Breakfast. Wilson High school champions are selected throughout the year for doing a number of things that show that they are a true champion and go above and beyond to help others. The Breakfast began with a wonderful meal followed by an introduction my Mr. Dan Johnson. The keynote speaker was Sargent Corey Harmon from the NYS Troopers who talked about his path through life and the importance of following your dreams. I had the honor of doing the closing address. It was a great morning and a wonderful way to honor the Wilson Champions. A special recognition was given to Mr. Mike Cancilla for his dedication to the Wilson district. Each student walked away with a certificate and a Champions Medal. Many of the students also received a prize that were donates. I would like to thank the board members, administrators, teachers and staff the joined the students for their celebration.









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<u>Wilson Historical Society Memorial Day Carnival</u>- On Monday May 28, 2018 my wife Lisa and I had the pleasure of working the historical society carnival. We spent a number of hours selling coffee and doughnuts. After our shift, we had a chance to walk around and look at the vendors and see the historical sights. We also spent some time talking to John Sinclair from the historical society. It was a wonderful afternoon.





**Board Mastery Award**- At our May 8, 2018 Board meeting Frank Cipolla was awarded the Board Mastery Award. This award is from NYSSBA'a School Board U. The Board Mastery Award is given to a Board Member for earning at least 250 leadership development opportunities totaling 250 points. Congratulations Frank.





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<u>Budget Update</u>- As you probably already know Tuesday 5/15 was our Budget vote and it passed 283-112. Also congratulations to Chris Carlin and Linda Hurley on continuing their great work as Board Members. I want to thank Carolyn Oliveri and her staff for their efforts and dedication in getting the budget prepared. I also want to thank Joanne Seefeldt for her organization and dedication in getting the voting process up and running. I had the opportunity to watch the entire process and the work that Joanne and her voting staff did was remarkable.

<u>Capital Project</u>- We received good news the State Ed Capital Project manager gave us the go ahead and said that they have approved our playground project and will be releasing the building permits in the coming days. This means the following timeline will be followed:

-May 9th- Advertise the Playground project

-May 30th- Bids Due back to District

-May 30 bid opening 2:00 PM

-June 12 Award bid at a board meeting

-End June contracts approved and completed

-Early July Construction Begins

This means it looks good for the playground to be open for the beginning of next school year.

<u>Invitation</u>- At the June 12, 2008 Board of Education meeting we will be honoring all of the administrators, teachers and staff members retiring. You are cordially invited to join us for this celebration.

The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives. -Robert Maynard Hutchins