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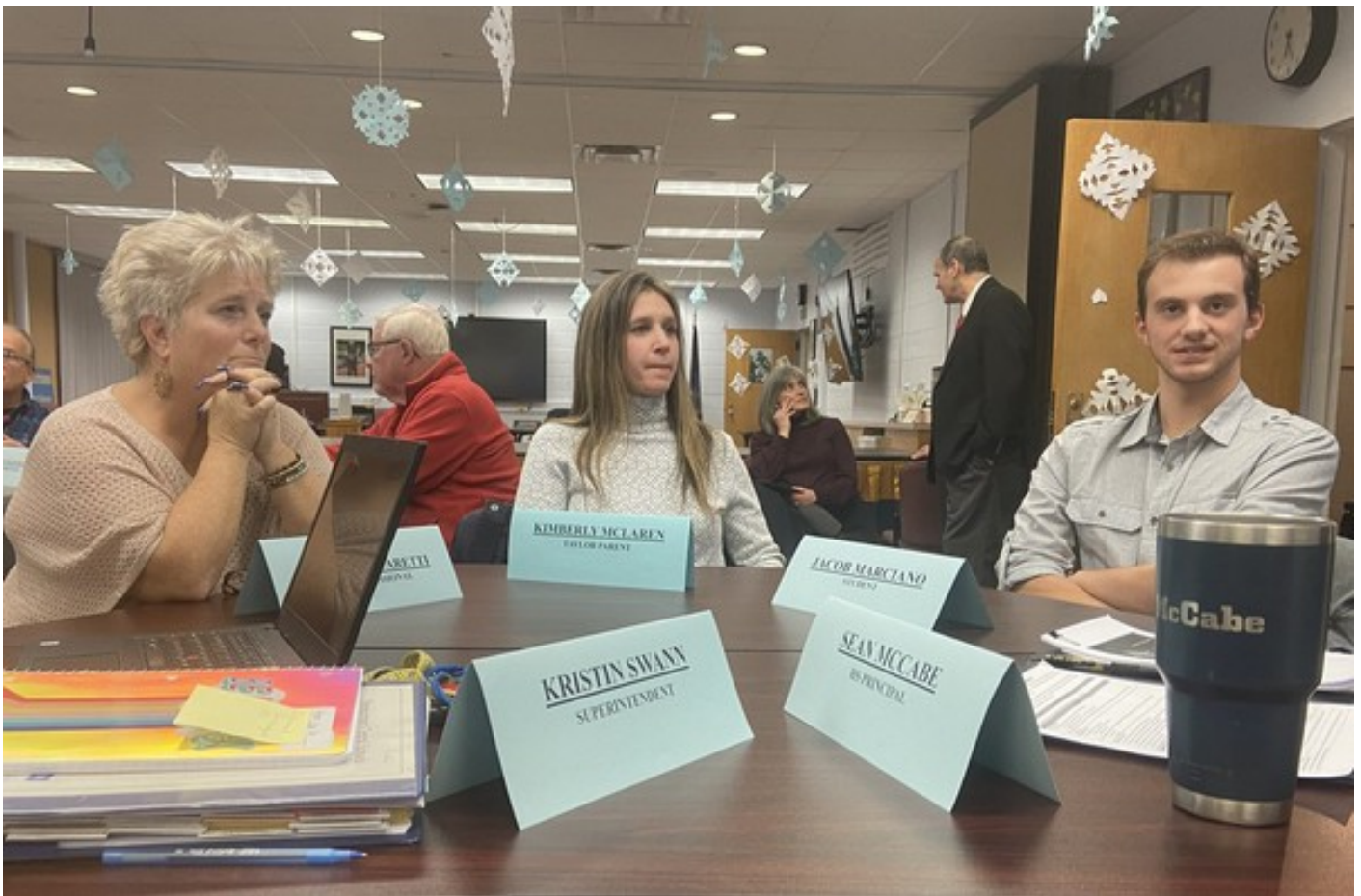
Dear Spencerport Community,

This week, we welcomed students, staff, teachers and community members to our first Budget Focus Group meeting. Committee members discussed a wide range of priorities, all with one overriding objective - ensuring every school has the ability and resources to offer high-quality educational opportunities to all students.



After the pandemic upended the 2019-20 school year, and significantly impacted the following two school years, students that started high school in 2019 are culminating their high school experience with a "normal" school year. From the very beginning of the pandemic until now, the efforts of our teachers, families and community partners have been extraordinary. However, we realize that resources are needed to support students' academic acceleration and address the social and emotional impact of the pandemic on the lives of our young people. We must also strengthen and upgrade our physical environment.

As we work over the next few months to develop our spending plan, I invite you to engage in the budget process with us. Coming soon we will establish a 2023-24 budget section on our website where we will post the PowerPoint presentations, resources and helpful information related to the vote in May. Finally, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at [info@spencerportschools.org](mailto:info@spencerportschools.org) to share your thoughts or questions.

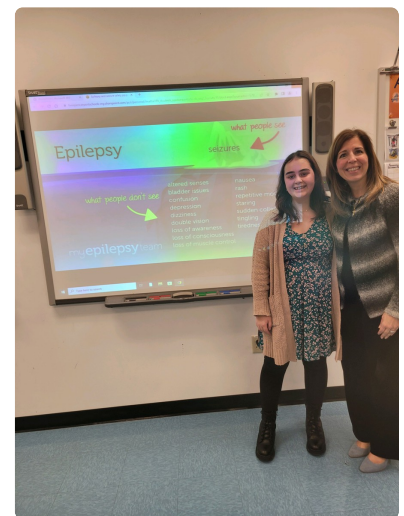


## Bright Spots

### Senior Project

I had the privilege of attending Lydia Mattia's Senior Project presentation on adding seizure safety information to our health curriculum. Her research, advocacy and recommendations were impressive, and she should be so proud of her work.

If you are unfamiliar with the Senior Project, it represents the culmination of a student's formal education at Spencerport High School. It is designed to reflect the district's Strategic Plan by affording students the opportunity to "passionately pursue a personal interest."



### Author visit this week

This week, author Susan Verde visited our elementary schools, sharing her journey as an author, including her book, *I Am Me: A Book of Authenticity*. Students and staff welcomed her with artwork and tours, and we all enjoyed her presentation which also included mindfulness and yoga!



### Congratulations to student-athletes:

- Kam Keyes, who has broken several school records these season including the 200 Individual Medley and 500 Freestyle
- Toby Dickerson for indoor track and breaking the school record for the 1600, and
- our Reading Rangers who visit our elementary schools as guest readers.



### Upcoming Events

- Feb. 4: Evening of Jazz
- Feb. 8: Canal View Beginner Band Recital, 7 p.m., HS PAC
- Feb. 9: Cosgrove Parent Teacher Conferences

Sincerely,

Kristin Swann  
Superintendent of Schools



**Spencerport Central School District**