## Dingman-Delaware Middle School – MR. JAMES MITCHELL

- PSSA's: The students at the Dingman Delaware Middle School participated in the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) in English/Language Arts and Mathematics over a two-week period. The eight grade students also participated in the PSSA Science The test was held over a two-day period on May 2 and May 3, 2017. The students were motivated to take the test and did their best.
- Mrs. Favaro and Mr. Batista's Computer Literacy 7 students volunteered to create graphic design posters and participated in the Autism Acceptance Poster Contest sponsored by the Pike Autism Support Services. The theme this year was "Growing Acceptance". Students used Microsoft Publisher to create the posters and apply their own interpretation of the theme. This year's winners are: 1st Place, Keira Linehan, 2nd Place, Dakota Steele, 3rd Place, Alyssa Purpura, Honorable Mention, Bridget Gendreau, Reilly Ziolkowski, Vito Montorio, Stevie Hamilton and Zachary Morgan.
- The Pennsylvania Middle School Computer Fair is an annual event that highlights Pennsylvania middle school students' application skills and computer knowledge. Students are able to unleash their creativity, learn how to convey information more dynamically, and enhance the learning process. Five Dingman-Delaware Middle School students were selected from Mrs. Favaro's Computer Literacy class to travel to *Northampton Community College*, on March 28th to compete in Computer Graphics. Kayleigh Boone, Kate Barcelowsky, Anna Romano, Victoria Corcoran and Mirabella Demo competed in Computer Graphics. The students challenged themselves both technically and creatively and gained a lot from the experience.
- Mental Health Awareness Month: May is Mental Health Awareness Month! DDMS is honoring Mental Health Awareness month in many different ways to help educate our students about mental health. The Warrior Ambassadors have created many different posters to be distributed throughout the building to help promote mental health awareness. Each person received a poster in their mailbox to be posted on their door or in their room. Each week we will be focus on a different aspect of mental health awareness. Every Wednesday we are wearing a different color to show our support. In addition to this, we will be making daily announcements with facts and information throughout the topic of the week, including statistics and general knowledge. We will also be including informational You Tube videos about mental health awareness.
- It was with great pleasure Dingman-Delaware Middle School Staff were invited again to participate in, "Bring Your Child to Work Day," on Friday, April 28, 2017. In the business of education, we are undoubtedly interested in helping students link the value of their education to the world of work. Most people, including the children of educators, don't realize what it takes and what it's like to be staff in a school setting. DDMS hosted twenty-one guests, who ranged in age from six to sixteen years. Our staff was asked to think about how they could most successfully integrate their child into our environment. Our young guests were treated to a special appearance on DDTV, a pizza luncheon, juice boxes, a dessert treat, a goodie bag, photograph opportunities throughout the day, as well as what each individual classroom had planned. It was a really great, educational day for all!
- Fire Drill: April 27, 2017: 2 minutes 30 seconds