

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE & MAPLEWOOD

BOARD RECOGNITION
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
October 16, 2017

Seth Boyden Elementary, South Mountain Elementary, and Tuscan Elementary Schools are recipients of the 2017-2018 **Lets Move Active Schools Campaign Award**. They join Clinton and Marshall, which both received this prestigious national recognition in 2016-2017.

As the national solution to ensure that 60 minutes of physical activity a day is the norm in K-12 schools, *Let's Move!* Active Schools equips schools with the resources and tools to increase physical education and physical activity opportunities for students, and to cultivate an Active School environment.

To earn a *Let's Move!* Active Schools National Award, a school must have met significant benchmarks in five areas: physical education; physical activity before and after school; physical activity during school; staff involvement; and family and community engagement.

Let's Move! Active Schools is powered by a national collaborative of health, education and private sector organizations that strives to bring these benefits to every child across the country.

Congratulations to:

- **Principal Damion Frye** and PE Teachers **Ria Favia** and **Toni Martinez**, from Seth Boyden.
- **Principal Alyna Jacobs** and PE Teachers **Jeff Kaesshaefer** and **Richard Tait**, from South Mountain.
- **Principal Malukah Majeed** and PE Teachers **Noelle Sullivan** and **Ted Panayoutou** from Tuscan.

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Tuscan Elementary School PTA has been selected to receive the 3rd Annual "**Community Partner of the Year Award**" from the **Family Assistance Resource Center** (FARC). This award is given in recognition of Tuscan School's outstanding contribution in support of FARC in meeting the needs of fire victims in their time of crisis. Teacher **Claire Sinclair** coordinated Tuscan's efforts which earned this award.

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SOMS 8th Grade Student **Silas Lev Silverman-Stoloff** won **First Prize** in the **2017 Mahatma Gandhi Art and Writing Contest**, which raises awareness on the importance of Gandhi's message on non-violence, racial harmony and peace. Silas created an amazing piece of art in response to Gandhi's quote: "Our ability to reach unity in diversity will be the beauty and the test of our civilization."