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**Plainedge Student Peter Fullan Selected for Brookhaven National Laboratory Summer Research Program**

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A message from Superintendent Dr. Edward A. Salina, Jr.

# New Spring Happenings In 2022

May is here and as the weather warms up, Plainedge Schools are finishing up a number of great projects including updates to our baseball sound system, our softball field at Schwarting, and our High School cafeteria. You can find out more about these great projects below.

Our excellent students continue to excel in the classroom. At the Board of Education Meeting in April, we honored the best-performing students in our schools and our STEAM program recently held a robotics event called the Student Robot Connection. The event had 3rd graders coding their way through Earth Day Challenges, with the help of 5th graders and high school students.

In addition, we also continue to honor a legacy. On May 4th our students wore blue to honor Plainedge's own Detective 1st Grade Brian Moore, who lost his life in the line of duty seven years ago.

Find out more about what is going on in Plainedge below.



## Upgrades To Our Sports Facilities

Pictured above is Raymond Paris, Board of Education VP

Over the last few weeks, we have been excited to announce a series of upgrades to our sports facilities. Scan the QR code to watch a video highlighting the new upgrades to the Girls Varsity Softball Field at Schwarting and click below to see the upgrades to New Sound and Amplifications System at the Edward Byrne Memorial Baseball Field at Plainedge High School. We will also be opening a new Plainedge Fitness Center in September of 2023. Scan the QR code below for a sneak peek. This fitness center will be open to Plainedge residents when not in use by Plainedge student programs. Thank you Raymond Paris, Vice President, and Jennifer Maggio, Board Trustee of the Board of Education for joining us at the Opening Ceremonies, and thank you to all our Board of Education for supporting these important projects.



Pictured above are Raymond Paris, Vice President, and Jennifer Maggio, Board Trustee of the Board of Education with the Plainedge High School Baseball Team



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## Watch: Plainedge Schools, Where Everyone Achieves!

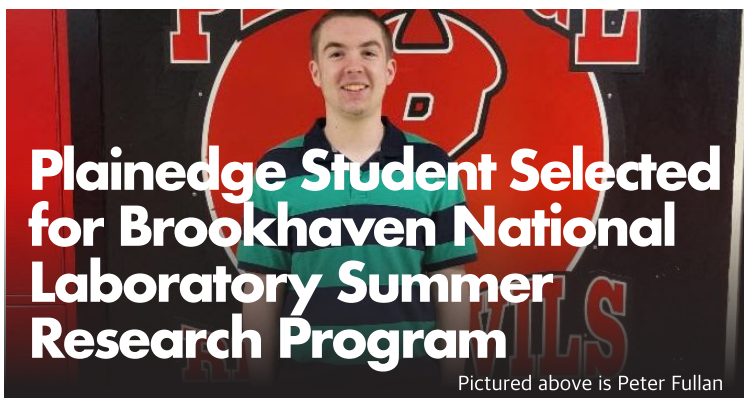
Samantha Innes and her Middle School class star in this super cool promo: "Come and rediscover one of the best public schools on Long Island. Get out and support our always competitive top athletic programs and arts and music programs which are supported by a caring team of educators, award-winning administrators, and our Board of Education. Thank you Board Vice President, Raymond Paris, for partaking in our social media project and the entire Board of Education for all you do to support our children and our outstanding programs. Get to know us on Facebook and Instagram and don't forget to sign up for our monthly email newsletter at [PlainedgeSchools.org](http://PlainedgeSchools.org) Plainedge Public Schools - Where Everyone Achieves."



## Honoring the Life of Detective First Grade Brian Moore

Pictured above are students from Ms. Danielo's Fifth Grade class at John H. West

On May 4th, students and staff at Plainedge wore blue to honor and celebrate the life of Plainedge's own Detective 1st Grade Brian Moore as we approach the 7th anniversary of his tragic loss.



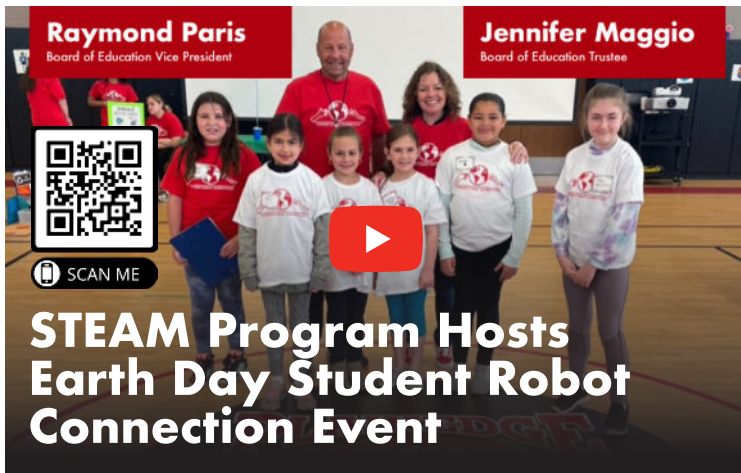
## Plainedge Student Selected for Brookhaven National Laboratory Summer Research Program

Pictured above is Peter Fullan

Peter Fullan, class of 2023, was one of 25 students who was just accepted into the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) Summer High School Research Program. With his interest in studying nuclear science, Peter led the pack of applicants with a strong research resume. Peter created a data frame that included statistics on energy production, nuclear power plants, and greenhouse emissions -- data collected from the US Department of Energy and news sources. Peter then leveraged the supervised machine learning decision tree protocols spearheaded by Reem Hamdan (class of 2022) to identify the factors most associated with nuclear power plant distribution throughout the United States. Peter continued by using linear regression modeling to predict the potential greenhouse gas reductions if energy production throughout the US incorporated more nuclear power. Peter is the first Plainedge High School student to earn a research collaboration with Brookhaven Labs, and he will now work with BNL nuclear scientists, who focus on nuclear reactor core analysis. With the mentorship of these scientists, Peter plans on integrating his knowledge of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and machine learning with the computation software at BNL. His goal is to utilize AI and machine learning to model dynamics in a nuclear power plant in order to design the most efficient and safe next-generation nuclear reactors. His work promises to help with humanity's transition away from fossil fuels.



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Pictured above are Raymond Paris, Vice President, and Jennifer Maggio, Board Trustees of the Board of Education with the 3rd Grade STEAM students.

The District recently hosted a free 3rd grade STEAM program at the Brian Moore Athletic Center which was attended by many students. Thank you to all our STEAM, and 5th Grade and HS Student Volunteers, who served as coaches for our 3rd-grade students! The Board of Education prides itself on supporting the implementation an engaging STEAM curriculum for all students. Thank you Raymond Paris, Vice President, and Jennifer Maggio, Board Trustees of the Board of Education for joining us and supporting our children! Scan the QR code above to watch a video from the event.

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The Board of Education is proud to announce the Grand Opening of the Plainedge High School Commons/Cafeteria for all students and staff on Monday, May 9, 2022. This facility improvement was a voter-approved facilities project. Thank you to the Plainedge Board of Education for always providing a clear vision of school improvements for the Plainedge Community! Find out more about the cafeteria by scanning the QR code above.

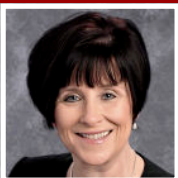


Pictured above are the members of the Plainedge Board of Education, Catherine Flanagan President, Raymond Paris Vice President, and Trustees Jennifer Maggio, Dr. Lynnda Nadien, Dr. Joseph Netto, Sonny Spagnuolo, and Sisi Wong Townson with the 2022 Class Valedictorian, Salutatorian and Summa Cum Laude students from Plainedge High School.

At the April Board Of Education Meeting, the Board recognized Plainedge High School's top-performing academic students including the Class of 2022 Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Summa Cum Laude students. Congratulations to the highest achieving students in Plainedge and their families who joined us to celebrate their child's educational excellence!

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