

Sage★Alliance Schools

Rochelle Park News and Events

June 2026

LOOKING BACK ON A WONDERFUL YEAR

As we close another successful school year at Sage Alliance Rochelle Park, we thank our students, families, and sending districts for their continued partnership and support. Together, we have celebrated achievements, embraced challenges, created meaningful memories, and supported our students' academic, social, and emotional growth.

We are grateful for the trust placed in our school community and for the many opportunities to learn and celebrate together. We wish everyone a safe, restful, and well-deserved summer break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in the fall. Happy Summer!

Class of 2026 College Acceptances



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MAY & JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

The following sections provide a snapshot of the many events, experiences, and celebrations that took place during May and June at Sage Alliance Rochelle Park. Rather than full articles, this format highlights key moments from across the school community, offering a quick overview of the learning, activities, and accomplishments that filled the final weeks of the year!

A FOND FAREWELL

Congratulations, Mr. Reynolds

After many years of dedicated service as a therapist at Sage Alliance Rochelle Park, Mr. Reynolds is retiring. Throughout his time at Sage, he served as an important bridge between home and school, helping ensure that students were supported both academically and emotionally. His compassion and commitment have made a lasting impact on countless students and families. We thank him for his years of service and wish him all the best in retirement.



CELEBRATING COMMUNITY & SCHOOL SPIRIT

Multicultural Day

Students and staff celebrated the diversity of our community by sharing favorite family dishes, traditions, and cultural experiences. The event created opportunities for students to learn from one another and appreciate the wide range of backgrounds that make up Sage Alliance. Thank you to Mrs. Picano for coordinating this meaningful celebration of community and connection. It was a powerful reminder of the importance of inclusion and celebrating what makes each of us unique.

Field Day Fun

Our final Advisory Challenge brought students together for a day of energy, teamwork, and friendly competition. Activities included relay races, water balloon tosses, and group challenges that encouraged collaboration and school spirit. The event was a great opportunity for students to relax, connect, and celebrate the end of the school year. Thank you to Mr. Milon for organizing a fun and memorable day!



National Honor Society Beautifies Campus

Guided by Mrs. DiLorenzo, members of the National Honor Society continued their annual tradition of enhancing our school environment by planting flowers at the front entrance. Their efforts helped create a welcoming and vibrant space for students, staff, and visitors. This ongoing project reflects their commitment to service and pride in the Sage community!

RECOGNITION AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Honor Roll Breakfast

Students earning Honor Roll and High Honor Roll were recognized with a celebratory breakfast honoring their hard work and dedication. This event provided an opportunity to highlight their academic achievement and consistent effort throughout the marking period. Staff were proud to celebrate students who demonstrated commitment to their learning and personal growth. It was a positive and well-deserved moment of recognition for their success.



Quarter 3 Kindness Awards

Congratulations to our Kindness Award recipients, recognized for compassion, empathy, and inclusion that strengthen our school community. These students consistently demonstrate actions that uplift others and contribute to a supportive school environment. Their positive choices help set the tone for kindness and respect across the building. We are proud to celebrate their impact on our Sage community.



HANDS-ON LEARNING: BRINGING LESSONS TO LIFE

Bridge Building Challenge (Mr. Milon)

Students applied engineering and problem-solving skills to design and build Popsicle stick bridges. Working in teams, they tested strength, balance, and design strategies to improve their structures. The activity encouraged creativity while reinforcing key STEM concepts. Students demonstrated perseverance as they refined their designs through trial and error.



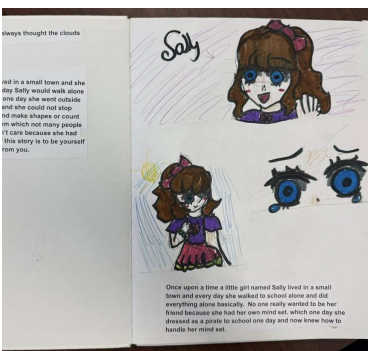
Potato Battery Lab (Mr. Feliciano)

Physics students explored electricity by building potato batteries capable of powering an LED. They investigated how chemical energy can be converted into electrical energy through hands-on experimentation. Students worked collaboratively to test different setups and improve conductivity. The lab provided a fun and engaging way to connect scientific concepts to real-world applications.



Writing Workshop Authors (Mrs. DiLorenzo)

Students transformed personal memories into original children's books, showcasing creativity and storytelling. They focused on developing characters, settings, and meaningful narratives inspired by their own experiences. The project allowed students to express themselves in a creative and reflective way. Finished books highlighted both imagination and strong writing skills.

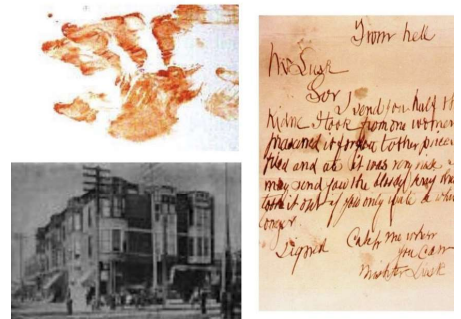


FROM EVIDENCE TO INSIGHT

Forensic Science Comes to Life

Detective Robert Dodd visited Mr. Feliciano's classes to share real-world insights into forensic science and criminal investigation, giving students a closer look at how evidence is collected, analyzed, and used in real cases. He walked students through the responsibilities and decision-making involved in investigative work, highlighting both the science and critical thinking behind the field.

Students were highly engaged as they learned how classroom concepts in science connect directly to careers in law enforcement and forensic investigation. The presentation sparked curiosity and encouraged students to think about future pathways they may not have previously considered. It was a memorable experience that brought learning to life through authentic, real-world application.



EXPLORING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Fairleigh Dickinson University Visit

Students from both Rochelle Park and Paramus visited Fairleigh Dickinson University to explore campus life and learn about future academic opportunities. During the visit, students toured the campus and learned about a variety of programs and college pathways. The experience helped students begin thinking more concretely about their post-secondary goals. Thank you to Mrs. Sardinsky for organizing this experience.

Junior/Senior Hike

Upperclassmen completed a ten-mile hike with Mr. Milon and Mrs. Hoffman through Saddle River County Park as a way to reflect and celebrate the end of the school year. The experience gave students time to connect with peers in a relaxed, outdoor setting. Along the way, they enjoyed nature, conversation, and time to look back on their accomplishments. It was a meaningful and active way to close out the school year together.

Mythbusters Field Trip

The MythBusters Club visited the historic Red Mill in Paramus to explore local history through storytelling and hands-on learning. Thank you to Mr. Milon for organizing this trip. Students learned about the history of the site while engaging with its stories and significance in a more interactive way. The visit encouraged curiosity and made local history more engaging and memorable.



CELEBRATING CREATIVITY AND THE ARTS

Spring Arts Festival

Students showcased seventeen musical performances along with a wide range of artwork inspired by television and anime. The event highlighted the creativity, talent, and dedication of our students across multiple artistic mediums. It was a lively and memorable showcase that brought the school community together to celebrate student expression. Thank you to Mr. Maggiore and Mrs. Carbone for continuing to support this vibrant celebration of the arts.



Sage Day Players Production

The Sage Day Players performed their annual spring showcase featuring a collection of short plays and monologues. Students demonstrated confidence, creativity, and collaboration as they brought each performance to life on stage. The production gave students the opportunity to express themselves and share their voices with a live audience. Thank you to Mr. Tanis for guiding and supporting students throughout the production process.



SPECIAL TRADITIONS & SENIOR MILESTONES: ROCHELLE PARK & PARAMUS CELEBRATIONS

Prom on the Hudson

Students celebrated prom aboard a Hudson River cruise, enjoying music, dancing, and breathtaking skyline views. The evening created a festive and unforgettable atmosphere as students came together to mark this special milestone. Laughter, music, and shared memories made the night one to remember. It was a beautiful celebration of friendship, growth, and the end of the school year.

NamasDay for Seniors

Seniors participated in a meaningful NamasDay experience featuring yoga, sound baths, and wellness activities centered on mindfulness and reflection. The event provided students with a peaceful opportunity to pause, reflect, and celebrate their journey as they approach graduation. Many students embraced the calming activities as a way to connect with themselves and their peers. Thank you to Mrs. Sardinsky for creating and leading this thoughtful and restorative experience.



STAFF SPOTLIGHT: MRS. STONE, DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

We are excited to highlight Mrs. Stone, who has been a member of the Sage community for 20 years. In her role as Director of Curriculum and Instruction across our campuses, she works closely with faculty and students every day. Her leadership, commitment, and passion for teaching continue to have a lasting impact across our school community.



What inspired you to become part of the Sage Team?

Ms. Stone shares, "When I first started at Sage, I was impressed by the level of commitment and collaboration of the team. It felt like a place that was clear in its mission to improve the lives of students."

What do you enjoy most about working with our students?

"It's amazing to see students gain confidence and take on opportunities they may have thought were out of reach in the past," she explains. "Even though my role is mostly administrative, I love that I still get to teach Honors English 12. It keeps me grounded in the classroom and connected to my passion for teaching."

What's something on your bucket list or a skill you'd love to learn?

"If I could instantly learn a new skill, I would love to be able to play the piano."

Do you have a favorite book, movie, or TV show you never get tired of?

"My favorite book is Great Expectations by Charles Dickens. I appreciate the complexity of the characters and interconnectedness of each of their journeys. Dickens tells their stories in a way that encourages the reader to empathize not only with the characters but also with people in their own lives."

SUMMER UPGRADES ARE COMING!

Exciting improvements are coming to campus this summer! Our kitchen and surrounding spaces will be upgraded to create a more modern, functional environment that enhances our Culinary Arts program and provides students with valuable hands-on learning opportunities.

The renovated space will also better support school-wide events and gatherings, while updates to doors throughout the kitchen, gym, and office areas will give the campus a refreshed look. We look forward to the positive impact these enhancements will have on student learning and the Sage community.

SUPPORTING EVERY STUDENT'S JOURNEY

Every student's path is unique. Our flexible intake and onboarding ensure a smooth transition through:

- **Individualized support** – Plans tailored to each student's needs
- **Collaboration** – Partnership with families, leadership, and districts
- **Inclusive environment** – A welcoming community from day one
- **Strong foundation** – Supporting academic, therapeutic, and personal growth

For out-of-district referrals or consultations, please contact our Clinical Director, Margo Adelsberg, at madelsberg@sageday.com.