



## Westbridge Academy Fall/Winter Newsletter

Dear Westbridge Academy Families and Friends,

As we reflect on the vibrant moments of this past year, we're excited to share some of the meaningful celebrations and achievements that have enriched our school community. From cultural celebrations to artistic triumphs, our students continue to demonstrate the power of learning, creativity, and collaboration.

### Fiesta Day: Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

**October 1, 2025**

On October 1, Westbridge Academy came alive with color, culture, and community as we celebrated Fiesta Day in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month. This nationwide celebration, observed from September 15 to October 15, recognizes the rich histories, cultures, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans.





Our students and staff gathered for a joyful afternoon filled with authentic cultural experiences and delicious cuisine. The celebration featured a festive menu including cheese quesadillas, chips with salsa, guacamole and sour cream, churros, and refreshing fruit nectar juices.

## More Than Just a Celebration

Fiesta Day exemplified our commitment to collaborative literacies and 21st-century learning—helping students develop not just academic skills, but also the ability to connect, share, and thrive in diverse communities.

*"Moments like this highlight how culture, community, and collaboration come together at Westbridge. They show how learning and celebration go hand in hand."*

— **Dr. Anthony Hadzimichalis, Executive Director**

A special thank you to Dinorah, our Student Activities Coordinator, for organizing this memorable event, and to our entire staff for bringing the energy, care, and professionalism that make celebrations like this possible.

At Westbridge Academy, we believe that every gathering is an opportunity to heal, grow, and thrive together—and Fiesta Day was a perfect example of this belief in action.

## REACH PROGRAM

### ▣ Xen Sam's Social Media Presentation

**October 17, 2025**

Our REACH students participated in an engaging and informative session focused on social media, digital citizenship, and online safety. Students explored the concept of their digital footprint, learning that what they post online can have long-term effects, including on future job opportunities.

Xen Sams highlighted how responsible online behavior helps protect their reputation and well-being, providing students with practical tips for navigating the digital world in a positive and mindful way. Essential skills for success in today's connected world.

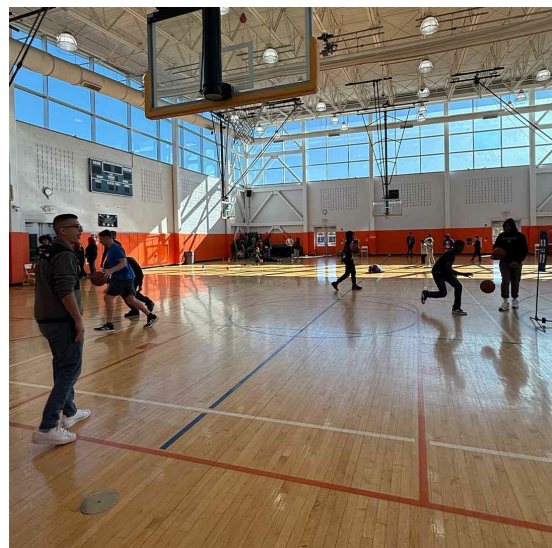


---

## ▣ The Waterfront Newark Adventure

**October 24, 2025**

Students had an amazing time at The Waterfront in Newark! They enjoyed open gym activities, played organized games, and tried a variety of fun physical challenges. The day was filled with movement, teamwork, and plenty of laughter as students built connections and stayed active together.



---

## ▣ Supermarket Science Show with Mike Magic

**November 10, 2025**

Our elementary students were treated to an entertaining and educational performance by Mike Magic from Abracabully! The Supermarket Science show combined hands-on science experiments with a sprinkle of magic, keeping students engaged and excited from start to finish.

This interactive experience made learning fun and memorable, showing students how science comes alive in everyday life, even at the supermarket!



## REACH PROGRAM

### Exploring Future Pathways at Bloomfield College

November 12, 2025

Our REACH students enjoyed an exciting campus tour of Bloomfield College, exploring the facilities and learning about the opportunities available to them after graduation. The visit gave students a chance to experience college life firsthand, ask questions, and envision their future educational paths.

These real-world experiences are invaluable in helping students build confidence, set goals, and understand the steps needed to achieve their dreams.



This past spring and early summer brought exciting achievements in the arts for our talented Westbridge students. We're proud to celebrate these creative accomplishments:

## ASAH 2025 Art Contest Winners

Congratulations to our outstanding artists:

□ **Lateefah** - 1st Place Winner

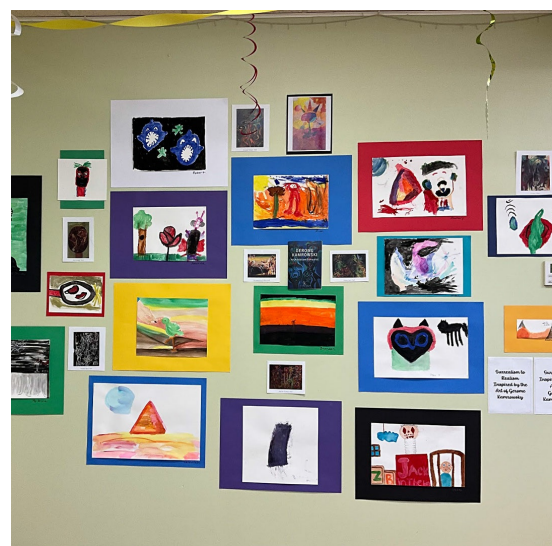
□ **Amir** - 2nd Place Winner

These talented students showcased exceptional creativity and dedication to their craft. We couldn't be more proud!

## Spring 2025 Art Highlights

**Our 2025 Art Show** - A beautiful showcase of student creativity and expression

**The Kamrowski Art Donation** - A generous contribution that enriches our arts programming



These artistic endeavors demonstrate how creative expression helps our students build confidence, develop new skills, and discover their unique voices.

As we move through this school year, we remain committed to providing meaningful experiences that support academic growth, social-emotional development, and personal achievement. Thank you for being part of the Westbridge Academy community.

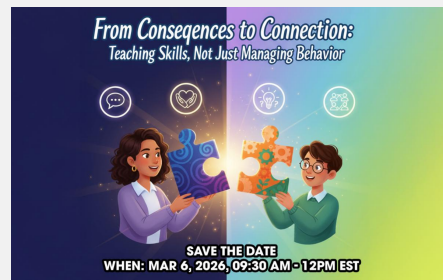
## Don't Forget to Register 2025-2026 WISE Presenter Series Workshops

This year's theme connects the expertise of our presenters into a cohesive journey from Beyond Compliance to Connection, Readiness, and Resilience, emphasizing the integration of wellness, instruction, and leadership in school settings.



### Session 1: December 5, 2025 Beyond Compliance: Interest-Based Learning

[Click here to Register](#)



### Session 2: March 6, 2026 Consequences to Connection: Teaching Skills, Not Just Managing Behavior

[Click here to Preregister](#)

## Featured Presenters



**Dr. Nancy Sulla**

Founder & President, IDE Corp. and EdQuiddity Inc.



**Dr. Danielle Taylor**

Licensed Psychologist and Creator of the THRIVE Model

## Panelists



**Adriana Perrotta,**  
**M.A., M.S.W., L.S.W.**

Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services,  
Westbridge Academy



**Tracy Coston,**  
**M.A.**

Principal, Westbridge Academy



[Our Company](#) | [Contact Us](#) | [FAQs](#) | [Privacy Policy](#)

Westbridge Academy | 60 West St | Bloomfield, NJ 07003 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email & social marketing for free!