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At RPS It *Is* Rocket Science...Also, Chem, Bio... *Boat Race in Physics; RHS Research Symposium; NGSS*



All RHS Physics students assembled at the Barlow Mountain pool for the 9th annual Cardboard Boat Race. Some students' boats sank and some finished the full two laps. Four girls from Mr.

Waltimyer's class—Hannah B., Michaela F., Megan K., and Annie C. (shown right)—took home the cardboard trophy for the fastest time. [View more photos and a complete report from RHS Teacher Michael Murphy.](#)



The Ridgefield High School Science Research Program recently hosted its 8th Annual Symposium. According to Science Department Chair Patrick Hughes, "this program is a comprehensive research opportunity that allows students to conduct an independent study on a STEM topic of their choosing over multiple years. Thirty-two students, including six seniors, shared both proposed and completed research with the RHS community. They presented topics in the fields of environmental, physical, and life sciences in an engaging showcase of the incredible work these students have done and will do."

The six graduating seniors were Joshua B. (seen in the picture above), Rebecca C., Sarah d., Sophia H., Katharine K., and Samantha M. Senior projects incorporated a range of topics from the use of a handheld scanner to detect lead in water, to the use of encapsulated Ferritin to aid in MRI scans. Dr. Joann Petrini (photo right) of the Rudy Ruggles Research Institute in Danbury, CT gave the keynote address. She shared her experience as a professional researcher in the field of perinatal epidemiology.



Special Feature "Summer Reading Selections"

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Reading Department
Student Suggestions for Summer



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CALENDAR

June 10**

BOE Meeting

June 19

Last Day of
School

June 21

RHS Graduation

June 24**

BOE Meeting

**Please check [BOE Meeting Calendar](#) for changes.

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