

At Youth Government Night March 5, Wood-Ridge High School students learned about local government and performed the roles of Mayor, Councilmember, and appointed officials. The following students participated in 2025 Youth Government Night:

- Aidan Kelly - Mayor Sarlo
- Brielle Rivera - Councilmember Mabel
- Anthony Cala - Councilmember Altamura
- Luca Gadaletta - Councilmember Azzolini
- Brooke Stellato - Councilmember Romero
- Isabella Spina - Councilmember Donato
- Thomas Byrne - Councilmember Wall
- Henry Magnusson - Borough Attorney
- Sophia Lora - Borough Clerk
- Christopher Castellano - Borough Administrator
- Nico Altamura - Borough Auditor
- Marius Castillo - Borough Planner
- Jake Burke - Borough Engineer
- Gianfranco Gentile - Chief Financial Officer
- Gianna Sollitti - Construction Code Official
- Ryleigh Lange - OEM Coordinator
- Steven Turi - Fire Chief
- Gabriela Jones - Fire Prevention Official
- Erin Kerr - Health Officer
- Alexis Pispitsos - Library Director
- Matthew Macchia - Municipal Court Judge
- David Mordan - Police Chief
- Corrado Scarimbolo - DPW Superintendent
- Christina Scarimbolo - Purchasing Agent
- Ava Gravina - Recreation Director
- Natalie Turi - Registrar of Vital Statistics
- Gavin Sikora - Safety Coordinator
- AidaMarie Murray - Tax Collector



# WOOD-RIDGE

## NEWSLETTER 2025 Edition #1

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### FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Welcome to the latest edition of the Wood-Ridge Newsletter. In this edition, the Borough Council and I are pleased to report on the progress of the Doyle School expansion which will open in September 2025. We are also proud to announce that the final phase of the WR Athletic Complex "WRAC" will be completed this year featuring new athletic fields and pickle ball courts. We're also sharing pictures of the new Children's Room at the WR Library which was created as part of improvements recently completed at the Library. We also celebrate our young residents in this edition: High School Class of 2025 students who participated in a successful Youth Government Night by conducting a Borough Council Meeting in March and young athletes who marched in the annual Little League Opening Day Parade. These occasions show the spirit of community in Wood-Ridge, which we look forward to continuing as we announce a slate of community events including the Town Day street festival and the Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful townwide clean-up day. As always, it is a great time to be in Wood-Ridge.

Very truly yours,  
  
Paul A. Sarlo  
Mayor

(Pictured in Banner Photo, left to right) Councilmembers Rich Wall, Dom Azzolini, Mike Donato, Council President Michele Mabel, Mayor Paul Sarlo, and Councilmembers Ezio Altamura and Phil Romero attending the Little League Opening Day Parade on April 5th.

## DOYLE SCHOOL EXPANSION TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 2025



Mayor Paul Sarlo and the Borough Council proudly announce that the expansion of Doyle School is on schedule to be completed this August and ready for the first day of school in September 2025. With the expansion, Doyle School will have 15 Classrooms with Bathrooms for Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Special Education and enough classrooms to accommodate 6 sections of Kindergarten and First and Second Grades and 5 sections of Third and Fourth Grades. It will also have a new Media Center/Library, new Gymnasium, renovated Auditorium/Cafeteria with new Kitchen, and a variety of dedicated special purpose rooms for Art, Music, STEM, and Special Education. Outside, there will be a new playground and basketball court and expanded parking lots. The entire school will have state-of-the-art security and technology systems.

## LIBRARY TURNS A PAGE WITH NEW CHILDREN'S ROOM

The Wood-Ridge Library has a brand-new Children's Room! The bright and cheerful space features new furniture with spaces for reading, studying, and story-time programs. Other recent improvements to the library include new carpeting, painting, and a nook celebrating the history of Wood-Ridge and the library.



# WRAC FINAL PHASE TO INCLUDE SOCCER & T-BALL FIELDS, PICKLEBALL COURTS

Mayor Paul Sarlo and the Borough Council announce that the final phase of the Wood-Ridge Athletic Complex will be completed this year. The presently unfinished one-acre area at the "WRAC" will be converted to a turf field containing 2 combination Soccer/T-Ball fields with field lighting and 4 pickleball courts. The existing parking lot will also be expanded.



Engineer's Rendering of the new WRAC Fields

## PLAY BALL!!!: WR LITTLE LEAGUE CELEBRATES OPENING DAY WITH PARADE AND CEREMONY



Wood-Ridge Little League Baseball and Softball celebrated opening day with a parade and ceremony on Saturday, April 5th. Boys and girls wearing uniforms and carrying banners marched with their coaches down Valley Boulevard and Union Avenue to the 14th Street Field as their parents and families proudly watched. At 14th Street Field, Little League President and Councilmember Phil Romero led the ceremonies and Mayor Paul Sarlo threw the first pitch of the 2025 season.

### Blue Mass

Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.  
Assumption Church  
Honoring Police, Fire & EMS

### Keep Wood-Ridge Beautiful Day

Sunday, June 1, 2025 from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Veterans Park on Valley Boulevard  
Townwide Clean Up and Planting Day

### Shredding Event

Sunday, June 1, 2025 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
Corner of Valley Boulevard and Highland Avenue

### Town Day

Sunday, June 8, 2025  
Valley Boulevard  
A day of food, fun, rides, and entertainment for the whole family

For more information on these events, other Borough events and news, visit [www.njwoodridge.org](http://www.njwoodridge.org)