

The **ROUNDTABLE**

EDUCATION. OPPORTUNITY. EQUITY.

TROUT in the Classroom...

"School of fish" is taking on a whole new meaning for scholars in one Environmental Science class... Many of Mr. Dawes' students spend the majority of their time in the concrete jungle of Philadelphia and they are fascinated with animals and nature, yet have had little or no interaction with them. Mansion scholars have shown to have high levels of interest and curiosity when they engage in hands-on activities and labs. So



thanks to a go fund me campaign, scholars will have the opportunity to raise trout eggs and release them into local waterways later in the school year. They will also be responsible for monitoring the water quality and ensuring that the eggs survive. This project will be used in conjunction with other labs and lessons on the importance of water quality, ecosystem connectivity, and habitat restoration with the hope that scholars will be helping to plant riparian buffers and remove invasive species around the stream into which their trout will be released.



OCTOBER 9
NO SCHOOL!
Yom Kippur
Holiday



OCTOBER 16
PSAT/SAT Day at
Strawberry Mansion
High School



OCTOBER 25
12pm Dismissal for
students

Staff professional
development

Men of Mansion
Event 4-6pm
Gymnasium

Did you know?

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There are **21,000** miles of trout streams in PA...

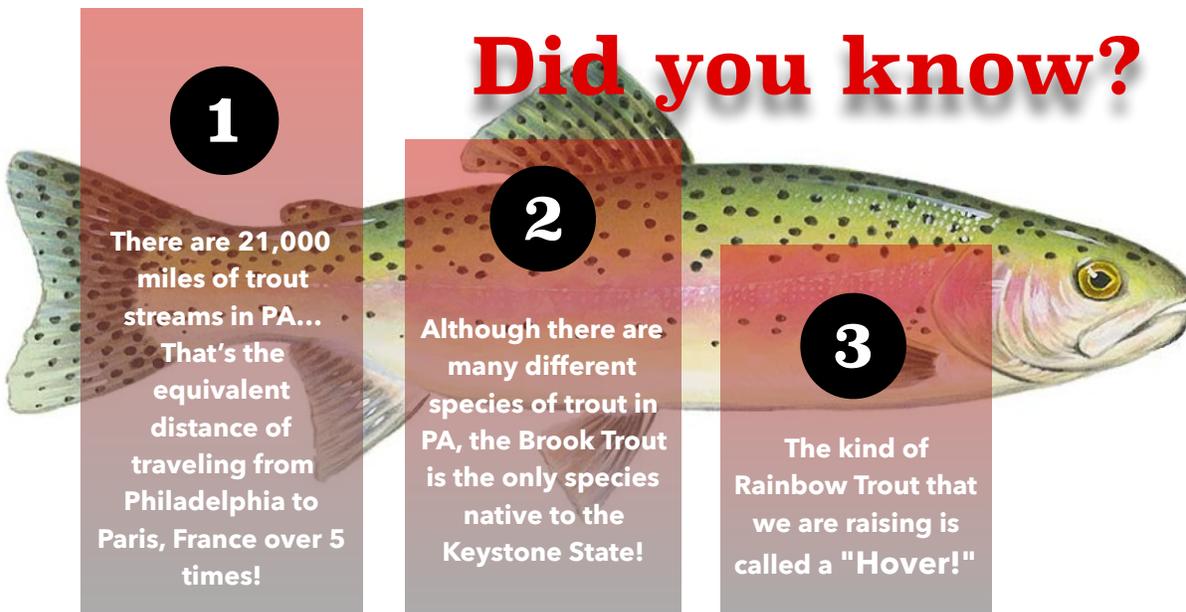
That's the equivalent distance of traveling from Philadelphia to Paris, France over 5 times!

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Although there are many different species of trout in PA, the Brook Trout is the only species native to the Keystone State!

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The kind of Rainbow Trout that we are raising is called a "Hover!"



Girls' Volleyball: Can you dig it?

The Strawberry Mansion Lady Knights 2019 season is off to a great start with an overall record of 4-3 defeating Ben Franklin, West Philly, Dobbins, and High School of the Future. Leading the way are seniors **Kalah Bester**, **Domonekia Hayes**, and **Kierra Vaughn** who are dominating both on and off the court. Juniors include co-captains **Tykeria Perry** and **Deanna Jean** as well as **Nicole Butler**.

Freshman **Shamerra Conner**, and **Denaya Hawklins** round out the roster. Coached by Ameera "Sully" Sullivan, the guidance counselor along with Angel Butler, manager, Wayne Cooper and Shawn Johnson flaggers. Team motto is **"We are a team, we are a family, we work together as one!"** Come out and show your support!



WELCOME BACK to The Mansion!

Hey Mansion Family! My name is **Stephanie Williams** and I'm honored to serve as your Assistant Principal for the 2019-2020 school year. I've been an educator in Philadelphia for over 12 years, but I'm originally from New Jersey. From 2013-2016, I was a special education teacher at Mansion and it was the **"Single best teaching experience I've ever had!"** Food, laughter, music, hard work, kindness, adventure, and family are important to me. I choose to smile and laugh as much as I can because I know life isn't promised to us and every moment is precious. I'm so excited to have the opportunity to come back and serve my Mansion Family!



The SPECTRUM CLUB

Just like Ms. Henry is **NEW** to our school community, so is The Spectrum Club, a **NEW** extracurricular activity being offered at The Mansion. This organization will establish a safe place for students to engage with gender and sexuality related topics. Open to all identities and allies, **SPECTRUM** is an inclusive student directed group that will meet every other Thursday at 3:15pm in Room 304. For additional information, please email Ms. Henry at mhenry@philasd.org
First Meeting: Thursday, October 3rd, 2019

