

WJLP Issues/Programs List  
4th Quarter 2021

WJLP in Middletown, New Jersey has determined that the following issues are matters of importance to its community of license:

- 1) *Election 2021- Governor*
- 2) *Election 2021- Legislature*
- 3) *Election 2021- How to Vote*
- 4) *Covid-19 Delta and Omicron Variant*
- 5) *Covid-19: Holiday Spread*
- 6) *Covid-19: Vaccination Requirements for Work*
- 7) *Marijuana*
- 8) *Covid-19: Remote Learning*
- 9) *Threats in Schools*
- 10) *Infrastructure Bill*

Jersey Matters- This 60-minute discussion program airs Saturdays at 5:00pm and re-airs Sundays at 11:00am and tackles issues of importance to the citizens of New Jersey.

WJLP News Breaks- Run Monday through Friday from 10:30am through 5:30pm. WJLP covers the top stories of the day in three one-minute news breaks.

Treatment of specific topics was provided as follows:

Program: *Jersey Matters 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 221, 225*

Date: 10/2 & 10/3, 10/9 & 10/10, 10/16 & 10/17, 10/23 & 10/24, 10/30 & 10/31, 11/13 & 11/14, 12/11 & 12/12

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 14:24, 4:54, 13:20, 13:00, 4:33, 9:12, 9:25 7:21, 13:00, 7:25, 8:41, 9:50

Topic- *Election 2021- Governor*

Description: We covered the NJ Governor's Race from the beginning, but in this period we started our coverage with Jack Ciattarelli, fresh off the stage of the Gubernatorial Debate. We also had our Phil Andrews at the debate, to give us the pulse on whether Phil Murphy or Ciattarelli made a bigger impact. Then, the following week we had one Republican Running-Mate, Diane Allen, who was running for lieutenant governor. Then, we had Jack back on the program to push his campaign after the second gubernatorial debate, along with Phil Andrews who was there on the stage. We continued to try requesting Governor Murphy, but kept getting ignored. We had Ben Dworkin of Rider University Politics on to discuss and unpack both debates. Before the election, we had on a Republican and Democratic strategist on to discuss Project Veritas- Phil Swibinski of the NJ Dems and Alex Wilkes with the NJGOP. Then, prior to the election we had Jack on once again and we also had Ashley Koning, Pollster from Rutgers and Chris Russell of the GOP on to discuss the close race. After a few weeks post election, Jack Ciattarelli said he would come back on the program and explain his next moves.

Program: *Jersey Matters 220, 223, 224*

Date: 11/16 & 11/17, 11/27 & 11/28, 12/4 & 12/5

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration- 5:28, 9:05, 7:36, 11:41

Topic: *Election 2021- Legislature*

Description: After the election, the red wave spilled over into the legislature changing up the party in the Senate and the Assembly. We had one Vince Polistina, Vin Gopal and Jean Stansfield to talk about it. Then, in the Senate President seat, we had on Ed Durr to talk about his surprising win. Lastly, we had on Senate Majority Leader, Loretta Weinberg, who will be retiring from the legislature in January.

Program: *Jersey Matters 217, 218, 219*

Date: 10/16 & 10/17, 10/23 & 10/24, 10/30 & 10/31

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 12:16, 4:06, 4:51

Topic: *Election 2021- How to Vote*

Description: One of the biggest takeaways from the 2021 Election was issues with voting. We wanted to explain the changes to our viewers, so we invited on Clerk Hanlon of Monmouth County before early voting started. Then, Kimberly Kravitz went out to ask the people which way they planned to vote- in person or by mail. There was also some confusion with the new machinery at the polls and Jen Marin showed us how to use it step-by-step.

Program: *Jersey Matters 214, 217, 222, 224, 225, 226*

Date: 9/25 & 9/26, 10/16 & 10/17, 11/20 & 11/21, 12/4 & 12/5 , 12/11 & 12/12, 12/18 & 12/19

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 11:19, 11:58, 12:06, 7:16, 9:41, 9:28, 7:15

Topic: *Covid-19 Delta and Omicron Variant*

Description: To keep us up to date with the spread of Covid-19, Dr. Reynold Panettieri came on in late September to talk about the Delta Variant and the lessening of cases. In the same episode, we had on Senator Joe Pennachio to talk about natural immunity from those who already had Covid-19. A few weeks later, we had on Dr. Judith Lightfoot from Rowan to talk about what we could see in the future weeks to come before the new year. Then, we had Andy Aronson return to the show to talk about how Nursing Homes are doing this year compared to last. When the Omicron variant was first discovered, we had Dr. Shareef Elnahal from University Hospital on to discuss. Then, we had back on Dr. Reynold Panettieri to discuss the new variant now that it is in NJ. Lastly, we had on Dr. Edward Lifshitz from the State Dept. of Health to talk about some figures we see in the spike of Delta and Omicron.

Program: *Jersey Matters 215, 222*

Date: 10/2 & 10/3, 11/20 & 11/21

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 11:23, 10:01

Topic: *Covid-19: Holiday Spread*

Description: First, we spoke to Dr. Stephanie Silvera about a Covid-19 winter and what we can expect with gathering for the holidays. Then, we had on Dr. Brian Strom, Chancellor at Rutgers to discuss how to handle non-vaccinated guests at the holidays.

Program: *Jersey Matters 218, 220, 226*

Date: 10/23 & 10/24, 11/6 & 11/7, 12/18 & 12/19

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 4:43, 4:11 9:56, 4:24, 10:34, 9:24

Topic: *Covid-19: Vaccination Requirements for Work*

Description: Jennifer Marin did a story on a vaccine trial at one of the hospitals for children. Then, Phil Andrews did a story about protests having to do with vaccine mandates at the State House. We had Dr. Shobha Swaminathan back on the show to talk about Boosters. Then, Kimberly Kravitz went out to Bloomfield and spoke to a group of first responders who were getting fired if they did not get their Vaccination. Then, we did a two-block segment on the Vaccine Controversy at the State House with Assemblyman Brian Bergen. Then, we paired it up with the ongoing Masks in Schools lawsuit in NJ with Bruce Afran.

Program: *Jersey Matters 224*

Date: 12/4 & 12/5

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 5:25

Topic: *Marijuana*

Description: Are all towns participating in the sale of marijuana just because it's now legal? Not the case, according to Kimberly Kravitz, who reported from the many towns who are banning the sale of marijuana.

Program: *Jersey Matters 214, 217, 219, 220*

Date: 9/25 & 9/26, 10/16 & 10/17, 10/30 & 10/31, 11/6 & 11/7

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 4:32, 8:47, 4:56, 4:25

Topic: *Covid-19: Remote Learning*

Description: Phil Andrews tells us about a shortage of school bus drivers in the re-opening of schools. We speak to NJ's Teacher of the Year, Theresa Maughan, about her time teaching during the pandemic. Then, Kimberly Kravitz did a report on the amount of parents who ran for school board to have more of a decision on school choice. Jennifer Marin spoke to parents who are frustrated with their children forced into remote learning for as long as they have been.

Program: *Jersey Matters 216, 225*

Date: 10/9 & 10/10, 12/11 & 12/12

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 8:05, 8:45

Topic: *Threats in Schools*

Description: Cybersecurity Director of NJ, Michael Geraghty, is on to talk about tele-school instruction and keeping our students safe. Howell Township was dealing with a threat from a student, in the weeks following the shootings in Michigan. We had on Police Chief Andrew Kudrick to discuss it.

Program: *Jersey Matters 224, 226*

Date: 12/4 & 12/5, 12/18 & 12/19

Time: Saturday at 5PM and Sunday 8AM

Duration: 8:33, 6:15

Topic: *Infrastructure Bill*

Description: We spoke to Congressman Donald Payne about the Infrastructure Bill and what it will bring to NJ. Then, Kimberly Kravitz does an investigative piece on NJ roadway signs and how they are difficult to see at night.