



HADDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Dear Haddon Township School District Community,

Good afternoon,

I trust that everyone is well and eagerly anticipating the exciting conclusion of another school year. Please see the following updates below and have a great week.

Rohrer Middle School Principal Selection

During the last several weeks, the district has been in the process of identifying a new leadership team following the anticipated departures of Dr. Schwab and Mr. Bertolino. The first step in this process will be complete on Thursday evening, when **Mr. Andrew Swiecicki will be appointed as the new principal of Rohrer Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year**. During the process, it became clearly apparent that Mr. Swiecicki is the right choice for this position for several reasons. He was able to articulate an exciting and compelling and exciting vision for Rohrer Middle School balanced with deep knowledge of Haddon Township traditions. For the last ten years, Andrew has served as an assistant principal at Haddon Township High and distinguished himself as a successful and unique educational leader. Andrew is fully prepared to lead Rohrer Middle School with skilled competence, motivation, and humility. Please join me in welcoming Mr. Swiecicki to his new role, and we will begin immediately to identify a middle school assistant principal from a quality pool of applicants. Furthermore, Mr. O'Brien will soon advertise for an assistant principal vacancy at the high school.

School District Safety

Since the school violence tragedy in Texas and my subsequent email, I have fielded a large number of emails and phone calls about school safety suggestions. **Dr. Chuck Warfield will be assuming the role of School District Safety Specialist next year** and will lead the work in this area moving forward. If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, please contact Dr. Warfield over the summer months at Cwarfield@htsd.us.

Juneteenth

Juneteenth (short for June Nineteenth) is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the end of slavery in 1865 in the United States. It is considered the longest-running African American holiday. Similar to the Federal Holiday of Veterans' Day, we believe that it is appropriate to have students in school on this day because of the educational opportunity to promote this day's significance. Our district equity committee has provided a resource guide for our teaching staff to provide instruction and information in our classrooms this week to support its' recognition and meaning. This resource guide includes lesson ideas, articles, books, and video recommendations. Resources are organized and tiered for elementary, middle, and high school students. If you have questions about this topic, please contact District Equity Committee Chairperson Mr. Don Pullano at Dpullano@htsd.us.

Lastly, as I complete my second year as superintendent, I want to thank each of you for the support and service that you have provided for our students. I am very proud to be your superintendent. I have no doubt that there are many exciting things ahead for our school district but as the curtain inches closer to closing on 2021-2022, it is important that your role is recognized. We have endured much over the last two years, but our students continued to thrive because of the love, support, and dedication of our families and staff. On behalf of the Board of Education, your efforts are recognized and applauded-thank you!

-Sincerely,

Robert J. Fisicaro, Ed. D. Superintendent