

## HADDON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Superintendent's Report October 18, 2018

#### Staffing

The following administrative staff retirement is reflected on tonight's agenda:

- Eileen Loffredo – Principal of Strawbridge and Edison
  - Effective July 1, 2019

The following candidate is recommended for appointment on tonight's agenda:

- Cindy Walden-Clark – Replacement Kindergarten Teacher
  - Stoy/Jennings
  - Effective December 14, 2018 through March 8, 2019

#### School Board Election on November 6th

The due date to file a petition to run for the Board was July 30, 2018. There will be three available seats, but only two candidates filed petitions to run by the deadline. If there is a qualified write-in candidate who receives the most write-in votes, that candidate will win the third seat. If however, there is no qualified write-in candidate, the Camden County Executive Superintendent will appoint someone to the board.

#### Fall Parent Safety Meeting

As a follow-up to our spring meeting last year, we held a Fall Parent Safety Meeting on Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the HTHS Auditorium. We reviewed our ongoing district efforts to enhance safety and security; and solicited additional input from parents. In case you were unable to attend this meeting, this follow up presentation is posted on the district website on the home page under "District Announcements."

## Donations

- Jay and Juanita Griscom donated fourteen books to the media Center, valued at approximately \$325
- Colleen and Dan Smith donated \$2300 to be used for preschool special education supplies and equipment
- Jared and Sandra Skarstedt donated an assembly to Van Sciver students about autism awareness

## South Jersey Summer Institute for Educators

Michelle Greenberg, 7<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher at RMS, was selected and completed a special three-week Summer Institute for Educators. Selection was based on demonstrated leadership and involvement in education, as well as additional qualifications. This program provided a unique approach to addressing the readiness of the future workforce by exposing teachers to the South Jersey economy, the skills, traits and characteristics businesses look for when hiring employees. Part of the program involved developing creative learning activities for the classroom based on course content. Congratulations to Michelle for completing this program and for sharing this new knowledge with her colleagues!

## District Parent “ScreenAger” Presentation

On Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, we hosted district parents and guardians for a screening of the documentary, *ScreenAgers: Growing Up in the Digital Age* followed by a community discussion regarding appropriate parameters for teen use of tech devices. Thanks to everyone who attended and engaged with us about this important topic.

## Follow us on Twitter

We have created a new district Twitter account to serve as a central hub for news, information, and sharing of noteworthy events throughout all district schools and the Board of Education. Follow us [@ htssd](#) and you'll be the first to know important things going on around the district including when we will be closed for a snow day!

## Recchino Ribbon-Cutting Celebration

To celebrate completion of the new turf field, we held a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Recchino prior to the start of the varsity football game on Friday night, October 5<sup>th</sup>. I'd like to thank the Mayor and Commissioners, the Board of Education, our Project Engineer, the Haddon Township Athletic Association, and our district community of administrators and coaches who worked together to plan and complete this project that will benefit our community for many years to come!

