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Wanaque Public School District

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Happy New Year!

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Restructuring of the Administrative Team

One of my primary goals as Chief School Administrator is to focus on best educational practices and increase student achievement. In order to do so, a keen awareness must be placed on the one critical factor that has the greatest impact on student achievement...classroom instruction. Research clearly demonstrates that what happens between teachers and students' in our classrooms has the greatest impact on how well students learn.

A fundamental component of effective instruction is the assurance that every teacher has a common understanding of those elements that comprise such instruction. Each element must be conveyed consistently and succinctly to our teachers. In our best effort to do just that, Mrs. D'Angiolillo who previously served as the Principal of Haskell School and the Director of Curriculum and Instruction will now serve in the capacity of full time Director of Curriculum and Instruction. This opportunity will provide her with the essential time required to afford our staff the more consistent support necessary to make a real positive difference in their classrooms.

Mr. Charles Frick, former Vice Principal of Haskell School will now fill the position of Haskell School Principal. Mr. Frick has worked under the direction of Mrs. D'Angiolillo for the past 18 months and has demonstrated the leadership qualities and skills necessary to be an effective school leader.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Patrick Sarullo, Vice Principal at Wanaque School. Mr. Sarullo comes to us from the South Plainfield School District where he served as a teacher of mathematics. His warm, supportive nature has certainly further enhanced our dynamic administrative team.







Wanaque/Haskell Education Foundation

A great big thank you goes out to the Wanaque Haskell Education Foundation for their very generous support of the educational programs we offer in district. During their fall grant cycle they awarded \$7,943.00 in grants to the teachers in both buildings. The grants were as follows:

- 1. Math Shark device (24) awarded to Mrs. Sudol at Wanaque School
- 2. Microscopes (8) awarded to Mr. Henry at Wanaque School
- 3. Graphic Novels (140) awarded to Mrs. Weaver at Wanaque School
- 4. E-readers (5) awarded to Mrs. Knowles at Haskell School
- 5. Math Minute device/flashcard (120/22) awarded to Third Grade Teachers in both buildings
- 6. Lego STEM robotic construction set (1) awarded to be shared within the District. Mr. Evans & Mrs. Lortz at Haskell School and Mrs. Basedow & Mrs. Kreider at Wanaque School

Kudos to all the teachers for submitting such innovative grants and again a very big thank you to the Education Foundation for their commitment and tremendous support of our educational programs!

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Board Update

January Re-Organization Meeting

On January 7, 2014, newly elected board members took their oath of office at the public reorganization meeting of the Board of Education. Please join me in wishing Danielle Liautaud-Watkins, Tom Paster, and Richard McFarlane the best of luck as they start their three-year term on the Wanaque Board of Education.

New Board Committee Assignments:

Finance – Mr. Strobel-Chair, Mrs. Imbasciani, Mr. Sinclair Facilities – Mr. Sinclair-Chair, Mr. Strobel, Mr. McFarlane Personnel – Mrs. Imbasciani-Chair, Mr. Hain, Mrs. Watkins

Curriculum – Mr. Hain-Chair, Mr. Paster, Mrs. Triolo

Technology - Mr. Barnhardt-Chair, Mrs. Triolo, Mr. Strobel

Policy – Mr. Paster-Chair, Mr. Hain, Mrs. Triolo

Negotiations/Personnel Relations – Mr. Barnhardt-Chair, Mr. Strobel, Mrs. Imbasciani

Tri-District – Mr. Paster-Chair, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Barnhardt

School Happenings

Haskell School

Wanaque School

1/15	PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m. Tech. Rm.	1/20	School Closed for Students Staff Development
1/20	School Closed for Students		Day
	Staff Development Day	1/27	End of the 2 nd Marking Period
1/27	End of the 2 nd Marking Period	1/28	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
1/28	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m. Wanaque School Media Center		Wanaque School Media Center