



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

Attending Board Members: Lori Ammirati-chair, Eileen Briamonte, Jamie Collins,

Chiung Yin Liu

Administrators: Robert McGarry, Meryl Gill, Denise Wrubel, Marilyn Bellis, Caren MacConnell, Doreen Riegal, Chantal Simonelli, & Michael Welter

Curriculum & Instruction/Special Services

Board Office Conference Room

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 @ 3:15 PM

Superintendent's Recommendations for Approval

1. Approval of Out-of-District Travel, District Personnel
 - a. Various PD activities and meetings
2. Approval of Student Trips
 - a. Student trips added on an as needed basis
3. Approval of Policy and Regulations These policies are on the agenda for a first reading only. They will have a final reading on May 1st along with a first and final reading of related regulations.
4. Approval of Title Fund Motions
5. Approval of Donations
 - a. Holmdel Foundation for Educational Excellence in the amount of \$125,000.00. This gift is to be used for the purchase and construction of a new playground at Village School.
 - b. Holmdel Youth Athletic Association in the amount of \$600.00. This gift is to be used to help support the Holmdel High School Softball program.
 - c. That the Board accept, with gratitude, a monetary donation from Holmdel Youth Athletic Association in the amount of \$500.00. This gift is to be used to help support the Holmdel High School Baseball program.
 - d. Holmdel Youth Athletic Association in the amount of \$250.00. This gift is to be used to help support the Holmdel High School Wrestling program.
 - e. Holmdel Youth Athletic Association of infield mix, value not to exceed \$450.00. This gift is for the Indian Hill School baseball field.
6. Approval of New Courses, Grades K-12
 - Grades 11&12: Emergency and Clinical Care
 - Grades 7 & 8: Advanced Art, Argument and Debate, Bio-technology, Creative Media, Forensics, Game Design, Mysteries in History and Technology, Engineering and Design – These new elective courses support the new schedule
 - Gr. K-3: STEAM
 - Pre-school: Tools of the Mind Program
 - K-12: Junior Achievement, Finance Park Program

- The Committee reviewed all of the Superintendent's Recommendations included on tonight's agenda.

7. Approval of Summer Programs

- a. Algebra I- Refresher Program- A summer refresher of Algebra I topics for 8 sessions over the summer to students in grades 8 and 9 that passed the Alg. I course but did not earn a proficient score on the PARCC this spring. A passing score on the PARCC Algebra I is a graduation requirement. This summer refresher program is not for credit but the students would take the Algebra I PARCC exam again in August. This way, they might avoid having to take Algebra I again. The teachers of the course would use the approved Algebra I curriculum and reteach topics that our previous data yielded to be relevant.
 - b. Grade 8 Math Step-up Program- A program for students that qualify for Supplemental programming entering grade 8 mathematics to refresh their learning before the school year begins. The teachers of the course would use the approved Grades 7 and 8 Mathematics curricula and teach/reteach topics that our previous data yielded to be relevant.
8. Approval of Adoption Supplemental Resources for Instruction, Grades K-12
 - a. Tradebooks for Independent Reading Program-grades 7 & 10
 - b. Tradebooks for 8th grade classroom library.
 9. Approval of Curriculum Writing Projects
 - a. Curriculum writing projects for the 2019/2020 school year
 10. Approval of Curriculum Revision
 - a. Curriculum revision projects for the 2018/2019 school year for pacing revisions and ESL instruction modifications.
 11. Approval of Assessment Schedule Revision
 - a. Statewide Assessment Testing and District Assessment Testing Schedules 2018/2019
New Jersey Student Learning Assessments - Language Arts Literacy, Mathematics, Science - Holmdel High School: May 20, 22, 23
 12. Approval of Student Field Placement
 - a. HHS student observation in Athletics
 13. Approval of Home Instruction
 - a. Home/bedside instruction services for students.
 14. Approval of Extended School Year Program
 - a. Extended School Year Program at Village School starting on July 1, 2019 to August 8, 2019

Items to Discuss

1. Old Business
 - a. MAP Data- Winter MAP Data update was given. Progress shows our mean RIT is above the norm. If you have any questions regarding the MAP results you received, please speak to your child's teacher who can help you better understand the individual results. The committee recommended that administration provide an additional description of the assessment for parents and specifically how it supports teachers' efforts to differentiate instruction for all students.
 - b. Homework-Building administrators continue to monitor and evaluate homework. They have also asked teachers to adhere to a testing schedule for the last week of the marking period so that the students are able to manage their studying and recommend that students are not assigned homework the night or 2 before a test. They also continue to remind teachers of homework guidelines and grading and communication guidelines. Parents are encouraged to contact/follow the chain of command if they feel their child is getting excessive homework.
2. New Business
 - a. Transition Program Presentation- D. Riegel & M. Welter: Recognizing that our Transition program now has students with IEP's practicing job sampling skills in various programs within

the Holmdel business/community will allow our students and their families to exit school with supports and skills needed. This includes Bell Works, ICIMS, Texas Roadhouse and Bayshore Hospital to mention a few.

The Transition Team has also developed several social leadership programs, with the town and neighboring districts to build partnerships and recreational opportunities that continue beyond school. Ms. Gill shared that at the upcoming board meeting, the businesses and community liaisons who have opened up their arms to support our students with IEP's would be recognized

- b. NJDOE Notification of Changes to State Assessments in Grade 11 on March 18th
- c. New Legislation: A-2190
 - Requires school districts to incorporate instruction in grades 6-12 on law and meaning of consent for physical contact and sexual activity as part of Student Learning Standards in Comprehensive Health and PE

3. Items for the Good of the Order: None

Next Meeting Dates: Friday, April 26, 2019 @3:15 PM

March 2019

