

## Sayreville Public Schools Vision 2030

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## Talk Sup Week 0 Review and Preview

September 5, 2022



Good afternoon Sayreville and happy Labor Day! I hope you had a most relaxing and enjoyable summer. That being said, I would like to begin my first edition this year by once again welcoming all our staff, students and parents back to what we hope will be an exciting, successful, and memorable school year for everyone.

As per the Welcome Back email that I sent to the community last Thursday, please remember that our schools will



open for instruction for all students in **grades 1-12** on **Tuesday, September 6, 2022**. Students in **preschool and kindergarten** will have their respective **orientations on Tuesday morning and/or afternoon**, and thus will **start school** the following day on **Wednesday, September 7, 2022**. However, please also remember that <u>if your child is entering **preschool, Kindergarten**, or 6<sup>th</sup> **grade**, they will **NOT be able to start school without up to date immunizations**.

Therefore, if you did not upload your updated immunization certificate when you performed your enrollment update, you **MUST** submit them to your child's school prior to **September 6**<sup>th</sup></u>

if your child will be in 6<sup>th</sup> grade or **September 7<sup>th</sup>** if your child will be in preschool or kindergarten. For more information on immunization requirements, please click <u>here</u>. For all student health and immunization requirement information click <u>here</u>.



Although the temperatures forecasted for this and next week do not appear to be excessively warm, <u>please note</u> that if temperatures are predicted to be **90 degrees or above**, I will more than likely **dismiss students and staff early** on those days. With that said, in a month, we will be asking you and all residents in Sayreville to "cool the schools" by voting on the Facilities Improvement (air conditioning)



Referendum on Thursday, October 6, 2022. If you need or want to Vote by Mail, click <a href="here">here</a> and scroll down to the Vote by Mail section. You will see applications in several languages. This information is also on the belowmentioned <a href="Cool the Schools Facilities Improvement (air conditioning) Referendum">here</a> page

of our website. To see the current presentation on the referendum, click <u>here</u>. To view our new <u>Cool the Schools Flyer</u> and/or <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> brochure, click



on each. To see all information pertaining to the <u>Cool the Schools</u>

Facilities Improvement (air conditioning) Referendum and the district district's strategic approach to improving its facilities, click <u>here</u>. On this page you can also ask any additional



questions and not only receive a response in real time, but you will also see the questions and responses asked by others accordingly.

If you are one of the 296 parents of returning (not new) students that will be entering 1st through 12th grade who have not yet completed and submitted your child(ren)'s enrollment update in Oncourse Connect, please do so as soon as possible. To complete your update, click here. When doing so, please make sure that you update any changes to your contact information, identify all legal guardians, and include the appropriate number of emergency contacts. In addition, as noted above, please remember that if your child will be entering 6th grade, they will need updated immunization certificates in order to attend school. For specific directions on how to complete and submit the enrollment update, please click here to access the 2022-23 Enrollment Update User Guide. For



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more information, visit the <u>Student Registration</u> page on our website by clicking <u>here</u>. If at any point in time you experience technical difficulty, please do not hesitate to seek our assistance by emailing <u>parent.portal@sayrevillek12.net</u>.

Parents, please remember also that if you have any questions or concerns about schedules, please contact your child's principal. Likewise, you should email our Transportation Department (TransDept@sayrevillek12.net) if you have any questions or concerns about your child(ren)'s bus information. Despite the current school bus driver shortage has impacted us, as well as the supply chain delay in getting our new buses, we originally thought nearly all of our routes would covered for the opening of schools tomorrow. However, unfortunately, while Durham Busing Services, which is our only remaining transportation vendor, assured us that are contracted routes with them were fully covered, they informed us at 8 pm last Friday evening that since they were actually not fully staffed, they may be doubling up several of their routes tomorrow. Thus, as with the beginning of last school year, please anticipate some delays and accept my apologies in advance for any inconvenience that they may cause. In addition, if you are still looking for the list of school supplies recommended for students, please visit the Families page of your child(ren)'s school's website. Lastly, please make sure that your child(ren), especially those who are in or will be entering the high school, have completed ALL summer reading and math assignments/packets.

If you have not done so already, please make sure that you visit our new website (<a href="www.sayrevillek12.net">www.sayrevillek12.net</a>). As you will see, our Technology Team gave it a wonderful makeover, which should make it easier and more efficient to navigate. The <a href="Families page">Families page</a>, which you can access by clicking <a href="here">here</a>, consists of an abundance of information that you will find very helpful, particularly the <a href="2022-23 School District Calendar">2022 Monthly</a>
<a href="Activities Calendar">Activities Calendar</a>, and the <a href="2022-23 Our Schools Guide">2022-23 Our Schools Guide</a>. In addition, please take the time to read my weekly <a href="Talk Sup">Talk Sup</a> messages, which will begin this Monday morning. Finally, enjoy the <a href="Bomber Blasts">Bomber Blasts</a>, which are stored in the <a href="Bomber Backpack">Bomber Backpack</a> on the <a href="Families page">Families page</a>, and tweets that stream real time in the <a href="News and Events">News and Events</a> section on the bottom half of the homepage, as well as on each school's page, and do not forget to follow us on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>, and <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>.

If you did not have a chance to attend the Board of Education Business Meetings held on <u>July 19<sup>th</sup></u> and <u>August 23<sup>rd</sup></u>, please take the opportunity to peruse the agendas and addendums, as well as all supporting documentation, by clicking on each, so that you can see what we were able to accomplish over the summer, as all motions on them were approved by our Board of Education.

As per the 2022-23 School District Calendar, and/or the September Head of the Class Calendar, which you can view respectively by clicking on each, on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Board of Education Business Meeting in the new Samsel Upper Elementary School Board Meeting Room. In addition, during the week of September 19<sup>th</sup>, we will hold Back to School Nights at each school beginning with Project Before and the high school on September 19<sup>th</sup>, all K-3 elementary schools on September 20<sup>th</sup>, the upper elementary school on September 21<sup>st</sup>, and the middle school on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Likewise, please note that students will be dismissed early on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Finally, please remember that our schools will be closed on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Rosh Hashanah.

If you or someone you know would like to **advertise** with us on our **website** and via **Bomber Blasts**, you should click **here** and submit an inquiry with **School Revenue Partners**. Naturally, we will continue to Bomber Blast activity information and community service announcements for our schools and the greater community at no cost. Likewise, if you would like to advertise on our **buses**, click **here**.



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Have a wonderful first week of school!

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