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Norwalk Public Schools Enjoys Successful First Day of School for 2023-24 School Year

Norwalk, Conn. (Aug. 29, 2023) -- Norwalk Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Alexandra Estrella and her administration enjoyed the first day of school on Monday visiting schools across the district and welcoming back students, teachers and staff to their buildings.

“The first day of school is always one of my favorite days of the year. Everyone has an extra pep in their step, excited to get back in the classroom, reconnect with old friends, and start the new year off right. I appreciate the opportunity to engage with our scholars, teachers and administrators, and to celebrate the new year together,” said Dr. Alexandra Estrella, the Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. Estrella started the day at the bus depot, thanking each bus driver for their service and for the important role they play in making sure Norwalk’s children make it to school each day to learn and grow.

The superintendent also joined Nathan Hale Middle School’s new leadership team, Principal James Crouch and Assistant Principal Jennifer Sweeters, alongside Deputy Superintendent Dr. Thomas McBryde and Norwalk Mayor Harry Rilling to welcome students back to school.

Cranbury Elementary School not only celebrated the start of a new school year, but the opening of their new school building. The new Cranbury Elementary School is the first new free-standing school to be built for Norwalk Public Schools in over 50 years.

All members of the Norwalk Board of Education were excited to see students and families celebrating their first day back to school, and hope to see all of them at school and district performances, athletic competitions and celebratory events throughout the year.

“We are thankful for our teachers, administrators and support staff for all the hard work they’ve put in to prepare for the first day of school and to welcome the students back to the best year yet for Norwalk Public Schools,” said Diana Carpio, Chair of the Norwalk Board of Education.

Throughout the week, Dr. Estrella and her team will be visiting each school to speak with principals, teachers and students to celebrate the first few days of the new school year.

“I love seeing so many smiling faces as everyone walks back into school. I hope everyone keeps that enthusiasm throughout the school year as they get the opportunity to learn new things, make new friends, and challenge themselves academically,” Estrella said.