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Dear Mahwah Families,

We are excited to welcome everyone back and are optimistic about the coming year.

Our team hopes that your summer was met with sunshine, relaxation, fun, and memory-making!

The 2023-2024 school year is upon us, with an opportunity for a fresh start and potential for incredible things ahead. Although September brings with it a series of new beginnings, we continue to progress through our ongoing work in our fourth year of our five-year strategic plan for the district ([Mahwah Blueprint](#)).

We also continue to focus on targeting instruction to meet your individual child's goals. We continue to focus on developing each student to be a thoughtful and empathetic problem-solver who works collaboratively to make meaningful connections in all content areas and grade levels. We continue to support each other, both individually and collectively.

And while we continue all of the great work, we understand that the first day of school is one of a brand new launching-point for our students and our families. With this start comes some uncertainty with meeting new friends and a new classroom. With this start comes the excitement of maybe entering a new school building or the prospect of our students finding an academic interest.

Embracing any mixed feelings about leaving your summer behind and starting your next school year, please know that our team of educators and administrators has one shared goal: To do and be *whatever it takes* to make a difference for our students!

A reminder that our first day of school is **Wednesday, September 6, 2023**, and it is a full day of school with transportation and lunch service available.

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We're happy to have you back!

Sincerely,

Michael DeTuro, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools