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September 23, 2014

To the Parents/Guardians of:
«First_Name» «Last_Name»
«House_Number» «Address»
«City_State_Zip»

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Harrison Township School District will be offering an Extended School Day Literacy Intervention Program for the students achieving below grade level in English Language Arts in grades four, five, and six. This identification was based on longitudinal test data and was based on the following assessment tools (DIBELS, MAP, NJASK, and classroom performance). This program will help and encourage your child's growth in the area of English Language Arts (Reading, Writing, and Spelling/Word Study). This letter is to notify you that your child has been selected to participate in this program which is supported by No Child Left Behind Title I funds.

There is no cost to parents for these sessions and transportation will be available.

The sessions will run for 6 weeks on the following dates:

- Monday, October 6th and Wednesday, October 8th
- Wednesday, October 15th
- Monday, October 27th and Wednesday, October 29th
- Monday, November 10th and Wednesday, November 12th
- Monday, November 17th and Wednesday, November 19th
- Monday, November 24th

Each tutorial session will run for an hour and fifteen minutes and start at the close of the student's school day (2:30 – 3:45). Throughout the program, your child will be working with three different faculty members. This is not a one-one-one tutoring session. English Language Arts instruction will include reading, vocabulary, writing skills, practice with open-ended writing responses, test preparation, and organizational and study skills.

If you choose for your child to attend they will be in class from 2:30 – 3:45. You may elect for your child to ride the bus; we will be providing transportation. **Students with two infractions while on the bus will lose this privilege.** If a student is going to continue in the program they will need to be transported by a parent or guardian. At the end of the session, a teacher will bring your child to the rear parking lot for dismissal. Students for parent pick up will be brought to the PVS Main Office for dismissal. **Patterns of late pick-ups may be cause for dismissal from the program.**

We will be hosting a basic skills information night on Thursday, October 2nd in the PVS music room. The meeting will begin at 6:30 pm and last about an hour.

Please complete the enclosed form and return it to the school with your child by Monday, October 6th. If you have any questions in regards to the Extended School Day Literacy Intervention Program, feel free to contact me via email (davisa@harrisontwp.k12.nj.us) or phone (856.478.2016 ext. 7169) for further clarification.

Sincerely,



Andy Davis
Director of Curriculum & Instruction

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Dear Parents/Guardian:

For the 2014 – 2015 school year, your child has been identified as a student who would benefit from being assigned to a classroom where additional support is available from an English Language Arts Interventionist and/or instructional aide. This identification was based on longitudinal test data which included the following assessments (MAP, NJASK, and/or classroom performance).

By having additional support within your child's classroom during ELA instruction there is increased student-teacher contact. Research has proven that small group differentiated instruction is a significant factor in facilitating students' ability to meet grade level expectations. Extended school day support has also shown to benefit students by pre- and re-teaching and through differentiated instruction.

An informational evening has been planned for all parents and guardians of fourth through sixth grade students on Thursday, October 2nd at 6:30 pm in the PVS music room. Please complete the enclosed Home-School Compact and return it to your child's homeroom teacher.

If you have questions regarding the information within this letter or about the Harrison Township School District curriculum, please e-mail me at davisa@harrisontwp.k12.nj.us or call me at 856.478.2016 x7169.

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Andrew Davis
Director of Curriculum & Instruction