

A message from the Superintendent of the Cherry Hill Public Schools.



CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending October 4, 2019

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Kudos to Our Custodians

October 2 was National Custodian Appreciation Day. WE salute those who do so much to keep CHPS running, every day!

In our daily lives, it's easy to take many things for granted – we have a daily routine that we may not give much thought to, but that is possible thanks to the work of others. It's not likely that we think of the electric company workers whenever we turn on a light. We don't generally think of the workers at the water company when we use the sink or shower, or farmers when we shop for groceries. Throughout the course of a school day, we might not contemplate the work our custodians have put in to make sure the buildings are ready when our students and staff arrive. Yet, the environment that allows for our students and staff to learn and work depends on the hundreds of men and women who make up our custodian team. I had the honor of thanking them – with the help of our head custodian at the Malberg Administration Building – in my [“Minute with Dr. Meloche”](#) on October 2, National Custodian Appreciation Day!

If you haven't had a chance to say “thank you” to the custodians who work tirelessly in your child's or children's schools, I hope you will be able to in the coming weeks. These folks went above and beyond to make our buildings sparkle when school opened on September 3, and they continue to maintain that environment week after week. Chances are, your child knows his or her building custodian by name! Many of our custodians are well known for their smiles, their humor and their kindness, and they are members of our school “family.”

Our buildings and grounds crew members, too, have been working hard month after month on redoing landscaping, planting and pruning, painting and upgrading our buildings inside and out. We appreciate their tireless efforts as well. It's exciting to watch the curb appeal improve on our 19 school buildings, making arriving at school a more pleasant experience for everyone!

You can see our updates about special “Appreciation Days,” classroom activities, sports, special events and

Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

October 7 @ 5 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

October 7 @ 6 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Business & Facilities Committee Meeting

October 7 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

October 7 @ 8 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

SCHOOLS CLOSED

October 9

Board of Education Candidates Forum

October 10 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Volley for Support

October 11 @ 5:30 pm
Cherry Hill High School East, 1750 Kresson Rd.
Benefits the Cherry Hill Food Pantry

Board of Education

more by connecting with us on social media! Please be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). For keeping up to date, be sure to download our free District app from the App Store or Google Play – then customize it to feed your school’s information, in addition to District information, directly to you. Have a question for us that’s also of interest to the larger community? Submit it via our [Quick Question](#) portal for a publicly posted answer!

The fall season is officially upon us – I hope you will be able to enjoy the beautiful weather forecast for the weekend as you spend time with those who are dear to you. And be sure to share a kind word and a smile, especially with those whom it might be easy to take for granted!

Regards,

Joe Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

"Kindness and politeness are not overrated at all. They're underused." – Tommy Lee Jones

Action Meeting

October 15, 2019 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration
Building, 45 Ranoldo
Terrace



Call

for Community
Volunteers for
Committees

The Cherry Hill Public Schools seeks community members to serve as volunteers on an Alternative Funding Committee and on a Safety & Security Committee, as recommended by the Bond Referendum Ad Hoc Committee in preparation for the



Board of Education
Candidate
Biographies
Available Online

[Biographies of the 10 candidates running for the four open seats on the Cherry Hill Board of Education are now available online.](#) The biographies listed in ballot



Free and Reduced
Price Lunch
Applications
Available; Families
Already Receiving
Benefits Must
Reapply by October
15

Applications for the 2019-2020 Free and Reduced Price Lunch Program are available

next Bond Referendum.

Three community members will be chosen to sit on the Alternative Funding Committee and three community members will be chosen to sit on the Safety & Security Committee.

Members of the Alternative Funding Committee will be expected to attend four evening meetings:

October 30, 2019: Understanding the School Budget

December 10, 2019: Discussion with Bond Counsel regarding what school districts are permitted/not permitted to do with alternative revenues

February 5, 2020: Examples from other school districts/best practices

April 21, 2020: Recommendations to the Board of Education for alternative revenue pursuits

Members of the Safety & Security Committee will be expected to attend four evening meetings:

October 29, 2019: Public forum with a panel of experts

December 12, 2019: Review of current district plan

February 13, 2020:
Examples/ideas/best practices

April 23, 2020: Recommendations to Board of Education for updates or changes to current plans

Alternative Funding Committee
Community Volunteer
Qualifications Desired:

Professional experience in any or all of the following fields: finance, fundraising, nonprofit organizations

Safety & Security Committee
Community Volunteer
Qualifications Desired:

Professional experience in any or

order and are published as submitted by the candidates, unedited.

The candidates will participate in a Candidates Forum, sponsored by the Cherry Hill Zone PTA, on October 10, 2019 at 7 pm in the Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace. Moderated by the League of Women Voters, the forum offers an opportunity for community members to ask questions of the candidates. The forum will be live streamed on the [District YouTube channel](#). Doors will open at 6:30 pm so that audience members may submit their written questions in advance.

at www.payschoolscentral.com

PaySchools Central is a secure payment system that simplifies school payments in an easy-to-use online portal. It enable parents to fund lunch accounts and pay required and optional fees quickly and easily. [More information about PaySchools Central is available online](#). Also available is [a step-by-step guide to signing up for PaySchools Central](#). Note that an application must be submitted **each year**.

Families already receiving Free and Reduced Price Lunch benefits must reapply by October 15. If an application is not submitted by October 15th and your child currently receives benefits, your child's status will change to full pay breakfast and lunch.

all of the following fields: law enforcement, public safety, public security, risk assessment, mental health

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Mrs. Lynn Shugars, Assistant Superintendent Business/Board Secretary, lshugars@chclc.org or 45 Ranoldo Terrace, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034, by Monday, October 7, 2019.