



## HADDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Dear Haddon Township School District Community,

As we move into a season of gratitude and connection, this message provides several important updates and invites you to join the district for meaningful events in the weeks ahead.

### **Wednesday November 26th**

Everyone is invited to attend a truly historic evening this Wednesday on the newly installed turf field. **This first-ever event will begin at 6 PM as Hawks Football faces the Audubon Green Wave in this year's Turkey Bowl**, which will also be broadcast live on WIP radio. **Pregame festivities will begin at 5:30 PM. Please note that no cash will be accepted at the door. All tickets can be purchased via the QR code on the attached flyer and also onsite via QR code.** In addition to the game, the evening will include recognition of the homecoming court, a warm welcome to returning alumni, and performances by the band, dance team, and cheer squad. **A ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Board of Education and several civic leaders will take place prior to kickoff as the district celebrates a new era in Haddon Township athletics, performing arts, and community gatherings.**

### **Retirement Acknowledgements and Promotions**

At last week's Board of Education meeting, **two distinguished retirements were accepted, reflecting decades of dedicated service** to the Haddon Township School District. High School Principal Gary O'Brien and Middle School teacher Tom Mulligan will retire in February of 2026 after long and impactful careers. **Their leadership, care, and commitment have shaped the district in everlasting ways.** Successors for each position were also appointed. **Kevin Greway will become the next principal of the high school, and Matthew Soult will assume the middle school science position.** Both individuals have served the district with distinction. Mr. Greway has been an assistant principal in Haddon Township for the past eight years, and Mr. Soult is currently a district paraprofessional who previously served as a long-term replacement middle school science teacher. The district extends its congratulations to both. Please see a video of last week's Board of Education meeting below.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jk2aqPn\\_5gg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jk2aqPn_5gg)

**One Book One School Tenth Anniversary Celebration**

Rohrer Middle School recently celebrated the **tenth anniversary of its beloved One Book One School program** with a special visit from award-winning author Dusti Bowling. Each year, this initiative unites the entire RMS community around a shared summer read, culminating in an author event each fall. Ms Bowling delivered a powerful assembly titled From Spark to Story, sharing how her experiences living and traveling in Arizona shape her novels. A select group of students also enjoyed a private luncheon, during which they asked questions and received personal guidance on writing and storytelling. This program, led by RMS Library Media Specialist Amanda Tagmire, remains a **signature literacy experience supported by the RMS administration and made possible in part by the Zone and RMS PTAs.**

### **Visual and Performing Arts Accolades and Applause**

The Visual and Performing Arts Department is recognized for exceptional dedication and resilience throughout the fall season. Recent productions, including Shannon Newell Broadway Night and the fall play Parody This, were outstanding. **Students and staff demonstrated tremendous resiliency as they adapted to temporary displacement from traditional practice and performance spaces due to ongoing construction.** Their perseverance and commitment to excellence continue to elevate the arts within the district.

### **Safety First**

There has been an increase in speeding and unsafe driving along Cuthbert Boulevard in recent weeks. This serves as an important reminder for all community members to drive with care and attentiveness, especially during school arrival and dismissal when pedestrian traffic is highest. Although much of the concerning behavior likely results from non-resident drivers using this busy county road, **the school community is encouraged to model responsible driving and heightened awareness near crosswalks to ensure the safety of children, families, and neighbors.**

### **Board of Education Engagement**

Please mark your calendars for January 6, 2026. **Following the annual Board of Education Reorganization Meeting, a community gathering will be held at Rexy's Restaurant.** Last year, this event was limited to organizational partnership groups. **This year, it will be open to the entire community. The cost is \$22 and includes a variety of finger foods and appetizers.** The real purpose and value of the evening will be in strengthening connection, engagement, and togetherness across the community. Rexy's will also offer a cash bar. All are welcome and encouraged to attend, and **please stay tuned for sign-ups and details.**

### **Happy Thanksgiving**

As the season of gratitude approaches, warm wishes are extended to the entire Haddon Township community for a very Happy Thanksgiving. This time of reflection highlights the many blessings that define the district, most notably its vibrant and supportive school community. **Appreciation is extended to every teacher, staff member, parent, student, volunteer, and civic leader whose dedication strengthens the Haddon Township School District.** Through shared commitment and partnership, the community continues to foster an environment where students thrive and where unity remains a defining value.

Thank you for your continued support and for the many ways you enrich our school district each day. The district looks forward to coming together on Wednesday evening to celebrate a historic moment in Haddon Township and beyond.

-Sincerely,

Robert J. Fisicaro, Ed. D. Superintendent

There is **one additional item** to include regarding the Haddon Township Education Foundation and its **Week of Giving initiative**.

**Today is the final day of the HTEF Week of Giving fundraiser.** For the last 8 years, the Haddon Township Education Foundation (HTEF), a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, has raised and awarded Haddon Township teachers and staff over \$200,000 to enhance learning with our community's students. But we want to do more, and we need your help.

In the last week, we have raised a **total of \$9,940**, just short of our \$10,000 goal for this fundraiser. And our school vs school challenge has been exciting. Right now **Jennings** is in front with **Edison, Stoy and Strawbridge** behind. We will include any donations made before midnight tonight in the school challenge. Be sure to include the school you want your donation to support in the public comments section during PayPal checkout. The school that proportionately contributes the most will earn a \$500 grant to spend on its students.

You can visit and donate here: <https://htedfoundation.org/donate-week-of-giving>

You can also support the HTEF through social media. Please follow us on [Facebook](#) and Instagram. Also, please share our posts on your own networks. The more people we can share the HTEF's mission with, the better for our students.

Thank you again for the support. It is through your financial support that we invest in our children's future. If you want to learn more about the Haddon Township Education Foundation, visit our website at <https://htedfoundation.org>.