

A message from Dr. Joseph Meloche, Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools.



## CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending June 10, 2016

Beginnings  
and

UPCOMING  
EVENTS

# Endings

As graduation day approaches, it's important to remember to look ahead to the future as we reminisce about days gone by.

Four days.

That's all that remain of the 2015-2016 school year. For our fifth graders, that's all that remain of their elementary school careers. For our eighth graders, that's the short time left before they are officially high schoolers. And for our high school seniors, four school days are all that are left until they will walk across the stage at the Liacouras Center, are declared graduates, and shed their identity as high school students. "The End," they might be saying. But in reality, all of these endings signify great beginnings.

When the members of the Class of 2016 and their families receive the program for Thursday's graduation ceremony, they'll see that the title of the program is "Commencement." The origin of the word "commencement" is the Middle English comencen and the Aglo-French commencer, both of which mean "to begin." Merriam-Webster defines commencement as "the time when something begins" and "a ceremony during which degrees or diplomas are given to students who have graduated from a school." The speeches our graduates will hear will emphasize this time as a time of beginnings – and indeed it is.

No matter whether you have a graduate in your family, or someone who is transitioning from one school to another, or from one grade to another, I hope you carry with you many good memories of all that your child or children have accomplished. Most of all, I encourage you to look toward the opportunities the future holds, and to encourage your child or children to pursue those opportunities with optimism and passion. Talk about the new activities, clubs and sports they'll want to try in the new school year. Talk about new skills they'd like to master and other goals they'd like to accomplish. Envision ways you can help support them so that they are successful.

## BOE Work Session

June 14 @ 7 pm  
Malberg Administration  
Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace

## Early Dismissal FOR MIDDLE AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

June 14, 15 & 16

## Middle School Graduations

**ALL ON JUNE 15**

Beck: 9:30 am @ CHEast  
DeBart Gym

Carusi: 10 am @ CHWest  
Jones Gym

Rosa: 4 pm @ CH East  
DiBart Gym

## High School Graduations\*

**BOTH ON JUNE 16 @  
LIACOURAS CENTER,  
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY**

CHWest: 11 am

CHEast: 4 pm

\*Events require tickets –  
distributed to graduates –  
for admission

## BOE Action Meeting

June 28 @ 7 pm  
Malberg Administration  
Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace

Have a wonderful, relaxing summer – and be sure to start that summer reading early. [Stay safe!](#) And remember to check in with the [District web site](#), download the District App, and connect with us on social media to stay updated on what's happening over the summer and what's coming up in the fall. Complete the summer reading assignments – parents and community members, choose one or two of the books and read along!

Pick a few opportunities to wake up early to see the sun rise. Look at the stars at night. Wonder, imagine, think, laugh, share and always be kind and thankful.

We can't wait to see you again in September!

Regards,

***Joe Meloche***

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P.S. Be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for the very latest happenings around the District. Our [District Events Calendar](#) on the [District web site](#) is a great resource for updates about upcoming events. You'll find the [2015-2016 School Year "Overview" Calendar](#) here. For events and activities in the Cherry Hill Community, check out our [Community Bulletin Board](#) on our web site. And visit our [YouTube channel](#) for videos from around the District.



## Summer Reading Lists Available

The Middle School summer reading lists for rising 6th through 8th graders are now available by clicking the following links:



## Mann Elementary Completes Two Successful Service Projects

The Horace Mann Elementary International Club, led by Senora Vickie Medina and pictured above, collected 653



## Openings Still Available for PSAT/SAT Tutorial and College Essay Tutorial

[The 2016 Summer PSAT/SAT Tutorial](#) is a 4-day, 14-hour tutorial

- [6th Grade](#)
- [7th Grade](#)
- [8th Grade](#)

The High School summer reading list for rising high school freshmen through seniors is available by [clicking here](#).

children's books to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Camden. The books will be given to children who are being treated at nearby hospitals for critical or traumatic illnesses.



Congratulations to the Autism Support teachers and students who raised \$3,479.73 by creating and selling 282 autism t-shirts for the Autism Support Program at Horace Mann Elementary. The t-shirt sales will help the program for community based instruction, curriculum, and materials to support their students. Mann faculty and friends, pictured above, also participated in the Autism Walk presented by Autism Speaks on May 15, 2016.

workshop (28 hours if taking both Math and Verbal), held the weeks of August 1-4 and August 8-11. Session hours are 9 am - 12:30 pm, 1 pm - 4:30 pm, or 5 pm - 8:30 pm. We recommend that if you are taking both Math and Verbal, do not take them the same week.

[The 2016 College Essay Tutorial](#)

takes 10-12 students through all steps of the writing process (from prewriting through production of a final draft) to create a college essay. This 4-day, 13 hour tutorial workshop is held the weeks of August 1-4 and 8-11. The session hours are 9 am - 12:15 pm, 1 pm - 4:15 pm, or 5 pm - 8:15 pm.

Both programs are sponsored by the Cherry Hill Guidance Departments and will be held at Cherry Hill High Schools East and West.



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