

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



# CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending August 25, 2017

# Becoming Oriented to the New School Year

Students report to school on September 5, 2017.

I'm excitedly counting down to the first day of school. We're now just 11 days from welcoming all of our students to the 2017-2018 school year!

Coming up this week are the high school orientations and the orientations for Beck and Carusi middle schools. All orientation dates are listed in the "Upcoming Events" column at right. (Rosa's was on August 24 – a link to the schools's orientation PowerPoint is at right.) As many of our students become familiar with their new schools, I would like to offer the following tips to help parents orient themselves to the new school year as well:

- Please see the "Upcoming Events" column at right for the date of our first "Saturday Coffee with the Superintendent" (details below), new student orientation dates and times around the District, and first-day-of-school information.
- High school students' schedules were mailed on August 9. Packets including middle school students' placements were mailed today, August 25, as were packets including elementary students' assigned teachers
- Please complete the important 2017-2018 "paperwork" for your child or children by September 15 via the [Parents portal](#) on the District web site to ensure all student information is up-to-date. The portal includes full, step-by-step instructions for this process, with links applicable to your child's or children's grade level(s). Families unable to complete this process online may pick up paper forms at the main office of their school(s). If you have any questions, please contact the main office of

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Saturday Coffee with the Superintendent

August 26 @9-10:30 am  
Clara Barton Elementary  
School

### High School Freshman Orientations

#### **CHWest**

Students: August 30  
@ 9 am-12 pm  
Parents: August 30  
@ 7-8 pm

#### **CHEast**

August 31, 5:40-8:45 pm  
Please see the CHEast web  
site, [east.chclc.org](http://east.chclc.org)  
for details

### Middle School New Student Orientations

#### **Rosa**

Took place on August 24  
@ 7 pm  
[Rosa New Student  
Orientation PowerPoint](#)

#### **Beck**

August 29 @ 7 pm

#### **Carusi**

August 29 @ 7 pm

### First Day of School

SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

ALL STUDENTS REPORT

#### High School

Start time: 7:30 am  
Dismissal: 2:30 pm

your child's school.

- For your planning purposes, all Back to School Night dates and times are now posted on the [District Events Calendar](#). Be sure to check your school's web site for other events specific to that building.
- If you haven't already, download our helpful District App (it's free!) linked at the bottom of the [District web site home page](#), and be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for the very latest happenings around the District.

The first day of school for all students is Tuesday, September 5, 2017. **This is an early dismissal day for elementary students only.** Elementary students will be dismissed at 1 pm on September 5.

Our Administrative Retreat and the first of our New Teacher Orientation sessions took place this week, with great energy, positivity and the sharing of ideas. We can't wait to share all of that with you and your children this school year!

I hope to see you tomorrow morning at 9 am at Barton Elementary. Bring a mug of coffee or your favorite beverage. I look forward to our conversation!

Regards,

*Joe Meloche*

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

Middle School

Start time: 8 am

Dismissal: 3 pm

Elementary School

Start time: 9 am

*Elementary school **only** will operate on an early dismissal schedule on September 5, dismissing at 1 pm. The regular dismissal time of 3:30 pm resumes September 6.*



Time to Get  
or Renew  
Your Library



Dr. Meloche Begins  
"Saturday Coffee  
with the  
Superintendent"  
Meeting Series



Community  
Bulletin Board Offers Scouting,  
Sports & Events Information

Be sure to click the [Community Bulletin Board link](#) at the bottom of the [District web site](#) home page. You'll find information about after school programs, league sports,

## Card

Friday, September 1 kicks off Library Card Sign-Up Month. The [Cherry Hill Public Library](#) (CHPL) invites you to the library anytime to sign up for or renew your library card.

In addition to CHPL's physical resources (including books, DVDs and events) the library offers a wealth of digital and online resources to card holders – many of which can be accessed from home.

The library staff urges all Cherry Hill students to visit the Cherry Hill Public Library, get (or renew) their card and see what the library has to offer!

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Joseph Meloche will hold a series of Saturday meetings throughout the coming months as an opportunity for community discussion about the [CHPS 2020: A Clear Vision for the Future](#) long-range strategic plan and the upcoming September 2018 bond referendum. The meeting locations will rotate among our 12 elementary schools.

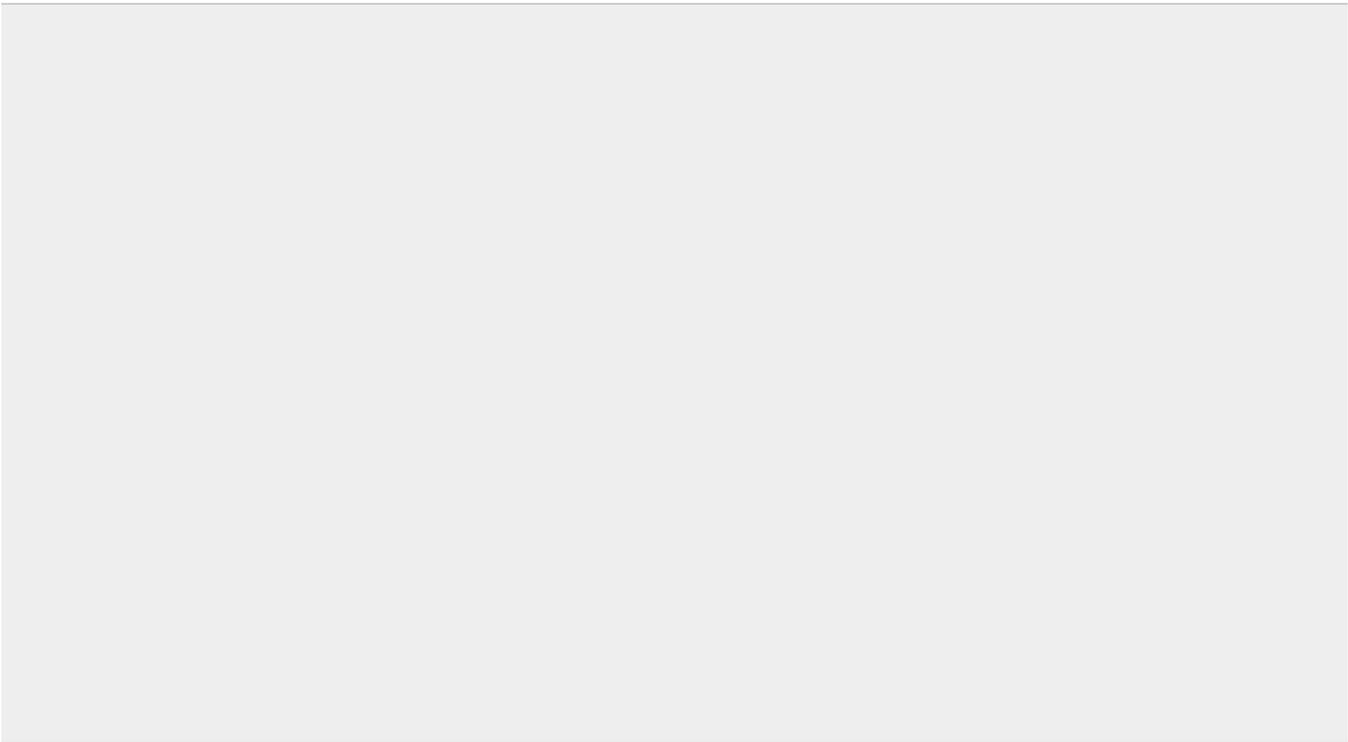
The first meeting will take place on August 26 from 9-10:30 am at Clara Barton Elementary School, 223 Rhode Island Ave. Additional meeting dates, locations and times are listed on the [District Events Calendar](#).

All members of the public are encouraged to attend. These meetings are informal – please bring your own coffee or favorite beverage.

Additional daytime and evening meetings on various days will be announced in the coming weeks.

seminars, community events and other activities around Cherry Hill.

To post information on the Community Bulletin Board, please email the public information office at [publicinfo@chclc.org](mailto:publicinfo@chclc.org)



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