

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



CHPS Weekly

District News for the week of September 25, 2015

Digging in,

UPCOMING EVENTS

Establishing Roots

As our students and teachers get into the groove of the school year, great things happen!

Fall has always been one of my favorite seasons of year. There is a sense of maturation that becomes evident in nature during the fall. On September 23rd, we welcomed Fall 2015 with the Autumnal Equinox and this weekend, beginning on September 27th, in Cherry Hill we will be able to view a total lunar eclipse. Not only do I love the cool nights and changing leaves, fall is when our schools are truly running in a rhythm. The potential for success for the academic year is being cultivated in these pivotal weeks as the investment of time and focus will be sewn throughout the year. Academic success is rooted in this time frame. Expectations have been established, routines have become comfortable, and the challenge of the academic program is being embraced by our students and our staff.

As our teachers and students are establishing their roots and setting the standard for the year, I have had the opportunity to be reminded of how firmly rooted the school district is in the community of Cherry Hill. I visited the Senior Fest at the municipal building on Monday, September 21st. This annual event, sponsored by the township, provided a chance for me to speak with folks who raised their children in the township and watched them successfully navigate the school system. I heard anecdotes of their experiences as we shared smiles and laughs. Ms. Mann and Ms. Yeager, from the Cherry Hill Library, came by to visit this week and to share the incredible programs and opportunities that are available in our public library. Mayor Cahn and members of his staff have been actively engaged with representatives from the district and the Board of Education as we work on joint projects and plan for the future.

Cherry Hill is truly one community, many families and

Back to School Nights (All begin at 7 pm unless otherwise noted)

Beck 6th Grade -
September 28

Cooper - September 30

Rosa 7th & 8th Grade -
September 30

Sharp Grades K-2: 7 pm;
Grades 3-5: 8 pm -
October 1

Harte Grades K-2: 6:30-
7:30 pm; Grades 3-5:
7:45-8:45 pm - October 1

West - October 1

Barclay - October 7

Mann - October 8

Middle School Committee Community Forums

These meetings will discuss the work of the Middle School Committee formed last spring. **Each forum covers the same topics, on 4 different dates at 4 different locations:**

October 6, 6:30 pm @
Beck Middle School

October 7, 11 am @
Malberg Administration
Building, 45 Ranoldo
Terrace

October 8, 6:30 pm @

many faces, brought together by our addresses and held together by our commitment to each other. Please be sure to support the endeavors of the schools, come out and see the concerts, cheer at a sporting event, and watch the fall plays. Fall is a great time to volunteer throughout the community. There are a variety of events and opportunities to share your talents!

Regards,

Joe Meloche

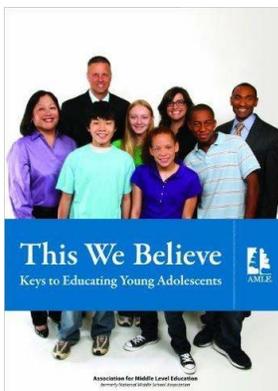
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P.S. Be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for the very latest happenings around the District. Our [District Events Calendar](#) on the District web site is a great resource for updates about upcoming events. [You'll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

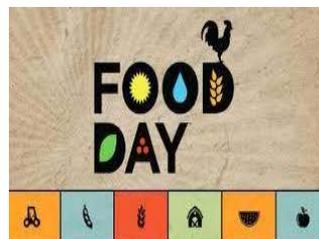
Carusi Middle School

October 13, 6:30 pm @
Rosa Middle School



Community is Invited to Middle School Forums

Community forums to discuss the Cherry Hill Public Schools' middle schools will take place in early October.



Food Day Banner Contest Open to CHPS Classes

Classes from preschool through grade 12 in the Cherry Hill Public Schools are invited to join in on the festivities and enter the 2015 Sustainable Cherry Hill Food Day Festival Banner Contest.

Food Day is a nationwide



Expected Traffic Issues During Pope's Philadelphia Visit

In anticipation of potentially overwhelming local traffic congestion during the weekend of the Papal visit, the Cherry Hill Police Department will implement parking restrictions and amended traffic controls in neighborhoods adjacent to

Last spring, a 30-member committee composed of teachers, administrators and a parent from each middle school was formed to discuss what Cherry Hill middle schools will include in the future. As part of their work, the committee is studying the book, *This We Believe: Keys to Educating Young Adolescents*, by the National Middle School Association and the Association for Middle Level Education (pictured above).

Four forums will address the same topics on different dates and times, as listed below. Community members are encouraged to attend.

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Beck Middle School

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October 8, 6:30 pm @
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Rosa Middle School

celebration of healthy, affordable, and sustainably produced food, a grass roots campaign for better food policies. Sustainable Cherry Hill, the Cherry Hill Public Schools and local business sponsors are hosting the 2015 Food Day Festival on October 24 at the Cherry Hill High School East cafeteria from 11 am to 2 pm. Sustainable food related businesses and non-for-profits will exhibit and make presentations with the focus on children.

The 2015 Food Day priority is to raise awareness about the critical importance of food education starting with our children. When children have the opportunity to learn about, grow, and cook food and understand the implications of food waste on the wider community, they gain the knowledge and tools to lead healthier and more fulfilling lives.

This year's banner contest, "Good Eats, Bad Eats" is designed to increase children's knowledge about nutrition -- what food is good for them and what foods are not and should be avoided.

Banner Contest Rules:

1. The Banner contest will be open to Cherry Hill classes from preschool through 12th grades.
2. Banners may be of any size.
3. Any type of medium

the Woodcrest PATCO station from Friday evening, September 25, through Monday morning, September 28.

These measures are intended to limit the impact of this event on residential streets, and to enhance safety for motorists and pedestrians in the area throughout the weekend.

We expect a record amount of pedestrian and vehicular traffic in the vicinity of the train station over the course of these four days. Residents should prepare for this increase in traffic volume, and be aware of temporary lane closures and other altered traffic-control devices in the area. Residents in the 100 Block of Bryant Road will only have access to the neighborhood by using South Cranford Road to Bowling Green Drive. The section of Bryant Road leading out to Burnt Mill Road will be CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC during the entire weekend.

For more information about traffic patterns around Cherry Hill, including a link to the Governor of New Jersey's advisory regarding state routes, interstates and the Atlantic City Expressway, [see the District web site](#).

(chalk, paint, crayons, pencils, charcoal, felt markers or any combination) may be used. Collages are acceptable. Computer or photo generated art and/or printing is acceptable.

4. The banner must be related to the contest theme in some way. The theme "Good Food, Bad Food" must be on the banner.

5. On the front of each banner should include the Name of the Teacher or Room #, the Grade and the name of the School.

6. The teacher is asked to take a photo of the class with the banner and post it on the ["Sustainable Cherry Hill" Facebook Page](#) by October 19, 2015.

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