

CHERRY HILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS



CHPS Weekly

District News for the week of August 22, 2014

Working Together in an Atmosphere of Support

Collaboration and support are vital to the success of any school district. In the Cherry Hill Schools, we work especially hard to implement these tenets every day.

Our administrators came together for three days this week and spent time sharing information, learning

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Sixth Grade Orientations](#)

Beck:

Wednesday, Aug. 27,

[Freshman Orientations](#)

and collaborating. Meetings such as these enable our principals and assistant principals to spend dedicated time focusing upon our goals for the year ahead in a collaborative manner. With school beginning in just 12 days, there was a tremendous amount of excitement in the air! We are all looking forward to welcoming our new teachers on August 22nd, all teachers on September 2nd and our students on September 3rd.

An excellent example of our true collaborative spirit was cited in a recent article on nj.com, "[Arts in N.J. public education 2014: An integral part of student life.](#)" In it, Cherry Hill is among the districts profiled. Interviews with Cherry Hill High School East photography teacher Bill Kovnat and Assistant Superintendent of Schools Dr. Joe Meloche, along with Kovnat's daughter and East alumnus Sammy Kovnat, highlight the collaborative spirit not only within the schools, but between high schools East and West.

We encourage you to participate in the collaborative opportunities the Cherry Hill Schools offer. Join your school's PTA (even as your children move from one level to the next – they still like it when you are involved), become a member of a Booster Club (or two, or three), ask at your school about volunteer opportunities, attend School Board meetings. Your involvement in your child's education will help ensure his or her success, and the success of our schools at large.

Be sure to check our [Activities Calendar](#), on the [District web site](#). (Dates/times for our orientation sessions and the first day of school also are at right, with a link to details for kindergarten and PreK). [Visit our web site for details about events and accomplishments throughout the District](#). And be sure to follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) for the latest District information. Remember to [please send us any information](#) you'd like to have published.

On behalf of the Cherry Hill Schools staff, administrators and the Board of Education, it will be

East:

Tuesday, Aug. 26, 7 pm or
Thursday, Aug. 28, 9 am

West:

Wednesday, Aug. 27, 9
am - 12 pm (for students)
and 7 pm (for parents)

First Day of School

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2014

Start times:

High School: 7:30 am

Middle School: 8 am

Elementary/Pre-K: 9 am
Elementary ONLY: early
dismissal on 1st day, 1 pm

Details on Kindergarten
and PreK First Day of
School schedules [here](#)

Rotation Day for First Day:

High Schools: Day 5

Middle Schools: Beck -
Green Day;

Carusi - Maroon Day;

Rosa - No Rotation Day
(Students in Advisory All
Day)

my pleasure to share in many of these collaborative opportunities with the entire school community this year. I look forward to seeing **you** at one of your student's events.

Sincerely,



Maureen Reusche, Ed. D.

Superintendent



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Back-to-School Nights Scheduled

All 19 of our schools will host [Back-to-School Nights, listed here](#), giving parents an opportunity to meet their children's teachers, tour the school and see some of their children's work. The mural above, at Bret Harte Elementary, is just one example student artwork around the District.



Alternative High School Courtyard Garden Update

Last Spring, students at the Alternative High School (pictured above) moved many lilies from the courtyard to the garden in front of the school. They then planted vegetables in the courtyard. Their efforts yielded an impressive 25 peppers, 77 tomatoes and 117 cucumbers! This bounty was donated to the Cherry Hill Food Pantry, where several retirees from the Cherry Hill School District volunteer.

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