

A message from the Superintendent of the Cherry Hill Public Schools.



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CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending November 15, 2019

Multi-grade-level Mentoring

Our older and younger students enjoy many opportunities to work together, embodying the “WE” in #WEareCHPS.

It's been an exciting week in the Cherry Hill Public Schools, as we've celebrated Veterans Day, World Kindness Day/Cardigan Day, the official recognition of Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School as a National Blue Ribbon School, and two mornings devoted to many of our elementary and middle school students going to see their peers perform in preview showings of *Matilda the Musical* at Cherry Hill High School West. It is an absolute thrill for me to experience excellence district wide, giving us cause to celebrate! Most exciting of all is watching the ever-growing opportunities for students in multiple grade levels to work together and learn from one another. *Matilda the Musical*, for example, features elementary, middle and high school student actors (shown above in rehearsal) from across the district focusing their talents to produce a stellar show in a matter of weeks. The younger actors are mentored by the older actors, while the older students gain an appreciation for the contagion of joy, energy and wonder that young students bring to any activity. Other examples of multi-grade-level mentoring across CHPS include:

- [The Bridge Program](#) of tutoring and mentoring between Cherry Hill High School East students and students at Rosa International Middle School
- West Broadcast's collaboration with Clara Barton Elementary 5th graders to create Barton's own broadcast news program
- Sports team mentoring in which a variety of our high school teams work with their middle school counterparts and township recreation leagues during occasional practice sessions
- Our West and East Robotics Teams mentoring students in our middle school robotics programs

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Education Action Meeting

November 26 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

EARLY DISMISSAL FOR ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF

November 27
Early dismissal times:
Grades Pre-K-5: 1pm;
Grades 6-8: 12:15 pm;
Grades 9-12: 11:45 am

SCHOOLS CLOSED

November 28 & 29

Conferences for Elementary and Middle Schools

December 2-5
Elementary and middle schools only operate on an Early Dismissal schedule. Elementary schools will dismiss at 1 pm; middle schools will dismiss at 12:15 pm.

Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

December 2 @ 6 pm
Malberg Administration Building, 45 Ranoldo Terrace

Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

[Instagram](#) to see more examples of our students embodying the "WE" in #WEareCHPS. If you haven't already, please download our free District app from the App Store or Google Play – then customize it to feed your school's information, in addition to District information, directly to you. Have a question for us that's also of interest to the larger community? Submit it via our [Quick Question](#) portal for a publicly posted answer!

Matilda the Musical opens tonight at Cherry Hill High School West at 7 pm! I will be attending this evening's performance and hope to see you there – please stop and say hello! Additional shows will be tomorrow at 7 pm and on Sunday at 2 pm. [Tickets are available online.](#)

As we approach the weekend, let's remember that kindness matters. And while our children learn from our words and actions, there is a great deal we can learn from them. To quote *Matilda the Musical*, "Even if you're little, you can do a lot."

Regards,

Joseph Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

"Be a rainbow in someone's day."

December 2 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration
Building, 45 Ranoldo
Terrace

[Business & Facilities Committee Meeting](#)

December 3 @ 6 pm
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[Strategic Planning Committee Meeting](#)

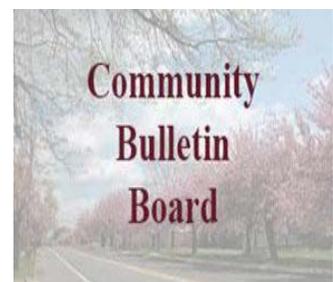
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ARAMARK Procedure
for Placing Restrictions on
Student Meal Accounts



CHPS Teachers and
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Parents who wish to place restrictions on their child's meal account are asked to call the Food Service office at (856) 424-2316 or email Operations Director Anne King at King-Anne@aramark.com

Parents may stipulate the following:

No breakfast

No second meals

Limits on particular snacks, for example:
no fruit snacks, no ice cream

If a parent places a restriction on a child's account, the child will not be able to buy the restricted item(s), even if the child brings in money for the particular item(s).

Questions about restrictions should be directed to Anne King at the phone number/email listed above.

in Cultural Proficiency and Equity Workshops

On Thursday, November 14, 2019, 35 teachers and principals from all 12 of our elementary schools participated in the second of six workshops on Cultural Proficiency & Equity.

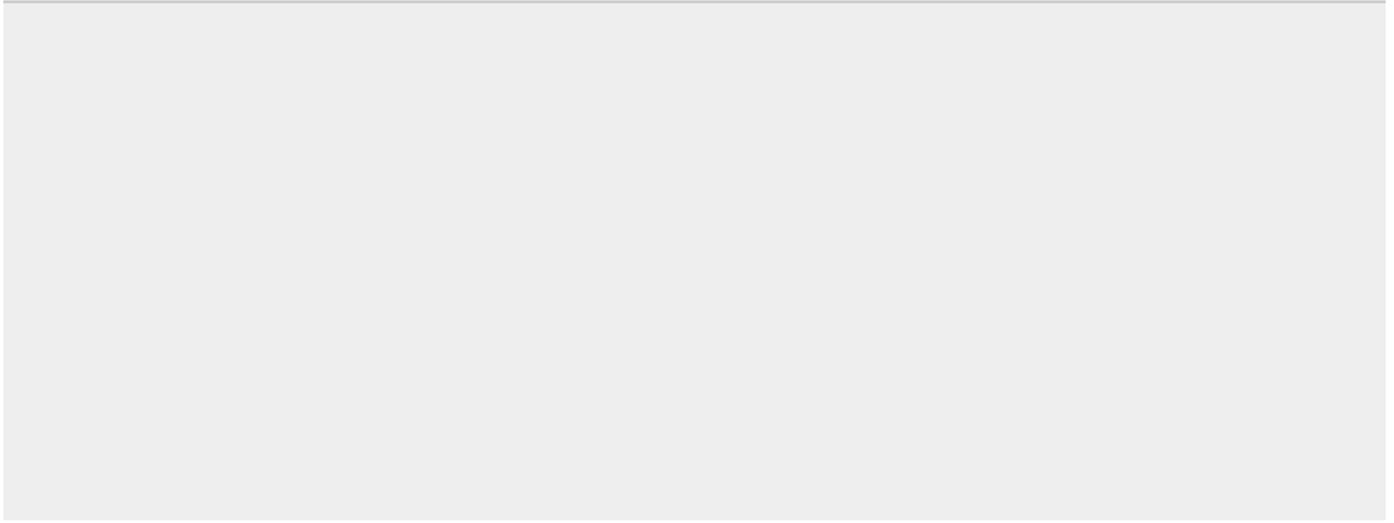
This lesson focused on the many Barriers to Cultural Proficiency. Teams are being led by Dr. Barbara Moore Williams, the district's Cultural Proficiency & Equity consultant. Since October, school teams use professional learning time to share what was learned with their respective faculties.

This work is linked to the Board of Education goal of closing achievement gaps where they exist. Secondary teams will meet with Dr. Williams on November 26. All 19 building teams will work with Dr. Williams six times over the course of the 2019-2020 school year.

Events, Club Sports, Programs

Looking for information on local events, club sports, scouting programs and more? You'll find all of this on the [Community Bulletin Board](#) page of the District web site.

Organizations interested in having items posted on the Community Bulletin Board are asked to email the Public Information Office and publicinfo@chclc.org.



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