

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



CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending November 3, 2017

November: A Wonderful Season Begins

The Cherry Hill Public Schools calendar is packed this month with many exciting events and traditions. WE are thankful for all of them, and are excited to celebrate this season of gratitude.

Happy November! As we wrapped up October with the annual Trick-or-Treat visit at the Malberg Administration Building from the Kingston Elementary 5th graders on Halloween this past Tuesday, and with many other Halloween celebrations throughout our schools, I was awestruck by the enthusiasm and creativity of our students. Halloween fun is a great segue into the month of November, as the marking period winds down – the middle and high schools' marking period ends November 8; elementary schools' ends December 7 – and our traditions leading up to the Thanksgiving holiday engage our students, staff and community. Especially notable at the high school level are our Spirit Weeks and Homecoming Dances, leading up to the annual East vs. West football game on the evening of Wednesday, November 22. The game is a wonderful community event, including a food drive to benefit the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. I hope you will mark it on your calendars and join me at the game! I am always thrilled to speak with alumni and families during the Homecoming Game.

If you follow the Twitter feeds from your schools and the [District](#) (I encourage you to do so), you'll see that CHPS and many of our schools and teachers have joined the [#NovThanksChallenge](#). Participants, including [@ChpsTweets](#), have committed to tweeting each day in November an example of something for which they are thankful. Gratitude is contagious! Be sure to check in often with [#NovThanksChallenge](#) on Twitter to see what we're thankful for – and get a "gratitude boost!" Be vocal about those things for which you are thankful. Share your gratitude and

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting](#)

Nov 6 @ 6 pm
Barclay Early Childhood
Center, 1220 Winston Way

[Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting](#)

Nov 6 @ 7 pm
Barclay Early Childhood
Center, 1220 Winston Way

[Election Day](#)

Nov 7
Vote!

[Business & Facilities Committee Meeting](#)

Nov 8 @ 6 pm
Barclay Early Childhood
Center, 1220 Winston Way

[Strategic Planning Committee Meeting](#)

Nov 8 @ 7 pm
Barclay Early Childhood
Center, 1220 Winston Way

[SCHOOLS CLOSED](#)

Nov 9 & 10

[Board of Education Work Session](#)

Nov 14 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration
Building, 45 Ranoldo
Terrace

[SCHOOLS CLOSED](#)

thanks with your neighbors and with our community. Positive words are impactful, nice matters, thankful matters!

In addition to following us on [Twitter](#), I encourage you to keep up with the latest happenings in the District by following us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#). Ask questions via the District web site Q&A portal, [Quick Question](#), and join me for my live monthly broadcast, "[Online Lunch with the Superintendent](#)" with an opportunity to submit questions – the next broadcast is scheduled for November 30 at noon. Please remember, our [Board Work Sessions and Action Meetings](#) are open to the public and [broadcast live](#), then [archived on our YouTube channel](#) for later viewing. All [Board committee meetings](#), with the exception of Human Resources, are open to the public as well.

My next "Coffee with the Superintendent" meeting, to discuss our long range strategic plan and the upcoming bond referendum on September 25, 2018, is November 18 from 9-10:30 am at Joyce Kilmer Elementary School. I hope you will bring your favorite beverage and your questions! If you can't make it, please plan to attend [one of the other meetings scheduled through June](#).

Coming up next week are our Board committee meetings, listed at right, as well as Election Day on November 7. Please be sure to vote! And enjoy the long weekend beginning November 9, as our schools will be closed for two days for the NJEA Convention.

Don't forget: standard time starts this Sunday, November 5 at 2 am. Be sure turn back your clocks and enjoy an extra hour of sleep!

We can all begin this season of gratitude by extending thanks to one another, sharing a smile and kind words. Kindness makes all the difference.

I am thankful each day for my beautiful family and for the opportunity to live and to work in such an incredible community as Cherry Hill.

Regards,

Joe Meloche

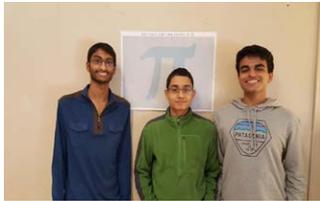
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Nov 23 & 24

Board of Education Action Meeting

Nov 28 @ 7 pm

Malberg Administration
Building, 45 Ranoldo
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Cherry Hill High School East Students Win Top Honors at Science Competition

Cherry Hill High School East senior Nishaad Khedkar, pictured on the right, earned the top prize at the 70th Annual Delaware Valley Science Council Competition in October. Out of 40 awards earned by students from around the region completing in rigorous science exams, Nishaad won the first place Reuben Shaw Memorial Award, a \$1,200 scholarship to the college of his choice.

Two other East seniors also placed in the competition: Saikat Das, center, won a \$150 award and Hyder Alikhan, left, earned an Honorable Mention in Biology.

Congratulations to all!



Horace Mann Elementary Receives Book Donation from Subaru

Horace Mann Elementary School on November 1 received a donation of 150 award-winning science related books for their library from Subaru, as part of the Subaru Loves Learning initiative.

The students pictured above are among the winners of the Mann Eagle Eye for personifying "a vision of Respect, Responsibility, and Citizenship through every action."

Pictured with the students are, from left, two Subaru representatives; Dr. Joseph Campisi, Assistant Superintendent, K-12; Dr. Shilpa Davé, Principal, Mann Elementary; Mr. Scott Goldthorp, Supervisor of Science, K-12; Mrs. Diane Oesau, Librarian; Dr. Farrah Mahan, Director of Curriculum; and Mrs. Carol Matlack, Board of Education Member.



Holiday Child Care Available to all CHPS Elementary Students

The Cherry Hill Public Schools offers child care through the Student Enrichment Program (STEP) for all CHPS elementary school students when school is closed for certain holidays. **Children do not have to attend School Aged Child Care (SACC) to attend STEP Holiday Child Care.**

STEP Holiday Child Care is open from 7 am to 6 pm for the holidays of November 9 & 10; February 16; March 16; and April 2-6.

You must register your child in the STEP office at Cooper Elementary School, 1960 Greentree Road, no later than 5 business days prior to the date(s) you select.

Details and registration forms are available on the [STEP Holiday Child Care page of the District web site](#).

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