

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



CHPS Weekly

District News for the week of October 2, 2015

Sustainability and Growth

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our District and all of our schools are honored with certification from Sustainable Jersey for Schools!

The Cherry Hill School District was excited to receive notification from Sustainable Jersey for Schools this week that ALL 19 of our schools have been recognized for their sustainability efforts! Bret Harte Elementary School received a Silver recognition while all of the other schools received Bronze recognition. These awards are tremendous examples of the external validation of the incredible work that is going on in our school communities on a regular basis.

As described on its web site, Sustainable Jersey for Schools is *a certification program for New Jersey public schools that want to go green, conserve resources and take steps to create a brighter future, one school at a time.* [You may read more about SJS certification by clicking here for the organization's web site.](#)

Our school district is one of five in the state to receive special recognition for its large number of schools achieving award status. The commitment to sustainability has been a district priority for a number of years and one that has become a part of who we are as a learning community. The work in this area has natural relationships to the foundation of character education that is a pillar of our success. Respect and responsibility, for ourselves, for our community and for our world are critical pieces to all that we do.

Our success and our achievements in sustainability and in character have been supported by the community, by Sustainable Cherry Hill, by Town Council, and by the Mayor. Together, we achieve and we guide our children on a positive path moving forward to support and to enrich our community.

We have made a commitment as a school district to involve ourselves in a cycle of continuous improvement regarding sustainability and character education. Thank you all, for supporting the students in this process.

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

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 @
Carusi Middle School

October 13, 6:30 pm @
Rosa Middle School

BOE Committee Meetings

*All meetings are held in
the Malberg Board Room,
45 Ranoldo Terrace*

Policy & Legislation,
October 5 @ 6 pm

Curriculum & Instruction,
October 5 @ 7pm

Business & Facilities,
October 6 @ 6 pm

Regards,

Joe Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

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.



Cherry Hill Elementary Schools Receive 200 Books from Subaru

Cherry Hill Public Schools elementary students will find new books about science in their school libraries, thanks to a donation from Subaru of Cherry Hill as part of their "Subaru Loves Learning" effort. Students at Kingston Elementary School, along with (pictured above from left, back row) Kingston Principal Bill Marble, Board of Education President Carol Matlack, CHPS Superintendent Dr. Joseph Meloche, CHPS Director of Curriculum Farrah Mahan, Subaru Business Development Coordinator



Become Informed about Board of Education Candidates

With Election Day just a little more than a month away (on Tuesday, November 3), opportunities are available for community members to become more informed about the candidates for the Cherry Hill Board of Education.

One candidate is running for an unexpired term with one year remaining on it. Four other candidates are running for three open seats with full terms.

You may read the [candidates' biographies](#), [submitted by the candidates](#)



Bret Harte Elementary School Marks Green Apple Day of Service in Outdoor Classroom

Great job to Harte Elementary School for being one of 4,600 schools nationwide that participated in the Green Apple Day of Service. The Green Apple Day of Service gives parents, teachers, students, companies and local organizations the opportunity to transform all schools into healthy, safe and productive learning environments through local service projects.

During the month of September, the Bret Harte Environmental Club accepted donations for used T-shirts, animal food, old towels, and blankets from the school

Khilna Vyas and CHPS Supervisor of Curriculum - Science Erica Price were on hand in the school library on September 29 as Subaru delivered the books.

The 200 books are the result of team members from Subaru of Cherry Hill donating one new science book for each new Subaru that was bought or leased. The books will be distributed among our 12 elementary schools.

[and listed in ballot order, by clicking here.](#)

Additionally, a Candidates' Forum, organized by the Cherry Hill Zone PTA and moderated by the League of Women Voters, will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 7:30 pm at Rosa International Middle School. All community members are encouraged to attend.

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On Monday September 28, local community members joined students to mark the [Green Apple Day of Service](#) in their newly installed outdoor classroom, pictured above. Students performed a short play explaining their selection of the [Animal Welfare Association \(AWA\)](#) as the recipient of the donations. During the play, audience members participated in using t-shirts cut into strips of fabric to make toys for the shelter animals.

At the conclusion of the program, all of the collected items and upcycled toys were donated to the AWA.

Congratulations to the students for demonstrating "Harte SMART" attributes throughout the project by **Striving** for excellence, being **Mindful** of others, **Accepting** everyone, being **Responsible**, and promoting **Teamwork**!

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