

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



CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending August 23, 2019

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Discussion on Unpaid Meal Charges

A letter to the CHPS community from Superintendent Dr. Joseph Meloche and Board of Education President Eric Goodwin.

The end of August and the waning days of summer are filled with excitement and anticipation as school is about to begin. On Tuesday, September 3, we will welcome more than 11,000 students to our 19 schools, including our first class of full day kindergarten students across the district. There have been many new families to meet in the registration office and even more eager children on the playgrounds at our schools ready for the year to begin. This year, there have also been many discussions regarding overdue balances for breakfast & lunch in our schools. While the most recent discussion was initiated at the Board of Education Meeting on August 13, 2019, there has been ongoing discussion in our district about this issue for the past two years. This time, however, the discussion spread onto social media and into the press.

Unfortunately, what has been lost in many of the discussions, on Facebook and in the press, is the complexity of this issue and the legal requirements of [New Jersey State Statute 18A:33-21](#).

[A detailed explanation of the unpaid meals issue has been posted to the District web site](#). I encourage you to read the letter, from Board President Mr. Eric Goodwin and me, to gain a full understanding of the foundation of what the Board of Education will be discussing at the BOE meeting on Tuesday, August 27 at 7 pm. Please note that the location of the meeting will be the John A. Carusi Middle School cafeteria at 315 Roosevelt Drive.

Just a week after that meeting, school opens! The first day of school for all students, September 3, 2019, **is an early dismissal day for elementary students only**. Elementary students will be dismissed at 1 pm on September 3.

Preparations continue throughout the District for this exciting day and the year ahead. Our new staff

BOE Action Meeting

August 27 @ 7 pm
Malberg Administration Building
45 Ranoldo Terrace

High School Freshman Orientations

CHWest

Students:
August 26, 27 & 28
@ 9 am-12 pm

Parents: August 28
@ 7 pm

CHEast

Students: August 27
@ 5:40 pm
Parents: August 27
@ 7:30 pm
Please see the CHEast web site, east.chclc.org for details

Middle School New Student Orientations

Carusi

August 22 @ 7 pm

Rosa

August 22 @ 7 pm

Beck

August 29 @ 7 pm

Kindergarten Open Houses

August 29 @ each CHPS elementary school
1-1:30 pm

First Day of School SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

members began their orientation days this week! If you don't already follow the District on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), be sure to do so. You'll not only see photos of our new staff, you'll get the best, truly accurate news and reminders about what's happening in the district. And be sure to download the free District app, available on the App Store and on Google Play. You can customize the app according to your child's school.

Our buildings are humming in anticipation of our favorite time of the year: the time when students fill the schools and school grounds with energy, laughter and excitement about learning.

Enjoy the predicted lovely weather this weekend, and be sure to share kindness with those whose paths you cross.

Regards,

Joe Meloche

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools

ALL STUDENTS REPORT

High School

Start time: 7:30 am

Dismissal: 2:30 pm

Middle School

Start time: 8 am

Dismissal: 3 pm

Elementary School

Start time: 9 am

*Elementary schools **only** will operate on an early dismissal schedule on September 3, dismissing at 1 pm. The regular dismissal time of 3:30 pm resumes September 4.*

BOE Committee of the Whole Meeting

September 10 @ 7 pm

Malberg Administration

Building

45 Ranoldo Terrace



Summer Reading Information Still Available

Summer reading titles and assignments for rising 6th through 12th graders are available on the [District web site](#).



Free and Reduced Price Lunch Applications Now Open

Applications for the 2019-2020 Free and Reduced Lunch Program will be available for submission on August 15th at www.payschoolscentral.com.

PaySchools Central is a



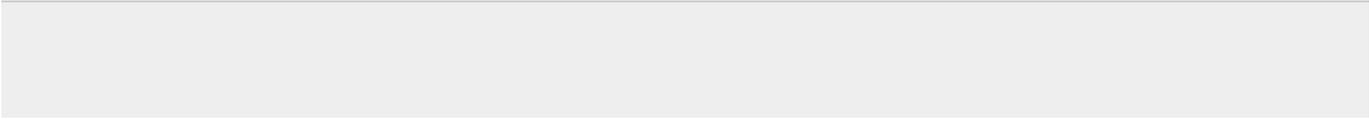
Confused about New Online Meal Payment System?

On August 19, 2019, parents were notified that the MySchoolBucks meal payment system is being replaced by PaySchools Central beginning this school year.

All money leftover in your MySchoolBucks account will automatically transfer to your new PaySchools account when you register on PaySchools Central.

secure payment system that simplifies school payments in an easy-to-use online portal. It enable parents to fund lunch accounts and pay required and optional fees quickly and easily. [More information about PaySchools Central is available online.](#) Also available is [a step-by-step guide to signing up for PaySchools Central](#). Note that an application must be submitted **each year**.

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