

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



# CHPS WEEKLY

District News for the week ending September 14, 2018

# Making Your Voice Heard

**WE** welcome and value input from our community. Here's how to make sure your communication with us is effective.

Now that we are halfway into September – yet marking only the sixth day of school – our Back to School nights are well underway and our students are getting into the groove of classes, sports and other activities. I would like to thank you for your patience as we work out the kinks in our transportation and pick up/drop off procedures, among other adjustments typical with the beginning of a new school year.

As you likely have seen in media coverage and perhaps on social media discussion, we have dealt with mold cleanup this fall at Cherry Hill High School East. We are one among many districts in the South Jersey/Philadelphia area that found mold in classrooms after our wet, humid summer. We are fortunate to have alert, trained staff who found the mold and reported it immediately, allowing us to conduct a quick cleanup and thorough testing to ensure no affected classroom was reopened until cleared to do so by our environmental specialist, TTI Environmental Corporation.

Whenever there is a concern in our schools, we encourage staff, students and/or parents to bring it to our attention. In order to address issues effectively, we ask that certain communication protocols are followed:

- If the issue is regarding transportation, please call our transportation office (856) 489-5851 or the transportation hotline at (856) 761-1092. Our staff in the transportation office can assist you with information about bus delays and bus stop assignments.
- For school-related concerns, start at the building level. If there is a concern about

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SCHOOLS CLOSED

September 19

### Board of Education Action Meeting

September 25 @ 7 pm  
Malberg Administration Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace

### Policy & Legislation Committee Meeting

October 1 @ 6 pm  
Rosa International Middle School Media Center  
485 Browning Lane

### Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting

October 1 @ 7 pm  
Rosa International Middle School Media Center  
485 Browning Lane

### Business & Facilities Committee Meeting

October 2 @ 6 pm  
Malberg Administration Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace

### BOE Special Action Meeting

October 2 @ 7 pm  
Malberg Administration Building  
45 Ranoldo Terrace  
*This meeting replaces the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting*

something going on in your child's classroom, start by contacting your child's teacher. If the issue cannot be resolved with the teacher's help, go to the building principal. Most concerns can be resolved by working with those closest to the situation, as they are the most knowledgeable about what is happening in the classroom/building. If no resolution is reached after consulting the teacher and the principal, please contact me at [jmeloche@chclc.org](mailto:jmeloche@chclc.org) or my assistant, Janet Cohen at [jacohen@chclc.org](mailto:jacohen@chclc.org) or call (856) 429-5600, extension 4309. After November 1, our new Assistant Superintendent/K-12, Dr. Justin Smith, will be the point of contact after you speak with the building principals.

- If you have a question that is not urgent and would be of interest to the CHPS community, please submit it via our [Quick Question portal](#) on the District web site. Previous questions and answers also are posted on the Quick Question page, so you may find an answer to your question there without having to submit it!

Respectful dialog is imperative to not only our school community, but our community at large. I welcome thoughtful discussion on any topic and I always enjoy engaging in direct dialogue.

Please stay in touch with what's happening in the District via our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#) platforms. Be sure to download our free District app, available on Google Play and on the App Store! Join the PTA and attend the meetings. And remember, our Board of Education meetings – including all committee meetings except Human Resources – are open to the public and listed on this newsletter and the [District Events Calendar](#).

No matter what your chosen form of communication, please remember to be kind. Our children model what they see and hear from us, even when we believe they are not paying attention. As adults, we are all teachers – what lesson are you presenting to the children?

I wish you an enjoyable weekend! Remember to join the PTA!

Regards,

*Joe Meloche*

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Superintendent, Cherry Hill Public Schools



## Rosa Middle School Singers Wow Crowd at Phillies Game

Congratulations to the student members of Rosa International Middle School's Rosettes (girls) and Close Harmony (boys) who, under the direction of Mr. Scott Graser, sang the National Anthem at the September 12, 2018 Phillies Game.

Phillies staff and fans praised the combined group for their wonderful rendition, with one Phillies staff member proclaiming it the best he has heard in 191 games!

[Video of the performance is available on YouTube.](#)



## Board of Education Candidate Biographies Now Available

Curious about the 11 candidates running for the three open Board of Education seats in this year's November 6 election? [Biographies of the candidates are now available online.](#)

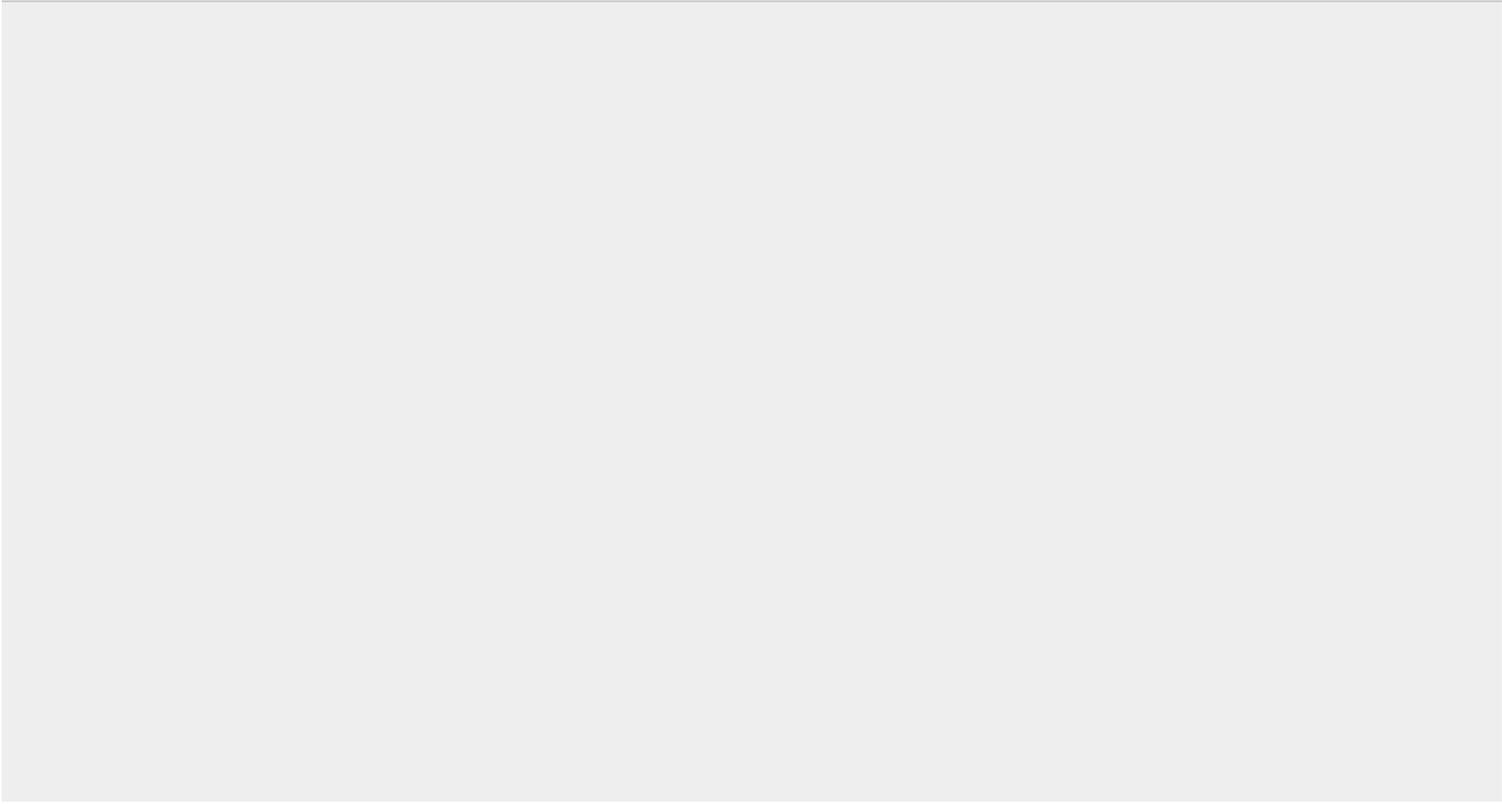
Biographies are published as submitted by the candidates, unedited.



## Community Bulletin Board Offers Scouting, Sports & Events Information

Be sure to click the [Community Bulletin Board link](#) at the bottom of the [District web site](#) home page. You'll find information about after school programs, league sports, seminars, community events and other activities around Cherry Hill.

To post information on the Community Bulletin Board, please email the public information office at [publicinfo@chclc.org](mailto:publicinfo@chclc.org)



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