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Interim Superintendent

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Dear School Family,

I hope this letter finds you all doing well this fall. I would like to report on some of the many great things currently taking place in our school district. We have been fortunate thus far in keeping our schools open so that teaching and learning can continue to take place each and every day in a face-to-face format. I would like to thank all students, parents/guardians, teachers, administrators, staff, and community members for their efforts in maintaining a safe school environment during these complicated times. Adhering to guidelines on masking, testing, vaccinations, social distancing, and additional safety precautions recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and our local boards of health have resulted in an efficient teaching and learning environment thus far in all our schools.

The standardized testing required by the NJDOE was successfully implemented recently, and I would like to thank everyone involved for their efforts in this endeavor. Delivery of instruction to all our students is in full swing and we want to maintain this educational process for the entire 2021-2022 school year. Our counselors are available for students who would like to talk with them for any reason.

We continue to work on improving communication with parents/guardians and the school community through our current platforms involving e-mail, Robo-calls, and the website. We are constantly assessing and working to expand communication through additional platforms as they become available.

Let's all continue to work with our students and help them as they grow mentally, physically, socially, and emotionally through their school years. Remember that *time spent with children is never wasted*. Assisting children with assignments, talking with, and listening to them about what went on in their day is always important. People helped us along the way as we were growing up, now it is our turn to help young people learn about the world, how hard work pays off, and how to be kind to themselves and each other. Children grow up fast so let's take the time now to *utilize the teachable moment*. Talk to your child today and every day!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James A. Fazzone".

Dr. James A. Fazzone
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