## Hanover Township Public Schools

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## Dear Parents/Guardians:

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the start of the 2017-2018 school year. I am pleased to inform you that the schools are in great shape and all of our teachers are looking forward to another exciting school year filled with many fun programs, activities, and events.

As we begin the month of September, I am happy to announce that we have successfully launched our new "user friendly" district website, <u>www.hanovertwpschools.com</u>. We are all very proud of this ongoing initiative as we continue to take steps to improve the manner in which we communicate with our community.

Also, the SwiftK12 notification system (formerly known as Alert Solutions), will be used as our primary means of contacting parents in the event of an emergency school closing. Once a decision is made to close school, delay the opening of school, or institute an early dismissal, an emergency message will be sent out via email, voice, and text messaging services. On Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM, we will be conducting a test of our emergency notification system. If you do not receive the "TEST" message, please contact your child's respective school.

In addition, emergency school closing information is posted on the home page of our district website, a voice recording is left on the school district's main telephone number, (973) 515-2400, and you have the option to register for the Township Everbridge notification system. To register for Everbridge, please go to the Hanover Township website, <a href="www.hanovertownship.com">www.hanovertownship.com</a> and click on the Everbridge link located in the right hand corner of the webpage. Once registered, you will receive information on emergency school closings, as well as other township advisories and community updates.

We look forward to working with you and your children and thank you for your continued support of Hanover Township Public Schools. Have great school year.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Wasko

Superintendent of Schools