

# HAZLET TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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To the Hazlet Community:

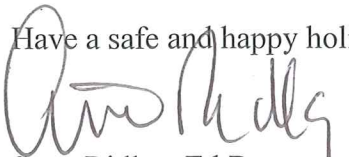
Much has been happening in our school district this past month and I offer the following as examples of our commitment to maximize student potential:

- Mrs. McCoid (Middle School principal) and Mrs. Egan (Supervisor of 21st Century Learning & Innovation) submitted a proposal which has been accepted for presentation in January at TECHSPO 19, a premier technology workshop. Their topic is, "Creating a Culture of Communication - A Jumpstart to a Social Media Presence."
- Neighboring districts will visit Hazlet to observe our newly created Life Skills program at Raritan High School in order to use our model as a basis for establishing their own.
- The steel is being delivered this week and by holiday break, all eight schools will have double-entry vestibules.
- The Monmouth County Directors of Special Services Association is scheduled to hold its February meeting in the high school media center. Our Life Skills students will be operating their coffee shop during this time which will serve as an opportunity to "put Hazlet in the conversation."
- Mrs. Heather Schwarz, Director of Curriculum, has been selected a Future Ready co-chair as Hazlet begins the process for Silver Certification. The Newsletter link follows:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dGtZzwmMVKKYmDuA0wd6VfGn1ri3TTqV/view>
- Last month's Open House for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders (November 13) was well-attended and presentations were made regarding the many opportunities available for RHS students.
- On November 28, a follow-up Open House was held for the newly-approved Performing Arts Academy, hosted by Mrs. Massimini who will serve as the Director.
- Winter sports are in full swing and their competitive schedule will start this month.
- Each of the 54 school districts must meet with the County Superintendent this time of year to discuss their budget, curriculum, facilities, operations and healthcare provisions. Hazlet met with Dr. Richens in late November and received a very positive evaluation.

I had occasion to see "A Christmas Carol," performed by the high school drama club and must tip my hat to Ms. Taylor who—once again—did a wonderful job in preparing actors literally of all ages and from a variety of Hazlet schools for a superb presentation.

December will also feature a number of school winter concerts so, please do your best to attend one to honor the hard work of our kids and teachers.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.



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*"Educating our students...to achieve their maximum potential."*