

# HARRINGTON PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Harrington Park Families,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! We are excited to embark on the journey of a new school year with our continued commitment to providing an outstanding educational experience to the students of Harrington Park.

The district prides itself not only on the academic success of our students but also our charge to develop the whole child by continuously implementing programs that will create the next generation of leaders. This school year brings so many new and exciting opportunities and challenges for not just our students but our entire community. We continue to expand our programs and develop partnerships with educational vendors as well as build shared service projects to provide our students with unique life experiences.

To highlight a few:

- As a pilot, the 8th grade students are traveling to NVD for a zero period in a STEM and Bioengineering Program. As our students begin their day at NVD, they are exposed to the regional high school's most creative programs.
- HP is proud to be in year two of our PreK-4 "Little Spartans" program.
- Our middle school students will continue to work within the online student portfolio platform (Trovvit) and the Cuberider Space Program which allows them to work with the most advanced programs available.

Our staff pushes the boundaries of educational innovation through the use of a thesis based evaluation model that is focused on developing and implementing cutting-edge educational practices. Developed by the Harrington Park faculty, this model has not only been recognized by the State as an innovative practice but has been adopted by districts throughout Bergen County. As part of our growth model, our staff is looking at how we become more assessment literate. Throughout the year we will analysis, create and implement assessments that help in creating a knowledge work environment. We are also very proud to announce that after a very intensive and challenging application process, the Harrington Park School was recognized as a member of the National League of Innovative Schools.

While the district is focused on providing a high-quality educational experience to our community, we remain cognizant of how our costs impact the tax base. We are committed to pursuing programs that generate revenue and we continually explore grant opportunities that offset our costs. The district not only leverages existing shared services agreements but we are a leader in developing partnerships with districts and municipalities to realize savings that impact our community.

As a Board of Education, we look forward to another successful school year and working with the community to continue our proud tradition of "Leading the Way".

With warm regards,

Dr. Adam D. Fried  
Superintendent

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