

July/August Board Brief



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Board Brief

The following information is intended to inform staff and community members of recent action taken by the Board. The information included in this brief is not intended to be complete and does not replace official Board minutes.



Highlights from the South Harrison Township Elementary School District Board of Education regular meetings held on July 22nd and August 19th.

ENROLLMENT as of June 30, 2019	
RESIDENT STUDENTS	332
CHOICE STUDENTS	22
TOTAL	354

Presentations

- Terri Lewis, NJSBA Field Representative – [2019-22 Strategic Plan](#)
- 2018-2019 Faculty, Staff and Parent Survey Results

- 2016-2019 Attendance Data Summary

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lavender updated the Board on a variety of topics related to the District, which included the following discussion item(s).

- Administrative Retreat Week Outcomes
- Update on Personnel
- Facilities/Transportation
- Agenda Item Deadlines
- [Mercury Testing in All Purpose Room](#)
- Personnel Update
- Staff Survey Summary
- MOA meeting/ LEAD

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

2018-2019 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance for June 2019:

2018 - 2019 Monthly Average % of Students in Attendance			
Grade Level	June %	2018-2019 Current YTD Average %	2017-2018 Overall Average %
Pre-K 3	94.4	92.6	90.2
Pre-K 4	96.4	92.6	90.8
K	95.8	93.5	91.5
Average Pre-K & K	95.5	92.9	90.8
1	93.2	93.0	95.7
2	93.4	94.2	96.1
3	95.6	94.5	95.9
4	96.9	95.8	96.0
5	97.3	95.6	96.1
6	96.4	95.5	95.1
Average 1 - 6	95.5	94.8	95.8
Overall District Average	93.9	93.9	93.5

PERSONNEL

- Appointments:
 - Aimee Ferenz (Music Teacher)
 - Lisa Pessa (Special Education Teacher)
 - Laura Battipaglia (Reading Specialist and Instructional Coach)
- Leaves of Absence:
 - Amy Danner (Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant)
- Co-Curricular Workers:
 - Jennifer Smith
 - Lisa Henjes
 - Erin McLaughlin
 - Amanda Grabas

FIELD TRIPS/ASSEMBLIES

- **08/01/2019** – The Step Up Summer Camp traveled to the Gloucester County Library.

FUNDRAISERS

- **9/21/2019** – The 6th grade students will be holding a car wash and hoagie sale to raise funds for 6th grade activities.
- **10/25/2019 Rain date 10/26/2019** – The 6th grade students will be holding a Trunk or Treat to raise funds for 6th grade activities.
- **02/07/2020 Snow date 02/08/2020** - The 6th grade students will be holding Daddy-Daughter Dance to raise funds for 6th grade activities.
- **03/28/2020** - The 6th grade students will be holding a Mother-Son Event to raise funds for 6th grade activities.

EMERGENCY DRILLS/CALLS

School / Date	Time	Drill Description
06/26/2019	Start: 12:06 PM End: 12:08 PM	Fire Drill
06/27/2019	Start: 09:02 AM End: 09:11 AM	Code Blue Drill

POLICY

The Board recommended the following for First reading for revisions and/or adoption.

- Regulation 2464 – Gifted and Talented Pupils

The Board recommended the following for Second reading for revisions and/or adoption.

- None

PROGRAMS

The Board approved the following programs:

- Nursing Services Plan 2018-2019 School Year.

OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT

- Various positions were approved.

BUSINESS, FACILITIES & FINANCE

- **The Board approved the Board Secretary's Report and Bill List.**
- **2019-2020 G&T and RTI Parent Handbook.** The Board approved the 2019-2020 G&T and RTI Parent Handbook.
- **2019-2020 South Harrison Staff Handbook.** The Board approved the 2019-2020 South Harrison Staff Handbook.
- **Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model.** The Board approved the use of Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model.
- **Professional Development Plans and Teacher Mentor Plan.** The board approved the South Harrison Township Elementary

School Professional Development Plan and the Teacher Mentor Plan.

- **Transportation Jointure with Kingsway Regional.** The board approved the transportation jointure contract with Kingsway Regional School District.
- **Transportation Jointure with Harrison Township School District.** The Board approved the transportation jointure contract with Harrison Township School District.

MISCELLANEOUS

Numerous other requests for approval for workshop attendance, student activities, and education items were approved by the Board of Education. These approvals will be reflected in the formal minutes of the meeting, which are available in the office of the Board of Education secretary as well as posted online after Board approval.

The next meeting for the Board is scheduled for **Monday, September 23, 2019**, in the South Harrison Elementary School cafeteria and begins at 7:00 p.m.