



BOARDROOM

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Superintendent's Report...

We began our New Teacher Orientation Program on Monday, August 16th. We welcomed 10 new teachers and leave replacements into the district. The program provides continuous professional development and support to our new teachers throughout the school year.

I would like to recognize the outstanding work of all our support staff, custodians, maintenance staff and building level administrators in getting our schools ready for the opening of school. Ensuring the health and safety of our students and staff is extremely important to us and I am greatly appreciative to everyone who has contributed to creating a safe environment for our school community.

Enrollments as of August 19, 2021

	Morris Hills	Morris Knolls	Total
Grade 9	286	320	606
Grade 10	283	355	638
Grade 11	294	344	638
Grade 12	322	322	644
SE Self-Contained	—	43	43
AMSE	183	—	183
APA	—	158	158
Adult HS	—	115	115
TOTAL	1368	1657	3025

James J. Jencarelli
Superintendent

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Authorized approval to accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the following personnel:

Wendy Fisher, Teacher of Social Studies, Adult High School, effective August 31, 2021

Authorized approval to accept the resignation of the following personnel:

Itzamna Jimenez, Custodian, Shared Services-Wharton, effective June 30, 2021

Kimberly Jaeger, Special Education Staff Assistant, Morris Knolls, effective July 31, 2021

Champagne, Special Education Staff Assistant, Morris Hills, effective July 30, 2021

Amy Angelo, Special Education Staff Assistant, Morris Knolls, effective August 10, 2021

Alexandra Tepper, ESY Staff Assistant, Morris Knolls, effective July 12, 2021

Lori Trofinoff, AVID Tutor, Morris Hills, effective June 30, 2021

Gabrielle Lugero, Teacher of English (replacing staff member on leave), Morris Hills, effective August 23, 2021

Marybeth Taylor, Transportation Aide AM or PM, District, effective July 22, 2021

Laura Richards, Teacher of Family and Consumer Sciences, Morris Knolls, effective on or before October 14, 2021

Nicole Rothenberger, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Morris Hills, effective August 23, 2021

Daniel Tomzick, Assistant Football Coach, Morris Knolls, effective June 22, 2021

Thomas Nicolichia, Assistant Wrestling Coach, Morris Knolls, effective July 7, 2021

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Danielle Stauss, Assistant Girls Soccer Coach, Morris Knolls, effective July 15, 2021

Mackenzie Hestevold, Assistant Soccer Coach, Morris Hills, effective August 23, 2021

Sean Robinson, Head Cross Country Coach, Morris Hills, effective August 15, 2021

Timothy Mein, Dramatics Assistant-Fall, Morris Hills, effective August 23, 2021

Victoria Resnick, Dance Club Volunteer, Morris Knolls, effective August 31, 2021.

Authorized approval for the 2021-2022 school year the creation of one Special Education Staff Assistant position, Morris Knolls

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following certified personnel, subject to appropriate New Jersey Department of Education certification and required documentation:

a) John Nugent, III, Teacher of Social Studies (replacing John Struck), Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022

b) Audrey Janosko, Teacher of English (replacing staff member on leave), Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021, to on or about January 31, 2022

c) Kristen Markowski, Teacher of Music (replacing Matthew Zabiegala), Morris Knolls, effective on or about November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

d) Matthew Kelly, Teacher of Special Education (replacing Gina Giorgianni), Morris Knolls, effective on or before October 22, 2021 to June 30, 2022

e) Bianca Di Fulco, School Psychologist (new position), District, effective on or before October 31, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified personnel:

a) Christopher Bartel, Special Education Staff Assistant (replacing Kimberly Jaeger), Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021, to June 30, 2022

b) Gionna Florey, Special Education Staff Assistant (replacing Amy Angelo), Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021, to June 30, 2022

c) Nidia Calle, Custodian (replacing Itzamna

Jimenez), Shared Services-Wharton, effective on or about September 13, 2021 to June 30, 2022

d) Luis Agudelo, Bus Driver Full-run (replacing Beatriz Sanchez), District, effective on or about August 23, 2021 through June 30, 2022

e) Myrtle McIntosh, Transportation Aide AM or PM (replacing Tara Ragusa), District, effective on or about August 23, 2021 through June 30, 2022

f) Joseph Aquino, Special Education Staff Assistant (replacing Barbara Champagne), Morris Hills, effective on or about 8/31/2021 through June 30, 2022

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year a change of assignment for the following non-certified personnel:

a) Edward Higdon, from Bus Driver-Half run, District to Bus Driver-Full run (replacing Sheri Borghese), District, effective on or about August 23, 2021 through June 30, 2022

b) Martin Lucero, from Bus Maintenance Attendant, District to Bus Driver-Full run (replacing Robert Carroll), District, effective on or about August 23, 2021 through June 30, 2022

c) Andrea Harris, from Transportation Aide AM & PM, District to Transportation Aide AM or PM, District, effective on or about August 23, 2021 through June 30, 2022

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of staff and rate of pay of the follow Part-time position:

a) Daniel Boylan, AVID Tutor (replacing Lori Trofinoff), Morris Hills, class to meet every other day

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointments of staff and payment of stipends for the following 1/6th positions to replace staff members on leave:

a) Deirdre Studer-O'Neill, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about November 15, 2021

b) Eric Mindrebo, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about November 15, 2021

c) Sean Robinson, Teacher of Science, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about November 15, 2021

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d) Marcia Ghetti, Teacher of Science, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about November 15, 2021

e) Lisa Obser, Teacher of Science, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about November 15, 2021

f) Cara Russo, Teacher of English, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about January 31, 2021

g) Nicole Sanchez, Teacher of English, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about January 31, 2021

h) Tracy Petrosino, Teacher of English, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about January 31, 2021

i) Harold Fahrer, Teacher of English, Morris Hills, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about January 31, 2021

j) Laura Malec, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about October 31, 2021

k) Vanessa Fudrini, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about October 31, 2021

l) Aaron Kaiser, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about October 31, 2021

m) Martha Fundora, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about October 31, 2021

n) Maryanne Fisher, Teacher of Science, Morris Knolls, effective on or about August 31, 2021 through on or about October 31, 2021

Authorized a horizontal advancement for the following certified personnel, in accordance with the 2018-21 Negotiated Agreement between the Morris Hills Regional District Education Association and the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education:

a) Sarahi Rivas, Teacher of Spanish, Morris Hills, from BA+30 to MA+30, effective on or about September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, to start on or about January 3, 2022 when returned from unpaid leave

b) Dale Godleski, Teacher of Family & Consumer Sciences, Morris Hills, from BA to MA, effective on

or about September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

c) Samara Schilens, Teacher of Social Studies, Morris Knolls, from MA to MA+30, effective on or about September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Authorized the Memorandum Agreement for the Settlement of Grievance 2020 #3 - Fall Weight Room.

Authorized for the 2020-21 school year the rescinding of contract for Kimberly Weitzel, Band Front Advisor, Morris Hills

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of the following staff member as Professional Support Team Mentor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6:11 et. seq. (mentor fee paid by mentee):

Carroll, Nicole, Janosko, Audrey, English, 8/31/21-1/31/22

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of staff and payment of stipend for MHRD TEN PLC Workshops and Participant unless otherwise noted); and Summer Development Workshops

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of the following Substitute employees, upon receipt of required documentation:

Maccaro, Cornelia, Substitute Teacher, Teacher Certificate

Kuhn, Terri, Substitute Teacher, County Certificate

Mastanduno, Michael, Substitute Teacher, County Certificate

Berrier, David, Substitute Teacher, County Certificate

Perna, Frankie, Substitute Teacher, County Certificate

Degenaaers, Gioia, Substitute Teacher, Teacher Certificate

Hendershot-Sapio, Jacqueline, Substitute Teacher, Teacher Certificate

Noonan, Joel, Substitute Teacher, Teacher Certificate

Authorized for the Summer of 2021 the appointment of staff and payment of stipend

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment of staff and payment of stipend

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointments and salaries of coaches

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointment and salary of the following advisors:

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Obra, Rusty, Sophomore Class Advisor-Morris Knolls
 Abad, Richard, Art Services Club Advisor-Morris Knolls
 Perry, Alyssa, Math Team Advisor-Morris Knolls

Adessa, Jodi, Choral Music Activities A Advisor-Morris Knolls

Markowski, Kristen, Choral Music Activities A Advisor-Morris Knolls

Adessa, Jodi, Choral Music Activities B Advisor-Morris Knolls

Authorized for the 2021-2022 school year the appointments of volunteer coaches and advisors.

Boylan, Daniel, Boys/Girls Fencing Coach, Morris Hills & Morris Knolls

Racine, Steven, Girls Soccer Coach, Morris Knolls

Bouvier, Christopher, Marching Band Advisor, Morris Hills

Trollinger, Adam, Gaming Club Advisor, Morris Knolls

Chattopadhyay, Sumantra, Gifted & Talented Dept. Student Mentoring Program, Morris Hills & Morris Knolls

Authorized the employment contract for James J. Jencarelli, Jr. Superintendent, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026

Authorized for the first reading the following new Policies and Regulations:

Policy 5460.02 Bridge Year Pilot Program

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Authorized for the first reading the following revised Policies and Regulations:

Policy 3221 Evaluation of Teachers

Policy 3221.1 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators

Policy 3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals

Policy 3223.1 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals

Policy 8561 Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs

Regulation 3221 Evaluation of Teachers

Regulation 3221.1 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators

Regulation 3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals

Regulation 3223.1 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals

Authorized for the second reading the following new Policy and Regulation:

Policy 3421.13 Teaching Staff Members Postnatal Accommodations

Policy 4421.13 Support Staff Postnatal Accommodations

Authorized for the second reading the following revised Policies:

Policy 2415.05 Student Surveys, Analysis, and/or Evaluations

Policy 6360 Political Contributions

Policy 9713 Recruitment by Special Interest Groups