



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Superintendent

June 3, 2022

Dear Holmdel Public Schools Community,

It was a short but busy and peaceful week in our school district.

Today the school district's principals, district school safety specialist, technology security specialist, and I met with Chief Allocco and his command. We reviewed top security priorities as reported by the building principals, as well as debriefed adjustments to protocols. In the wake of the Uvalde school shooting, our local law enforcement partners have been conferring with county and state level authorities. This dialogue has led to a number of procedural adjustments in the immediate term, as well as longer-term interventions which will be incorporated into the district's crisis management plan. I am appreciative of the emails and correspondence which I have received from parents providing feedback and perspective. As it always has, school safety and security will remain on our planning and operational radar for the remainder of this year and moving forward.

Please be advised that as per past practice, the Old Gym at Village School and Satz School gymnasiums will serve as polling locations for the Primary elections on June 7th. Polling locations will be cordoned off from the larger facilities. There will be a law enforcement presence on site for the duration of the day.

LinkIt Benchmark C score reports: All parents and guardians can expect notification next week from Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Charney with regard to the release of your child's LinkIt Benchmark C results. More notably, students whose results may indicate a need for additional academic support over the summer have received invitation emails to the summer step up program. Additional notifications will be forthcoming; parents and guardians are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this program.

It was a busy, theatrical week in the district. I had the absolute pleasure of attending the Indian Hill performance of Shrek Jr. last night. The show was so much fun, the student actors are so

talented and confident. It truly made me proud to be the superintendent of schools. I would also like to thank and commend all the staff and parent volunteers who helped make the show possible. If you would like to check out the live stream of tonight's performance, you can do so through the following [link](#). You can also view [yesterday's performance](#). Kudos as well to our high school thespians for their performance of the annual one act plays for which the curtain went up last night. There will be additional performances tonight and Saturday in the Duncan Smith Theater at 7:00 PM.

Save the dates: As mentioned in my update from last week, a meet and greet with Mrs. Vitale has been scheduled at Indian Hill School on June 9, at 7:00 PM and for Mrs. Farese at Village School on June 16, at 7:00PM. Additional details and correspondence will be forthcoming from the schools. I look forward to seeing you there to welcome our new school leaders.

Finally, the season of celebration continued as our eighth graders celebrated their annual dance on Thursday evening at The Gramercy at Lakeside Manor. They looked terrific and from what I understand had a great time, as they celebrated the end of their middle school years.

I thank you for your time and consideration and wish you a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. J. Scott Cascone". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "J" and "C".

Dr. J. Scott Cascone
Superintendent of Schools