

EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Andrea Evans, Superintendent

Gregory Wilson, Business Administrator

January 16, 2024

Dear East Greenwich Township School Community,

January brings a fresh start with new opportunities for learning and connection! Our classroom communities, love of learning and school spirit are thriving as we move towards the midpoint of the school year on January 31st.

Thank you for patience and understanding during weather events. Although we have a multitude of expert forecasters to guide our decision-making, weather remains unpredictable. Safety is always our first priority, and we appreciate your support as we navigate winter weather. 63 days until spring!

Board of Education Reorganization

Our annual board of education reorganization meeting was held on January 3rd. Mrs. Jodie O'Brien and Mr. Mark Schonewise were elected to three-year terms.

Mr. Mark Schonewise was elected president, and Mrs. Jodie O'Brien was elected vice-president. More information about our board of education, including meeting dates, can be found <u>here</u>.

Board of Education Vacancy

The East Greenwich Township Board of Education is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy for a term which ends in January 2025. To qualify, you must be a citizen and resident of the district, and shall have been such for at least one year immediately preceding your appointment, must be able to read and write, must be registered to vote in the district, and must not be disqualified as a voter pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:4-1.

If you are interested, please submit a letter of interest and resume via email to Mr. Greg Wilson, School Business Administrator at <u>wilsong@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us</u>. Your application must be received by **Monday, January 22, 2024**. The selection will be made by majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Education.

Calendar

Due to our emergency closing on January 10th, the last day of school is now Thursday, June 13th. Please find the updated 2023-2024 calendar <u>here</u>.



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Care Solace

As part of our commitment to supporting the mental health of our students and staff, the district continues to partner with Care Solace. <u>Care Solace is a FREE mental health coordination service</u> <u>for our district's families and staff.</u> Click <u>here</u> to visit our Care Solace website.

You can access Care Solace services in three ways:

1. Call 888-515-0595 at any time. Multilingual support is available 24/7/365. A dedicated Care Companion will help you every step of the way to research options, secure appointments, and follow up to make sure it is a good fit.

OR

2. Search anonymously to get matched with an extensive list of care providers by clicking <u>here</u>. OR

3. Contact your school health professional or building principal, and they will submit a referral on your behalf.

No matter what you're experiencing, there is hope and help.

New Student Registration

To prepare for the 2024-2025 school year, we are looking for information about children who live in the district who will turn five (5) years old on or before October 1, 2024. Please visit our district website, <u>www.eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us</u>, to pre-register new Beginner students. The link for pre-registration can be found by selecting the "For Parents" drop down menu, followed by "New Student Registration" and then "New Student Pre-Registration". Students currently enrolled in the district's preschool program do not need to register. If you have any questions, please contact our registrar, Mrs. Ann Marie Elliott at elliotta@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us.

Reminders:

Emergency Closing Information

In the event of an emergency closing, delayed opening or early dismissal, notification will be made by phone and text message. The information will also be posted on our district website and Facebook page. Please reference this letter for more information on emergency closings.

If you have any changes to your contact information, please contact the main office to update your information.



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<u>Hiring</u>

We are hiring for a variety of positions, such as part-time instructional aides, long-term substitutes (interim teachers) and substitute teachers. Please visit <u>here</u> to learn more and apply.

Illness & Attendance

We strongly encourage you to keep your student home if he or she is sick. Please notify the main office by 9:00am of your student's absence: Jeffrey Clark main office~ 856-423-0613 Samuel Mickle main office~ 856-423-0412

Medical notes for absences may be dropped off, emailed or scanned to the school nurses at: Jeffrey Clark School Nurse, Christine Calhoun~ <u>calhounc@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us</u> Samuel Mickle School Nurse, Michele Brown~ <u>brownmi@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us</u>

Sincerely,

Andrea Evans