

## HADDON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Superintendent's Report October 20, 2016

#### Staffing

The following positions are recommended for appointment on tonight's agenda:

- High School Student Security Monitor – Lance Carrington

#### Fire Alarm

We had an unscheduled fire alarm this month at RMS/HTHS. The good news is that our new fire alarms have very sensitive sensors. The “not as good” news is that their sensitivity sometimes interacts with dust created by our ongoing construction. We are working to minimize this issue to avoid disruptions to our school day.

#### District Audit

Our auditors are currently conducting our yearly audit at the board office. They will complete their work and provide an audit report for our next board meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### Curriculum and Instruction

We held a Math in Focus Night for parents on October 19<sup>th</sup> at Van Sciver at 7pm to present the new elementary math program, expose parents to the way in which their children will be learning math, and to respond to questions. Our Math in Focus trainer was on hand to provide an in-depth look at the new program.

This past week, teachers have been participating in in-service training and support to implement the new program. Our trainer commented on the wonderful culture in Haddon Township and our teachers' openness to learning and confidence in trying out aspects of the new program.

#### Halloween

Due to the concerns earlier this month regarding numerous “creepy clown” threats to area high schools on social media and the fact that some of our parents and students have expressed ongoing anxiety about this topic, we're asking that parents and students refrain from wearing clown costumes to Halloween school events. We ask for your assistance in ensuring that all of our students have a fun and stress-free experience.