



## HADDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### Broadcast

Dear Haddon Township School District Community,

Good afternoon, and I hope this email finds you all well. Please see the following updates around the district and make it a great day.

#### **Bond Referendum Open Community Meetings**

Please note the following dates, times, and locations for informational community gatherings regarding our March 12th Referendum: *Creating Space to Thrive*.

Tuesday, February 20th - **Jennings School** at 6:30pm  
Monday, February 26th - **Stoy School** at 6:30pm  
Wednesday, February 28th - **Strawbridge School** at 6:30pm  
Monday, March 4th - **Rohrer Community Library** at 10:30am  
Monday, March 4th - **Edison School** at 6:30pm  
Thursday, March 7th - **Van Sciver School** at 6:00pm

Each meeting is open to all community members, so please choose a date and location that is most convenient for you. At each meeting, community members will be able to interact with members of the administration, school board, and district architect to learn more about this important opportunity on March 12th.

#### **HTHS/RMS Assembly**

Haddon Township High School and William G. Rohrer Middle School will host **Rachel's Challenge** on Tuesday, February 20th, for students in grades 7-12. Following the morning assemblies, there will be leadership training for 100 students. Throughout the second semester, teachers may implement small lessons and discussions with students designed by Rachel's Challenge to continue building a school climate of kindness and compassion. This program aligns with several clubs and activities at the high school and the Character Strong Program at RMS. Rachel's Challenge is a school safety and suicide prevention program. The program also includes messages about alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse prevention. Rather than anti-bullying, Rachel's Challenge is better characterized as a pro-kindness approach. The purpose of the leadership academy following the school assembly program is to create agents of change in the school and to build on a climate of kindness and compassion. Please see the link below for more details about this program. We are excited to welcome Rachel's Challenge to Haddon Township!

[Rachel's Challenge Media Kit](#)

### **Visual and Performing Arts**

In recent days and weeks, our instrumental and vocal music rooms have been significantly damaged by water infiltration, even more so than expected. Despite this project being one of the focal points of our referendum on March 12th, we will need to make some preliminary repairs to provide students and staff with more consistent access to these rooms in the short term, and we have been in touch with our insurance company regarding the latest damages. Despite this, our students and staff have remained resilient and determined in preparation for our show, ***Into the Woods*** HS musical. Please note the showtimes and ticketing information below.

### **Show Dates and Times**

Thursday, February 29th at 7:00pm  
Friday, March 1st at 7:00pm  
Saturday, March 2nd at 1:00pm  
Saturday, March 2nd at 7:00pm

### **Advanced Reserved Seating (opens February 11th)**

Reserve, select your seats and purchase tickets online with a credit card by visiting [showtix4u.com](http://showtix4u.com). There is a small service fee for each ticket purchased online. This website is the only option for pre-ordering tickets, and all other tickets will be sold at the door.

### **Online Ticket Prices**

\$15 for adult  
\$5 for students and children (18 and under)  
\$5 for senior citizens (65 and over); price is for seat selection guarantee only

### **Ticket Prices at the Door**

\$15 for adult  
\$5 for students and children (18 and under)  
\$5 for non-HT resident senior citizens (65 and over)  
**FREE** for HT Senior Citizens (65 and over) An All Access Pass or a photo ID at the door grants the senior citizen free general admission to the show. The cost to reserve seating online is \$5.00 (see directions above). Questions regarding the All Access Pass (all HT senior citizens are eligible) should be directed to Donna Colclough at the Board of Education office via email at [dcolclough@htsd.us](mailto:dcolclough@htsd.us).

General admission tickets will go on sale one hour before showtime in the hallway by the auditorium. Doors to the auditorium will open a half hour before showtime. Please email [arts@htsd.us](mailto:arts@htsd.us) with any questions, and we hope to see you at the show.

### **HTHS Grading Scale**

In recent days and weeks, I have continued to receive emails and phone calls with questions and recommendations regarding our district grading policy. Please be assured that we are deeply examining this matter. However, once again, I respectfully ask for more time before engaging in this conversation. In the spring, following the submission of the school budget to the county office of education, will be the time to discuss this matter and its intricacies properly. Doing so prematurely, despite community pressure, is irresponsible because it will take attention away from our current year's district goals, priorities, and commitments. I thank you in advance for your patience in this matter.

Thank you very much for your continued support and have a great day.

-Sincerely,

Robert J. Fisicaro, Ed. D. Superintendent