



# HADDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## Broadcast

May 31, 2024

Dear Haddon Township School District Community,

Good Afternoon and Happy Friday. I trust this email finds you all well. Please see the updates below from around this district, and have a great weekend!

### **Child Care Program**

As a follow-up to last week's communication, I am pleased to report that a time adjustment has been made, and **we will continue to offer our AM before-care program starting at 7 am at each elementary school**. Thank you for your input and patience while we worked this out. I hope the 7 am start time will continue to provide a valuable service for families, especially those with two working parents who must leave their homes by this time to begin their work day.

### **Service/Charitable Opportunities**

Please see the attached **opportunity for individuals who may be interested in assisting some graduating college students from underserved communities** in sections of Philadelphia. These individuals have completed a course of study to work in hospitals as patient care technicians. A local resident will coordinate support for those who may be interested in assisting and information is attached. **Also below is information for students and families interested in summer service hours** for the Cathedral Kitchen, a local emergency food provider in Camden, New Jersey. Please see the information below about volunteering, along with the scheduling link.

<https://www.cathedralkitchen.org/volunteer/>  
<https://cathedralkitchen.volunteerhub.com/vv2/>

If a larger group of students or adults are interested in volunteering, please feel free to reach out to Alex Wills, Director of Community Relations, at [alex@cathedralkitchen.org](mailto:alex@cathedralkitchen.org)

## **State Funding Advocacy**

Ms. Kellie Hinkle, HTBOE President, is currently **coordinating a collective advocacy effort across a variety of local stakeholders** that focuses on broader systems change that can benefit every child in NJ, with a specific focus on updating how special education funding is allocated and longer-term, changing the school funding formula. This will be done by pushing for the advancement of existing bills in the Legislature, namely the bills listed below. **We would like to invite all community members to join us in this advocacy. If you are interested, please respond to this [Doodle poll](#) to mark the options that work for you.**

**[A1282](#)**: Provides total funding for extraordinary special education state aid.

**[A3798](#) & [S1410](#)**: Eliminates use of census-based funding of special education aid in school funding law.

**[A1280](#)**: Establishes School Funding Commission to study the school funding formula and prepare a report that will serve as the basis of the new formula.

**[A4003](#) & [S1986](#)**: Establishes School Funding Formula Evaluation Task Force.

## **Go Hawks**

Both Boys' Tennis and Girls' Softball Teams have recently advanced in the NJSIAA playoffs. Spring Track and Crew is also still competing. Tennis plays at home today at 4 pm, and Softball plays at Audubon tomorrow morning at 11 am in playoff action. Good luck, and Go Hawks!!

-Sincerely,

Robert J. Fisicaro, Ed. D. Superintendent