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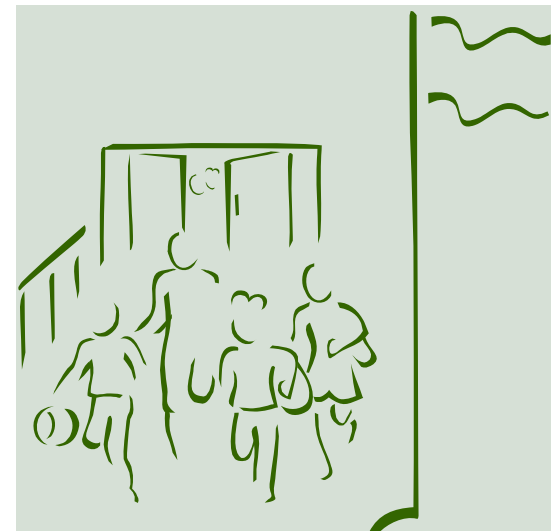
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Welcome...
Back to School!

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I welcome both you and your child to the Bayonne School District. "Back to School" means many things for administrators, teachers, students, and parents: different classroom settings with new teachers, exciting learning experiences, and adjusting to a new school year.

Making a smooth transition between home and school will help all children feel good about themselves and adapt to the new school situation. Teachers and parents share a very important role in making a child feel safe and secure as he/she enters into a new educational setting. By strengthening the link between school and home, everyone can make a smoother transition into the new school year. One way to become actively involved in your child's education and help make the transition easier for you is to attend "Back to School Night."

I strongly urge you to attend Back to School Night. Remember, it is a TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More) effort that counts to assure your child's success this school year!

Dates for Back to School Night are:

September 22, 2009 - Henry E. Harris, Philip G. Vroom, Dr. Walter F. Robinson,
Mary J. Donohoe, Lincoln Community, Horace Mann,
Midtown Community, Washington Community,
Woodrow Wilson, John M. Bailey

September 21, 2009 - PS #14

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia L. McGeehan".

Patricia L. McGeehan, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Making a Smooth Transition...

How Parents Can Help

- Be enthusiastic about your school. If you are excited and positive about the new school year, your child will be too!
- Begin daily routines that will add continuity to your child's schedule; for example, your child can lay out clothes the night before and have all school materials ready for the next day.
- Establish a regular bedtime. Also, try to establish a daily routine that includes a time to read together.
- Put aside extra quality time for communicating with your child. Talk to your child about the things that your child learned in school each day.
- Let your child know that you believe learning is important and stress that it is the main purpose of school.
- Have a set routine for homework. Your child should know when he/she is expected to complete homework each day.
- Establish a place in your home where your child has a quiet atmosphere to complete homework and has needed supplies.
- Listen when your child talks to you, especially about school, teachers, and friends.
- Develop a system to give reinforcement at home for working hard in school.
- Reward the hard work and achievements of your child each and every day!