

# **Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation**

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Re: Meet the Teacher Night

Dear Tri-Township Parents and Students,

I am writing to extend an invitation to meet with your Wanatah classroom teachers. I am completely aware of the level of disappointment we are all feeling towards a remote learning start for the 2020-2021 school year. I want our entire school community to know that it is my full intention to work towards transitioning to in-person learning as soon as conditions allow it.

In the meantime, my teachers and I have repurposed one of our teacher work days with the goal of making a remote start as good as it can possibly be. We will be offering two evenings at Wanatah on August 18 & 19 from 4:00-7:30 to allow both students and parents to meet with teachers in grades k-8 in small groups. Teachers will be reaching out to schedule 30 to 45-minute windows to allow for social distancing but also important instructions and interaction. Our goal for these sessions will be to provide students and parents all books, materials, usernames, passwords, schedules, and overall processes so that remote learning hits the ground running on August 24<sup>th</sup>. We feel this brief but important time in-person will go a long way towards our promise of improved remote instruction. By including adults from home in the initial process, we feel increased accountability can be achieved for our students.

While our teachers implement their new ideas and training for improved remote learning, I will continue to work to obtain the rest of the items necessary for a safe re-entry to a regular school environment. Remember, if we all pull the rope the same direction, we can achieve the best outcome under any conditions. We will come out of this better and stronger for having gone through it. High School information will be forthcoming.

\*Masks will be required to be worn for the duration of the visit.

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