

J. Harvey Rodgers School

BOARD REPORT

September 2024

Principal - Melanie Sweeney



PERSONNEL

- Appointments:
 - Hailie Huntelman (Special Education Aide) - September 16th
 - Regina Jenkins (ABA Aide) - TBD
- Resignation/Retirement:
 - N/A
- Staff Evaluations to Date:
 - Tenured: 0
 - Nontenured: 4
 - Non-Certificated Staff: 0

COMMITTEE MEETINGS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Dept/Level
 - September 9th - Attendance Meeting
 - September 10th - Character Council
 - September 11th - Character Champions Meeting
 - September 16th - School Leadership Team Meeting
 - September 17th - Behavioral Threat Assessment Team Meeting
 - September 18th - School Based Leadership Team Meeting
 - September 18th - PLC
 - Preschool PLC - Units of Study
 - Kindergarten PLC - Curriculum
 - September 20th - MERT Team Meeting
 - September 23rd - JHR New Teacher Academy
- Safety & Security - N/A
- SciP - N/A
- PD
 - September 3rd and 4th (Inservice Days)

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (C&I)

- N/A

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Athletics - N/A
- Visual & Performing Arts - N/A
- Community Events
 - September 4th - Preschool and Kindergarten Orientation



OPERATIONS

- Safety & Security Meeting
 - N/A
- Safety & Security Drills
 - September 10th - Secure
 - September 13th - Fire Drill
 - September 26th - Lockdown

FACILITIES

- Needs Assessment: See Miquel Olivo's Report, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds

PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES (Guidance/SAC/CST)

- A Bulldog PRIDE Kickoff Celebration was done for all preschool and kindergarten students on September 27th. We reviewed expectations in the classroom, hallway, playground, cafeteria, and the bathrooms.

BULLDOG PRIDE

- We have a partnership with Glassboro High School's Early Childhood Education Class under the direction of Nancy Brown that allows high school students into our Kindergarten classrooms for a practical classroom experience. Each Kindergarten classroom has been assigned a high school student from 12:05 to 1:05 pm each day for the remainder of the school year. The student responsibilities could include working with individuals or small groups, doing bulletin boards, observing classroom instruction, setting up classroom equipment, escorting students to the nurse or office, introducing a segment of a lesson, assisting individual students during "seat work" or reading a story to a group. We have 7 high school students who are divided into our Kindergarten classrooms daily.
- We have continued our partnership with Montclair State & the NJIETA Sustainability Grant. The grant promotes access, participation, and support in early childhood inclusive education. This is a 4-year project to help us "level up", making our preschool classes even stronger. On September 18th, we met to discuss professional development for the 2024-2025 school year, our role as a demonstration school, and protocols for site visits.
- 17 of our Special Education students in Kindergarten and Preschool are working once a week with Rowan University through their Adaptive Physical Education Program for 8 weeks during the fall semester. Each student is assigned to a Rowan University student under the direction of a Rowan Professor who administered a Test of Gross Motor Development and follow up lessons on the fundamental movement skill categories (locomotor, manipulative, stability).
- On September 24th, we held Back to School Night for all of our preschool and kindergarten families. Parents had the option to pick from two sessions to meet with their child's teacher for a 30 minute presentation. Parents were also shown a Back to School video at the start of their session with key personnel and administration from the J. Harvey Rodgers School.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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- October 1st - District Character Council Meeting
- October 1st - Multicultural Meeting
- October 2nd - Character Champion Meeting
- October 2nd - SciP Meeting
- October 2nd - Staff Meeting
- October 4th - Annual School Plan (ASP) Meeting
- October 6th to October 12th - Fire Prevention Week
- October 7th to October 11th - Week of Respect
- October 8th - Attendance Meeting
- October 11th - Inservice
- October 15th - Behavioral Threat Assessment Team Meeting
- October 16th - School Based Leadership Team Meeting
- October 16th - Individual School Pictures
- October 17th - SciP Meeting
- October 18th - I&RS
- October 21st - JHR New Teacher Academy
- October 22nd - Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) Meeting
- October 23rd - Grade Level PLC
- October 28th - School Leadership Team Meeting
- October 31st - Halloween Parade (1:20 pm)