

Evesham Township School District

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Dear ETSD Families,		

All suggestions welcome for our next guiding quote, please just let me know.

<u>Highlights</u>: Masks Survey; ETSD Employment Opportunities; Cherokee Foundation for Education; Evesham Child Care Fall Registration; School Mascots Clothing Sale.

I hope everyone's summer is going well and is enabling time with family and friends. Our district is busy across all departments (Curriculum, Personnel, Technology, Facilities, etc.) preparing for the coming school year. We are excited to be returning to school more as we've known it prior to the pandemic--typical full days, all in-person (state guidance does not permit remote learning), with extracurricular activities, clubs, and sports.

Masks Survey

When our <u>ETSD Safe Return Plan</u> was approved at our June 24 Board meeting, the 2021-22 NJ Dept. of Education (NJDOE) guidance had not yet been released. Every district submitted a 2021-22 Safe Return Plan by June 24 in order to be eligible for federal funds through the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (deadline and template set by the federal government). Every district's plan is a living document subject to change due to state guidance updates, for example. State guidance will be updated later this summer based on CDC guidance, state and regional health status, and more. Our county has been averaging about 10 cases a day since June.

In the NJDOE <u>2021-22 Health and Safety Guidance</u> made available on June 28, the Masks section (Section 1.3) does not mandate that masks are required (only on school buses, except in extreme heat). The guidance encourages mask use for individuals who are not fully vaccinated. Since it is a local district decision to what extent, if at all, masks are required in schools, it would benefit our district to know the percentage of parents favoring masks being optional or required for students. Please take a moment to complete a one-question survey regarding mask use available now in our <u>ETSD Genesis Parent Portal</u>. Only this survey is available in Genesis at this time. Our traditional Back to School forms will be released mid-August per our yearly process. The survey deadline is August 4. Your



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responses will help us in determining our district's approach, along with the NJDOE's further guidance this summer.

ETSD Employment Opportunities

Our district is hiring for positions in a variety of areas including:

- Substitute Teachers \$100/day
- Classroom Aides \$16.78/hr
- Lunch Aides \$12/hr
- Bus Drivers \$20.17/hr
- Bus Aides \$12/hr
- ECC Staff: Senior Counselors \$12/hr, Junior Counselors \$9/hr

If interested, please see our webpages <u>Substitute Teaching in ETSD</u> and <u>Non-Certificated Staff Application Portal</u> for more information and contact Darlene Yerardi in our Personnel Office at 856-983-1800 x5104 for more details.

Cherokee Foundation for Education

For any of our parents who also have kids at Cherokee, if you are interested in helping with the Cherokee Foundation for Education, please contact Foundation President Lisa Fuchs at jordyandjaxi08@gmail.com. This opportunity may be of particular interest for ETSD parents who just became Cherokee parents too. The Cherokee Foundation for Education is a non-profit volunteer organization that raises money to fund teacher requests. The Foundation does amazing work and plays a huge part in providing innovative materials and experiences to students and staff.

Evesham Child Care Fall Registration

Families of K-G4 students interested in registering for ECC (before and after school child care) for the coming school year, please visit our website <u>ECC Before and After School Program</u> for registration and information.

School Mascots Clothing Sale

Please see this link https://thirdbase.tuosystems.com/stores/beelerscoopsummer2021 to check out the awesome student-designed logo featuring all our ETSD mascots on T-shirts and sweatshirts! Pick up will be at Beeler School about 3 weeks after the sale ends. Many thanks to our PTAs for enabling this opportunity!



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Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith

Superintendent of Schools