



# Manhasset Public Schools

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Dear Manhasset Community,

I consider it privilege to be able to welcome you to the 2017-2018 school year and to do so as your Superintendent of Schools.

I was fortunate to be able to begin my transition into the district prior to my official start date of July 10, and it did not take long for me to recognize that the Manhasset community and school district is unique. Not unlike most successful organizations, there is a commitment among staff, parents, and community members to continue to find ways to strengthen the experience for each and every child fortunate enough to be able to call Manhasset their home.

Over the past summer, the district continued to complete a number of projects from a community approved 2014 bond. Specifically, renovations were completed to many of our science, music, art, and technology classrooms at the secondary school, as well as the cafeteria, science, and music spaces at Munsey Park elementary school. These efforts complemented the work done at Shelter Rock elementary school last year. It was a significant undertaking during a relatively short summer recess. I am grateful to each of the countless individuals whose efforts made our opening possible.

I mentioned to our faculty and staff, during my address on August 30<sup>th</sup>, that it is my intent to listen, learn, and get to know the many people who educate, connect, and influence our students. Toward that end, I will continue to devote time to meeting with students, parents, faculty, staff, and community members, so I can continue to learn about the many aspects of our schools for which we are proud, as well as ways in which to enhance what is already an exceptional school district.

My appreciation and gratitude also goes to each member of our Board of Education. It is evident, through their words and actions, that their focus is on ensuring that every child is provided a safe, healthy, engaging, challenging, and supportive environment each and every day. A mantra that will continue to guide our efforts in the months and years ahead.

I wish each of you a successful and personally rewarding 2017-2018 school year.

Regards,

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