

Rochelle Park School District

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Dear Members of the Rochelle Park School District,

On July 1, 2020 I commenced my role as the Rochelle Park School District's Superintendent. I am most thankful for the Board of Education's confidence and grateful for the distinction entrusted to me.

I would like to introduce myself here, until we have an opportunity to more closely connect. My experience in education, spanning twenty-seven years, ranges from pre-kindergarten through grade 12 in both General and Special Education, from the child study team, to the classroom, and building based and central office administrative roles including Principal and Assistant Superintendent. My experiences provide for both knowledge and skill in curriculum and instruction, personnel, board operations, budget, and governance. Furthermore, my active participation within various Bergen County and State level organizations and committees provides awareness of opportunities and resources for advancing educational programs and services at a local district level.

In just a few weeks I have readily witnessed the dedication Rochelle Park has for all members of this community. There is a positive and keen emphasis on serving children first, and putting the needs of students first – which fully matches my philosophy and practices. Students are the heart of our schools; I will always honor and promote their learning, safety, social, and emotional growth. I am confident that together we will be successful as we partner in practices to put the needs of the community's children as our highest priority.

Transitions are key, pivotal times, but even more so during this unprecedented time of a global pandemic. Currently, a priority focus area is to address a Restart and Recovery Plan for the district. I assure you that this is in progress. There was a robust response to the survey for parents and faculty/staff, the results of which are posted on the district website. Thank you to all who participated. Your feedback is certainly valuable among the many considerations for reentry planning. More information will be posted as it becomes available. Please know the State's guidelines require the notification of the district's reentry schedule four weeks prior to starting the new school year. I assure you this requirement will be fulfilled.

Please know I hope all members of the Rochelle Park School District and community are safe and well. I look forward to meeting you.

Respectfully, Dr. Sue DeNobile, Superintendent