



BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Subcommittee Member,

Eleven years ago, Barnegat Township Schools finished construction on the Donahue School and redrew the district lines to populate our newest elementary school. Since that time, the township population has grown in a manner that has left our four elementary schools with unbalanced enrollment and disparities in programming. In order to equitably meet the needs of all learners and maintain compliance with NJDOE regulations, the time has now come for the district to face the challenging decision of whether to redistrict or reconfigure.

Attached is the Enrollment and Demographic Study from Ross Haber Associates, which has also been posted to the district website. Kindly take the time to review this document, as it contains four different proposals on how the district can proceed. The district administration would like to present the options included herein for consideration and discussion by the various stakeholders represented on the different subcommittees.

In order to better understand the pros and cons of each proposal, the district will be hosting an information night for the subcommittees on Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30PM at Barnegat High School. The purpose of the meeting will be to share the various proposals and convene the subcommittees to further discuss the ramifications of each option. For your convenience, child care will be provided free of charge.

Following the presentation in the auditorium, the subcommittees will go into breakout sessions where an open discussion on the various proposals, Q&A, and additional information can be identified for future subcommittee meetings. Additionally, after the subcommittees have had an opportunity to vet the various proposals and provide their input, we will identify a date and time for the various subcommittee representatives to present to the general public. Date and time TBD.

Our sincere desire is to work collaboratively with you to find the best solution, from the viable options presented within the report, to address the needs of our children moving forward.

Sincerely,

Brian Latwis, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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