

# Eastport-South Manor Central School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Greetings!

I do hope that you are enjoying a wonderful time with your family this summer. However, I am excited to remind you that we are at that portion of our calendar where we will soon begin our new school year!

Over the summer months, we have been busy preparing for the opening of school as our teachers have written new curriculum for a variety of subject areas connected to the newest NY State Education Department Next Generation Learning Standards. In addition, many of our staff members have taken advantage of professional development opportunities that will further strengthen our instructional program.

Children are our Nation's most valuable and precious resource. With this in mind, we have the challenge of not only continuing to provide an outstanding academic program for our Eastport-South Manor students, but also conveying the skills they will need to become responsible adults who lead successful lives. We want every student in our District to know that ESM is a place where everyone is someone special, and that they matter. Our goal as educators is to make learning so exciting that students will experience the joy of discovering new ideas and building new skills, thereby developing a love of learning that will last a lifetime. We look forward to working with each of you on this endeavor.

A strong partnership between the school and home is an essential ingredient in helping your child reach their full potential, so I ask that you take an active role in your child's education. If you have any concerns about your child's educational experience, I encourage you to contact their teacher. Please also know that your building support staff and administration stand ready to assist you whenever needed. By working together, we can ensure that your child will have a successful school experience.

Please be reminded that our first day of school is **Thursday, September 1, 2022**.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer!

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Steimel  
Superintendent of Schools

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