



## Colts Neck Township Schools

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Dear Colts Neck Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the last two weeks of summer. Before we know it, the first day of school will be upon us and that is why I am taking this opportunity to share with you some important security updates that will be in effect for the 18-19 school year.

First, I am very pleased to report that our new security vestibules will be operational for the start of the 18-19 school year. As planned, these vestibules will minimize access to school buildings during operating hours. School visitor procedures for the 18-19 school year will remain consistent with Board of Education Policy 9150- SCHOOL VISITORS; however, more information regarding any specific procedural changes will be forthcoming from your child's building principal.

Second, in collaboration and partnership with the Colts Neck Township Municipal Committee and Colts Neck Township Police Department, the decision was made by the Colts Neck Township Board of Education to move forward with the addition of Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO) to the district's existing security personnel. These uniformed Special Law Enforcement Officers, Class III, will provide a daily presence to each of our campuses located on Cedar Drive and Conover Road. The addition of special officers will commence with the start of the 18-19 school year.

In November 2016, Class III SLEO law established a new type of school security personnel. Class III SLEOs are hired by the Township Committee for the explicit purpose of providing security at public or nonpublic schools. Under supervision of the Chief of Police and district administrators, our Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers will work in the capacity of uniformed police officers. Our SLEOs will respond to law enforcement, fire, medical, or other emergencies while performing related duties as required by the school district and police department, consistent with the law and Board of Education policies.

On **Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 6:00-7:00 PM** at Conover Road Primary School, you are invited to attend a school security information session. During this session, you will have the opportunity to learn about the role of the SLEO from the officers as well as district administrators. The meeting will take place in the cafeteria. If you are interested in attending this event, kindly complete this registration form. <https://goo.gl/ED11qA>

The safety, security, and well being of our students and staff remain a top priority. The Colts Neck Township Board of Education, Colts Neck Township Committee, and Colts Neck Township Police have worked together to come to this decision and look forward to continuing our strong relationship for the students and staff of Colts Neck.

Educationally yours,  
Dr. MaryJane Garibay, Superintendent of Schools