



# Morris Hills High School



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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Another phase in the growth and development of your teen is rapidly approaching. Decision-making time is at hand for present eighth graders to determine next year's curriculum choices for entering Morris Hills High School. The school counseling staff, for both your present middle school and our high school, is now seeking your assistance in selecting the proper courses for your child's future.

In an effort to present our curriculum and other offerings at Morris Hills High School, a special program for incoming eighth grade students and their parents/guardians has been planned. Traditionally, our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Program is one of the most well attended programs of the year. Parents, guardians, and current 8<sup>th</sup> graders come to the high school anxious to learn about the academic landscape of Morris Hills High School. This year, our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Program will take on a new format - a virtual one.

All parents/guardians and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive an email from their current 8<sup>th</sup> grade Principals containing a link to access the "Virtual Morris Hills High School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Program." This link will be sent home the week of December 14, 2020. The virtual program will contain the Morris Hills Regional District 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Offerings and Information Magazine and several videos from curriculum supervisors and teachers explaining the various course options open to incoming ninth graders. Additionally, important information from the School Counseling Department will be presented.

In closing, while having the privilege of serving as the Principal of Morris Hills High School, I have learned with utmost clarity that joined hands are always stronger than any hands working alone. Common understanding, collaboration, and working as a team represent the true forces of healthy progress and productive schools. Although we are not meeting in person this year for our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Program, I pledge to all of you a foundation of partnership as we begin to embark on a new educational journey, supporting your child to the maximum extent possible while working together as a team.

In the Spirit of Partnership,

Todd M. Toriello, Ed.D.  
Principal