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Dear Parents and Community,

At the November 18th Board of Education meeting the Rumson Borough Board of Education accepted the resignation and retirement of Mrs. Denise Friedmann, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and the resignation of Mrs. Amy Romano, District-Wide Assistant Principal. Mrs. Romano has accepted the position of Principal at the Knollwood School in Fair Haven. Both Mrs. Friedmann and Mrs. Romano's resignations are effective December 31, 2015.

The Board of Education and I are appreciative of the commitment and dedication both of these individuals have demonstrated during their years here in the district and while sad to see them go we are excited that each has taken the next steps in their professional and personal lives. We wish them nothing but the greatest of success and the happiest of times as they move forward.

As a result of these resignations, the Board of Education also approved the hiring of two new members of the Rumson Bulldog family. Mrs. Debra Allen will be joining the district on January 1, 2016 as the new School Business Administrator/Board Secretary. Mrs. Allen comes to us from our neighboring district of Little Silver and prior to that, Spring Lake, where she served as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary. I am excited to have the opportunity to work with Ms. Allen again and have every confidence she will bring great insight into the management of district finances and facilities.

I am very excited to announce that Mrs. Vera Ridoux will be joining us as the Supervisor of Student Services on January 16, 2016. Mrs. Ridoux's position replaces the District-wide Assistant Principal position. Her job responsibilities will be inclusive of those of the Assistant Principal along with additional items such as supervision of guidance, regular education support services, HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying), character education programs, basic skills, and gifted and talented services. Mrs. Ridoux comes to us from the highly successful school district of Sea Girt where she served as the district's Supervisor of Student Services. I trust she will bring a wealth of opportunity to the district in the area of student services and student programs.

With the expected return of Mrs. Jennifer Gibbons, Forrestdale Principal, from maternity leave on January 1, 2016, I am pleased to announce that Mr. Thomas Famulary, Interim Forrestdale Principal, will be remaining in district as the interim Vice-Principal between January 1, 2016 and January 16, 2016.

While bittersweet in the loss for our Rumson Team I am very excited for what our new members will bring to the district. I look forward to sharing with you all we accomplish together for the students of the district.

With pride,

John E. Bormann, Ed. D.