



WELLS-OGUNQUIT
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent

James P. Daly

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

June 28, 2017

Dear WOCSD Parents/Guardians, Faculty & Staff, and Community Members:

Although it's only been a week since the end of the school year, preparations for the upcoming year have already begun. The custodians are busy cleaning the buildings, supplies are being ordered, and the transition to a new school year is underway! Any transition in a school involves change – perhaps a new schedule, a new bus, or even new faces in the halls.

As you know, we will have a new principal at Wells Elementary this coming fall. Please welcome April Noble to the WOCSD. Ms. Noble comes to us from the York School Department where she has been principal of the Village Elementary School.

There will also be another change at the elementary school this coming year. I would like to share that Ken Spinney has resigned from his position as Wells Elementary Asst. Principal. On behalf of the WOCSD, I would like to thank Mr. Spinney for his service and dedication to the students and staff at Wells Elementary School through the years and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

In addition, I would like to thank Ryan Fairchild, Dir. of Special Services for his service to our students for the past five years. Mr. Fairchild has accepted a similar position in Auburn and will be leaving the WOCSD at the end of June. Beginning in July, Director of Instruction, Stacey Schatzabel, will be assuming the Special Services duties to allow for a smooth transition.

Something different moving forward, is the addition of a District Director of Athletics for Grades 6-12. This position will provide a central focus for planning, implementation, coordination, supervision, and evaluation of interscholastic athletic programs for grades 6 -12. I am pleased to announce that Pierce Cole will begin in this capacity starting July 1st. Mr. Cole, currently a faculty member and coach at the high school, was an internal candidate for this opening and holds the qualities and skills necessary for this multi-faceted position.

We look forward to an exciting 2017-2018 school year! In the meantime, enjoy this great summer weather!



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James P. Daly".

James P. Daly
Superintendent of Schools



ON-THE-SPOT RECOGNITIONS

*Students, teachers, staff, and community members exhibiting "Warrior Pride"
Thank you for making our schools shine!*

Faculty/Staff-

Thank You and Good Luck!

WOCSD retirees and 20-year staff were honored at an "End of the Year Celebration to Service" event held on June 15th.



Back row, from left - MaryEllen McEvoy, Alice Meader, Martha Brown, Marcy Dzamba, Marcia Millian Lil Lagasse, Clarissa Sweeney Sharon Crippen, Sue Cayford, and Judi Dion.

Front row, from left - Jay Audet, Cathy Abbott, Bob Winn, Arlie VanNatta, and Gerry Randall.

Retirees include: MaryEllen McEvoy, Alice Meader, Lil Lagasse, Sharon Crippen, Sue Cayford, Jay Audet, Cathy Abbott, Bob Winn, Arlie VanNatta, and Gerry Randall.

Receiving 20-year recognition were: Martha Brown, Marcy Dzamba, Marcia Millian, Clarissa Sweeney, and Judi Dion.

*Thank you all for
your many years of
dedication!*



DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION UPDATE

Happy Summer!

Here's what's happening as we gear up for the coming year....

- Much focus is put into the grants for Every Student Succeeds Act and Local Entitlement with completing performance reports and on new applications.
- The Early Release Wednesday Professional Development Calendar has been drafted and the details are being worked on.
- Teachers are working on their summer curriculum projects.
- Leadership team is meeting and setting goals for the school year.
- Professional Development opportunities are in place in the area of Literacy throughout August.
- New Teacher Orientation is being planned for August 29th.

HAPPENINGS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT

Wells Junior High School

First Responders Break for Lunch

Members of local police and fire departments were invited to lunch at Wells Junior High to share a meal and get acquainted with students.

Principal Griffin commented, "We enjoyed having them here, and enjoyed seeing the valuable positive relationships they formed with our students."



Welcomed by the school community are members of the Wells Police Dept.: (L-R) Ofcr. Chris Baez, Det. Joseph laBier, Det. Cpl. Timothy Cetrano, and Animal Control Ofcr, Jackie LaLiberte.



Enjoying lunch are WPD members - (L-R) Lt. Kevin Chabot, Lt. Gerald Congdon, and School Resource Officer, John Riegel

