



Dolphin Dialogue

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Toms River Intermediate North
Home of the Blue Dolphins

Principal's Message

Budget Vote

On April 20th you will have the opportunity to cast your vote for our annual school budget. This budget vote is an investment in our greatest hope for the future, your children! The recent Comparative School Spending report from the New Jersey State Department of Education shows how the Toms River Regional School District is far below the state average in per pupil costs. This impressive standing among other districts in the state is an example of how the Toms River Regional School District is fiscally responsible. Please remember to mark your calendar for this important budget vote so we can show that education is the top priority within our community.

Respectfully,

Lynn M. Fronzak
Principal

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Dates to Remember:

- **April 16** – 6th Grade Dance 6:30-8:00
- **April 20** – School Board Elections and Budget Vote
- **April 27-30**: 7th & 8th Grade NJ ASK Testing
- **May 3-6** – 6th Grade NJ ASK Testing
- **May 3** – 8th Grade Transition meeting @ HSN 7:00 PM
- **May 17**– 5th Grade Transition Meeting @ HSN 7:00 PM
- **May 19** – Spring Vocal Concert 7:00 PM
- **May 25** – Band and Orchestra Spring Concert 7:00 PM

Transition Meetings for Incoming 6th Graders and Outgoing 8th Graders

8th Graders entering high school:
Monday, May 3, 2010
7:00 PM
High School North Auditorium

5th Graders entering Intermediate North:
Monday, May 17, 2010
7:00 PM
High School North Auditorium

!!! 8th Grade Dance Change !!!

The 8th grade dance has been moved to:

**Friday, June 18th
6:30 - 8:30 PM**

Reminder: this is not considered a "formal". Appropriate attire consists of school and age appropriate party dresses or outfits for girls and slacks and collared shirts for boys.

Club & Activity News



Community members, staff and friends of our school have generously donated gently used girls party dresses and slacks, shirts and ties for boys that we provide for our students free of charge.

We do not want any student to miss this important social event because they don't have the proper attire! Please, call the main office @ 732-505-5800 if you need assistance getting clothing for your child! We'd love to help!!!!

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

This year, SLC and the New Dolphin Club will be teaming up to fundraise and participate in the
2010 Relay for Life of Toms River
on
Saturday, May 22, 2010 at High School North.

Let's kick Cancer together! Our goal is to raise at least \$1000. Parents – if you would like to donate to our school's team, please visit www.relayforlife.org. Click on **Donate**, search by zip code or city/state, click on **Relay for Life of Toms River**, then donate to Team Name **Intermediate North**. The captain of the team is Robin Fabricatore.

If you have any questions about the event or donating, please contact Mrs. Fabricatore or Mrs. Starr at 732-505-5808.



Student Flower Sale!

May 17 – May 21
During all lunches
Cost: \$1.00

Delivery date TBA



**Thank You to all families
who participated in the
Yankee Candle
Fundraiser!**

**We couldn't have done it
without you!**

Fun Walk/Run to benefit Local and National Charities

Saturday, May 15, 2010
Toms River High School
North

For information contact:
HirtesHike@gmail.com

Sports Shorts

Hello parents, students and players,

All sports schedules are located on line. If you go to the trschools.com main webpage and click on *Schools* and then choose *Intermediate North*, our web page will come up. Then click on *TRIN Athletic Schedules* located on the left, and the events for the week will appear. If you click on *Month*, a calendar will appear for all sports. You can also click on *Season* and choose the sport, and that schedule will appear. All cancellations due to inclement weather or other related issues will be updated immediately. If you have any other questions or concerns regarding sports, please feel free to contact me at 848-992-0422.

Enjoy the spring season.

Deborah Gustimbelli
Athletic Coordinator



Welcome Spring!



The changes in weather bring with it changes in student attire. Please remind your child to dress appropriately keeping in mind the school dress code guidelines.

Thank you for your help and cooperation!

STUDENT ATTIRE/DRESS CODE

GUIDELINES: Although this is not an attempt to include all items, the following dress standards need to be met daily.

1. Students must wear a shirt with a capped or short sleeve, or with a minimum of a two inch shoulder covering. (Spaghetti strap blouses, tank tops, tube tops, bathing suit tops are not permitted.)
2. Clothing (shirts, shorts, pants and skirts) must cover a student's midriff or stomach. (Halter tops or shirts which expose the stomach are not permitted.)
3. Shorts and skirt length must be of finger-tip length or longer.
4. Shoes must be closed-toe. (Flip-flops, shower shoes and slippers are not permitted.) Footwear must be worn at all times. Shoes that are deemed unsafe are not permitted in school.
5. Clothing that is extreme in brevity, length, tightness and transparency is not permitted.

The above dress code applies to any school function on school property, including extra-curricular activities, after-school activities, sporting events and dances.

NJ ASK Test Information

7th & 8th Grade NJASK -

April 27, 28, 29 & 30, 2010 - Regular Testing

May 3, 4, 5, & 6, 2010 - Make up Testing

6th Grade NJASK -

May 3, 4, 5 & 6, 2010 - Regular Testing

May 10, 11, 12 & 13, 2010 - Make-up Testing

Parents, you can help your children prepare for this assessment by encouraging them to logon to Study Island (www.studyisland.com) and complete the practice tests and exercises.

'PIRATES' – Test Taking Strategies for Students

Step 1: **Prepare to succeed** (Allot time for all sections, scan the sections, and start within two minutes of when the teacher has passed out the test)

Step 2: **Inspect the instructions** (Read the instructions carefully, underline what to do and where to respond, and notice any special requirements.)

Step 3: **Read, remember, and reduce** (Read the whole question and all choices given and cross out the ones they know are not possible answers.)

Step 4: **Answer or abandon** (answer it or move on to the next question)

Step 5: **Turn back** (At the end of the test, students should go back to any abandoned questions and answers.)

Step 6: **Estimate** (Students should make their best guess as to the right answer by remembering the ACE acronym: avoid words such as "no," "always," "only," "none," "never," "every," and so on unless they definitely know the answer; choose the longest or most detailed choice; and eliminate similar choices.)

Step 7: **Survey** (Ensure all questions are answered and switch an answer only if they're sure about the answer.)

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(No student will be denied admission because they can't afford the proper clothing. If you have any questions or need assistance with obtaining party-wear, please call the main office @ 732-505-5800 and we will be happy to help!)

VOTE!

**Tuesday, April 20, 2010
Vote for your school budget!
Keep education a priority in our community.**