

GREATER EGG HARBOR REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
ABSEGAMI, CEDAR CREEK & OAKCREST HIGH SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT SUPERVISOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS
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Dear Parent:

The Greater Egg Harbor Regional High School District is dedicated to providing all students with the educational foundation necessary to succeed in school and in life. To ensure your child's success, Absegami High School has set high standards that are reflected in what is taught in our classrooms.

Under the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act, if a school makes Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) by meeting or exceeding the State of New Jersey's proficiency level for academic achievement in Mathematics or Language Arts Literacy on the High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA) over a period of two years in the same content area, the school is no longer identified as a "School in Need of Improvement".

We are pleased to inform you that Absegami High School has attained AYP for the second year in a row and is no longer identified as a "School in Need of Improvement". AHS is the only comprehensive high school in Atlantic County to currently hold this distinction.

We believe that nothing is more important to your child's education at school than having a well-prepared and highly qualified teacher. We are extremely proud that 100% of the Absegami High School staff is highly qualified.

Parents are encouraged to be involved in the schools through a variety of ways which include volunteering, serving on school committees, and/or supporting our efforts at home by:

- Encouraging your child to attend school on a regular basis throughout the school year
- Promoting the concept that every student should be giving 100% of their ability consistently during the year
- Encouraging your child to participate in the after school and/or late study tutorial programs
- Taking an interest in your student's schoolwork, talk with them about it and provide a quiet place for homework
- Making sure your student gets a good night's sleep and a good breakfast

We want to hear from you, not just your concerns, but also your ideas about how to make our school better. School improvement must be a two-way conversation between those of us who work in the school and those of you who live in our community. Parent information is available on the AHS (www.absegami.net) and District (www.gehrhsd.net) websites which you are urged to regularly review. Upon your request, we will provide you additional information on our school including:

- Our school report cards
- A description of special programs available
- Information on the professional qualifications of our teachers

With your help and involvement, we can assure that our students will continue to achieve. We believe all of our students are up to the task set by NCLB, and we are going to do everything we can to help them succeed.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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