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To the Wantagh Community,

It is with great pleasure, and a strong sense of responsibility, that I write this letter to all of you as the new and proud principal of Wantagh High School. I join your community as an educator with over 12 years of experience working with adolescent learners, most recently as an Associate Principal and Director of Guidance for the Oceanside School District. Additionally, I also served as a Coordinator of Secondary Special Education, teacher, coach, and school custodian. While each of these positions varies in responsibility, it is my passion to provide students with first-rate learning experiences and environments that I am most proud of, and what I look forward to bringing to Wantagh High School.

On a more personal level, I am a proud husband and beaming father of two children, Joseph and Lucia. In addition, I am not a stranger to the Wantagh Community as I reside just around the corner as a resident of Seaford. This means that I will be a constant presence within the community and at school events. In fact, I have already attended the Class of 2020 Car Parade, the 8th Grade Crossing Over Parade, Parade for Wantagh's Retiring Teachers, and several award ceremonies.

Furthermore, I have met with a number of students and parents during the high school's textbook collection days and was fortunate enough to "Google Meet" with leaders of Wantagh's 6-12 Association, SEPTA, Bandwagon, Booster Club, and Drama Parents & Alumni Association. I also connected with the high school staff in both small and large group settings with the help of Mrs. Breivogel, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Pappas, who have been great resources of information and tremendous in accelerating my transition.

Lastly, I know that there are many questions and concerns about what school will look like in the fall as everybody is anxious for our children to return. Although we are unable to predict what the future will hold, under the leadership of Mr. McNamara, Dr. Ferris, and Mr. Cedrone, the entire high school learning community is working feverishly to ensure that we are prepared to provide high quality instruction and a safe learning environment to our learners, regardless of the scenario that presents itself, come September.

I wish you an enjoyable summer of time with your loved ones and look forward to working with each of you, and your children this coming year!

Sincerely,

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