

Letter from the Superintendent.....

September 10, 2010

Dear Staff, Students, Parents/Guardians & Community Members,

I greet you with great enthusiasm for the 2010-2011 school year. There is a wonderful sense of pride and accomplishment that permeates our school system. Over the last several years, our schools have received recognition for educational excellence. We have a very positive and supportive culture throughout our school system that encourages initiative, innovation and collaboration. Our students are being well prepared for the challenges that they will face in the future..

I want to thank the many staff who began preparing their classrooms in early August. Bulletin boards and walls were filled with a variety of stimulating educational materials, and classrooms were transformed into exciting centers of learning. I also want to thank our custodial and maintenance staff for thoroughly cleaning our buildings during the brief summer break. They take great pride in their work and the buildings sparkle. Our school system has a reputation for having some of the cleanest, most well-maintained schools in the Merrimack Valley.

During the first two weeks of the school year, our Co-Interim Directors of Curriculum Kathy Conole and Barbara Toohey and I are visiting every classroom and staff member in all schools to wish them a successful and enjoyable year. On the first day of school we were impressed that students were actively engaged in instructional activities that were carefully planned by the staff.

I want to thank you for your ever-present support. Strong school/home partnerships create excellent school systems. We will settle for nothing less than excellence and I look forward to continuing to work with you and our staff to bring continuous improvement to Westford Public Schools.

Best regards,
Everett V.. Olsen Jr., Superintendent of Schools