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Dear Community Members:

As our summer recess has officially arrived, I would like to inform you about the construction projects that will take place in the next two months in locations throughout the district.

As part of our community-approved bond project, the district will begin the work of replacing the roof at West Islip High School. Due to the extent of the work, the high school and its surrounding property will be deemed a construction site, and access to the high school building will be limited to approved personnel. Concurrent to the roof work, the pool liner will be replaced, a new generator will be added, and bleachers will be replaced in both gyms. The regular district budget for 2017-2018 also provides for the gym floors to be sanded, refinished and restriped.

The athletic fields are not impacted by the construction, so summer athletic programs and camps will continue as scheduled. However, access to locker rooms, gyms, and all other areas at the high school will be denied effective June 30 through August 25. Note that all vehicle gates to the high school will be locked during the construction period.

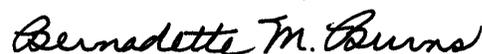
Additional projects in other gyms throughout the district include the installation of new bleachers at the middle schools, the replacement of floors at Bayview and Paul J. Bellew, new wall pads affixed at elementary schools, and repairs to windows districtwide to allow for better ventilation. At Paul J. Bellew, the auditorium will be completely gutted and renovated and the spline cafeteria ceiling will finally be replaced, with new lighting added. Furthermore, you can expect to see work begin on the Lexan window glazing throughout the district.

We recognize that projects of this magnitude may periodically inconvenience our school community, but be assured that we are working diligently to minimize negative effects that these projects will have on our residents and students.

Thank you for your continued cooperation as we work to ensure our facilities support our 2020 vision that each child leaves our school system with the skills to successfully pursue his/her dream in the 21st century world.

Best wishes for a relaxing, safe summer.

Sincerely,



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