

## MANVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Development

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Dear Parents, Students, Staff, and Community Members,

With the start of a new school year, it time once again to establish a District Curriculum Committee composed of parents, teachers, administrators, and community members. This year we are expanding our stakeholders to include student representatives. The purpose of this committee is to provide input into district curricula and assuring the alignment of our curricula to the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (NJ CCCS) and the new Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for Mathematics and English Language Arts. With development and implementation of the 2009 NJ CCCS, the CCSS and the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning Initiative, we have a big job ahead of us.

The curriculum process is composed of three steps: *Evaluation and Development*, *Implementation*, and *Revision*. Additional information on this process is available under the Curriculum Department on the district website. The committee is responsible for the *Evaluation and Development* component of this process, which includes researching potential programs, resources, and materials and making recommendations to the Superintendent.

Due to the recent adoption of the standards, the district will be focusing on multiple content areas including: Language Arts K-5 and 9-12, Mathematics 3-6 and 9-12, Social Studies, World Languages, Physical Education & Health, Visual & Performing Arts, and Business & Technology. Our first meeting will be held on October 11, 2011 at 2:45 pm in the ABIS Media Center. We hope all those who have participated in the past will do so again. We also look forward to any newcomers who would like to join us in this endeavor. If you wish to serve on this committee please call the Curriculum Office at 908-231-8542 or email me at [bpoppp@manvillesd.org](mailto:bpoppp@manvillesd.org).

Sincerely,

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