



STAFFORD MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

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SMSD Community,

Let me be the first to welcome you to the Stafford Municipal School District website. If you are new or a first-time visitor to the site, it is our hope that many of your questions can be answered here. While we attempt to continuously update, upgrade, and improve information on our website, do not hesitate to call or set an appointment with the appropriate SMSD staff.

We are now three weeks into the 2009-10 academic year and I am proud to say that SMSD students and staff are continuing the positive momentum our great district is experiencing. For example:

- The total enrollment for SMSD is at an all-time high with 3,123 students.
- We have more students involved in Fine Arts (Choir, Band, Theatre, etc.) than ever before - 400 band members in Grades 6-12 and a 125-member High School marching band.
- All our students experienced passing rates between 85-100% in all state tested content areas.
- Over 55% of our High School Juniors are currently enrolled in an advanced course, i.e., Dual-credit, Advanced Placement courses.

H1N1 Flu

If your child has flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, etc.) and you are unsure if it is the H1N1 flu, take your child to your family doctor. If your child is determined by a physician to have H1N1, SMSD requests that the child remain home until fever-free for 24 consecutive hours.

We are very proud of our students' successes but there is no way these successes would have taken place without a caring and effective teaching staff. What makes SMSD special is that our small district and campus size allows all staff members to get to know our students and work closely with the students and parents to ensure the types of successes we are experiencing.

If you are visiting the SMSD website out of curiosity, I trust we impress you. If you live outside the SMSD boundaries, are considering moving or relocating to our area, or enrolling your children into SMSD, I strongly encourage you to contact the respective campus principal and learn more about our GREAT district and why I am proud to be the Superintendent of SMSD. SMSD offers free tuition for families living outside the SMSD school boundaries. Contact the appropriate campus for more information. We welcome GREAT students.

Thanks again for visiting the SMSD website. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the appropriate campus or department.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H.D. Chambers". The signature is written in a cursive style.

H.D. CHAMBERS