

# BBOED News & Notes

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Bayonne Superintendent of Schools.*



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**Patricia L. McGeehan, Ed.D.**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Bayonne School District Family,

On Monday, we celebrated the summer solstice or the longest day of the year and the official start of summer! As you leave for vacation, I would like to thank all the members of our district community for your support in making the 2015-2016 school year a most successful one! I am thankful for the hard work of all our students and the dedication of faculty, professional staff, and administrators. The summer is a time for family and friends, but it is also an opportunity to explore, travel, relax, learn new things, read, and prepare for the next grade level. Make reading materials part of your daily routine and visit the Bayonne Public Library regularly. Please encourage learning this summer!

There is one district policy (2624-Grading System) change that I would like to bring to your attention before the start of the 2016-2017 school year. The three-year pilot program; which amended the passing grade to 65 has been reviewed and will revert back to a **70** as of July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Bayonne Board of Education heard from various stakeholders and reviewed existing data and deemed it prudent to return the passing grade to **70**. This policy will be updated in both the Elementary and High School handbooks and your principals will discuss this change with you at the first Back-to-School Night. I know that our teachers will support our students as we prepare them for college and career.

Have a safe and relaxing summer and I look forward to seeing you & your children in September!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia L. McGeehan".

Patricia L. McGeehan, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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