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**On behalf of the Denville Public Schools Staff and Board of Education,
I want to wish everyone a happy holiday season.
We look forward to seeing everyone in 2020!**

All schools are closed from December 21, 2019-January 1, 2020

The Denville Board of Education has formed an ad hoc committee named the Boundaries, Respect and Ethics Committee. The committee is made up of key personnel, Board of Education members, and parents from all three schools. The committee has met twice and plans to meet once more in April, 2020. The committee has been charged with reviewing the district's hiring practices and staff training policies and procedures.

The following is an update on the progress of the committee:

- Policy revisions: [Click here for the policy and regulation website search](#)
 - Policies 3282/4282: Staff Use of Social Networking Sites
 - Policies 3283/4282: Electronic Communications Between Staff Members and Students
- Professional Development:
 - On December 4, 2019 all staff received introductory training from Dr. Cullis on Boundaries, Respect and Ethics in Education.
 - The district has contracted with Dr. Mark Singer to provide additional professional development on Boundaries, Respect and Ethics for staff and parents in early 2020 (more information to follow). Dr. Singer will also train our counseling staff to turn-key the training to the students later in 2020.
- Legal: the district has contracted with the Gray Law Group to once again review our practices and procedures around Boundaries, Respect and Ethics.

**We are all committed 100% to the safety of our students and staff,
please help us by reporting anything that seems suspicious or dangerous.**

Remember: If you see something, say something!