



Watchung Board of Education

Board President

Jessica Ingrassia

Monday, August 26, 2019

Dear Watchung Parents and Community Members,

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. George Alexis as Superintendent of Watchung Borough Schools. Mr. Alexis will start between October 1 and November 1, 2019 (exact date to be determined).

Mr. Alexis has been Principal of Watchung Hills Regional High School for over 7 years. He previously served as Assistant Principal of Chatham High School and English teacher at Hunterdon Central. He holds a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University, a master's degree in English Education from Columbia University, and a J.D. from Fordham Law. He is a Watchung native and graduate of our own K-12 school districts. We are honored to have him return to his hometown to lead our schools to new levels of excellence.

To ensure continuous coverage for the district, Dr. Maria Cleary has been appointed Assistant Interim Superintendent effective today, August 26 until September 15, when Interim Superintendent Bilenker's resignation becomes effective. On September 16, Dr. Cleary will become Interim Superintendent until Mr. Alexis' start date. Dr. Cleary has previously served as the Superintendent of Schools for Stanhope, N.J. Public Schools and Interim Superintendent and Principal in Roseland, N.J. and Sussex-Wantage, N.J. school districts, where she demonstrated success in supervision of instruction and curriculum, school operations, pupil services and community relations.

We will set up opportunities for students, parents and community members to meet and greet both Dr. Cleary and Mr. Alexis soon. In the meantime, please contact the Watchung Board of Education office with any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessica Ingrassia on behalf of the Watchung Board of Education