

Evesham Township School District

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Nov. 8, 2023

Dear ETSD Staff and Families,

Highlights: BOTH BALLOT QUESTIONS PASSED

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

– proverb with variations tracing back to multiple continents

(our 2023-24 District Theme is "Cooperation is Key")

Nov. 17 VAN ZANT PTO HOLIDAY SHOPPING VENDOR EVENT

Nov. 18 Brick Build w/Cherokee's Robotics Team!

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The sun is shining brighter today on a more positive future for all students in our district and for our community as a whole. Thank you to everyone in the effort to help both our ballot questions be successful. Your contributions made the difference, from having conversations with neighbors, displaying a lawn sign, informing yourself and voting, and more. Special shout out to our FDK committee, whose members will be recognized at our Nov. 16 Board meeting, and ETEA (Evesham Township Education Association) for their tireless work to raise awareness about the vitalness of these two questions.

Postings for additional positions (kindergarten and counseling) will be shared out soon. To all our HDK families, please check Genesis for a final, final survey (deadline Sunday) and info about FDK options. Looking ahead, yes, having secured tuition-free FDK now also enables our district to extend its focus to include plans for achieving tuition-free full day preschool via state aid preschool grant opportunities (exact timeline TBD, prospectively for Sept. 2025), like surrounding districts have done. And looking ahead, yes, the challenge of navigating 2024-25 budget reductions due to state aid loss still looms (more conversation in 2024).



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Here, now, when it mattered, in response to the overarching question—what kind of community do we want to be?--embedded in both questions below, our community rose up with a resounding answer—we want to be a community that values education, that values investing in opportunities and support for our students, that values their health and well-being, that values their growth, academically, socially, and more. Echoing our district theme "cooperation is key" and the quote at the top of my Updates this year, the ballot questions' outcome shows we went together, and went far. Countless lives of children will be immeasurably improved by your courageous action to say Yes...Yes.

Thank you.

Road behind us, road ahead.

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith

Superintendent of Schools

★ Evesham BOE Question 1-Tuition-Free Kindergarten (Vote For 1)		
Districts Reporting 96.88%	Percentage	Votes
Yes	55.55%	6,359
No	44.45%	5,088
		11,447
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★ Evesham BOE Question 2-Mental Health Services (Vote For 1)		M G
Districts Reporting 96.88%	Percentage	Votes
Yes	65.08%	7,440
No	34.92%	3,992
		11,432

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