

## CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL

Dr. Stephen Falcone Superintendent of Schools	656-7412
Dr. Judith Pandolfo Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Education	656-7409
Mr. Matthew Byrnes Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Education	656-7409
Mr. Richard Huot Director of Finance	656-7405
Director of Facilities and Operations	656-7418
Mrs. Angela Tozzoli Payroll/Benefits	656-7404
Mrs. Diane Sandor Personnel Coordinator	656-7415
Mrs. Robin Pavia Director of Special Education and Student Services	656-7469
Mrs. Laura Conte Asst. Director of Elementary Special Education	656-7476
Mrs. Carleen Wood Asst. Director of Secondary Special Education	655-3981 DHS 655-2518 MMS
Ms. Debbie Bossie Director of Food Services	655-0267
Transportation Department	656-7475

## THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board members welcome communication with parents and citizens. The board's role is to set district policy and overall direction. The Administration's role is to handle concerns or questions about individual students, schools or district operation. By law, board members and administrators are prohibited from discussing personnel matters, nor can they discuss individual students except with his/her parents or legal guardians.

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### Americans with Disabilities Act

Questions, concerns or complaints regarding possible discrimination under the Americans with Disabilities Act should be made in person or in writing to the following:

- Personnel: Diane Sandor, Personnel Coordinator
- Programs: Robin Pavia, Director of Special Education and Student Services

## COMMUNICATION CHANNELS



A close partnership between home and school brings the greatest benefit to your child.

Just as the school staff wants to communicate with you, the Darien Public Schools wants you to find the right contact for your needs.

*IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION  
WE ARE HERE FOR YOU*

**DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
2 Renshaw Road  
Darien, CT 06820**

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## Elementary Schools

When you have a question or concern about your child's class or work in school, it is best to contact the person closest to the situation. In most cases, this will be your child's teacher. If you need to discuss a matter further, please contact your school principal.

If you need to pursue a concern involving special education after speaking with the principal, you should contact the Pupil Personnel Services Office to speak with Mrs. Laura Conte, Assistant Director of Elementary Special Education.

If you have not received a satisfactory answer to your question, you may want to contact Dr. Judith Pandolfo, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, at the Central Office. The Superintendent of Schools is available when other administrators have been unable to address your concerns.

### Elementary Principals/Assist. Principals

**Hindley** 655-1323  
Mrs. Rita Ferri, Principal  
Mrs. Melissa Currier, Assistant Principal

**Holmes** 353-4371  
Mrs. Paula Bleakley, Principal  
Mr. Adam Carley, Assistant Principal

**Ox Ridge** 655-2579  
Mr. John Rechi, Principal  
Mr. Luke Forshaw, Assistant Principal

**Royle** 655-0044  
Mr. Keith Margolus, Principal  
Mrs. Natasha Torre-Heffron, Assistant Principal

**Tokeneke** 655-9666  
Mrs. Mary Michelson, Principal  
Ms. Kathy Schultz, Assistant Principal

## Middle School

At the middle school if you have a question, your first contact should be your child's teacher. If you need further assistance, you may call the school's guidance counselor, social worker, your child's team leader or an assistant principal about your concern. A continuing concern should be addressed to Dr. Debi Boccanfuso, Principal.

If you need to pursue a concern involving special education after speaking to the principal, you may contact Mrs. Carleen Wood, Assistant Director of Secondary Special Education. You may contact Matthew Byrnes, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, at the Central Office if your question remains unresolved. The Superintendent of Schools is available if additional concerns must be addressed.

### Middlesex Middle School

Dr. Debi Boccanfuso, Principal 655-2518  
Mr. Andrew Byrne, Assistant Principal 655-2518  
Mr. Marc Marin, Assistant Principal 655-2518  
Mr. Mark Power, Guidance Monitor 655-2518

### Health Services

At least one school nurse is available in each building. Health concerns which cannot be resolved by the nurse should be brought to the attention of the Director of School Health Services, Ms. Ellen Ryan at 655-3981, ext. 2304.

## High School

A number of people are available at the high school to assist you. As at other levels, your child's teacher is your first resource. If you wish to discuss curriculum, there are department coordinators available. If your concern is unresolved, you may want to speak with your child's guidance counselor. The assistant principals can also be a useful resource. If your concern is still not satisfied, you may contact Mr. Dan Haron, Principal.

If your concern involves special education, you may call Barbara Gillespie, High School Special Education Coordinator, or Mrs. Carleen Wood, Assistant Director of Secondary Special Education.

If your question remains unresolved, please contact Matthew Byrnes, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, at the Central Office. The Superintendent of Schools may be contacted if additional concerns remain.

### Darien High School

Mr. Dan Haron, Principal 655-3981  
Mrs. Ellen Dunn, Assistant Principal 655-3981  
Mrs. Ellen Spark, Assistant Principal 655-3981  
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Assistant Principal 655-3981  
Mr. Paul Ribeiro, Guidance Coordinator 655-3981  
Mr. Richard Sadlon, Music Director,  
Grades K-12 655-3981  
Mr. John Keleher, Athletics Director 655-3981

