



# Harborfields Central School District

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**Dr. Francesco Ianni**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Harborfields School Community,

Happy New Year to you and your family! It is my hope that this letter finds you well and that you enjoy a healthy and prosperous New Year.

In my role as your new Superintendent, it is my belief that the days ahead will yield achievement, pride and “Success for our HF Family.” I would like to take this opportunity to say I am honored and excited to serve as your next Superintendent of Schools. I assure you that I appreciate the unique opportunity and welcome the enormous responsibility that this job affords. I am humbled and grateful to the Board of Education for placing their faith in me, and I intend to work in partnership with them in guiding this district to the next level of greatness. If the flight attendant on my plane from Italy to JFK on January 12, 1994 would have told me that in 23 years I would master the English language and become the educational leader of the best district on Long Island, I would have laughed. It has been a long, amazing, and rewarding journey.

It is important to me that you know a little bit about me so that you can gain a better understanding of my leadership philosophy. I am a proud father of two teenagers: Vincenzo, a sophomore, and Alba, a freshman. My wife, Anna, and I have been married for 23 years. She is a school teacher and a wonderful, caring mother. I graduated from New York University and taught Mathematics at the secondary and college level for the past 18 years. I enjoy spending time with my family, in addition to bike riding, running and swimming.

Fortunately, I am not new to this community. I have been a member of the Harborfields family for the past 10 years with a break of a few years when I became principal at Division Avenue High School in Levittown. Working with students, teachers, administrators and parents has been the highlight of my career and I do believe that together we have a lot in common: we both care about our children more than anything else in the world; we care about our future; we love our community; and we know that alone it cannot be done. I am committed and prepared to lead our school district to the next level and provide our students with the opportunity to achieve at the highest level of their potential. Together, one family at a time, one child at a time, we will achieve greatness and bring our district to levels of excellence we never thought possible.

As we move forward, my main focus will be centered on transparency, accountability, honesty and integrity. My role as superintendent coincides with a critical time of year – the creation of our budget. It will be my top priority to work with our Board to present a budget that is fiscally sound and reflective of the tradition of excellence that our students and community deserve. I encourage you to visit our website to stay abreast of the latest news from our schools and our community.

I am very excited about the opportunity to lead this district to a brighter future together. I believe that our partnership will pay priceless dividends for our students' future accomplishments.

Wishing you a great start to the New Year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'F. Ianni', written over a faint horizontal line.

Dr. Francesco Ianni  
Superintendent of Schools

Vision

Success for Our HF Family

Giving Our Students a World Class Education One Child at a Time