

# Kittery

## School District

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*Welcome to a new school year! I am proud to be your Superintendent of Schools here in Kittery, and I am looking forward to an exciting and engaging school year.*

*The entire Kittery School District staff (over 210 employees including substitute teachers!) converged on the Traip Academy gymnasium this morning for our annual Welcome Assembly. It was a great success! We set a tone of positivity and optimism for the new school year. I expect your students will benefit from that throughout the year.*

*During the Assembly, we met the new staff members and celebrated those who have been with the Kittery School District for 10, 15, 20, 30, and 40 years. We also launched a year-long professional development campaign with a focus on Social/Emotional Learning, essential in or work with students and the continued growth and success of our Proficiency-based Learning model of teaching, learning, and assessing.*

*Our staff members have one more day of professional development tomorrow (Thursday, August 29th) before our **students arrive on Tuesday, September 3rd**. Please note that all students in grades 1 through 12 will report to school on September 3rd for the first day of school. Our kindergarten students will have a 'softer opening' with screenings on Sept. 3rd and 4th; all kindergarteners will celebrate their first official day of school on September 5th.*

*That's all for now! It is an honor for me to be the steward of your School District. If I can help with anything, just let me know.*

*Yours truly,*

*Eric Waddell, Superintendent of Schools*