



## HADDONFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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HADDONFIELD – The Haddonfield Board of Education voted tonight not to renew the contract of Superintendent Dr. Richard Perry. A non-renewal means that Dr. Perry can continue to serve out the term of his contract until June 30, 2018 or until he secures another position.

Dr. Perry came to Haddonfield in 2010 after a distinguished career as a school principal and Superintendent of the Palmyra School District. The Board appreciates his seven years of dedicated service. Haddonfield is the highest-performing school district in South Jersey and consistently ranks among the best districts in the state. The decision to seek new leadership reflects the Board's commitment to continuously improving and innovating on behalf of our students and families.

The Board is initiating a comprehensive, long-term planning process involving community members and educators. The board seeks volunteers to help collect meaningful input and develop measurable goals for the next decade. A professional consultant will assist the Board with this effort.

New statewide salary caps and incentives make this an exciting time to recruit a new superintendent. The Board looks forward to working alongside an engaged community committee to vet candidates for this essential leadership position.

School board members are fellow parents, friends and neighbors who share Haddonfield residents' commitment to providing a robust educational environment for our children. While we anticipate new vision for the district, we are proud to have worked with Dr. Perry and grateful for the impact he made during his time in Haddonfield.