The Brooklyn Public Schools

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Dear Staff and Parents,

This message has three portions and the same information will be posted to the <u>Brooklyn Public School's</u> <u>website</u> as well as the <u>Facebook page</u>.

- 1. **Fall Sports:** I would like to congratulate the many student athletes who engaged in cross country and soccer this fall. It is wonderful to see so many students being active and I give every student credit for their hard work in school and on the field. Thank you to the coaches for teaching great sportsmanship and how students can work together to be most successful! Thank you to the community for supporting the many student athletes! There were many individual and team successes this year! If you have not already done so, consider logging into the <u>Brooklyn Public Schools, CT Facebook</u> page to see the amazing news and photos. Thank you Mr. Gutierrez for your leadership! Go Bobcats!
- 2. The Brooklyn Cares Community Center and Access Agency are committed to supporting the Brooklyn Community. The best way to find updated information and dates of operation is to go to the website Brooklyn Cares Community Center which is linked here. **Please share this information with anyone who may benefit from accessing food through the pantry or through the Access Agency. The Brooklyn Cares Community Center pantry is open to Brooklyn residents by appointment on November 7th and 14th. The Access Agency Mobile Food Van will be at the community center on November 16th. The Brooklyn Cares Community Center clothing closet will be open on November 18th. Donations of food and clothing will be accepted ANYTIME there is someone at the center. East Brooklyn Fire Department also has offered to accept donations during their regular meetings on Monday from 6-8:00 PM. The school will accept donations for the center as well, and bring them to the center. Thank you to the many volunteers who have been making this a success for our community. We have handed out over 400 items from the clothing closet and provided food to others.
- 3. The Brooklyn Board of Education is serving as the hiring committee for the next Brooklyn Superintendent. They have begun the search and <u>want your input</u>. They are working with NESDEC who has created a survey and will collect anonymous responses from all stakeholders in the community about what they are seeking in the new superintendent. <u>Please use this link to complete this survey</u>. This process takes months and they will be collecting applications soon and will interview candidates in January and February. They will name the next Superintendent in March, 2024 who will begin working on July 1, 2024. Please take the time to answer a short survey, they would like your input. This survey will be accessible for about one month.

Have a wonderful day! Patti Buell

Mission: The Brooklyn Schools will foster a drive for learning within each student to reach his/her greatest potential. To achieve this mission, the school will continually improve its educational programs and services to meet this community's expectations for a quality education for all.