

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT

The Cherry Hill Board of Education on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 6:30 pm at Cherry Hill High School West will hold a public hearing regarding the Resolution for the Approval of the Superintendent's Contract for current Superintendent of the Cherry Hill Public Schools, Dr. Joseph N. Meloche.

The Board will vote on rescinding Dr. Meloche's current contract, which ends on June 30, 2022, and offering him a new, five-year contract that would span July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026.

Dr. Meloche's current contract includes a base salary of \$204,323.99 for the 2021-2022 school year, with possible merit pay of \$30,628.17, for a maximum total of \$234,952.16.

The proposed new five-year contract would set the 2021-2022 salary at \$225,000, with a 2.5 percent increase each year thereafter. No merit pay option is included in the new contract. Dr. Meloche's salary for the remaining years of the new contract would be as follows:

2022-2023: \$230,625.00

2023-2024: \$236,390.63

2024-2025: \$242,300.40

2025-2026: \$248,357.91

The new contract offers a \$40,026.52 savings to the District compared to a continuation of the previous contract's salary and merit pay provisions.