



# *Cold Spring Harbor Central School District*

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Dear Community Member:

I am pleased to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the ninth Superintendent of the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District. Although new to this position, I have worked as part of Cold Spring Harbor's administrative team for the past eight years. It is a privilege to have the opportunity to serve this fine community as its educational leader.

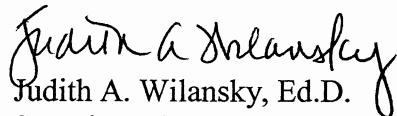
I have always enjoyed the good fortune of working in communities where education is highly valued. When education is a priority, it is inevitable that students prosper through the collective endeavors of educators, family, and community. While national attention focuses on the *No Child Left Behind* initiative in an effort to address the failure of urban schools, we in suburban districts find ourselves faced with a different set of challenges. How will we imbue our students with a true passion for knowledge? How will we prepare them to make ethical and sound decisions when the culture encourages otherwise? How will we equip them with skills for a workplace that has yet to be defined? How will their educational experience serve as a cornerstone for building a life that is both fulfilling and meaningful?

These are but a few of the substantive challenges that the Cold Spring Harbor educational community will grapple with over the coming decade. As the Superintendent of Schools, I welcome the opportunity to frame the critical questions and facilitate the collaborative process that will engage our entire community around the work of its schools.

I encourage and value your input. Toward that end, I have set aside the following dates and times to encourage informal "drop-in" visits from any community member who is interested in sharing his/ her views about our school community. These informal meetings will be held at our District Office on August 13, August 18 and August 28 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

I am proud of the excellent reputation and revered traditions that our school community has always enjoyed and look forward, along with our Board of Education and administration, to building upon our strengths and furthering the opportunities for each of our students.

Sincerely,

  
Judith A. Wilansky, Ed.D.  
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