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Dear Ocean City School District Family,

Good afternoon! The time has come – school officially opens this Tuesday, September 5th! We are so excited to reconnect with you and your student. Our buildings and our staff are ready to greet your children and begin what we hope will be an excellent school year.

As you know our schools are “Committed to Excellence” and we are committed to ensuring that we bring excellence to our classrooms, our fields, our performing arts arenas, and in all we do. This year we are continuing our visioning process around the “Portrait of a Graduate”. We want everyone in our school community to have a clear understanding of the expectations and goals for our learners as we prepare them for graduation and the steps beyond that to college, military or the work force. We will share our progress to date on this during our Board Meeting in September and the plans for this year as well.

In addition, we are continually bolstering our commitment to providing a safe school environment for all our students, staff and guests. We continue to expand and improve our wellness programs, our counseling options, and the processes by which we can help reach students with those important needs. We continue to teach respect and kindness to all through our instructional programs and through our collective modeling. Lastly, we also continue to supplement our physical structures and practices. To that end, our newest addition is a product called Zero Eyes. This product, installed in all of our buildings and grounds, ties our existing camera system and their software to detect on our school properties. While something we hope to never address directly, if needed, I am certain this tool will provide valuable information and critical time for our district and police department to respond.

Thank you in advance for your part in this partnership. We know that life today is busy and between work, activities and school it is not easy. Working together we can do this and make it a wonderful year for all.

Sincerely,

Scott P. McCartney

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Interim Superintendent

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