



November 2, 2023

Dear Ocean City School District Family,

The sun is shining, the leaves are beautiful, but my back is already sore from the thought of raking them in the coming days!

In all seriousness, I love this time of year and the change of season. I am always reminded how it parallels our own lives and that of the students we serve. We all navigate seasons of change in our lives and truthfully, some are better than others. The good news is that in short course we move into another season and there is hope.

As we enter the Thanksgiving holiday, I know that I am thankful for the perspective the different seasons have given me. The challenges have helped me to better appreciate the times of good. I am thankful for my family and friends that have been there for me over time and for the staff here in Ocean City that are here to serve you and your family. We are fortunate.

For our students and staff that may be in a season of struggle, please know that we have resources to help under our Health and Wellness tab on the district website – <https://oceancityschools.org>. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the teacher, counselor, school nurse, principal or district human resources or me for assistance.

I wish you and your family a healthy, happy and safe November. Enjoy the upcoming days with your family during the State Teacher's Convention (Nov. 8-10) and the Thanksgiving Holiday (Nov. 23-24).

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

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