Superintendent's Message

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Dear Gloucester County Community Members:

I hope that you are doing well. I know we are all glad that the winter weather is once again behind us as we look forward to spring and summer. As always, I want to take time to personally thank all faculty and staff, students, parents and the entire community for your efforts as we continuously strive for excellence in all that we do. To that end, there have been some exciting things happening in the school district that I would like to update the community on since my last update in January of 2016.

Teachers of the Year for the 2015-16 school year have been selected for Gloucester County Public Schools. I want to congratulate each of these outstanding educators on this wonderful and awesome honor. They are as follow: Nannette Nichols (Abingdon), Mary Robinson (Achilles), Melissa Shepherd (Bethel), Tiffany Busch (Botetourt), Tara Lord (Petsworth), Shannon Kerr (Page), Stephanie Sowers (Peasley), Al Grant (GHS), and Katie Johnson (GHS). I also want to continuously acknowledge our teachers and students who have received various awards and congratulate them on their efforts and accomplishments.

April 2016 is recognized as School Library Month and May 3rd is recognized as National School Nurse Day. Also, May 2nd through May 6th is recognized as Teacher Appreciation Week. Please let our teachers and staff know how much you appreciate them as they shape and mold the lives of our youth who eventually will lead us into the future.

Finally, I want to thank each of you for your input and support for the Division's operating budget proposal to the County Board of Supervisors for the 2016-2017 school year. Please know that we will do all we can each day to provide the best educational opportunities for the students in Gloucester County. In closing, I look forward to continuously working with all community stakeholders and I sincerely thank you for your time. Have a great day!