

## School District of Borough of Morrisville

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Sean D. Haines Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Morrisville Community,

The Pennsbury School District (PSD) is embarking on an important community-wide project, sponsoring an independent review of a potential merger or other tuition arrangement between PSD and the Morrisville School District.

PSD has contracted with Public Financial Management to complete the review, charging them with preparing a report to provide the Boards of the two school districts with information to help determine if a merger or tuition relationship is in the best interest of both districts, including but not limited to whether instructional opportunities would be enhanced for all students at a similar or reduced cost to taxpayers. PFM's report will not provide a recommended course of action or be followed by immediate consideration of merger or an enhanced relationship by the two districts. Rather, PFM is expected to provide detailed financial and academic analysis that the districts can use to determine whether and how to move forward.

To generate input from a wide variety of stakeholders, a Feasibility Committee will meet this fall. The Committee will gather four times during the process to receive information about key areas of the review and to provide suggestions and perspective for PFM. A preliminary list of areas to be covered includes curriculum and academics; school buildings and other facilities; workforce; and finances. The Committee is a non-partisan advisory body and will not be voting or providing a recommendation to either Board.

Membership on the Feasibility Committee is expected to be varied in order to provide a diversity of voices. Those who are not formal members of the Committee are invited to attend its meetings and offer their thoughts during the public comment period.

Feasibility Committee meetings are tentatively scheduled for the following dates and locations at 7:00 p.m. and are expected to last about two hours each.

- Monday, September 19, 7:00 p.m., Fallsington Elementary School Gymnasium
- Monday, October 3, 7:00 p.m., Morrisville Middle/Senior High School Auditorium
- Monday, October 24, 7:00 p.m., Fallsington Elementary School Gymnasium
- Monday, November 14, 7:00 p.m., Morrisville Middle/Senior High School Auditorium

The Morrisville School District is seeking community members to participate on the committee. One representative from those who have a student in the Morrisville School District and one representative from those who do not have a student in the district will be selected. We hope that you will consider applying to become a member of the Feasibility Committee. To do so, please complete and submit this <u>form</u> no later than 3:00 p.m. Friday, September 9. If there are multiple applications, the district may schedule a brief interview with interested applicants. Thank you for your willingness to join us!

Sincerely,

## Sean D. Haines

Superintendent of Schools School District of Borough of Morrisville