

# *Little Ferry Public Schools*

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***Home of Memorial School***

***A “Governor’s School of Excellence”***

Mr. Frank R. Scarafile  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Parent/Guardian/Stakeholder,

Last night the Board of Education approved a plan brought forth by administration to formally apply to the state to close Washington School. Built in 1914, Washington School has housed our 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders for the past twenty-five years. Over time, the building structure has deteriorated to the point that it needs over 1.5 million dollars in new roofing, re-doing ceilings, and fixing air-conditioning and heating. That is without any other emergency items that crop up. The bottom line is that we are closing the building for ‘Health & Safety Reasons.’”

At this juncture, the Board of Education has to get the permission form the New Jersey Department of Education to close the building and allow us to put up a brand new, temporary, modular structure in the rear of Memorial School. This building will service our Pre-K classes, as well as our 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders.

We plan to have a community meeting in mid-May, to give everyone the information necessary to make this transition seamless. There is a plan for a referendum on building a new Elementary School. We look forward to your comments and input during this transition. Again, I thank you for your trust in my judgement and leadership to make our school district the best it can be!

Sincerely,



Frank R. Scarafile  
Superintendent of Schools