



GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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To the Parents of Hamilton Avenue School Students:

First let me thank you again for your patience and help in ensuring a smooth transition for your children under very difficult circumstances.

Please know that we are aware of and are addressing issues that have been raised in regard to the bussing of your children to Parkway School. This afternoon I will be riding the bus with your children. Starting Monday, Laura Woodson, a woman who has worked for us as a long term substitute teacher and is well known in the district and your community (she and her husband worked in the Byram Archibald Camp and the Sacred Heart Camp), will ride on the bus with your youngsters from the Western Middle School hub to Parkway School and back for the rest of the year. In addition, we are attempting to secure transportation from the Greenwich Boys and Girls Club to carry children from Parkway School directly to the club.

In regard to materials and supplies please know that our administrators (both central office and Hamilton Avenue School) have asked your teachers daily about the materials that they need. As of today science materials, computers, musical instruments and many of the math manipulatives have been delivered. We have made arrangements with various sources (sister schools, publishing houses, Greenwich Public Library) to provide *additional* reading and language arts materials to the classrooms by Monday, March 17, 2008. Additional math materials will be delivered early next week. Over the course of this week, principals in each of the host schools have ensured that your children have adequate materials with which to continue their instruction.

By Wednesday, March 19, 2008, the results of testing will tell us if we can immediately send the rest of the materials in the modulars out to the schools or if there will be a delay in order to clean them.

Please continue to work with Dr. Rau and Dr. Cline to tell them of any concerns or issues you might have.

Sincerely Yours,



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