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Dear Parent/Guardian:

I want to welcome you to the start of the 2018-2019 academic school year at Morris Central School. The staff and I are looking forward to a new year and working with you to help the children of the district grow both academically and emotionally.

If you have been by the school over the summer, I am sure you have seen the construction that has been taking place. A great deal of the work has been completed, but there are a few items that still need to be completed.

The roof over the 1995 section of the building (cafeteria, high school wing, music rooms) is in the process of being replaced and is not slated to be completed until sometime in mid September. Some of the preparation work will be completed during the day, but any of the work that may cause odors will be done second shift.

We also replaced our old boilers and are in the process of changing the elementary over from steam heat to hot air. Due to manufacturing delays, the uni-vents for most of the rooms in the elementary wing will not arrive until the beginning of October. Most rooms have fin tubes that will supply the needed heat if necessary and we will bring in temporary heating units for the two or three rooms that do not have the fin tubing. Once the uni-vents arrive, they will be installed second shift.

The work on the athletic fields will not be completed until approximately September 17<sup>th</sup>. We are waiting until after homecoming on September 15<sup>th</sup> to complete this work and then we will not be able to use the varsity soccer, softball and baseball fields until the spring. We will use the lower soccer field for practices and competitions for the remainder of the soccer season.

Lastly, we are just waiting on the shipment of some materials to complete the new security kiosk at the main entrance. This should be completed over the next couple of weeks. Until completion, it will not impact our ability to keep those doors locked at all times and having a person buzz visitors in when they come to school.

I want to thank you for your patience during the completion of the project. The safety of the students and staff is our number one priority during construction and work should not be going on that will impact the educational environment at the school. We have a full-time clerk of the works and his main focus once students return will be on safety.

Sincerely,



Matthew Sheldon  
Superintendent