

ABOUT THE SUPERINTENDENT



Dr. Barbara Sargent joins the Parsippany-Troy Hills Township School District with more than 30 years of experience in New Jersey public schools. She earned B.A. degrees in English and Sociology from Rutgers University, a M.A. degree in Reading/Language Arts from Rider University, and an Ed.D. degree from Seton Hall University.

Barbara began her teaching career as a 7th grade Language Arts teacher in the West Windsor-Plainsboro School District. Her leadership background has been enriched by school board experience in Hillsborough Township and numerous leadership positions, including curriculum supervisor, elementary school principal, and Assistant Superintendent. Most recently, she was Superintendent of Schools for the Readington Township School District, having served that school community for six years.

Believing that the best educational leaders always keep one foot in the classroom, Barbara continues to teach and support teachers and leaders through several experiences. She has been an adjunct professor at Seton Hall and Drew University. She mentors first-year superintendents and regularly presents workshops at the local, state, and national level on such topics as literacy instruction, female leadership, and assessment. And she loves nothing more than being invited in to read with children or assist in the classroom.

A parent to three sons - Eagle Scout Cody, a recent graduate of Rutgers School of Engineering and working for a local engineering firm; Eagle Scout Tyler, a Film and Writing student at Ithaca College; and Almost-Eagle Scout Quinn, a junior at Hillsborough High School and tuba player in their Marching Band - Barbara is excited to be a part of the Parsippany-Troy Hills Schools and looks forward to speaking with students, staff, and community members at various events throughout the year.