



## Garfield High School

500 PALISADE AVENUE  
GARFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07026-2693

Phone: 973-340-5010  
Fax: 973-546-8430  
Website: [ghs.gboe.org](http://ghs.gboe.org)  
Twitter: @Principal\_GHS

**Dorotea D'Amico**  
Principal

**Christopher Annibal**  
Vice-Principal

**Jennifer Botten**  
Vice-Principal

**Brian Cameron**  
Vice-Principal

March 22, 2024

Dear GHS Parents/Guardians,

We are writing to inform you of a change regarding our district summer school program. In previous years, students who attended summer school did so for credit recovery to advance to the next grade level and/or to meet high school graduation requirements. After careful consideration, the district has made the difficult decision not to offer summer school this year. This decision was influenced by several factors, including budget limitations, staffing challenges, and evolving educational priorities. In New Jersey summer school programs are not mandatory or required.

Kindly note, students who are eligible for the Extended School Year (ESY) program, as indicated in their IEP, will continue to have access to educational opportunities during the summer months.

If your child is at risk of not earning academic credit in one or more classes, guidance counselors will be communicating with students and reaching out to parents/guardians to discuss options to keep students on track to graduate with their cohort of classmates. With that said, I encourage parents/guardians to routinely check Parent Portal to review school communication, interim reports, and current grades.

We recognize that this change is unexpected. We remain committed to supporting our students and families throughout the year. School staff is always available to answer questions and offer guidance. Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's counselor or school administration if you have any questions.

Thank you for your understanding and continued partnership. We are dedicated to providing all our students with the best possible educational opportunities.

Sincerely,

D. D'Amico, Principal

**WE ARE AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.**

WE DO NOT DISCRIMINATE AS TO AGE, RACE, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, GENDER, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR DISABILITY.