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Resource Center

Scotch Plains-Fanwood School District Website
<http://www.spfk12.org/>

Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Council website:
<http://www.spfk12.org/ptacouncil/>

District Policy Book:
http://www.spfk12.org/s-p-f_policies.htm

Board of Ed. Meeting Schedule:
http://www.spfk12.org/s-p-f_board_mtgs.htm

GSCS (Garden State Coalition of Schools)
<http://www.gscschools.org/gsc/>

This Week In Washington
<http://www.pta.org/ia-newsletters.html>

Stay involved during the summer break by acting on DLT Email Alerts/ Info.

Have a safe summer!

DLT 1: Local Issues

News Flash
SPF Teacher Contract Negotiations Tentative settlement reached on Jun 1, 2006 between SPFEA & SPF Board of Ed.

Dr. Choye to retire end of August 2006
• Open public forum on June 5th @ 7:00 pm in Board Office, seeks input on "what the community wants in a new Superintendent".

Proposed Nutrition & Wellness Policy (3542.1)
• Presentation & Discussion of Policy on June 8, 2006 at Open Agenda Meeting
• Final reading & Decision to be made on June 29th.
Proposed policy is available on district website at www.spfk12.org.

DLT encourages you to attend these meetings to know more about the policy or to express your opinion. Please send your letter or email your comments to the Board (boe@spfk12.org)

Turf-it!
Local group of concerned parents and citizens present a proposal to Board of Ed. for project to renovate the track & stadium fields at SPFHS with an artificial surface called FieldTurf.

For more information, visit the [Athletic Boosters](#) website

DLT 2: State Issues

Hard issues discussed at **15th Annual Breakfast Meeting of GSCS** on May 31st. Featured Speakers were Acting Commissioner Lucille Davy and Scott Weiner, Transition CEO of the Schools Construction Corp & Special Counsel to the Governor. GSCS believes that it is past time for a realistic debate to ensue on how to address school organization, governance and funding. There is no question that there are exceptional practices that do need addressing and that to have real effect, any remedies should apply to the whole of the system, not just a sliver of the school population. On the other hand, there is deep concern that a lock-step focus on negative issues are being used as a way to avoid the need to address 5 years of flat state aid, spiraling cost drivers such as health benefits and special education, and resultant spikes in property taxes.

DLT 3: Federal Issues

- ☐ **New Poll finds voters disapprove of Federal spending priorities:** A national poll released by the National School Boards Association (NSBA) found that a majority of likely voters believe that Congress is out of touch with the public's expectations when it comes to funding federal education programs and want Congress to fulfill its funding commitment to schoolchildren. For more, visit [NSBA website](#).
- ☐ **Congress is in recess** until June 5.

DLT Newsbits

DLT Email Alert Chain:
If you are not already a member, sign up now by sending an email to webmaster_council@spfk12.org or [sign up online at the SPF PTA Council website](#)

DLT Meetings:
Please join us on **Sep 8th** @

8:45 am for our next meeting in the Board Office.

Orientation & Info for new members: Sep 25 @ 12:30 pm & Oct 23rd @ 7:30 pm

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