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**James J. Montesano, Ed.D.**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

June 8, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Board of Education has received inquiries from members of our community regarding the potential change in use of a portion of the field at the Old High School located on the corner of Midland Avenue and Haven Court for a parking area to be used by Nyack Hospital.

First and foremost, we would like to advise our community that the Board of Education has NOT held any formal discussions NOR made any decision about the leasing of its property to Nyack Hospital for any purpose. The Board has been contacted by the Hospital requesting the opportunity to lease a portion of the aforementioned Board property, but NO discussions regarding the Board's interest in pursuing such an arrangement have taken place.

The Board of Education strives to conduct District affairs by way of a continuing, open dialogue between the community and the School District. In the past, when the Board has contemplated decisions that will have a significant impact on our community (e.g. Princeton Plan, Bond Referendum, Veteran's Tax Exemption, Breathalyzer Policy, etc.) it has provided Open Forums to understand community attitudes and aspirations for the District. Whatever discussions have transpired between the Village of Nyack and Nyack Hospital officials have not involved the Nyack Board of Education and are premature to any future Board decision. Our Board recognizes the residents' high level of interest in a decision concerning a change of use in its property. Should the Board determine an interest in pursuing this matter, it will fully intend to provide opportunities to collect input from our community.

We thank those of you who have contacted us expressing concerns about this issue and we look forward to a continued spirit of cooperation among the Board, the schools and the community.

Sincerely,

Karen P. Hughes  
President, Nyack Board of Education

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