

WESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Members of the Westwood Community:

My name is Tim Piwowar, and I am happy to be reaching out to you as the new superintendent of the Westwood Public Schools. I am excited to be here in Westwood, having heard such wonderful things about both the school system and the community. In my first few weeks on the job, the meetings I have had with school staff, municipal leaders, and members of the community have confirmed my expectations that this is a great place to be! In particular, it has been heartening to hear that my most deeply held core value - that we all have a collective responsibility for each and every one of our students - is one that is consistently echoed back to me in all of my interactions.

As part of my entry into the district, in the coming months I will be setting up some structured opportunities to meet with students, families, and community members to gain a deeper understanding about Westwood and our schools, and how we can continue to move the district forward as a system that supports all of our students in being successful. At the same time, I am looking forward to meeting people on an informal basis both in Westwood and through specific events in Boston. If you see me, please don't hesitate to come up and say hello! I can also always be reached at tpiwowar@westwood.k12.ma.us, and I welcome and value your thoughts, questions, concerns, and feedback - both on what we're doing well and how we can continue to improve.

Over the rest of the summer, we will be hard at work preparing for the start of the 2023-2024 school year, which begins for students on Wednesday, August 30. As a reminder, school times have been adjusted for the upcoming school year and can be found below, with the full district calendar found here.

Westwood High School: 8:15am - 2:55pm Thurston Middle School: 7:45am - 2:22pm Elementary Schools: 9:00am - 3:20pm

Preschool: 8:45am - 2:30pm

Again, I am incredibly excited to be here in Westwood, and I look forward to meeting everyone in the community!

-Tim