Dear Parent, Guardian, and Stakeholder:

"We are now at a point where we must educate our children in what no one knew yesterday, and prepare our schools for what no one knows yet."-Mead, Margaret, American anthropologist

Below is a list of key findings from educational research:

- o One third of high school graduates need to take remedial courses in college
- o Most employers complain that high school graduates lack basic skills
- o Most students do not take challenging courses in high school

Fortunately for Salem High School students we offer an excess of 'high-end' academic programs for your child(ren): First and foremost, we offer the *prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program* (the nearest school that offers this prestigious Pre-University program is the \$30,000 a year private school, Wilmington Friends School of Delaware).

Furthermore, via an articulation agreement with Rowan University, we offer the *Project Lead The Way* (*PLTW*) *Pre-Engineering Program* for college credit, as well as, numerous College Board *Advanced Placement* courses.

In short, we provide course offerings that are <u>second to none!</u> Because of this work, Salem graduates of 2018 were accepted into some of the top Universities in our country and earned well over <u>1 million dollars</u> in scholarships and grants.

If you have any questions or thoughts regarding our school, district or programs please do not hesitate to contact me at (856) 935-3800 ext. 4220.

Educationally yours,

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