

# LITTLE FALLS TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## EDUCATIONAL AND FOUNDATIONAL COMPONENTS

Presentation September 18, 2017



# STRATEGIC PLAN 2014-2019

## SIX GOALS

- ▶ Student Achievement
  - ▶ Curriculum
  - ▶ Technology
  - ▶ Facilities/Finance and Safety/Security
  - ▶ Culture and Climate
  - ▶ Communication/Public Relations
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# GOAL #1

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- We have been identified through NJDOE QSAC monitoring as a High Performing District

Instruction and Program

Fiscal Management

Governance

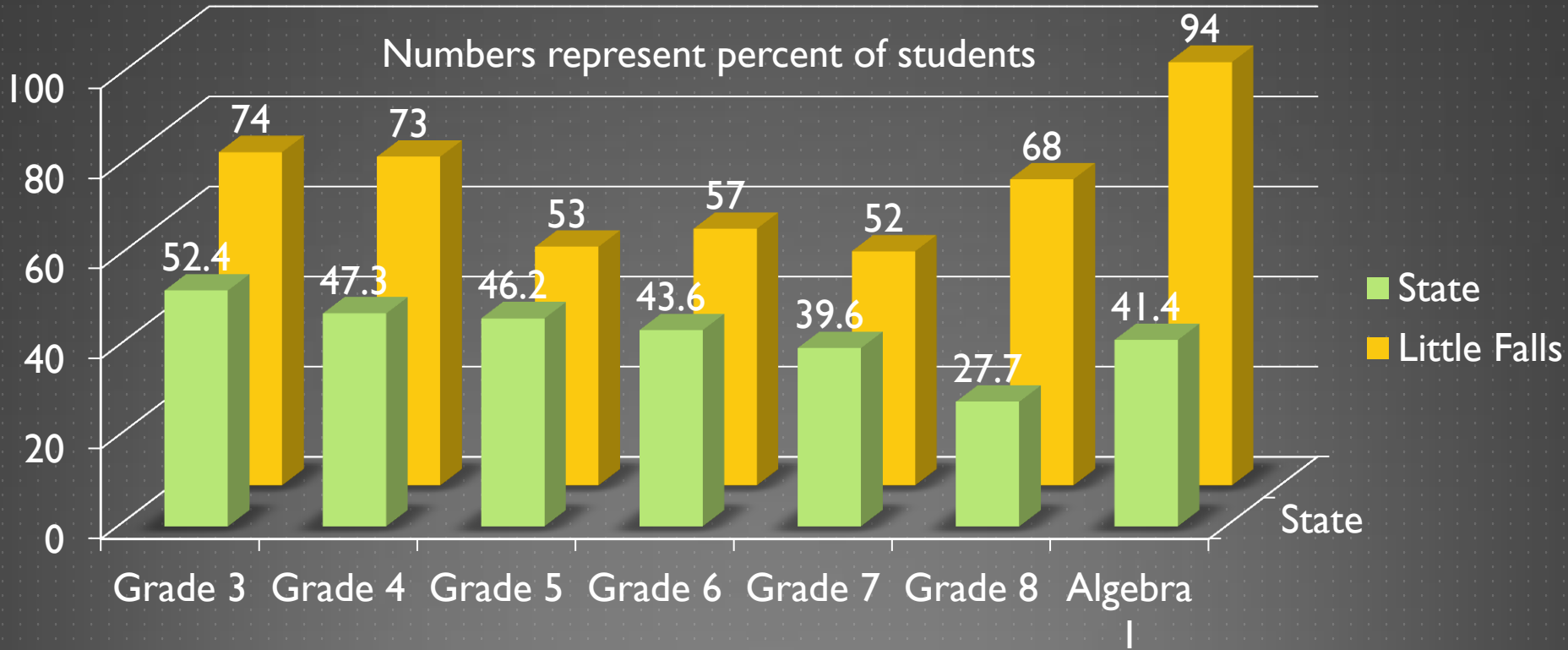
Operations

Personnel

- Competitive statewide on standardized assessments
  - ▶ LinkIT
  - ▶ Data Analysis
  - ▶ SCIP
  - ▶ DEAC

# GOAL #1

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



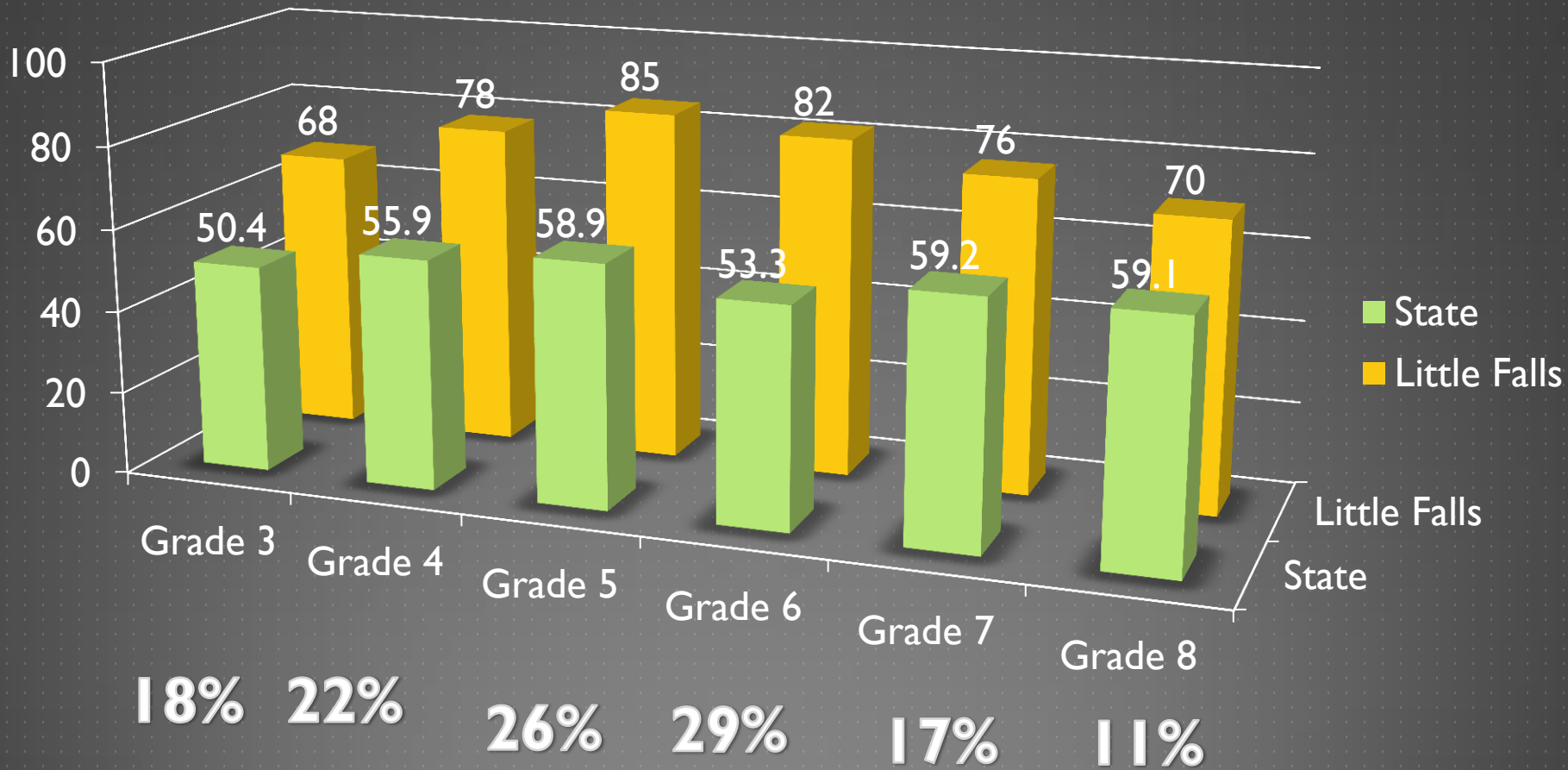
22% 26% 7% 13% 12% 40% 55%

# Math

# GOAL #1

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Numbers represent percent of students



## English Language Arts

# NJASK SCIENCE

## Grade 4

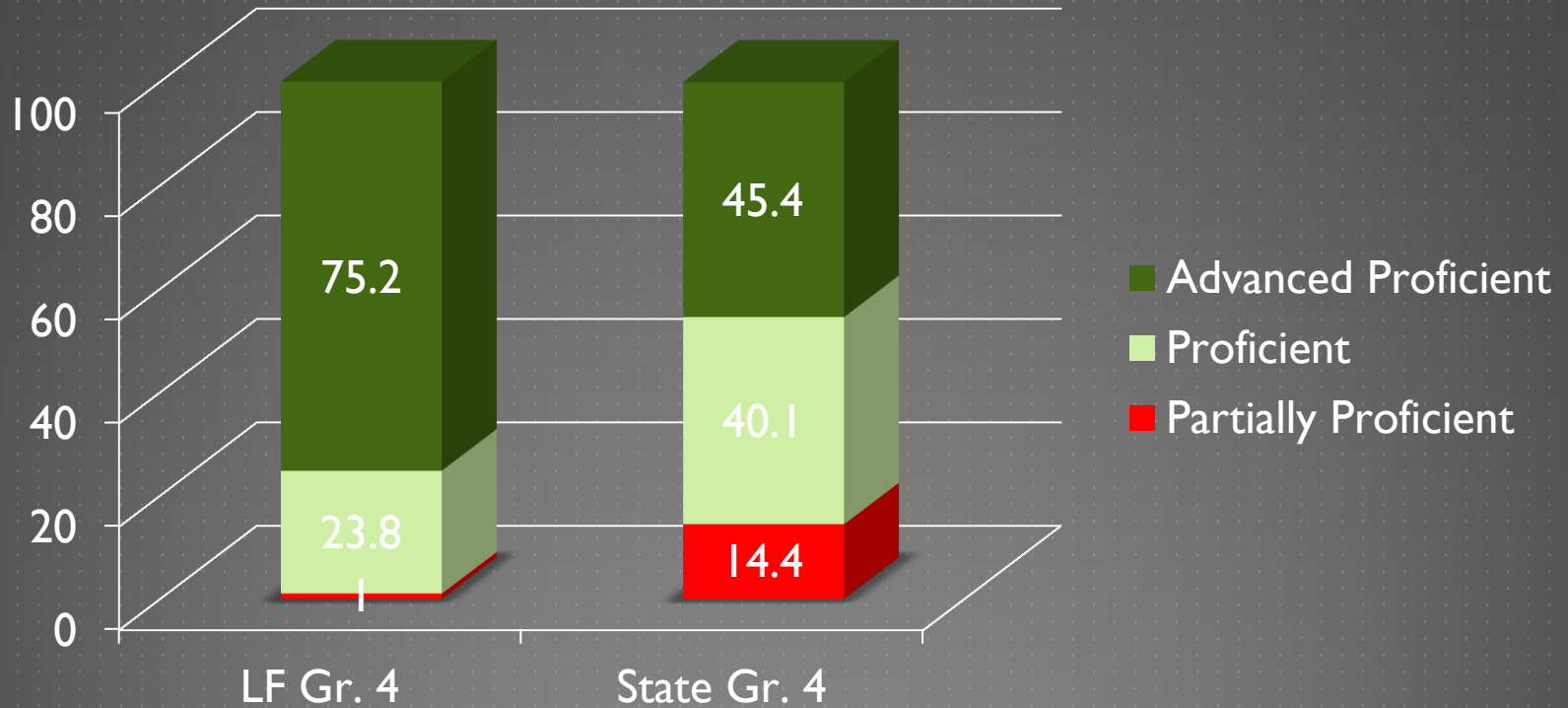
Little Falls: 99% Passing		State of NJ: 85.5% Passing	
Proficient	Advanced Proficient	Proficient	Advanced Proficient
23.8%	75.2%	40.1%	45.4%

## Grade 8

Little Falls: 85.3% Passing		State of NJ: 73.2% Passing	
Proficient	Advanced Proficient	Proficient	Advanced Proficient
53.7%	31.6%	46.6%	26.6%

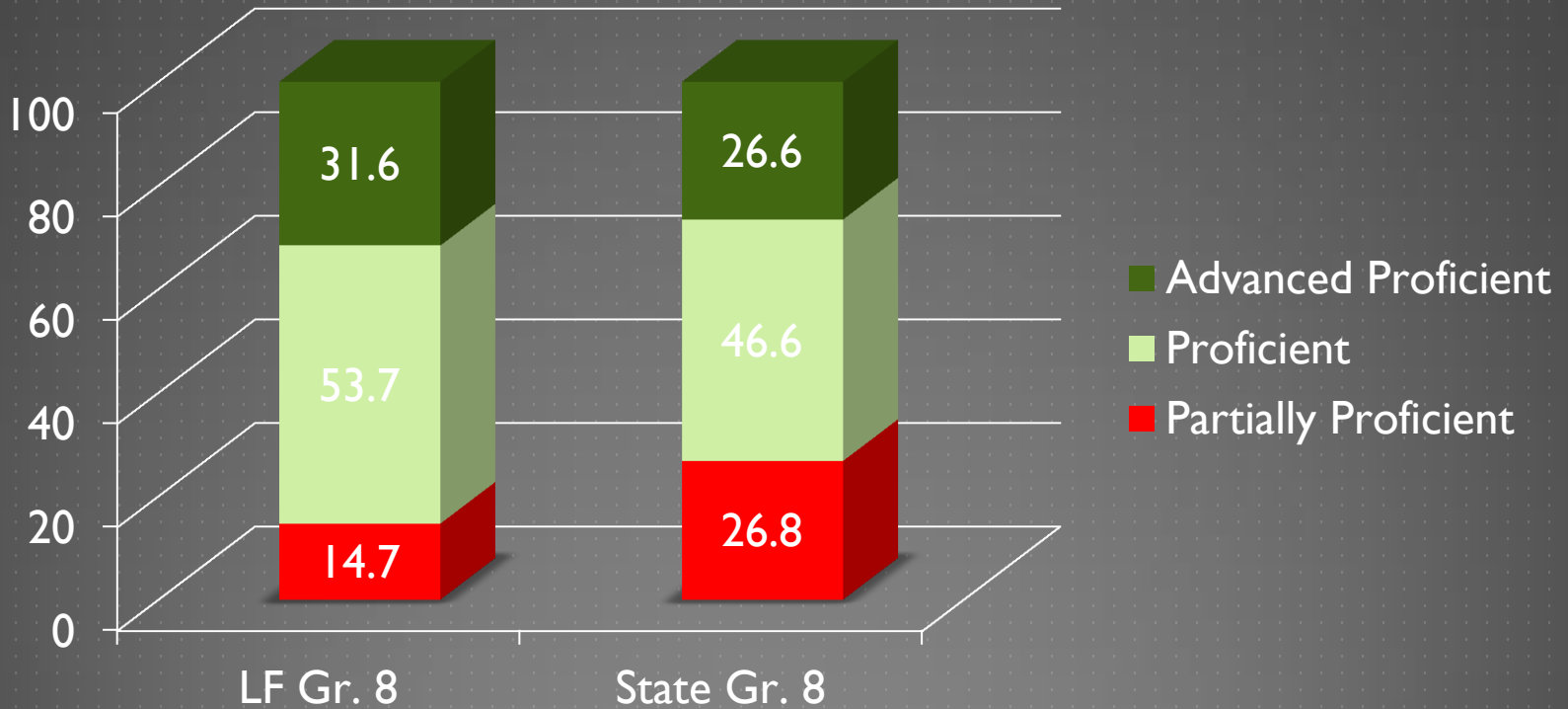
# NJ ASK SCIENCE GRADE 4 PERFORMANCE LEVEL ANALYSIS

Numbers represent percent of students



# NJ ASK SCIENCE GRADE 8 PERFORMANCE LEVEL ANALYSIS

Numbers represent percent of students





# GOAL #1

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CONT'D

## ▶ Competitive 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills

- ▶ 1:1 Chromebooks School #1
- ▶ 1:1 iPADS School #2
- ▶ Chromebooks and iPADS School #3
- ▶ 3D Printers
- ▶ OSMOS
  - ▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CbwIjMz9PAQ>
- ▶ STEAM
- ▶ Google Classroom
- ▶ Robot
- ▶ AV Rover

## GOAL #2

## CURRICULUM

- ▶ We have raised our Curriculum and instruction NJDOE QSAC monitoring score from **54% to 84%**
- ▶ Maintain curriculum to stay aligned with appropriate standards
  - ▶ Mapping through Atlas
  - ▶ PLCs
  - ▶ Vertical & Horizontal Articulation
- ▶ Expanded and exposed students to a greater amount of world language instruction
  - ▶ Italian I at Passaic Valley High School
  - ▶ Increased Spanish instruction grades 1-4
- ▶ Infused the principles of STEAM in grades K-8
  - ▶ STEAM in all schools
  - ▶ STEM Explorations at Passaic Valley High School

## GOAL #2

## CURRICULUM

- ▶ Increased the courses offered at School #1
  - ▶ <http://www.lfschools.us/lfs/Little%20Falls%20Middle%20School%20Electives%202017-2018/>

# GOAL #3

# TECHNOLOGY

- ▶ STEM/Maker Ed., 3-D printing, coding
  - ▶ STEAM at Schools #1, #2, and #3, which incorporates maker spaces, 3D printing, and coding
  - ▶ Hour of Code
  - ▶ Genius Hour
  - ▶ 3D Printers in all 3 schools
  - ▶ Nao Robot
  
- ▶ Communicate with parents, community, and world effectively utilizing website and portal
  - ▶ New website
  - ▶ Teacher Websites
  - ▶ Twitter
  - ▶ Falls Flash
  - ▶ Friday Folder
  - ▶ Parent Portal
  - ▶ Google Classroom

## GOAL #3

- ▶ Increased amount of technology
  - ▶ School #2 1:1 iPADS
  - ▶ School #3 iPADS and Chromebooks
  - ▶ School #1 1:1 Chromebooks



## GOAL #4

## FACILITIES/FINANCE AND SAFETY/SECURITY

- ▶ Upgraded facilities as a result of a passed referendum.
  - ▶ New lighting at School #1
  - ▶ New Exterior Doors at all 3 schools
  - ▶ New Windows at School #1
  - ▶ Electrical upgrades at all 3 schools
  - ▶ Recycling initiative with the assistance of the Township
  - ▶ New Full Service Kitchen
  - ▶ 3 New Bathrooms at School #1
- ▶ Establish more intentional screening entrance/exit security points.
  - ▶ Lockaide Door Locks
  - ▶ New secure entrances
  - ▶ License Swipes
  - ▶ Classroom Door Shades

# GOAL #4 FACILITIES/FINANCE AND SAFETY/SECURITY CONT'D

- ▶ Comprehensive security training for staff:
  - ▶ NJDOE Lockdown Drill
  - ▶ Safety drills and collaboration with LFPD
  - ▶ Staff whistles
  - ▶ Passaic County Prosecutor's Office presentation to all staff

## GOAL #5

## CULTURE AND CLIMATE

- ▶ Form an Education Foundation
  - ▶ Support and collaboration
  - ▶ Spring and Fall Grants
    - ▶ Alternative Seating
    - ▶ Field Trips
    - ▶ STEAM Lab
    - ▶ 3D Printers
    - ▶ Professional Development
    - ▶ Science Lab Equipment
    - ▶ Online Resources
    - ▶ Apps





**NOGGLE**

1	16	8	6
7	1	21	30
14	8	5	20
4	6	4	22

There are 40 different NOGGLE boards to choose from. No one has ever won a NOGGLE board. The winner is the person who can solve the NOGGLE board in the shortest amount of time.

Teacher's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Classroom: \_\_\_\_\_

NOGGLE BOARD

**NOGGLE BOARD**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40

## GOAL #5

## CULTURE AND CLIMATE CONT'D

- ▶ Develop one vision / mission statement for the whole district
  - ▶ One District...One Team...One Vision
  - ▶ District Colors
  - ▶ District Mascot
  - ▶ Newspaper
  - ▶ Successful Negotiations
  - ▶ A Principal in each building
  - ▶ Consistent meeting schedules and agendas across buildings (I&RS, ScIP, DEAC, Admin.)

## GOAL #6

## COMMUNICATION / PUBLIC RELATIONS

- ▶ A single streamlined source of communication for school / parents
  - ▶ Website
  - ▶ Friday Folder
  - ▶ Falls Flash
- ▶ Teacher created webpages that originate from one source of district communication
  - ▶ Google Calendar on website
  - ▶ Google Classroom
  - ▶ Teacher Webpages
  - ▶ Remind

# GOAL #6 COMMUNICATION / PUBLIC RELATIONS CONT'D

- ▶ Parent Outreach Programs
  - ▶ Talk A Latte
  - ▶ Parent Academy
  - ▶ Curriculum Nights

**One District... One Team... One Vision**

**"Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much."**

## **P**ARENT **A**CADEMY

**MISSION:** To promote continued cooperation between families and schools, the Little Falls Township Public Schools is offering Parent Academy– a series of classes, workshops and events aimed at helping families learn to engage with the school system and positively contribute to their child's academic success.

**GOALS:**

- Strengthen home - school partnership.
- Assist and support parents and caregivers to positively impact educational outcomes for children.
- Encourage active partners in the education process.
- Provide an atmosphere that supports student achievement, success and parental involvement.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Topics</b>
Wednesday October 11, 2017	6:30 pm	School #1	PVHS
Thursday January 18, 2018	6:30 pm	School #1	HIB Harassment Intimidation and Bullying
Monday March 5, 2018	6:30 pm	Little Falls Library	Bridging the Gap Between School & Library
Tuesday May 15, 2018	6:30 pm	School #1	Middle School Electives

**For additional information or questions, please contact**

**Superintendent Marinelli 973.256.1034**



## Talk a Latte' With the Superintendent

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
11:00 AM

Daniela's Bistro Cafe  
77 Main Street

Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 AM

The Fine Grind  
101 Newark-Pompton Turnpike

Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
10:00 AM

Jackie's Grillette  
55 East Main Street

Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 AM

A Taco Affair  
81 Main Street  
"Taco Lot With the Superintendent"

“COMING TOGETHER IS THE BEGINNING.  
KEEPING TOGETHER IS PROGRESS.  
WORKING TOGETHER IS SUCCESS.”

