

GLEN ROCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Statement to the Bergen Record

The Glen Rock Board of Education is requesting you issue a correction in your April 27, 2021 article as you are either missing or have inaccurate information.

The information surrounding the nonrenewal of nontenured teachers is confidential and can not be disclosed to the public by the Board of Education. The assertion by the union president that there were 11 nonrenewals is not true. Please remove this incorrect information from your article. As it is confidential, we cannot provide you with any further data. For you to print his assertion, which is not factual, is irresponsible as you do not have the correct information.

The assumption that all staff issued notices elected to have any potential discussion about them in public is equally untrue. While we did not discuss every staff member in closed or public session last night, the conversation did become global in nature as district-wide instruction and programming, specific to personnel, were discussed. The assertion that everyone that receives a notice must be discussed is also inaccurate.

The hiring of teaching staff for the following school year begins in the spring, not the summer as this is the typical and preferred recruiting season. In fact, CJPRIDE, a consortium of over 40 districts of which Glen Rock is a member, held their job fair on March 24th, 2021. Colleges and Universities hold job fairs in the spring as well. Summertime is late as many teachers are already preparing for their next school year and receiving summer training through their district.

The disclosure of teachers who the union president believes were not renewed is not only irresponsible but also hurtful to those individuals. This is confidential information and unless an employee chooses to make it public, no one has the authority to discuss or share that information with members of the public.

Many of the points clarified above were discussed by the Board in public at last night's meeting.

Respectfully,

The Glen Rock Board of Education