

Kids first--not politics. Here's a sample of what we will do...

- ✓ **Bring back Safety Aid Greeters.** All were eliminated. We will bring back the Safety Aid Greeters without increasing the budget and think of new strategies to secure our schools. That's where **Gerald Ihnken's** 26 years of law enforcement experience will help. Gerald is the 3rd highest ranking officer in Wall Township and a graduate of the FBI Academy. He knows what we have to do to make the school safe for our children.
- ✓ **Add security to Donahue School.** This coming year, there will be no security guard or greeter at the school. This is too risky.
- ✓ **Bring back kindergarten aids.** Three were let go, and we believe they are vital--especially in a full-day kindergarten. We will bring them back without increasing the budget.
- ✓ **Get Collins and Brackman back on track.** Collins School and Brackman's special education students have not made Annual Yearly Progress. That's three failing years in a row for Collins. **Kelly Ford** has 10+ years experience as an educator, and she has a plan. As a Board member, she'll be able to work with teachers and administrators because she understands today's educational challenges.
- ✓ **We have to spend smarter and be more efficient with our dollars.** That's where **Scott Bilker** can help. Scott has been helping consumers save thousands of dollars for more than 18 years with his books, website, and advice. That's why *The Wall Street Journal*, *Money*, *Consumer Reports*, *Kiplinger's Personal Finance*, and *Reader's Digest* have called Scott when they need financial advice for their readers.
- ✓ **Facility usage should be free.** Over the past few years, the Board has started charging community groups like the Mirage Players, and even our own students, to use facilities for events. We believe that our tax dollars have already paid for these buildings and should be available for approved activities at no additional cost.
- ✓ **Teacher phones at high school.** One third of the high school classrooms do not have phones! Teachers need a way to directly communicate with the office to ensure safety. We will get these phones without increasing the budget.
- ✓ **Buy textbooks.** The Board decided to lease textbooks. This will cost much more in the long run. The schools should own their books and buy more wisely.
- ✓ **Technology education for the 21st century.** Students need more exposure to today's software platforms. That's another area **Scott Bilker** can help. Before writing about consumer finance, Scott spent 11 years as an Electrical Engineer for Navy Lakehurst. As an NJIT graduate, he has a strong background in math, science, computers, and technology, as well as programming in PERL and Javascript and extensive use of Linux, OpenOffice and other open source projects.
- ✓ **School Board meetings in all schools.** The current Board holds all meetings at the High School with the Board on stage and public in the audience. Meetings should rotate between all district schools so the public can get a chance to visit and see the work that our students proudly display.

On April 21st ELECT

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