

## BUNKER HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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"Bulldog...It's more than our mascot; it's our character"

Michael J. D'Ostilio Principal Gregory Muscelli, Ed.D. Assistant Principal

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## **Dear Bulldog Families**

It is with deep sadness that I deliver this news to you. Earlier today Mr. Anthony Rizzo, our computer technician, passed away due to complications surrounding a heart attack.

I know technology can often be temperamental at times, but Mr. Rizzo was always willing to lend a helping hand to make sure the students had what they needed to be successful. He went out of his way to remove barriers for students. He understood how anxious a feeling it was and would often talk with the students while he was fixing their computer. Although, he was only here a year, Mr. Rizzo certainly had a positive influence over many individuals here in the building.

In the year that Mr. Rizzo was here, he immediately understood the work ethic, care and compassion that comes with being a Bulldog. He even participated in assemblies where he would talk about the importance of having compassion and treating everyone with dignity and respect. Not surprisingly, Mr. Rizzo quickly became a friend to many. I think the true measure of a remarkable person is his or her ability to give of themselves to serve others where no task is too big or too small. Mr. Rizzo was a servant leader and a man I admired greatly. He was one of those rare individuals who was truly good, pure, and empathetic and who modeled that daily.

There will be something formally released through Washington Township, but I wanted our families to know. If you need assistance in working through this sad news with your children, our counselors are here for you and your children. You can also consult this <u>link</u> for guidance as to how to navigate this time with your children.

Very Sincerely.

Mike D'Ostilio