Welcome to Danbury,

Danbury is a growing, cohesive community that embraces people from all walks of life, making it a wonderful place to live and raise a family.

The Danbury Public Schools offer quality education that challenges students with a variety of academic, co-curricula and civic-minded opportunities. Our faculty has been nationally recognized for its leadership and progressive instruction. Several of our elementary schools have been recognized by the state of Connecticut as models for academic rigor, closing achievement gaps, and encouraging children to embrace learning.

There are 13 elementary schools (K-5), three middle schools (6-8) and two high schools (9-12) that comprise the Danbury Public Schools. The elementary schools each offer exceptional education opportunities, as well as afterschool programs that range from spelling bee clubs to Junior Achievement. Some are neighborhood schools, while others attract students from all over the district. All three of our middle schools have been consistently outpacing the state average in reading and math. More importantly, they are increasing students’ interest and engagement in many subjects by moving towards a project-based learning model. Our middle schools offer opportunities for students to participate in a variety of afterschool clubs such as: math club, musical theater, student government, yearbook, and wellness.

Danbury High School, with its student population of nearly 3,000, offers more than 230 courses and 23 Advanced Placement courses. DHS has numerous championship sports teams and award-winning afterschool programs, including robotics and engineering. For students who seek a smaller, more personalized setting, we offer the Alternative Center for Excellence. This smaller high school offers the same curriculum in a smaller setting and also offers opportunities for personal growth, including camping trips, and events for the community.

The Danbury school district offers many resources for parents, including information on English Language Learners (ELLs), Early Childhood Readiness Programs, and summer programs. Please explore the website in the “New to Danbury Schools?” link and contact us or stop by any of the schools or the Danbury Family Learning Center at 49 Osborne Street. We encourage our families to be actively engaged in their children’s schools.

Again, I welcome you to Danbury. My door is always open for conversation and questions.

Sincerely,

Sal V. Pascarella, Ed.D.