

Weehawken – Stevens Institute Athletic/Recreational/Educational Agreement

On June 19, 2007 Weehawken Mayor Richard F. Turner and Stevens Institute of Technology President Harold J. Raveché signed a joint agreement that will provide athletic, recreational and educational opportunities to both communities. Mayor Turner described this joint agreement as providing the most significant educational and recreational opportunities in the Township's history for students and residents alike. The agreement allows students and residents to participate in these unique programs, with only very minor exceptions at absolutely no cost. Under this precedent shattering agreement the Weehawken Board of Education and its teachers and students will receive:

- Two four year full tuition scholarships to be awarded each year for the next five years to academically qualifying seniors from Weehawken High School.____
- Two Weehawken Public School Students may enroll tuition free each year in each of the two summer sessions of the Steven's Career Opportunities Program.____
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- Four qualified Weehawken Public School Students may enroll tuition free each year in a Summer Session at Steven's.____
- Onsite teacher partnerships to assist Science Fair Project Development in the Weehawken Middle School.____
- Use of the Schaefer Athletic Center for Weehawken High School Project Graduation.
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- Training for up to eight qualified Weehawken High School students in the Steven's pool for life saving/life guard certifications per year, at reduced cost.
- Practice time in the Steven's Bowling Lanes for the Weehawken High School Bowling Team._____
- Use of the Steven's artificial turf field for special events.
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- __Priority funding for future High School related applicable grants._____
- Technology mentoring for Weehawken Teaching personnel._____
- Free enrollment for two staff members of the Weehawken Public Schools in the Steven's Savvy Cyber Teacher Program and also in the Steven's Technology in Mathematics Education program.____
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- Student participation in the Asteroid Program, as well as half price tickets to all Steven's Performing Arts Shows.____
- Guidance consultation with school personnel in the creation of a primary level robotics program._____

The benefits to students as well as all the residents of Weehawken include:

- Use of the Steven's pool facilities.____
- Participation in Steven's sports clinics.____
- Use of the Schaefer Athletic Center Fitness Center.____
- Eligibility for Library Cards from the Steven's Library System.____

The Weehawken – Stevens Institute partnership will provide Stevens' students with the use of the new Weehawken Recreation Center and Waterfront Park. When not in use by Weehawken students and residents, Stevens athletic teams, including track and field, lacrosse, soccer, softball, baseball and field hockey will now be able to make use of this facility for both practice and inter-collegiate competition. Staff from the Weehawken Board of Education, Weehawken Recreation Department and Stevens Athletic Department will work together to create scheduling calendars for shared use of the facilities.