

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL



2021-2022 STUDENT HANDBOOK

SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITE

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STAFF DIRECTORY

2021-2022

Employee	Position	Room
Dr. Chris Meyrick	Superintendent	Main Office
Steve Terhune	Business Admin	Main Office
Kimberly Carey	Secretary	Main Office
Robert Barrett	Health and PE Teacher	GYM
Dr. Stephanie Cecchini	Art Teacher/Writing	204
Joseph Elmo	Music Teacher	204
Margaret Fay	Pre-K Teacher	101
Sharon Dugan	Instructional Aide	101
Dana Giordano	Kindergarten Teacher	102
Jill Falleta	1st grade Teacher	203
Katelyn Micek	2nd grade Teacher	202
AnnMarie Deakyne	3rd grade Teacher	201
Deborah Harkness	4 th , 5 th , 6 th Grade Science/Social Studies Teacher	301
Jess Wiehr	4 th , 5 th , 6 th Grade Math and Grammar Teacher	304
Christine Bresley	4 th , 5 th , 6 th Grade English Language Arts Teacher	303
Daggi Ball	Guidance	
Lisa Altman	Nurse	Nurse
Suzanne Henry	Special Education Teacher	302
Sara Holleran	Special Education Teacher	302
Holly Herriger	Speech	103
Kathy Hopkins	Occupational Therapy	
Brian Ball	Head Custodian/ Facility Manager	
John Palmbo	Night Custodian	
Vern Berube	Bus Driver	

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL
2021-2022 Code of Conduct Acknowledgment

CODE OF CONDUCT

Teacher and support staff are professionals who are responsible for children’s educational well-being. Children must follow their directions and treat them with courtesy.

The Beach Haven Student Handbook provides parents/guardians and students with a clear understanding of school policies and expectations. Parents/guardians and students are asked to review the student handbook and district policy manual. Please sign the statement at the bottom of the page indicating that you have read the handbook and understand your responsibilities.

Additionally, the Board of Education prohibits acts of harassment, intimidation or bullying of students, employees, visitors and volunteers.

Definition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying: *Any act that is reasonably perceived as being motivated by any actual or perceived characteristic such as race, color, religion, ancestry, nationality, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity & expression, or a mental, physical or sensory disability, or by any other distinguishing characteristic. It takes place on school property, at any school sponsored function, or off school grounds as provided in sect. 16 of P.L.2010, c122. And, it substantially disrupts or interferes with the orderly operation of the school or the rights of other students.*

We have received and read the Beach Haven School “Code of Conduct”, Student Handbook, and District Policies.

Parent’s Signature

Student’s Signature

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL
2021-2022 Student Acknowledgment

Student Name: _____
(please print)

PHOTOS (check one of the following):

_____ I give permission to the Beach Haven School District to allow my child to be photographed, individually or in groups, for public relations activities. I recognize that this means pictures can be placed in publications/distributed to public and on the school and/or on the district's public website.

_____ I **DO NOT** give permission for my child to be photographed for any public relations or purpose of the district or to be published in the school and/or on the district's public website.

VIDEOS (please check one of the following):

_____ I give permission to the Beach Haven School District to allow my child to be videotaped, individually or in groups for public relations activities. I recognize that this means videos can be placed in publications/distributed to public and on the school and/or on the district's public website.

_____ I **DO NOT** give permission for my child to be videotaped for public relations or district purpose or to be published on the school and/or district's public website.

USE ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY / INTERNET

_____ I give permission for my child to have supervised access to networked computer resources, such as email and the internet.

_____ I **DO NOT ALLOW** my child to have access to network computer resources, such as email and the Internet at school.

Child's Name

Grade

Parent's Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL
2021-2022 Blanket Walking Acknowledgment

Blanket Walking Permission Slip

The Beach Haven Board of Education has approved short walking or bus trips within Long Beach Island. If a teacher plans such a trip, administrative approval will be obtained. By signing this permission slip, you will give blanket approval for your child to participate in any or all walking trips or bus trips within Long Beach Island.

Child's Name

Grade

Parent's Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL
2021-2022 Walk and Ride Bicycle to School Acknowledgment
GRADES 3-6 ONLY

The Beach Board of Education will permit the use of bicycles and walking to and from school by students in grades third through sixth only within a two-mile radius of the student's home and school, in accordance with district policy 5514, provided that such students present written parental approval, and have been granted permission by the building principal. If you would like your child to walk or ride their bicycle to school, please be aware of the following:

- There are no crossing guards.
- If your child rides his/her bike, you may want to provide a lock for security.
- Your child **MUST** wear a biker's helmet.
- The Board will not be responsible for any bicycle that is lost, stolen or damaged.

Permission to walk or ride a bicycle for travel to and from school is a privilege that can be revoked by the building principal if the student violates the rules set forth in district policy 5514.

If you would like to have your child be granted permission to walk or bike to and from school, please fill out the form below and return it to your child's school.

Beach Haven School

Permission Slip to Walk/Ride Bicycle to School

My child, _____, has permission to walk / ride a bike to school every day. I have been informed and understand that there are no crossing guards nor will there be any Beach Haven employees or staff supervising school property.

Child's Name

Grade

Parent's Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

BEACH HAVEN SCHOOL
2021-2022 Technology Acknowledgment

The Beach Haven School District is very excited and fortunate to be able to continue with our 1:1 Chromebook initiative. These devices will aid in their instruction and allow for remote learning if needed. Students may install any pre-approved chrome applications/extensions available from the Chrome Web Store ONLY. Side-loading applications and/or placing a Chromebook in developer mode is not permitted. Below are some guidelines for device care.

While the device is durable, it is not indestructible.

- Never throw a backpack that contains a device.
- Never place a device in a book bag that contains food, liquids, heavy, or sharp objects.
- Never place heavy objects on top of the device.
- Do not apply pressure to the device screen.
- Never drop your device.
- Careful placement in your backpack is important.

Device Damages

Any damage to a school issued device, must be reported immediately to school staff. Damages reported to teacher and administration and deemed misuse of equipment or vandalism resulting in need of repair will be at the **cost of the parent**. Theft of district property electronic or physical, as well as any act of vandalism will result in cancellation of system privileges and other disciplinary measures in compliance with the district's discipline code. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another, the hardware, software, and files that comprise district systems, or any of the agencies or other networks that are connected to the Internet.

Google Account

Google Suite for Education offers a free set of customizable tools that enable teachers and students to work together and learn more effectively. The account established is a service provided by Google that allows users to communicate and collaborate effectively in a digital educational environment. The free tools are available to students both at school and at home and work on any device that has an internet connection.

Students will use Google Suite for educational purposes. As per school policies, activities requiring internet access are supervised at school. The school is in control of the Google services it provides for student use. Spot-checking student accounts can be used to ensure students' use of digital tools follows school policy.

Child's Name

Grade

Parent's Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

BEACH HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Irene Hughes, President
Jen Tomlinson, Vice President
Carol Labin
Meredith O'Donnell
Jean Frazier

MEETING SCHEDULE

The Beach Haven Board of Education meetings will be held in the Faculty Room at 5:00 p.m. at the Beach Haven School, Eighth Street and Beach Avenue, Beach Haven, NJ 08008, on:

2021

January 27, 2021

February 24, 2021

March 17, 2021

April 28, 2021

May 26, 2021

June 23, 2021

July 28, 2021

August 25, 2021

September 22, 2021

October 27, 2021

November 17, 2021

December 22, 2021

2022

January 6, 2022 (*Reorganization meeting*)

GENERAL INFORMATION



Student hours are 8:30 AM – 2:45 PM
Delayed Opening hours 10:20 - 2:45
Early Dismissal hours 8:20 - 12:30

Preschool 3-Year-Old hours are 8:20 – 11:45 AM



SCHOOL DRESS CODE

The school recognizes the importance of students developing a personal style, so long as it is not offensive, or deemed distracting to others. Students should be neat and well-groomed, and wear clothes that fit the climate, and the activities in which they engage in. Clothing should also fit properly, not be too loose, too tight, too short, or too baggy. Clothing with alcohol, tobacco, drug related, violent and/or sexually suggestive messages are not permitted. Students will be asked to change from the inappropriate item into clothing available at school or from home.

HEALTH AND MEDICATION POLICY

In compliance with the guidelines established by the State of New Jersey, the school nurse may not administer any medication to a student without a written order from the physician ordering the medication, detailing the diagnosis or type of illness involved, the name of the drug, dosage and time of administration. The parent/guardian should provide a written request for the administration of the prescribed medication at school. The medication should be brought to school by a responsible adult in the original container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy or physician. The medication is to be given to the nurse and kept in the health office to be administered as directed. Unless a medication is prescribed by a physician, it should not be brought into the school building.



HOMEWORK

It is expected that all students devote time to home study. Students may have homework assigned to them throughout the school year. If your child did not receive homework, it is encouraged to read with your child, reinforce their number sense, expose them to different real-world experiences, etc. Please contact the classroom teacher for more specifics to your child's individual needs. For additional information, please reference <https://www2.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/homework/homework.pdf>.



PHONE SYSTEM

Last school year, our phone systems were updated to allow us to receive in-coming calls and make out-going calls. Additionally, each voicemail is set up for you to leave a message for your child's teacher. **This or the teacher's email would be one of my recommended modes for parent communication.**



REPORT CARD AND PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Report cards and interim reports are throughout the school year to keep the students and parents informed as to the academic and social progress being made by your student in school.

First Trimester- Tuesday, September 7th to Wednesday, December 8th

Parent-Teacher Conference – Thursday, October 28th and Friday, October 29th

Report Cards Distributed – Friday, December 10th

Second Trimester- Thursday, December 9th to Monday, March 14th

Parent-Teacher Conference - Tuesday, March 15th and Wednesday, March 16th

Report Cards Distributed – Wednesday, March 16th

Third Trimester-Wednesday, March 15th to Thursday, June 16th

Report Cards Distributed – Tuesday, June 14th



PRE-K TO THIRD GRADE REPORT CARD

Pre-K to Third Grade Students and Staff will continue to be assessed using a standards-based reporting approach. Whereas the teachers and support staff will evaluate student learning using classroom observation, student's classroom work, and formative and summative assessments. The combination of these pieces of evidence when reviewed with parents provides a more detailed picture of student progress. Furthermore, it tells the parent what the student can do and to what degree. This in turn leads to identification of direction for the student and future learning goals.

GRADING KEY

- 4-Exceeds Achievement of the Grade Level Standard
- 3-Consistent Achievement of the Grade Level Standard
- 2-Moderate Achievement of the Grade Level Standard
- 1-Limited Achievement of the Grade Level Standard
- X-Not assessed at this time
- *Accommodation/Modification

FOURTH TO SIXTH GRADE REPORT CARD

Fourth to Sixth Grade Students will receive a traditional report card. Whereas the teacher and support staff will use the grading scale and category weights (see below) to determine the quality of a student's school work. Our report cards will contain a section for each subject and specialty teachers to record individual comments about the student's work and behavior.

GRADING SCALE

- A-92-100
- B-83-91
- C-74-82
- D-73-70
- F-69 and Below

CATEGORY WEIGHTS

- Assessments (Tests and Quizzes)-**30%**
- CW/HW-**30%**
- Performance Tasks (Performance Tasks, Notebooks, Classroom Activities)-**30%**
- Participation (Participation and Preparation)-**10%**

SAFETY AND SECURITY DRILLS

Each month, the school must hold safety and security drills. These drills are held for practicing orderly conduct. Students must always follow teachers' directions and remain attentive during drills. Once an "all clear" signal is made, students will return to class and/or resume classroom activities.

SCHOOL CLOSING

The Beach Haven School has an automated Emergency Notification System which is used to notify parents of school closings, delayed or early dismissals. Please be sure the school has your current home phone, cell phone, and email address so messages can be sent and received.

In the event of a ***TWO- HOUR DELAY***, your child will be picked up two hours later than the regular time at the bus stop. No lunches are served on half days or two hour delayed openings. However, students will have snacks in the classroom so please pack a snack.

STUDENT RECORDS

Federal and state law requires that parents have complete access to records kept on their child. These records may be examined at conferences or by making an appointment. If you have any questions about the contents of these records, please contact the principal.



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

To effectively meet the needs of individual students, the district provides several student services.

COUNSELING

Our guidance counselor is available to help students adjust to the school routine and resolve problems that interfere with their academic and emotional development while attending Beach Haven School. In addition, the counselor is available to meet with teachers and parents to aid as needed.

CHILD STUDY TEAM

The district has a shared Special Education Services agreement with Southern Regional School District. Their Child Study Team is made up of a Psychologist, Learning Disabilities Specialist, Social Worker, and other therapists. This group assists parents and teachers in providing appropriate educational programs for students with identified learning problems.

INTERVENTION AND REFERRAL SERVICES

An I&RS committee has been developed to help teachers and parents provide instructional strategies for regular education students who are experiencing learning and/or behavioral difficulties.

SPEECH /LANGUAGE SPECIALIST

A speech/language specialist is available to work with students who exhibit difficulty in some areas of speech and language development. The speech pathologist works with students individually or in small groups.

STUDENT WITHDRAWAL

Whenever a parent anticipates moving and transferring a student to another district, he/she should obtain a transfer card from the school office, which will tell the next school where to obtain the student's records. The further in advance you can do this, the better prepared the next school can be to receive your child and their records.

VISITORS PARKING

Everyone must enter the building through the 7th street entrance of the school and must sign in at the Main Office to obtain a visitor's pass. The following procedures are in place for handicapped accessibility during school activities. Please contact the main office at 609-492-7211, if assistance is needed. A staff member will be stationed at the entrance to assist.

SCHOOL

Attendance

ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS POLICY

The Beach Haven Board of Education provides a quality program for the education of children. It is important that children attend school regularly. When a student is unable to attend school, a parent or guardian must call the school nurse and state the reason for absence.

Excused absences are:

- A. A doctor or dental appointment with a doctor's note.
- B. A doctor's note for illness or counseling services.
- C. Religious exemption.
- D. Court appearance with documentation.

In accordance with [Policy 5200](#), the district recognizes the need for students to be in attendance daily. Parent letters will be sent home during the 5th, 10th, and 15th unexcused attendance. Additionally, the school nurse will follow up to check on the whereabouts of the students daily.

The school policy states that children are expected to be in school. Prolonged or repeated absences, excused or unexcused, deprive the pupil of the classroom experience deemed essential to learning. An excessive absence problem may result in retention.



In accordance with [Policy 5240](#), the district believes that promptness is an important element of school attendance. Pupils who are late to school or to class miss essential portions of the instructional program and create disruptions in the academic process for themselves and other pupils.

Tardiness to school or class that is caused by a pupil's illness, an emergency in the pupil's family, the observance of a religious holiday, a death in the pupil's family, or by the pupil's compliance with a request or directive of an administrator will be considered justified and is excused. All other incidents of tardiness will be considered unexcused. Pupils are tardy to school or class if they are not in their seats or other assigned school functions when the tardy bell rings. Pupils who are late to school must report to the office to receive an entry slip to class.

Five unexcused tardies will equate to one day unexcused absence.

Students are required to be here by 8:30am.



STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

The Handbook serves as a family resource that identifies the Beach Haven School District's expectations. In addition to this document, please refer to the Beach Haven Board of Education Manual for in-depth policies and regulations. [Please click here.](#)

Reports of harassment, intimidation or bullying including anonymous reports, made to teachers or aides are to be investigated by the School Climate Committee. For additional information, about H.I.B., please reference our school's webpage. [Please click here.](#)

Finally, situations that are not covered in the Parent Handbook, School Website, or and District Policy will be considered a matter of professional discretion by the school administrator and/or faculty while being cognizant of appropriate local and state regulations.