For the Parents, Students and Community of Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School

Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School

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Principal's Message

Hello Minutemen,

We have had a terrific start to the school year. Our students and staff are settling into their schedules and our athletics/extracurricular activities are in full swing. It has been great to see our students engaged instructionally in the classroom as well as being active in other aspects of our school. As we navigate the intricacies of the school year, we will



maintain a focused effort on positively impacting our students' academic achievement and preparation for college and career readiness. With the first interim completed here are a few reminders focused on sustaining student academic achievement:

- Student attendance and being on time to school/class directly impacts student achievement. Please support our efforts to increase attendance while working to eliminate tardiness to school and/or class. "Have Beach Pride, be on time!"
- Support your student(s) by actively checking FOCUS.
- Our success is dependent on community and parent/guardian support.
 Inquire with our front office on ways in which you can support the school along with how the school can support our community.

Our more than 30 clubs and student organizations keep student life here on campus very engaging. Fall sports are mid-season and are competing well. The secondary school years pass quickly, and we encourage you to share as many of these experiences as possible with your students.

Thank you for your continued support of our educational mission at Cocoa Beach Jr/Sr High and for sharing your children with us!

Go BEACH!

7im Powers
Principal







Home of the Minutemen



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2022 - 2023 CBHS Academic Team

Academic Team Seeks 6th Championship Title

After their surprising 3rd Place finish (ahead of Edgewood) at last November's Brevard Academic Tournament, the CBHS Minutemen are now preparing for both their Fall 2023 regular season matches and (hopefully) a 1st Place finish at the County Championship. With four returning players, Coach Prince says that "Team Beach" is up to the task.

"Last year was supposedly another 'rebuilding year', yet we finished 3rd in the county," said Coach Mike Prince. "This year, we'll have 3 seniors & 1 junior returning to the team. They, along with four new teammates, will be more than ready to face the other top teams starting September 25th."

"Not being favored to win the County Championship takes a lot of pressure off our kids. If we play a total team effort, are cautious & calculating, and let other teams gamble and lose points, we should finish ahead of perennial favorites Edgewood & West Shore. Finishing in 1st Place for the regular season AND winning the end-of-season tournament is always our goal."

Brevard's academic competitions are set up like "Jeopardy!" matches, but with 6 high school teams buzzing in to answer academic questions ranging from Art to Zoology. Statistics are kept on all players, with the Top 6 students continuing on to represent Brevard County at the Florida Academic Championship (known as the *Commissioner's Academic Challenge*), held every April in Orlando. Last April, Johnnie Jones represented Cocoa Beach on the County All-Star Team that finished 2nd in the State.

Students on the 2023 Minutemen team are: **Seniors** – Malinda Todorovic *(team captain)*, Victoria Amores, Kira Fulton-Sparks, Julia Dillon & Katherine Harrington; **Juniors** – Nanami Clouser, Canon Fleming & Frazier Hoak; **Sophomores** – Noah Slotin. Good Luck to the Minutemen this fall at their Brevard County Academic Challenge competitions!

Brevard County high school Academic Teams compete every other Monday night starting on September 25th and continue on through the County Tournament on December 4th at the Educational Services Facility (ESF) in Viera. Start time is 6:00pm. If you would like more information on your CBHS Academic Team, please email: prince.michael@brevardschools.org.





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Want to Become a BPS Volunteer? We Need You!

Complete the Volunteer Application at: https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/NjE6ZW4tVVM=

We're Searching for Volunteers

What is a Registered Volunteer able to do?

- Registered Volunteers are able to work in the classroom, work one on one
 with students, assist with athletic coaching, help office staff with filing and
 copying, work in the Library/Media Center, work concession stands for athletic
 events, and attend in-county and out-of-county field trips as chaperones.
- You must be fingerprinted and cleared before volunteering. There is no charge for fingerprinting at this time. Here's where to go for fingerprinting:
 BPS Educational Services Facility Office of District and School Security:
 2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32940
 Fingerprinting: Monday Friday
 - Regular hours: 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- If you're currently an active Registered Volunteer, keep in mind you must renew your status before it expires at a cost of just \$8.00 annually, which can be taken care of at District Security or on the BPS website.
- Applicants will be notified upon approval of their application.

In order to be fingerprinted, what do I bring to the Office of District and School Security?

- A valid driver license or state identification card.
- Please consider becoming a volunteer. For any questions, call 321-783-1776, ext. 23026 or 23003...
- You may also contact District Security at 321-633-1000.

Cocoa Beach Wish List for 2023-2024

Families often ask what donations would be helpful for our teachers and staff. We'll gladly accept any donation of tissues, paper towels and hand sanitizer in any pump bottle or refill size. These may be dropped off in our front office, Monday-Friday, 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. We thank you for any donations!

Donations Appreciated





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Cocoa Beach Girls Golf



COCOA BEACH

The Cocoa Beach Girls Golf Season has officially begun! Our team is led by four AMAZING seniors, Ava Weido, Baylin Parra, Julia Dillon and Phaedra Lattouf; and we are looking forward to seeing where the season takes us! Pictured above is the team having a delicious 'after-match' meal at the Pig & Whistle, who is one of our very generous sponsors! Wish the girls luck when you see them!



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Cocoa Beach Soccer Fundraiser

Orlando Pride invites all Cocoa Beach athletes, students, friends, and family to our match against Houston Dash. By purchasing through the QR code, you will receive a discount off the single-match rate and a portion of each sale will go back to CBHS Soccer. All who go will be in the same group section.



Orlando Pride invites all Cocoa Beach athletes, students, friends, and family to our match against Houston Dash. By purchasing through this link you will receive a discount off the single-match rate and a portion of each sale will go back to our CB Girls' Soccer fund. Join us!



Cocoa Beach Volleyball

CBHS Volleyball is off to an amazing start. Freshman are 2 - 0 after two weeks, JV are 2 - 2 having won their last 2, and Varsity is undefeated at 2 - 0 for the preseason and 4 - 0 for the regular season and having only dropped 1 set in those 6 games. On August 27th CBHS Varsity Volleyball was ranked 4th in the Orlando area, 7th in the 3A Division and 27th in all of Florida.

We also have 2 players ranked in the top 15 for all of Florida as of the end of August. Avalean Crouser is ranked 7th in the state for Hitting % and Ivy Taylor is ranked 15th for Assists.

Come out and see the beasts that are your lady Minutemen as they set the Cape Coast Conference on fire.









Football Game Shout Outs!

Our Minutemen Marching Band will have a table near the front of varsity football games this year selling SHOUT OUTS! Please swing buy and purchase one or some for your athlete, cheerleader, or band musician. We plan on being at every varsity home game this football season. Your 'shout out' will be announced from the press box during the game. Please note that only positive and school appropriate shouts will be accepted.



Cocoa Beach Wresting

The Cocoa Beach Wrestling Team is currently Ranked 8th in the STATE! We are currently looking for more Boys and Girls to join us this upcoming season. The first official Girls' Wrestling Practice will begin on October 30th and the first Official Boys' Wrestling Practice will begin on November 6th. Please email Coach Kelly at kelly.christopher@brevardschools.org with any questions you have. Go Beach!

JROTC News

Welcome back, Minutemen, to the 2023-24 school year! The Cocoa Beach JROTC program is excited to start another exceptional year. We will have another busy year and are incredibly enthusiastic about what will come for our JROTC program this school year. We want to highlight our JROTC Minutemen website: https://minutemen-jrotc.com/; our website has valuable information for Cadets, Parents, and Friends of the Battalion.

At the end of last year, we conducted our 2022-2023 Cadet of the Year board, a highly competitive competition comprised of our best first-year students. We proudly announce that this year's Cadet of the Year is Gianluca Canales. Cadet Canales is an exceptional Cadet and a future leader in our program.

Our JROTC Raiders began training in August with the largest number of Cadets in eleven years; our Raider's hard work is preparing them for their first competition on 30 September. Our Raiders will hold all of their competitions at the Brevard Veterans Center. We are incredibly proud of the hard work and determination of our Raiders. These are the toughest athletes at CBHS, and their discipline and athleticism pave the way for their future success. Our Lady Raiders will defend their six-time District Title and two-time State Championships. Our Boys will defend their three-time District Championships and prepare for their first State Championship.

Each year, at the beginning of the school year, the JROTC program gets an entirely new Staff for the school year. We proudly announce the new top three Cadets for our Chain of Command. Our new Battalion Commander is Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Blake Anderson; our new Executive Officer is Cadet Landon Benoit; and finally, our new Command Sergeant Major is Cadet Command Sergeant Major William Day. Our entire Staff is working extremely hard this year to prepare the Minutemen Battalion for an outstanding year.

Remember, Leadership Begins Here! Go Beach!



Battalion Commander
Blake Anderson



Executive Officer
Landon Benoit



Commander Sargent Major William Day







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Dance Marathon Wins a 2nd National Award!

Miracle Network Dance Marathon recognized top performing Dance Marathon programs from around the country at the Dance Marathon Leadership Conference held in St. Louis, MO from August 3-6. Cocoa Beach was proud to take home the K-12 Marathon Programming Award. This is our second national award, earning the first in 2022 for Community Engagement.

Cocoa Beach Dance Marathon fundraises throughout the school year for Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children. We work tirelessly year-round hosting numerous events, like Mayhem on Minutemen, and fundraising pushes, like Nothing Bundt Cakes. The fundraising year culminates with our main event in February where participants stand for six hours in honor of the children treated at Orlando Health Arnold Palmer, learn a line dance from our morale team, hear stories from Miracle Families and join in the fun of theme hours and other activities. At the end of the event, the fundraising total for the year is finally revealed. This programming award recognizes the unique events we organize for this event, including a lip sync battle, rave hour, trivia, and so much more.

This year marks our 5th year raising money for Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, and we are on our way to raising a combined total of \$100,000! We look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events:

- October 2nd-6th Pie Your Teacher celebrating Child Heath Week
- October 19th-November 2nd Nothing Bundt Cakes Fall Flavors Sales
- October 27th-28th MAYHEM ON MINUTEMEN (open to the community)
- November 9th Middle School Dance
- January 16th-January 30th Nothing Bundt Cakes Valentine's Flavors Sales
- February 24th Dance Marathon
- May 3rd Not a Dodgeball Tournament (open to the community)

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Reading Resolution

Mr. Michael Toliver wears a lot of hats at the beach. He's a longstanding member of our social studies department, serves as our school's bowling coach, and is a district certified mentor to new teachers. Nonetheless, he knows that it's important to make time for reading!

As a father and a dedicated educator, Mr. Toliver understands the importance of reading for our students, but also for parents and adults who don't work in schools. Like all of us, though, his day is busy and sometimes hectic. Nonetheless, he was determined to set a good example for his two young children and simultaneously expand his own knowledge of the world around him, so he set a reading goal for himself back in January when the new year began. His goal: to read 24 books in 2023.



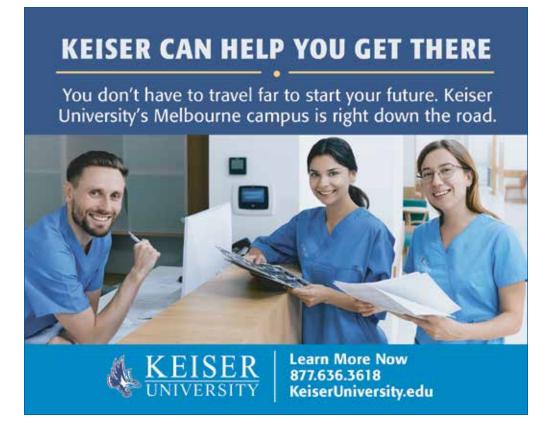
As he commutes to school each day, Mr. Toliver soon realized audiobooks were a great way to shorten his journey. He does not limit himself to audiobooks, however, and makes great use of the public library and local bookstores for physical copies.

Mr. Toliver was both surprised and happy when he realized he had already reached his 2023 goal in August! He finished his 24th book, Shadow Divers: The True Adventure of Two Americans Who Risked Everything to Solve One of the Last Mysteries of World War II by Robert Kurson just after school began. Mr. Toliver recommends adding some reading time to your schedule. Maybe it's a resolution you'd like to make for yourself now that our new school year has begun!











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To Addressee or Current Resident

Create Hope in the World: Calendar Art Contest

Cocoa Beach students in grades 7-12 are invited to submit original 2-D artwork. The top 12 entries will be featured in the Rotary 2024 Calendar! Top middle and high school entries receive a \$50 cash award! Best in Show earns a \$100 Grand Prize! Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cocoa Beach and the Interact Club.

Inspired by Rotary's 2023-2024 theme: CREATE HOPE in the WORLD. All proceeds from calendar sales will be used for service projects for the school and our local community! Entries are due by Monday, October 23rd, 2023. Students can reach out to Dr. Rowley, Mrs. Soto, or Mr. Moseley for details.

Important Dates

October 16. Teacher Work Day (no school) November 10......Veterans' Day (no school) November 20-24 . . . Thanksgiving Break (no school) December 20-22 . . . Exam Days (early release) December 25-29 . . . Winter Break (no school) January 1-5 Winter Break (no school) January 8. First Day of Second Semester January 15........Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (no school)

February 19..... Teacher Work Day (no school) March 15 Teacher Work Day (no school) March 25-29 Spring Break (no school)

April 22 Teacher/Student Holiday (no school)

May 22-24 Exam Days (early release)



Academic Team Volunteering **Sports JROTC Important Dates** and more!