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

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Principals Message

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We are ready for another great year here at "the Beach" and we hope that you are too. As we begin this new school year, we have some bragging to do about last year.

Cocoa Beach Jr-Sr High School has again earned an "A" grade from the Florida Department of Education. This is a result of the hard work of our students and teachers, along with the support of parents and the community. We also learned that 89% of our International Baccalaureate Diploma Candidates earned the full IB Diploma. That is again above the US and World average. As you read through this newsletter you will also see other examples of our student success. For example, our Junior ROTC Academic Bowl Team finished in Top 10 in the nation and #1 team in Florida. Not to be outdone, our AP 2D Art students earned AP distinction, and as I write this, we are learning of more student successes.

Now, back to the upcoming school year. The first day of school is **Wednesday, August 10th!** We will hold our traditional registration event on **Wednesday August 3rd**, but are now calling it Minutemen Muster. That is a big day, as students can pick up their schedules and complete other activities during the Muster. And then, that evening we will hold our Program Showcase which highlights the clubs, activities, and sports available at Cocoa Beach. Mark your calendar for August 3 and 10!

Mark J. Rendell



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Minutemen Muster Wednesday, August 3rd

This is what we used to call Registration. Our students are already registered, so we will now call this entire event **Minutemen Muster**. During this event, students will be able to pick up their class schedules, pick out their locker, and buy a parking pass, register for a bus, and more. Students can also "walk" their schedules and meet their teachers.

The Muster takes place during the day with the following schedule:

- **Grades 10-12: 8:30 am – 11:30 am**
- **Grades 7-9: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm.**

Lockers: Students who wish to use a locker, must use a school lock. If they purchased one last year, and still have it, they can use it. If they need a lock, they can purchase a used school lock for \$2.00, or a brand-new lock for \$5.00

PE Uniforms: Students enrolled in PE classes must dress out and wear the Cocoa Beach PE uniform t-shirt and shorts. A set (t-shirt and shorts) is \$25.00 and can be purchased at Muster and also during the first few days of class.

Parking Permit: Students who wish to park in the school parking lot must purchase a permit each year. The cost is \$20.00 for the year and can be purchased at Muster, or during the first week of school. Also, Seniors can pay an additional \$20.00 to paint their parking space with a custom design. This can also be done at muster.

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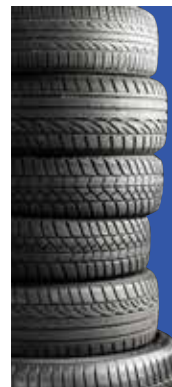
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New Students



Program Showcase Wednesday, August 3rd

On the evening of August 3rd, we will have our **Program Showcase**. There will be a short presentation for new students and their families in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) followed by free time to learn about all of the extra-curricular activities we have at Cocoa beach. All of our sports teams will be in the Gym. And all of our student clubs will be in the commons area. There will also be an information session about the International Baccalaureate (IB) program and also a presentation on Athletics. It will be an awesome night and a great way for our new students to be introduced to "the Beach!" The Program Showcase will begin in the PAC at 6:00 pm and should conclude by 8:00 pm.



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JROTC News

Academic Team Top 10 in the Nation

Our Academic team recently competed in the 2022 Army JROTC Academic Bowl Championships in Washington, DC. The team had a 7-3 record in the dual meet round and went into the semifinal round with strong momentum. There they ran into some stiff competition, including the eventual National Champions, and finished inside the top 10. Out of 3,100 schools nationwide, to finish in the Top 10 is quite an accomplishment. They were the highest ranked team from Florida and the only Florida team to make it to the Semifinal round. Representing Cocoa Beach were Gareth Bennet, Alessandra Lane, Shane Tipton, and Noble Knight. Congratulations to these outstanding young people on such a great run!



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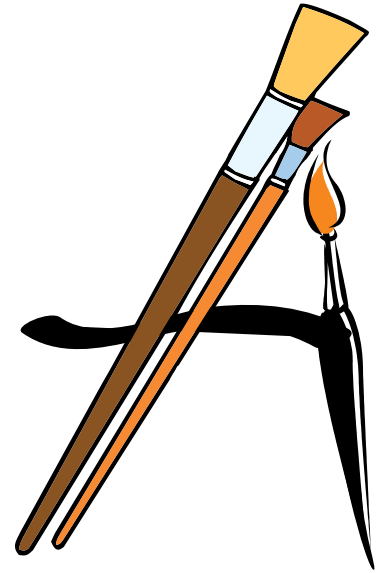
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2D Art Students Earn AP Distinction

Congratulations to our Advanced Placement 2D Art students who submitted portfolios to the College Board and were scored high enough to earn AP Designation! This is an incredible achievement as the standards are very high and the judges are meticulous. Congratulations to Emily Berard, Rowan Booth, Zoe Sherrer, Shaylean Mason, and our Art Teacher Sarah Soto! Well done!



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You must be fingerprinted and cleared before volunteering. There is no charge for fingerprinting at this time. Here's where to go for fingerprinting

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2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32940

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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?

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Students Earn Scholarships

The Cocoa Beach Women's Club awarded 6 of our Seniors Scholarships to assist them with their college pursuits. Scholarship winners were honored at the Women's Club's May Luncheon. We are so grateful for the support of the Cocoa Beach Women's Club.



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Important Dates

August 10	First Day of School
September 5	Labor Day Holiday (no school)
October 10	Teacher Work Day (no school)
November 11	Veterans Day Holiday (no school)
November 21-25	Thanksgiving Holiday (no school)
December 19-21	Exam Days (early release)
December 22-January 4	Winter Break (no school)
January 5	First Day of Second Semester
January 16	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (no school)
February 20	Teacher Work Day (no school)
March 13-17	Spring Break (no school)
March 20	Teacher Work Day (no school)
April 7	Teacher/Student Holiday (no school)
April 24	Teacher/Student Holiday (no school)
May 24-26	Exam Days (early release)

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