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

### Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School

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8:45am - 3:30pm

# <u>Friday</u>

## Early Release

8:45am - 2:15pm

#### **Administration**

Mr. Tim Powers
Principal

Dr. Mark Zeiler

Assistant Principal Curriculum

Mr. Cole Mannes Assistant Principal Operations

Ms. Cathy Gahres Assistant Principal

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# Principal's Message

Hello Minutemen!

We are quickly approaching the end of the school year. Soon, we will send off the Class of 2024 with all of our traditional activities. Prom is in April, and then in May we will have the Beach Walk and our unique Graduation Ceremony in the commons where each graduate will "cross the bridge."



With the end of the school year coming, that also means that testing season is heating up. Our tests will include: IB testing, AP testing, FAST Progress Monitor testing, and End of Course exams. Every exam is significant and requires the best each student has to offer. I will continue to send out testing dates utilizing the Monday Memo, to ensure each student is prepared for testing days.

With so many big exams around the corner, exceptional attendance is one of the most critical factors to success for all students. Students that are consistently in school and on time to every class give themselves the greatest opportunity to excel academically. Developing traits of punctuality and dependability also prepares students for success well after graduation as being on time and putting forth your best effort at work are keys to high productivity and professional growth. Thank you for reinforcing the importance of attendance and encouraging your child to make every day of school count!

I look forward to closing out the third quarter of the school year and I am committed to making quarter four the best of the year so far! Thank you for your continued support.

Go Beach!

Tim Powers Principal









#### Home of the Minutemen



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#### Book It Bake It 2024

The eighteenth annual Book It Bake It contest was held in the library on Tuesday, Feb 20th. Each year the Library / Media Center sponsors a special cake decorating contest. The cakes can be of any size, flavor or shape but it must be related to reading in order to enter the contest. There are 5 different categories that are judged in the competition: Best Book Cover, Best Book Scene/Setting, Best Book Character/Object/Figure, Most Creative and Best Overall



**Group Photo** 

Cake. Winners in each category receive a prize. There was a total of 30 cake entries this year with 43 students participating. The creativity of our students is always a sweet treat to see, and we are already looking forward to next year's contest.

There are 5 different categories that are judged in the competition:

Best Book Cover \$10.00
Best Book Scene/Setting \$10.00
Best Book Character/Object/Figure \$10.00
Most Creative \$20.00
Best Overall Cake 2024 yearbook



Best Scene/Setting -#4 The Shining



Best Character/Object/ figure: #1 Alice in Wonderland



Most Creative - #6 Esperanza Rising



Best Overall - #1 The Tell-tale Heart

# Esperanza Rising ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

### **Important Dates**

March 25-29 Spring Break (no school)

April 22 Teacher/Student Holiday (no school)

May 21 Graduation

Best Cover: #16 The

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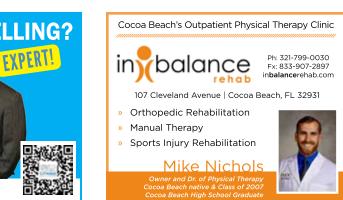
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May 22-24 Exam Days (early release)



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### Cocoa Beach Art

Embark on an artistic journey with our exceptional AP and IB art students as they proudly showcase their talents in a captivating art exhibition. Hosted at the Cocoa Beach Public Library, this exhibition runs from March 19 to March 30, welcoming visitors during regular library hours. Join us for the grand Gallery Opening on Tuesday, March 19, commencing at 6:00 PM. Additionally, mark your calendars for the Gallery Encore on Wednesday, March 27, also starting at 6:00 PM, Both events

promise an enchanting atmosphere filled with light hors d'oeuvres, refreshing beverages, and the opportunity to engage with each talented artist. Don't miss this unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a world of creativity and inspiration!



### Cocoa Beach Public Library Logo Contest

Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School Design Club students participated in a logo design contest for the Cocoa Beach Public Library this past month. Congratulations to Addison Hitchins & Keily Maguire (3rd place); Aidan Guiang & Ellie Hill (2nd place); and Leylani Vuong (1st place), whose design was chosen by the Cocoa Beach Public Library as their new logo! Leylani created a suite of logo options for the library, allowing them to choose logos variations that work best for all types of merchandise.

#### Special thank you to:

- The Cocoa Beach Public Library for allowing our students the opportunity to participate in this design project.
- Mrs. Soto & Mr. Taylor for being part of the judging process.
- All the students who participated in the contest. Congratulations again to all the winners!

Leylani Vuong with her logo designs



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**The Golden Glove** 



We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Kaelin Goslin, 'The Golden Glove,' for her outstanding performance this season in Girls' Soccer. Stepping into the role of the team's goalkeeper, Kaelin exhibited unparalleled dedication and unwavering commitment to her teammates. Despite the challenges of adapting to a new position, Kaelin concluded the season with remarkable achievements. She played 1,065 minutes on the field as a goalie, and she made an impressive 180 saves, showcasing her exceptional skill and agility. Her stellar performance has earned her

recognition on both a national and regional level. Kaelin ended the season ranked for goalkeeper 45th nationally, 19th in Florida, the 9th in Class 3A, and an exceptional 1st rank in 3A D10. Kaelin's achievements are a testament to her talent, hard work, and passion for the sport. We applaud her remarkable season and look forward to witnessing her continued success in the future.







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# \$100,000 in Five Years for the Kids!

Cocoa Beach Dance Marathon celebrates a milestone! We hosted our main event on February 24th where we had a lip sync battle, rave hour, Taylor Swift singalong, trivia, awards ceremony, and the final reveal of how much money was raised thoughout the year for Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children. Thorughout the evening we also heard stories from patients treated at the hospital and how funds from Dance Marathon (DM) impact them. We are so thankful to be apart of such an incredibly supportive community. Some of our top sponsors this year were Nothing Bundt Cakes, Ambassador Services, Sandbar Sports Grill, and Brand & May. This year's total \$31,594.42 is a record for us; 5 years ago our first total was just over \$7,000.

#### This now makes our 5 year total \$102,273.88!

Thank you to everyone who supported us over the past 5 years whether you bought a bundt cake, attend Mayhem on Minutemen, went to the middle school dance, let us pie you in the face, or played in Not-a-Dodgeball, together we have made a difference in the community and provided critical funds to the hospital for pediatric cancer research, fetal surgery, patient care, and more. A huge thank you to Surfside Playhouse, CB Fire, CB Police, and CBHS Art Club for the best Mayhem on Minutemen yet!

You could not have a better group of students than our DM members. They work extrememly hard throughout the year with our various events and generating donations on their own. 4 of the students each raised over \$1,000! Our top fundraisers were: Rhys Gallant, Katherine Harrington, Robert Jeyasselan, and Phaedra Lattouf. The highest honor given is the Legacy Award, which is given to a graduating senior who has left a huge impact on DM. The two recipients were Ava Weido and Julia Dillon. Thank you to everyone who made this year possible!



### Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School Presents The Little Mermaid

Calling all parents, family members and kids at heart! Join us for an unforgettable underwater adventure as our talented students bring to life the beloved tale of Ariel, the curious mermaid princess, and her quest for love and independence.

Our award-winning Theatre Department proudly presents *The Little Mermaid* runs **April 17-19** (6:00 pm) and **April 20** (2:00 pm). Tickets are only \$10 and can be purchased in advance by using the QR code or at the door.

Get ready to be mesmerized by stunning costumes, dazzling set designs, and toe-tapping musical numbers that will transport you to a magical realm beneath the sea.

Bring the whole family and experience the magic of live theater together! Don't miss your chance to witness our students shine on stage in this timeless classic that will capture the hearts of young and old alike.

Reserve your seats now for an evening filled with laughter, love, and the joy of imagination. We can't wait to share this unforgettable journey with you!







### **World Languages News**

The World Languages Department has had an exciting year, and there is still more to come in the last few months of school!

We hosted the International Dinner in December, which was a festive, fun event celebrating cultures around the world. Thanks again to all of the students and families who provided delicious refreshments, helped with set-up/clean-up, offered entertainment, and served food! Another fabulous cultural experience for students this year was the Hispanic Flamenco Ballet, which we hosted in the PAC February 9. The amazing show wove together Hispanic music, dance, and culture into an engaging, exciting performance that had students regularly on their feet. A huge thank you to Sra. Bray and the administration for all their efforts in making this event possible!

French Club is working tirelessly to plan and fundraise for Congrès, a yearly gathering of French students and teachers from all over Florida. This special event involves competitions and activities that support learning, community, and cultural awareness. Best of luck to all of the Congrès participants!

A small group of Spanish students from all levels participated in the county-wide Spanish Spelling Bee on March 6 at Heritage High School. These outstanding students were chosen in preliminary rounds to represent CBHS at the Spelling Bee: David Carr, Noah Sabol, Sam Alvarez, Sarah Ahmed, Hasini Setty, Jafar Ahmed, Kyle Sampson, Charlotte Monseliu, Pars Yazmanoglu, Aiden Bartlett, Margaret Hiestand, River Saint Gabriel, Margaret Shunnarah, Melissa Basily, Bianna Alexandra Hill, Antonella Ripepi, and Julia Martinez. Congratulations to all of the participants and thank you for making the Beach World Languages Department proud at the Spanish Spelling Bee!

As the school year winds down, our language students are working on everything from 2-D food trucks/menus for the April Art Show to intense AP and IB exams. Our World Languages teaching team loves watching students explore, learn, and grow at every level, and we appreciate all the support families provide. Keep encouraging your kids to explore language and culture outside of school through music, movies, festivals, food, and more! The opportunities for language and connection are endless!



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# CBHS ARTS WEEKEND

# Join us for a celebration of the Arts at our High School Arts Weekend!

Featuring a spectacular School Art Show with activities and live music, and captivating performances of The Little Mermaid from our award-winning theater department. Don't miss out on this weekend filled with creativity and talent. See you there!



#### The Little Mermaid

Showtime 6.00 PM 4/17 to 4/20 Performing Arts Center



#### School Art Show

Open 3:30-5:30 PM 4/19 to 4/20 School Gym

# Want to Become a BPS Volunteer? We Need You!

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

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.

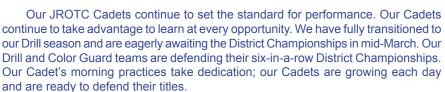
# In order to be fingerprinted, what do I bring to the Office of District and School Security?

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.

### **JROTC News**





We completed our annual Military Ball at the Tides Club on February 16th. Our Cadets planned and executed a first-rate Military Ball, and we were fortunate to have Mr. Powers, our Principal, and Mr. Mannes, our Vice Principal for Facilities, share the evening with our Cadets. Our guest speaker was our very own Dr. Rowley, whose inspiring words were well-received by our cadets, guests, and family members. With nearly 150 guests in attendance, this was the largest Military Ball to date, and our Staff and Cadet leaders did an excellent job! Our Military Ball ended with honoring our Senior Class Cadets, who were all recognized for their hard work and dedication to our program. A special thanks to our senior Cadets who were instrumental in the evening's success - Battalion Commander Blake Anderson, Battalion S1 Alexis Barnes, and our Battalion S5 Ben Burton, for taking the lead on a fantastic evening.

As we head into spring, our leadership camp at La No Che Boy Scout Camp kicks off Spring Break for 22 of our Cadets, and we are planning for our annual Organization Day on April 24th and our annual JROTC awards ceremony on May 10th. 1SG Staddie and I are excited for our Senior Class, who are eagerly awaiting graduation.











# Minutemen **Sports**



### Why Cocoa Beach Football?

Spring Football is only a month or so away. If you like football, you will LOVE Cocoa Beach Football, even if you've never played before. Football is a great team sport, and the Minutemen will do well. We have a Parent/Player Meeting on Monday April 1, 2024, in the Theater. Spring, Summer & Fall information will be discussed. You & your family are invited! Please email me if you are interested, my email is below. In the meantime, take care of what's important.... keep your grades up & finish strong this semester!

TO POTENTIAL STUDENT-ATHLETES: Why should you play football?

- To participate in a GREAT TEAM sport.
- To make dozens of new friends.
- To develop outstanding personal strength & speed.
- To get proper guidance towards college.
- To wear the best equipment, including swag & uniforms.

#### TO PARENTS: Why should your child play football?

- Great role-modeling & SAFE: We employ 12+ fully certified coaches.
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  - Improve overall work ethic: Learn the skill of working hard.
  - Join the Minutemen family: Young athletes grouped with peer role-models.
  - Learn about respect towards cultural diversity.
  - Physically develop through creative strength training & nutrition.
  - Coach Kimmey has had 9 student-athletes sign full athletic scholarships to Division I schools and has helped a total of 36 students reach their goal of playing football in college.
  - Develop valuable leadership skills, team skills, and improve self-esteem.
  - Learn the value of Community Service & Family.

GO BEACH! Coach Kimmey

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To Addressee or Current Resident

## Cocoa Beach Tennis

The 2024 Boys tennis has started their season for the spring. They won their first two matches handedly but ran into some of the tougher teams in the Cape Coast Conference. We are looking to improve and surprise some competition by the district tournament in April. The highlights of the season belong to eight grade student, Jordy Abdul. Jordy has won all six of his singles matches and anchored four doubles wins so far this season. Additionally, Jordy is a leader at practice and in the classroom, demonstrating what it takes to be a student athlete at Cocoa Beach Jr./Sr. High School. Other members contributing wins in Varsity matches include TJ Trska, Xander Fuchs, lan Bjorgum, Zak Williams and Matthew Paulson.





GO BEACH!!!!!