

Back to School Night

September 25, 2013

Middle School Administration

- Michele Natali, Ed.D.
 - Principal
 - Keith Biesma & Theresa Taplin
 - Vice Principals
 - Vincent Russo
 - Coordinator, Special Education
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Construction Update



School Day

- Begins at 7:55 lockers
 - 1st pd – 8:00
 - Dismissal 2:50
 - 4:00 bus – extra help & clubs
 - 5:00 bus – athletics
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Clubs, Intramurals & Music

- Morning Music – LB Singers, Chamber Orchestra, Jazz Band & Woodwind Ensemble
 - Clubs
 - Intramural – golf, hockey, dance, spring mix, cheerleading
 - Musical & Drama – art set design, wood set design
 - Extra help
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SO & grade level advisors

- ❑ SO – officers, Back to School Bash
 - ❑ 6th grade – Frost Valley & Adventureland
 - ❑ 7th grade – Philadelphia, NYC & Mushroom Park
 - ❑ 8th grade – Fishing trip and June trip
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Athletics

- 7th & 8th graders
 - Fall, Winter I, Winter II, Spring
 - Physicals
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Nurse's Office

- Pink Emergency cards
 - Absence – call attendance office and bring a note upon return
 - 6th graders – Tdap
 - 7th grade - Physicals
 - Flu information
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Social & Emotional Learning

- Six Pillars of Character
 - Bully Prevention Week
 - Dignity Act
 - Cyber Bullying
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Dignity for All Students Act

- ❑ New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (The Dignity Act) seeks to provide the State's public elementary and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function.
 - ❑ The Dignity Act was signed into law on September 13, 2010 and took effect on July 1, 2012.
 - ❑ Cyberbullying added July 2013
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Dignity Act

- Dignity Act Coordinator
 - Revised Code of Conduct
 - Staff Development
 - Instruction in Civility, Citizenship, and Character Education
 - Dignity Act Reporting
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Instruction that

- supports development of a school environment free of discrimination and harassment including but not limited to instruction that raises awareness and sensitivity to discrimination or harassment based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex
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Safety

- Bikes = Helmets
 - Drop off/Pick up
 - Driving near school
 - Need ID to enter our school buildings and to pick up a child
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21st Century Skills

- Communication
 - Collaboration
 - Creativity & Innovation
 - Critical thinking
 - Caring
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Middle Years Program

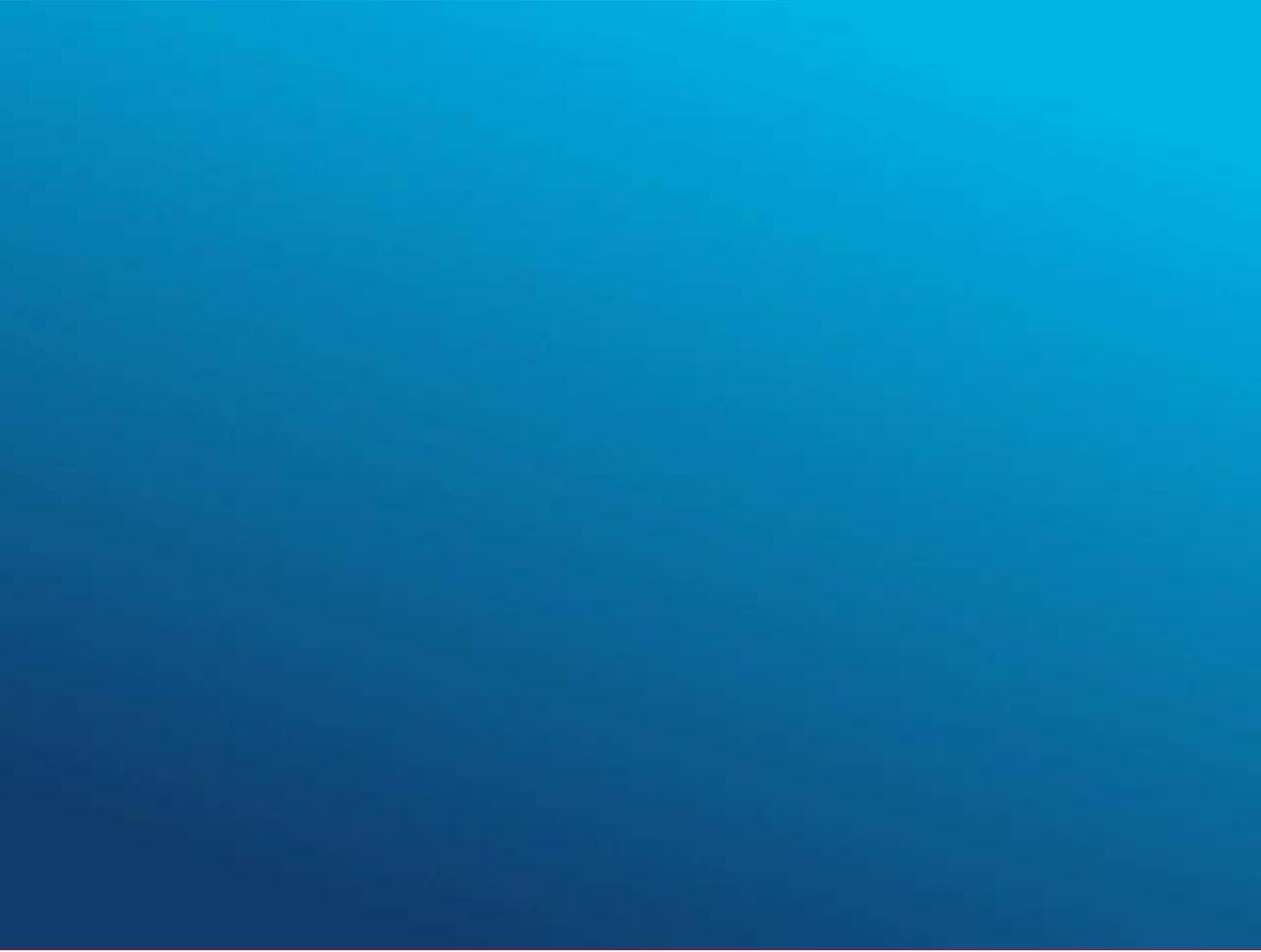
IB Mission Statement

- ❑ Aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.
 - ❑ Melanie Scott, MYP Coordinator
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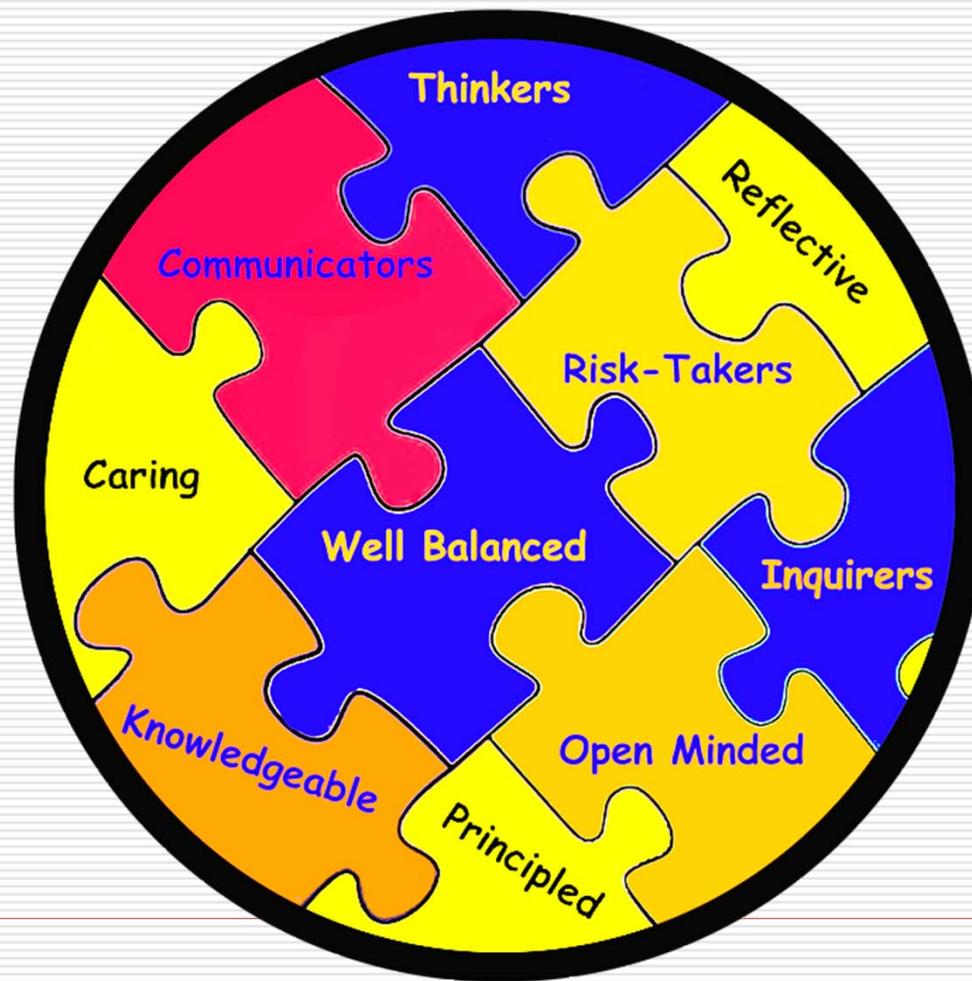
Why MYP

- ❑ Provides a comprehensive framework for whole school curriculum alignment and instructional unity
 - ❑ Prepares students for the IB Diploma Program
 - ❑ Provides opportunity for professional dialogue about best practice
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IB Learner Profile



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Expectations

- High standards for all of our students
 - Take students from where they are and bring them to the next level
 - Whole child
 - Well rounded – mind and spirit
 - Partner with parents and community
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Communications

- Website www.lbeach.org
 - "Middle Matters" Newsletter
 - Parent Portal
 - Parent Link
 - E-mail blasts – PTA
 - E-mail mnatali@lbeach.org
 - Phone 897-2166/2162
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Tonight's Format

- You will follow your child's day 3 schedule
 - 15 min / 5 min passing
 - Lunch
 - Administrators available in the café to answer questions
 - Librarians available in LMC to help with Parent Portal
 - Survey from Coalition to Prevent Underage Drinking
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- PTA selling apparel and food

PTA

- ❑ Please join!
 - ❑ Co Presidents – Maureen Vrona & Kim Ashmead
 - ❑ VP's – Christine Bulik, Chris Goldstein & Leisa Thursland
 - ❑ Treasurer – Kerrie DeStefano
 - ❑ Corresponding Secy – Sharon Powers
 - ❑ Recording Secy – Dawn Russo
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Thank you!

We will be available during lunch periods in the cafeteria if you have any questions.