

## LONG BEACH HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Long Beach High School Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year! I hope you had a wonderful summer vacation and are eager to begin an exciting school year. Your school counselors and I are here to assist and support you with ongoing academic planning, monitoring academic progress, and achieving post-secondary plans. In addition, we provide counseling and support services for students and their families. The Counseling Department strives to promote each student's academic success, develop career plans and post-secondary goals, and support student's social and emotional growth and well-being.

To that end, communication and collaboration is the key to our success. We are available by phone, via email, and in person by appointment. Our counselors also have extended hours two days per week according to the schedule available on our website at <a href="http://lbeach.org/schools/hs\_guidance">http://lbeach.org/schools/hs\_guidance</a>. Please reach out to us with any concerns or questions.

In an effort to keep you informed, we regularly email guidance updates to share specific grade-level activities, events, and important dates through our Naviance Family Connection at <a href="https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=lbeach">https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=lbeach</a>. Incoming 9th graders will establish their account this fall during a Naviance Guidance lesson. For grades 10-12, your student's have already established their Naviance Family Connection account with their email address as their username. It is this same email address that will receive all of the notifications. In order to take advantage of these grade-specific email notifications, please be sure to check this email often. If you wish to modify the email address associated with Naviance Family Connection, you may do so. If you or your student do not know your username or need to reset your password for Naviance Family Connection, please call the Counseling Department at 516-897-2019.

There are many important guidance documents in this mailing. Enclosed you will find a 9<sup>th</sup> grade bulletin in lavender, 10<sup>th</sup> grade bulletin in blue, 11<sup>th</sup> grade bulletin in yellow, and a 12<sup>th</sup> grade bulletin in green. Please read the appropriate grade level bulletin and post it on your refrigerator, bulletin board, or in another handy place where you can view it throughout the year.

In addition, there are two white pages pertaining to the SAT and ACT exams which are potentially relevant to all students in all grades.

We hope you find this information helpful in planning your school year and look forward to beginning another successful year together in September!

Warm Regards,

Kerry Fallon

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