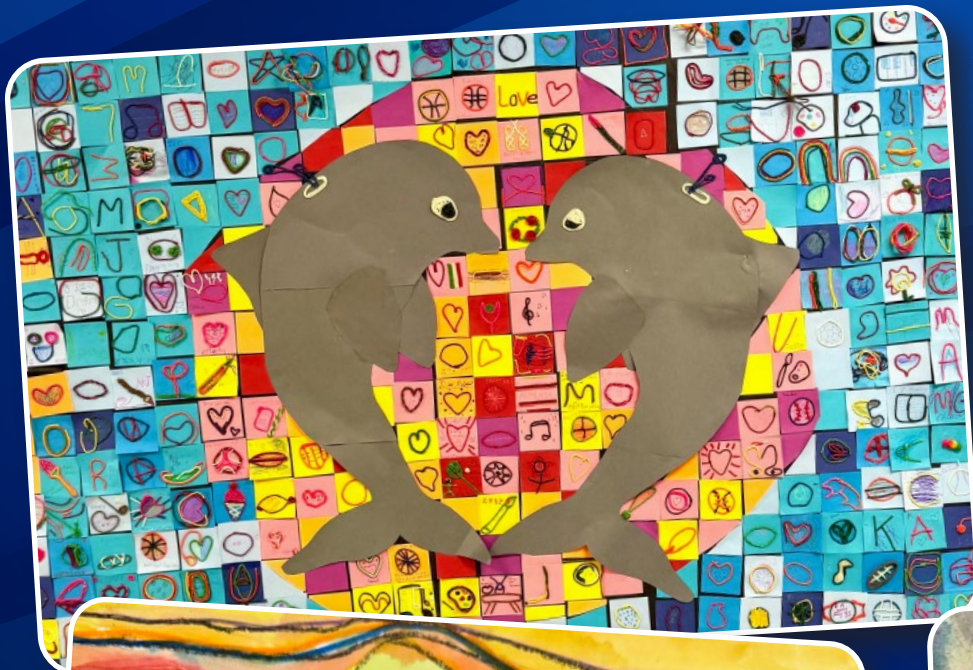




Students of
James A.
Dever School



Isabella
Simeonidis,
Grade 2, Willow
Road School



Leo Vaskovich, Grade 4, Wheeler Avenue School



Juveline Nascimento, Grade 6, Howell Road School



2026-2027 CALENDAR

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

All meetings in the Board Room, 8:00 pm

August 26th*	4th Wednesday
September 22nd	4th Tuesday
October 27th	4th Tuesday
November 24th	4th Tuesday
December 15th	3rd Tuesday
January 26th, 2027	4th Tuesday
February 23rd	4th Tuesday
March 23rd (Budget Meeting)	4th Tuesday
April 19th (BOCES Vote)	3rd Monday
May 18th (Annual Election)	3rd Tuesday
June 22nd	4th Tuesday
July 7th* (2027-2028 Reorganization Meeting)	1st Wednesday
August 25th*	4th Wednesday

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

September 15th	3rd Tuesday
October 20th	3rd Tuesday
November 17th	3rd Tuesday
January 19, 2027	3rd Tuesday
March 16th	3rd Tuesday
April 13th*	2nd Tuesday
June 15th	3rd Tuesday

** Indicates date other than 3rd/4th Tuesday
(regularly scheduled date)*

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568-6100



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568-6147



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Instructional Technology

Specialist

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Brandon Villanueva

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Amanda Garcia

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Jennifer Mercatante 568-6117

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Debbie Kornfeld
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Valley Stream, NY 11580

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REPORTING DAMAGE TO SCHOOL PROPERTY

The school playgrounds are used by many children of the district. The greater percentage of these children are careful to avoid the destruction or defacement of school property. However, since there are a few who abuse their privileges, the cooperation of all parents and children is needed in helping to reduce vandalism.

Please report any questionable conduct to the custodian in charge of each building, as follows:

James A. Dever School — James Centore	568-6125
Howell Road School — Richard Traffica	568-6135
Wheeler Avenue School — Adam Ray	568-6285
Willow Road School — William Buchanan	568-6645

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

JAMES A. DEVER SCHOOL

585 North Corona Avenue
Valley Stream, New York 11580-2099



Principal
Darren Gruen
568-6120
568-6121
(Fax) 568-6119

Nurse Carolann Jaffe: 568-6123
Early Absentee Calls: 568-6123
School Hours: 8:25 am–2:50 pm
Grades K-6

HOWELL ROAD SCHOOL

1475 Howell Road
Valley Stream, New York 11580-1396



Principal
Dr. Jasmine G. Shepherd
568-6130
568-6131
(Fax) 568-6107



**Assistant Principal
and PreK Coordinator**
Edward Courtney

Nurse Elizabeth Reyes: 568-6133
Early Absentee Calls: 568-6133
School Hours: 8:50 am–3:15 pm
Grades PreK-6

WHEELER AVENUE SCHOOL

1 West Wheeler Avenue
Valley Stream, New York 11580-3497



Principal
Frank Huplosky
568-6140
568-6141
(Fax) 568-0061



**Assistant Principal
and ENL Coordinator**
Amanda King, Ed.D.

Nurse Theresa O'Sullivan: 568-6143
Early Absentee Calls: 568-6143
School Hours: 8:50 am–3:15 pm
Grades K-6

WILLOW ROAD SCHOOL

880 Catalpa Drive
Franklin Square, New York 11010-4028



Principal
Cindy Gervasi
568-6640
568-6641
(Fax) 292-2095

Nurse Audrey Carrott: 568-6643
Early Absentee Calls: 568-6643
School Hours: 8:00 am–2:25 pm
Grades PreK-6

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS & PRIVACY ACT OF 1974

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, parents or legal guardians who do not wish their student's directory information—which includes name, address, parents/guardians, date and place of birth, participation in recognized activities and sports, awards and recognitions received, and photographs—released to potential news sources, including the district's website, must make a specific request in writing, mailed by September 30, to the District Clerk, Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen, 585 North Corona Avenue, Valley Stream, NY 11580.

TITLE IX NOTICE

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen of Valley Stream, NY, does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the educational programs or activities which it operates, and it is required by Title IX Regulation implementing the Educational Amendments of 1972 not to discriminate in such a manner. This policy of nondiscrimination includes the following areas: recruitment and appointment of employees, employment pay and benefits, counseling services for students to educational programs, course offerings and student activities. The district officials responsible for the coordination of activities relating to compliance with Title IX are Dr. Lisa Dunn, 516-568-6260, and Gary Gentles, 516-568-6110. These officials will provide information, including complaint procedures, to any student or employee who feels that his or her rights under Title IX may have been violated by the district or its officials.

SCHOOL CLOSING

Should it be necessary to close school due to weather conditions or other emergencies, announcements will be made over the following radio stations: WGBB (1240), WGSM (740), WHLI (1100), WINS (1010), WGLI (1290), WNBC (660), and WCB5 NEWSRADIO 88 AM (880). It will also be noted on Optimum Channel 12 and the district's website, www.valleystream13.com. Parents/guardians will also receive an automated phone call from the school district. A delayed opening is two hours after the start of school.

THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen is committed to meeting the needs of all students. In compliance with federal and state law, the district offers comprehensive programs for students with disabilities. The district's Committee for Preschool Special Education (CPSE) meets to review results of evaluations completed for children between the ages of 2 and 5. The district's Committee of Special Education (CSE) meets regularly to evaluate school-age students and to make recommendations for programs including, but not limited to, related services of speech, occupational therapy, physical therapy and counseling, as well as resource room, inclusion and special class programs. If you believe your preschool or school-age child may be in need of an evaluation, please contact the Office of Special Services at 516-568-6260.

The district ensures confidentiality of personally identifiable data and information or records pertaining to a student with a disability. Parents have the right to access their child's records and may do so by contacting the Executive Director of Special Services.

All non-English speaking or Limited English Proficient students who enter the district's schools are tested and evaluated for the English as a New Language Program. Parents are informed of ENL class placement and are invited to attend an orientation early in the school year in which the program is described.

Enrichment is offered for all students within their classrooms; however, the district's Gifted & Talented Program services identify students in grades 4-6 in a pull-out model. Students are selected using multiple criteria. Prior to admission to the program, parents are informed of the recommendation and consent is obtained. For more information, contact the Office of Curriculum and Instruction at 516-568-6147.

VISION

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen will treat each and every child as a scholar to be prepared to meet the challenges of their future.

MISSION

The Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen offers our lifelong learners a robust curriculum through the partnership of home, school and community. We expose our children to important literature and ideas to master fundamental skills and develop problem-solving and critical thinking skills. We promote social responsibility, encouraging students and staff to set high personal goals.

GOALS

Engaging Experiences:

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen will provide all students engaging educational experiences that foster deep understanding, critical thinking, and real-world connections to local and global communities, improving academic achievement and providing personal growth so that all students are ready for the future by creating challenging, relevant, and joyful learning experiences Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen students will participate in and be motivated by.

Intentional Support:

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen will provide all students with support that empowers them to extend their strengths, overcome barriers, close learning gaps, and achieve their fullest potential by building a robust multi-tiered system of supports that is proactive, equitable, and responsive to the needs of every student.

Connectedness:

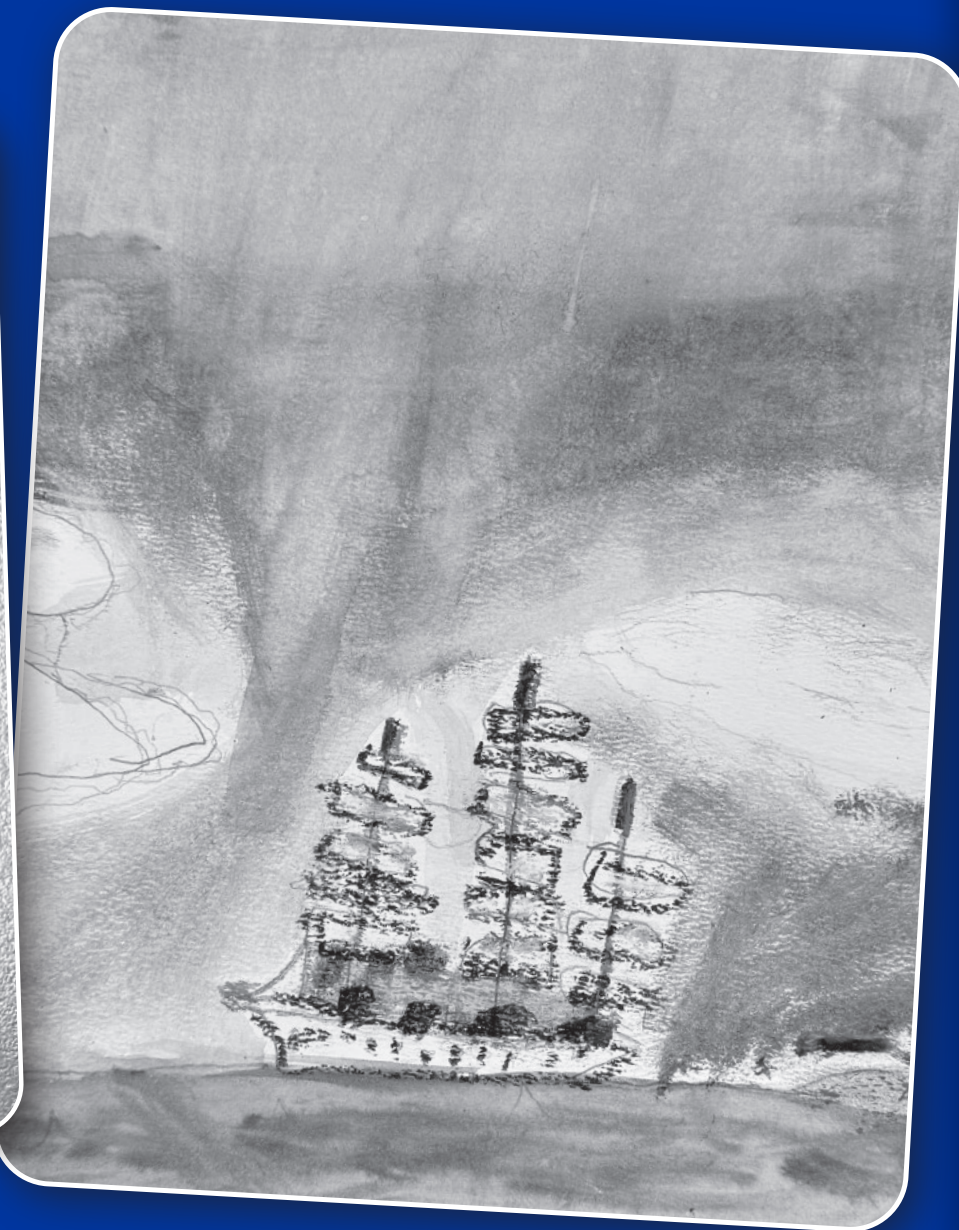
Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen will be a school district where all members feel welcomed, valued, and empowered to contribute, resulting in a positive, inclusive, and collaborative school climate by cultivating strong connections among students, staff, families, and the community, strengthening school spirit, family engagement, and shared responsibility for student success.

Learning Environment:

Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen will have safe, healthy, and accessible facilities that inspire engagement, support academic excellence, and foster wellbeing for students and staff by improving facilities and grounds district-wide with projects that are compliant and fiscally responsible.



Victoria Randel, Grade 1, Willow Road School



Allison Biggane, Grade 3, James A. Dever School

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AUGUST 2026

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9	10	11	Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom)	13	14	15
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23	24	25	Dever Kindergarten Popsicle Playdate Willow Kindergarten Popsicle Playdate Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting	Willow PreK Meet & Greet 10:00 am Howell PreK Meet & Greet 1:00 pm Howell PTA Back To School Jam	28	29
30	SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY 31					



Elijah Sidial, Kindergarten, Wheeler Avenue School



Amaya Ganga, Grade 2, Howell Road School

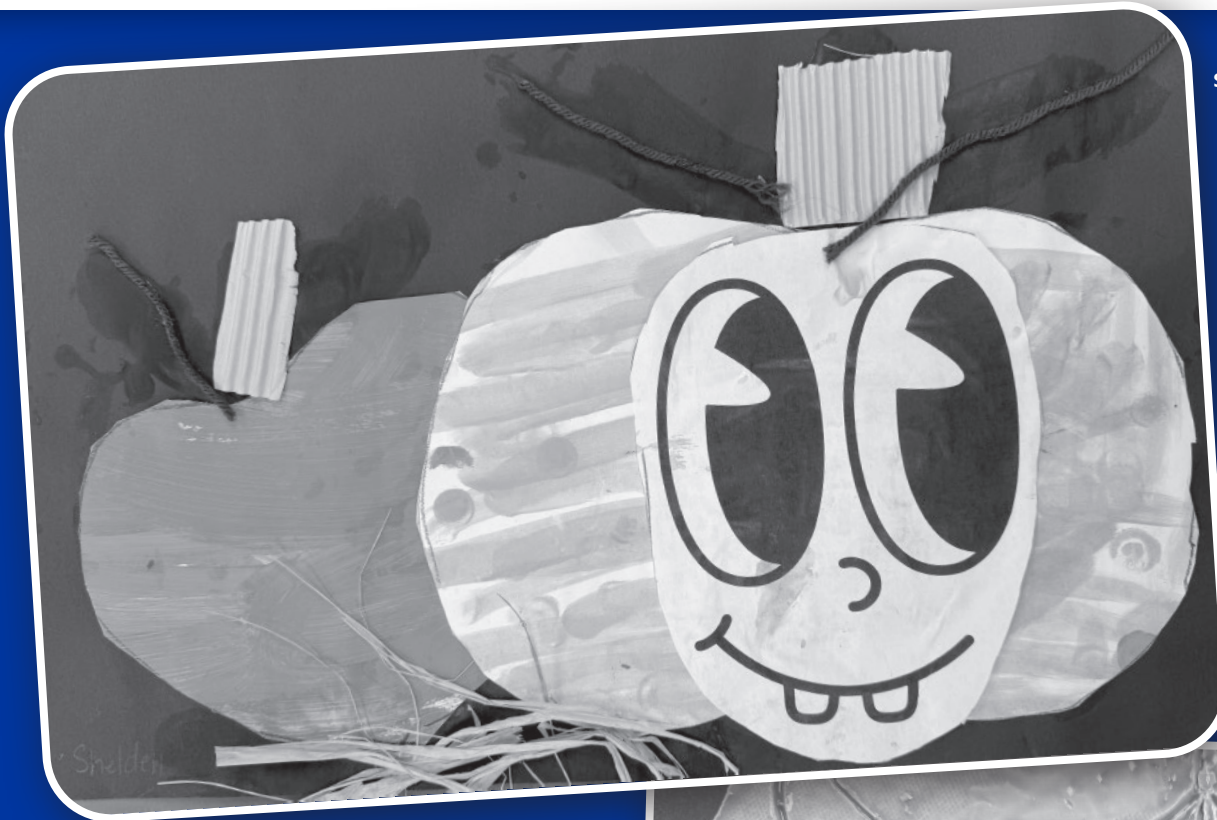


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		SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY Willow PTA Welcome Back Staff Breakfast Howell PTA Welcome Back Staff Breakfast 1	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL Willow PTA Meet & Greet 8:00 am Howell Tears & Cheers 8:30 am Wheeler Tears & Cheers 8:30 am Dever Tears & Cheers 8:45 am 2	3	4	5
6	LABOR DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED 7	Dever PTA Apparel Sale 9/8-9/25 Willow Open House 8	Wheeler PTA Board Meeting 6:00 pm Wheeler PTA General Meeting 7:00 pm Wheeler Class Parent & Committee Meeting 7:30 pm 9	10	11	12
13	Dever Open House Willow PTA Clothing Sale 9/14-10/2 14	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting 15	Wheeler Open House Howell PTA Meeting 7:00 pm 16	Howell Open House Wheeler Spirit Wear Sale 9/17-10/2 17	Dever PTA Back To School Picnic 4:30-7:30 pm 18	19
20	YOM KIPPUR SCHOOLS CLOSED 21	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm Grade Rep, Class Parent, Chairperson Meeting 6:30 pm Willow Picture Day Howell PTA Live Pumpkin Patch 22	23	24	Dever Spirit Day Wheeler Spirit Day Willow Spirit Day 25	Willow Color Run 12:00-2:00 pm 26
27	Dever Picture Day Howell PTA Pumpkin Patch Sale 9/28-10/8 28	29	Willow PTA Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm 30			



Sheldon Altidor, Grade 2,
James A. Dever School



Maryam Mohamed, Grade 4,
Willow Road School



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OCTOBER 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Dever Food Drive 10/1-10/30 Wheeler Coat Drive 10/1-10/31	Howell PTA Fall Movie Night	
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		Wheeler Cookie Dough Sale 10/6-10/23	Dever PTA Pumpkin Patch (Rain Date 10/8) Howell PJ Story Night Gr PreK-2 5:30 pm Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom) 6:00 pm Willow Class Parent Orientation 7:00-8:00 pm	Dever PTA Pumpkin Patch Rain Date Howell PJ Literacy Night Gr 3-6 5:30 pm	Willow PTA Kindergarten Kick- Off 6:00-8:00 pm	
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	COLUMBUS DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED	Howell Picture Day		Willow PTA Pumpkin Patch (Rain Date 10/16)	Wheeler Picture Day Howell PTA Fall Festival (Rain Date 10/30) Willow PTA Pumpkin Patch Rain Date	Board of Education Building Inspections 9:00 am
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	Howell PTA Coat Drive 10/19-10/23	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm		Howell PTA Pumpkin Patch	Howell Red Ribbon Kick Off Wheeler Pumpkin Patch Willow Spirit Day Dever PTA Trunk or Treat 4:30-6:30 pm (Rain Date 10/30) Wheeler Candy Lane & Movie Night 6:00 pm Willow PTA Trunk or Treat 6:00-8:00 pm	
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	Howell Red Ribbon Week 10/26-10/30 Dever Red Ribbon Week 10/26-10/30	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting Willow PTA Book Fair	Willow PTA Book Fair Willow PTA Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm		Howell Book Character Day Parade Howell PTA Fall Festival Rain Date Wheeler Fall Festival Willow Wonder Walk Willow Parents Night Out 7:00-10:00 pm	
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Mishal Nawaz, Grade 4, Wheeler Avenue School



Ava Tran, Grade 1, Howell Road School

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1	Dever PTA Intergenerational Reading Brunch 2	SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY 3	Wheeler Scholastic Book Fair 11/4-11/5 Willow PTA Bear Wheeler PTA Board Meeting 6:00 pm; General Meeting 7:00 pm 4	5	6	7
8	9	Wheeler Multicultural Night 5:30 pm 10	VETERANS DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED 11	Dever PTA Coat Drive 11/12-12/23 Howell PTA Meeting 7:00 pm 12	Wheeler Toy Drive 11/13-12/11 Willow Bingo Night (Parents & Staff) 6:00-8:00 pm 13	PEAK FESTIVAL at Bethpage High School 14
15	16	Dever Scholastic Book Fair 11/17-11/19 Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm Wheeler School Spirit Week 11/17-11/18 17	Howell Fall Book Fair Preview Night Howell Multicultural Night 6:30 pm 18	Howell Scholastic Book Fair 11/19-11/20 19	Dever Picture Retake & 6th Grade Candids Wheeler Spirit Day Willow Spirit Day 20	21
22	American Education Week 11/23-11/25 23	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting 24	25	THANKSGIVING RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED 26	THANKSGIVING RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED 27	28
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Sophia Miah, Grade 1, James A. Dever School



Ella Amato, Grade 3, Willow Road School

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DECEMBER 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Dever PTA Holiday Boutique 12/1-12/2 Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom) 6:00 pm	Willow PTA Holiday Boutique 12/2-12/3 Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom) 6:00 pm	Howell PTA Holiday Boutique 12/3-12/4	HANUKKAH BEGINS Wheeler Picture Retake & 6th Grade Candids	
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6	7	8	Parent / Teacher Day Conferences ALL SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR HALF DAY 9	Parent / Teacher Day & Evening Conferences ALL SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR HALF DAY 10	Dever PTA Winter Ball Willow Picture Retake & 6th Grade Candids 11	HANUKKAH ENDS 12
13	14	Howell Winter Concert 9:30 am Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting 15	Howell Winter Concert 9:30 am & 7:00 pm 16	Wheeler Winter Concert 9:30 am Willow Winter Concert 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Dever Winter Concert 9:00 am Wheeler School Spirit Week 12/17-12/23	Dever Winter Concert 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Willow Spirit Day Wheeler Winter Concert 9:30 am & 7:00 pm 18	Howell PTA Winter Wonderland 19
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Jimena Bojorge, Grade 2, Howell Road School



Raquel Cabreja, Grade 4, Wheeler Avenue School



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JANUARY 2027

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					HOLIDAY RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY	
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	Dever PTA PARP 1/4-1/29		All County Division I West Rehearsal @ Lawrence Middle School 4:00 pm	All County Division I West Rehearsal @ Lawrence Middle School 4:00 pm		All County Div I West Rehearsal @ Lawrence Middle School 9:00 am
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All County Division I W Concert @ LIU CW Post Tilles Center 11:00 am	Howell Picture Retake & 6th Grade Candids		Wheeler PTA Board Meeting 6:00 pm; PTA General Meeting 7:00 pm (Zoom) All County Division II Rehearsal @ Plainedge High School 4:00 pm		Willow PTA Bowling Night All County Division II Rehearsal @ Plainedge High School 4:00 pm	All County Division II Rehearsal @ Plainedge High School 8:30 am
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All County Division II Concert @ LIU CW Post Tilles Center 11:00 am	MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm Howell PTA PARP 1/19-1/29			Wheeler Bingo Night	
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24		Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting	Willow PTA Meeting		Dever PTA Career Day Wheeler Spirit Day Willow Spirit Day	
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Hanna Surmenian Grade 1, Willow Road School



Chinazaekperem Ifudu, Grade 2, Wheeler Avenue School

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FEBRUARY 2027

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DEADLINE FOR FILING NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS IS ON APRIL 1	Wheeler Spirit Wear Sale 2/1-2/12 Willow PTA Clothing Sale 2/1-2/26		District Literacy Celebration		Willow PTA Special Person's Dance Gr K-3 6:00-8:00 pm	LUNAR NEW YEAR
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			Willow PTA Valentine's Day Sale Wheeler PTA Founders Day Howell PTA Meeting 7:00 pm Wheeler PTA Meeting 7:00 pm	Dever PTA Valentine's Day Sale 2/11-2/12 Howell Sweetheart Dance	Howell P.S. I Love You Day Celebration Wheeler Sweetheart Dance	
7	Howell Healthy Heart Week 2/8-2/12					13
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	WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED PRESIDENTS' DAY	WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED	WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED	WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED	WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED	
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		Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting Dever PTA Founders Day			LISFA Nassau Intermediate Festival 2/26-2/27 Wheeler Spirit Day Willow Spirit Day Willow Multicultural Night 6:00-7:30 pm	
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Yume Ryono, Grade 6, James A. Dever School



Keilan Jones-Mason, Grade 6, Howell Road School

February

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MARCH 2027

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Wheeler PTA PARP 3/1-3/12 Willow PTA PARP 3/1-3/29 1	2	Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom) 6:00 pm 3	4	Piano Solo NYSSMA @ Nassau Community College 3/5-3/6 Willow PTA Bear 5	6
7	Howell PTA Miss Chocolate Sale 3/8-3/25 8	EID AL-FITR SCHOOLS CLOSED 9	10	Dever PTA 5th Grade Family Fun Night 11	Wheeler's Got Talent 6:00 pm 12	13
14	Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm 15	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting Parent / Teacher Day Conference All Schools Closed for Half Day 16	17	Parent / Teacher Day & Evening Conference All Schools Closed for Half Day 18	Willow Spirit Day Willow PTA Family Fun Night Gr 4-6 6:00-8:00 pm 19	20
21	22	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting & Budget Meeting 23	Dever PTA 6th Grade Family Fun Night Willow PTA Founder's Day 24	25	SPRING RECESS I SCHOOLS CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY 26	27
EASTER SUNDAY 28	29	PreK Welcome & Information Night (Incoming Families) 6:30 pm 30	31			



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Daniella Crichlow, Grade 3, Howell Road School

March						
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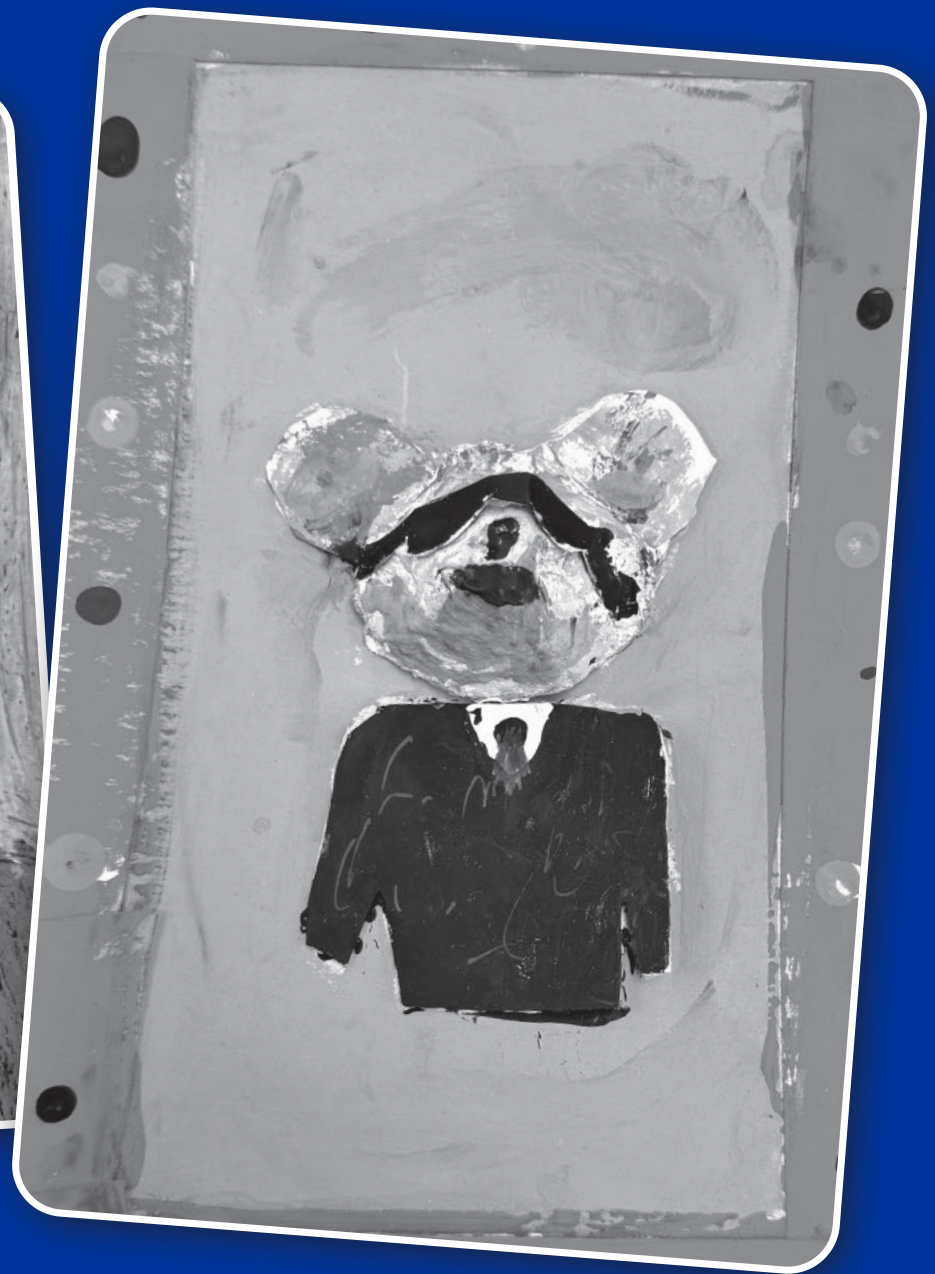
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				DEADLINE FOR FILING NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS Willow Spring Concert 9:00 am & 7:00 pm 1	Wheeler Spring Fling 2	3
4	Wheeler Plant Sale Pre-order 4/5-5/7 5	 GR 5 & 6 NYS ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ASSESSMENTS 4/6-4/7 6	Wheeler PTA Board Meeting 6:00 pm; PTA General Meeting & PARP Winners 7:00 pm Howell PTA Meeting 7:00 pm 7	 GR 3 & 4 NYS ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ASSESSMENTS 4/8-4/9 8	Dever PTA Spring Fling 9	10
11	NYSSMA Vocal/Instrumental Solo Festival @ Valley Stream South High School 4/12-4/13 Dever PTA Meeting 7:00 pm 12	Board of Education 6:30 Commendations; 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting 13	Wheeler Spring Concert 9:30 am 14	Wheeler Spring Concert 9:30 am & 7:00 pm 15	Wheeler Spirit Day Willow Spirit Day Willow PTA Talent Show 6:00-8:00 pm 16	17
18	Dever Earth & Arbor Day Celebration Dever Spring Concert 9:00 am Howell Spring Concert 9:30 am & 7:00 pm Wheeler PTA Book Fair 4/19-4/20 Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting & BOCES Vote DEADLINE FOR FILING PETITIONS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEE 5:00 pm 19	Dever Spring Concert 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Howell Spring Concert 9:30 am & 7:00 pm 20	PASSOVER BEGINS Howell Earth & Arbor Day Celebration Wheeler Earth & Arbor Day Celebration Willow Earth & Arbor Day Celebration Willow PTA Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm 15-MINUTE EARLY DISMISSAL DRILL 21	SPRING RECESS II SCHOOLS CLOSED 22	SPRING RECESS II SCHOOLS CLOSED 23	24
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Taylor Bennett Grade 3, Willow Road School



David Alvarado, Grade 2, James A. Dever School

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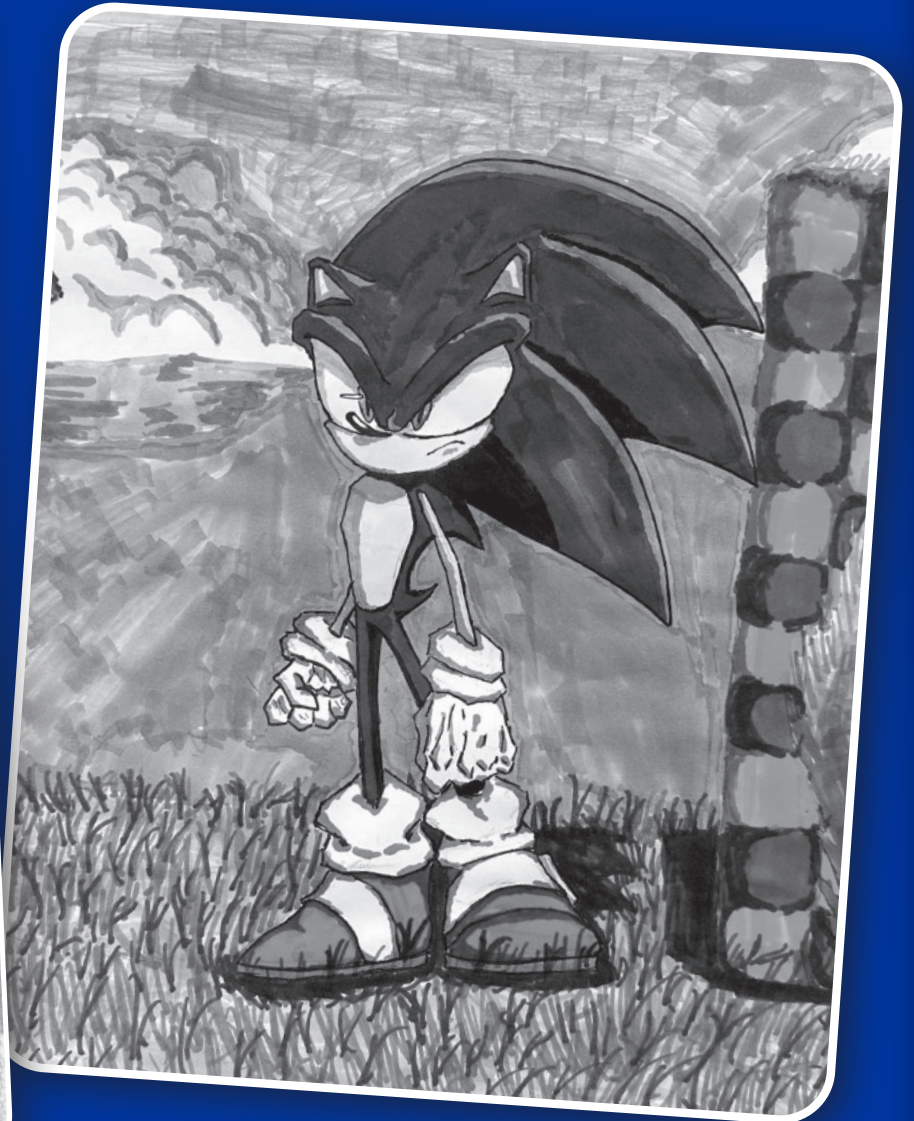
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2	Willow PTA Mother's Day Sale/Plant Sale 3	4 GR 5 & 6 NYS MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENTS 5/4-5/5	District Thirteen Budget Hearing 7:30 pm (VSCHSD @ 8:00 pm) Wheeler PTA Board Meeting (Zoom) 5	Dever PTA Plant Sale 6 GR 3 & 4 NYS MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENTS 5/6-5/7	Dever PTA Plant Sale Wheeler Staff Appreciation Luncheon Wheeler Plant Sale and Pre-order pick up Willow PTA Staff Luncheon Wheeler Movie Night 7	8
9	10	LAST DAY FOR VOTER REGISTRATION FOR ALL SCHOOLS 5:00-9:00 PM Dever PTA Installation Dinner GR 5 NYS SCIENCE ASSESSMENT 11	Meet the Candidates Night (if needed) @ Dever 7:00 pm Howell PreK & Kindergarten Field Day (Rain Date 5/13) 12	Howell PreK & Kindergarten Field Day Rain Date Wheeler Gr 4-6 Field Day (Rain Date 6/1) 13	Willow Field Day 14	Registration Books Open for Inspection 9:00 am-12:00 pm 15
16	EID AL-ADHA SCHOOLS CLOSED 17	ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & TRUSTEE ELECTION 6:00 AM-9:00 PM Dever Junior Concerts 9:00 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm Willow Junior Concert 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Howell Junior Concert 9:30 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm Wheeler Junior Concerts 9:30 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting 18	Howell PTA Book Fair 5/19-5/21 19	20	Willow Field Day Rain Date 21	22
23	24	Willow PTA Book Fair 5/25-5/26 25	VS13 Marching Band Rehearsal @ Dever 12:00-1:00 pm (Rain Date 5/28) Howell Gr 1-6 Field Day Willow PTA Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm 26	VS13 Marching Band Rehearsal @ Dever 12:00-1:00 pm (Rain Date 5/28) Dever PTA Multicultural Night Howell Gr 1-6 Field Day Rain Date 27	VS13 Marching Band Rehearsal @ Dever 12:00-1:00 pm Rain Date Wheeler Spirit Day Wheeler Gr 2-3 Picnic (Rain Date 6/2) Willow Spirit Day 28	29
30	MEMORIAL DAY SCHOOLS CLOSED VS13 Marching Band Parade 31					



Asiyah Ashraf, Grade 5, Wheeler Avenue School



Gregory Precil, Grade 6, Howell Road School

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		Howell Gr 4-6 Picnic Wheeler Gr 4-6 Field Day Rain Date 1	Howell Sports Night Howell Gr 4-6 Picnic Rain Date Wheeler Gr 2-3 Picnic Rain Date Wheeler PTA Board Meeting 6:00 pm; PTA General Meeting 7:00 pm Willow PTA Installation Dinner 2	Howell Gr K-3 Picnic (Rain Date 6/4) 3	Howell Awards Assembly 9:15 am Howell Gr K-3 Picnic Rain Date Wheeler Gr K-1 Field Day & Picnic (Rain Date 6/8) Willow PTA Foam Party 4	5
6	Dever Gr K-6 Field Day & Picnic (Rain Date 6/8) 7	Dever Gr K-6 Field Day & Picnic Rain Date Wheeler Gr K-1 Field Day & Picnic Rain Date Wheeler PTA Installation Dinner 8	Willow PTA Father's Day Sale 9	Willow Awards Assembly 9:00 am 10	Dever Awards Assembly 9:00 am Willow Spirit Day 11	12
13	Willow PreK Stepping Up Ceremony 8:30 am Howell PreK Stepping Up Ceremony 10:30 am Howell Kindergarten Moving-Up Ceremony Willow Closing Exercises @ Dever 5:00 pm Dever Closing Exercises @ Dever 7:00 pm 14	Willow Kindergarten Moving-Up Ceremony 8:30 am Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Committee Meeting 15	Wheeler Closing Exercises @ Wheeler 5:00 pm Howell Closing Exercises @ Wheeler 7:00 pm 16	Dever Kindergarten Moving-Up Ceremony 9:00 am Wheeler Kindergarten Moving-Up Ceremony 9:30 am Willow 6th Grade Dance 6:00 pm 17	JUNETEENTH (OBSERVED) SCHOOLS CLOSED 18	JUNETEENTH 19
20	21	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting 22	23	HALF DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL STUDENTS 24	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL STUDENTS REPORT FOR ONE HOUR 25	26
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	Board of Education 8:00 pm 2027-2028 Reorganization Meeting Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting	8	9	10
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AUGUST 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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22	23	24	Board of Education 7:00 pm Executive Session; 8:00 pm Board Meeting	26	27	28
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September 19, 2026

October 14, 2026

November 14, 2026

December 9, 2026

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Legislative Breakfast 2027 – February 27, 2027, at 9:00 am in the Memorial JHS Cafe B.

ASBESTOS PLAN NOTICE

The Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen, in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, states that it maintains a current record of all asbestos-containing materials located within the district's buildings. This information is included in the district's Asbestos Management Plan and is updated in accordance with the New York State and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations. The Asbestos Management Plan is available for review upon request to Gary Gentles, Assistant Superintendent for Business.

SAFETY PLAN NOTICE

Pursuant to the NYS Education Commissioner's regulations, the Valley Stream School Safety Team has completed its annual review of the Districtwide School Safety Plan, which was first adopted by the Board of Education on July 2, 2001. A copy of the updated plan is available in the office of Gary Gentles, Assistant Superintendent for Business, and on our district website.

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

The Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen practices the procedures of Integrated Pest Management (IPM). This process utilizes measures for suppressing pests with minimal impact on human health, the environment and nontarget organisms. Pesticides will only be used as a last resort, and if needed, the least toxic pest-specific alternative must always be selected. For further information, including the 48-hour notification process, contact Gary Gentles at the Business Office, 516-568-6110.

JAMES A. DEVER SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2026-2027

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Leah Murray 516-698-8098

BOOK FAIR

Christie Englese 516-455-0729

COAT DRIVE

Elissa Stallkamp 917-699-8862
Veeda Tulsie 347-572-3570

EARTH WEEK

Melissa Baez 516-732-4644
Liz Koutsoukos 516-375-5193

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT (MOVIE NIGHT)

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Leah Herbst 516-521-9567

GRADE REPRESENTATIVES

KINDERGARTEN

Christine Papantoniou 718-813-8035

FIRST GRADE

Liz Koutsoukos 516-375-5193

SECOND GRADE

Colleen Puccio 516-659-8657

THIRD GRADE

Sonia Bicocchi 917-855-2775

FOURTH GRADE

Rosina Fusillo 516-903-0492

FIFTH GRADE

Jineane Ali-Hydar 646-265-9093

SIXTH GRADE

Kara Maguire 516-644-6362

HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT

Veronica Fabiani 516-209-6631
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HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Lois Waxman 516-457-5937
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HOLIDAY TOY/GOODS DRIVE

Liz Koutsoukos 516-375-5193
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Andrea Savitt 516-640-0777

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MUSIC TRIP FUNDRAISING (GRADES 4-6)

Sasha Solis 347-531-8822

NUTRITION-DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leah Herbst 516-521-9567

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Sonia Bicocchi 917-855-2775
Lisa Modesto 917-843-9639

PLANT SALE

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Lois Waxman 516-457-5937

PRE HIGH

Kara Maguire 516-644-6362

PUMPKIN PATCH

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Veeda Tulsie 347-572-3570

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Allison Pennisi 516-661-2569

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SPRING FLING DANCE

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Theresa Mercado 347-869-5561

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Leah Herbst 516-521-9567



Delfina Maldonado, Grade 5, James A. Dever School

HOWELL ROAD SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

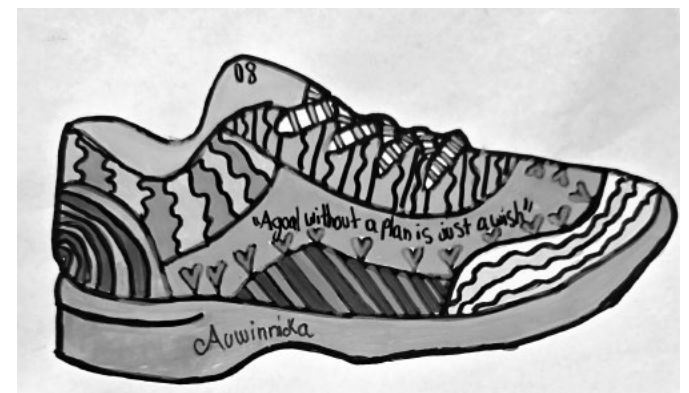
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Treasurer	Stephanie Marquez-Arma
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Hospitality Chairperson:	Oneka Jordan
Fundraising Chairpersons:	Shayla Watts, Jazmire Grandberry
Male Engagement Chairperson:	Maaz Ashfaq
Membership Chairperson:	Shayla Watts

GRADE CHAIRS

Grade Chair Coordinators:	Melanie Tran and Shayla Watts
Kindergarten Grade Chairs:	Jonelle Mayers, Jazmire Grandberry
1st Grade Chair:	Jahdeira Woods-Moise
2nd Grade Chair:	Shayla Watts
3rd Grade Chair:	Stephanie Marquez
4th Grade Chair:	Melanie Tran
5th Grade Chair:	Tina Young
6th Grade Chair:	Michelle Rico
6th Grade Committee:	Stephanie Marquez-Arma, Trisha Brown

Angel Bourne,
Grade 3, Wheeler
Avenue School



Auwinika JeanPierre, Grade 6, Howell Road School

Halina Russo, Grade 6,
Willow Road School

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Vice President, Ways and Means	Jessica Ramirez	General Inquiries	WheelerAvenuePTA@gmail.com
Vice President, Public Relations	Michelle Cardinal	Website	https://wheelerave.givebacks.com

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AUDIT COMMITTEE

Adrian Ho

BOOK FAIR SAMANTHA

Rodonis & Alissa Dhanassar

CANDY LAND & MOVIE NIGHT

TBD

COAT DRIVE

Geraly Guzman

EXECUTIVE BOARD

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sarah Sabatino

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Michelle Cardinal

HOLIDAY EVENT

TBD

INSTALLATION DINNER

Crystal Dutchin

MENTOR PROGRAM

Sarah Sabatino

PARP

Crystal Dutchin
& April Harris

PIE & COOKIE DOUGH SALE

Jessica Ramirez

POPSICLE PLAYDATE

Kylee Soto

PUMPKIN PATCH

Linda Harriram

SCHOOL CENTS

Sarah Sabatino
& Linda Harriram

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

Brenda Lopez

SEPTA LIAISON(S)

TBD

SPIRIT WEAR SALE

Michelle Cardinal

SPRING PLANT SALE

Linda Harriram

SPRING FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

TBD

SPRING FLING DANCE

TBD

SWEETHEART DANCE

Vanita Samaroo-Tageram
& Alissa Dhanassar

TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION

Tanya Hendricks Shivnarain
& Samantha Rodonis

TEARS TO CHEERS

Sarah Sabatino

TOY DRIVE

Geraly Guzman

WHEELER'S GOT TALENT!

Samantha Rodonis



Celeste Carmargo Marin, Grade 5, Wheeler Avenue School



Yahya Khan, Grade 1, James A. Dever School

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Co-President	Joi Soohoo	917-670-8927	Council Delegates	Angela Cucuzza	516-417-0622
Co-Vice President	Rosemary Dailey	516-761-0614		Joanne Espinal	516-404-2750
Co-Vice President	Lauren Costello	516-672-2970	Website: willowroadpta.org • Email: willowroadschoolpta@gmail.com		
Secretary	Rosella Pecora	347-925-0033			

PTA COMMITTEES AND CHAIRPERSONS

ARTS IN EDUCATION

Jillian Fuchs	516-537-2468
Josephine Lombardo	347-528-2675

AUDIT

Daniella Rivera	516-859-1857
Sandy Workman	917-747-1256

BEAR

Rosalie Benvenuto	516-993-6237
Stephanie DelMaestro	516-413-0966

BEAUTIFICATION

Daniella Rivera	516-859-1857
Rita Mollish	516-508-2448

BINGO NIGHT

Stephanie DelMaestro	516-413-0966
Tia Herrera	516-445-6039

BIRTHDAY CLUB

Daniella Rivera	516-859-1857
Sara Pascucci-Forster	516-937-8157

BOARD OF ED LIAISON

Janet Grosso	718-689-0127
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BOOK FAIR

Amanda Bohm	718-578-9410
Jade Hodge	646-648-1770

BOWLING NIGHT (1-6 GRADES)

Laura Olivo	516-614-2618
Nicole Wicelinski	631-252-9171

CLOTHING DRIVE

Stephanie DelMaestro	516-413-0966
Carmen Amato	347-421-0257

COLOR RUN

Jillian Fuchs	516-537-2468
Vivian Ramirez	917-379-9895

END OF YEAR (FOAM PARTY)

PRESIDENTS

FAMILY FUN NIGHT (4-6 GRADES)

Vivian Ramirez	917-379-9895
Sandy Workman	917-747-1256

FATHER'S DAY SALE

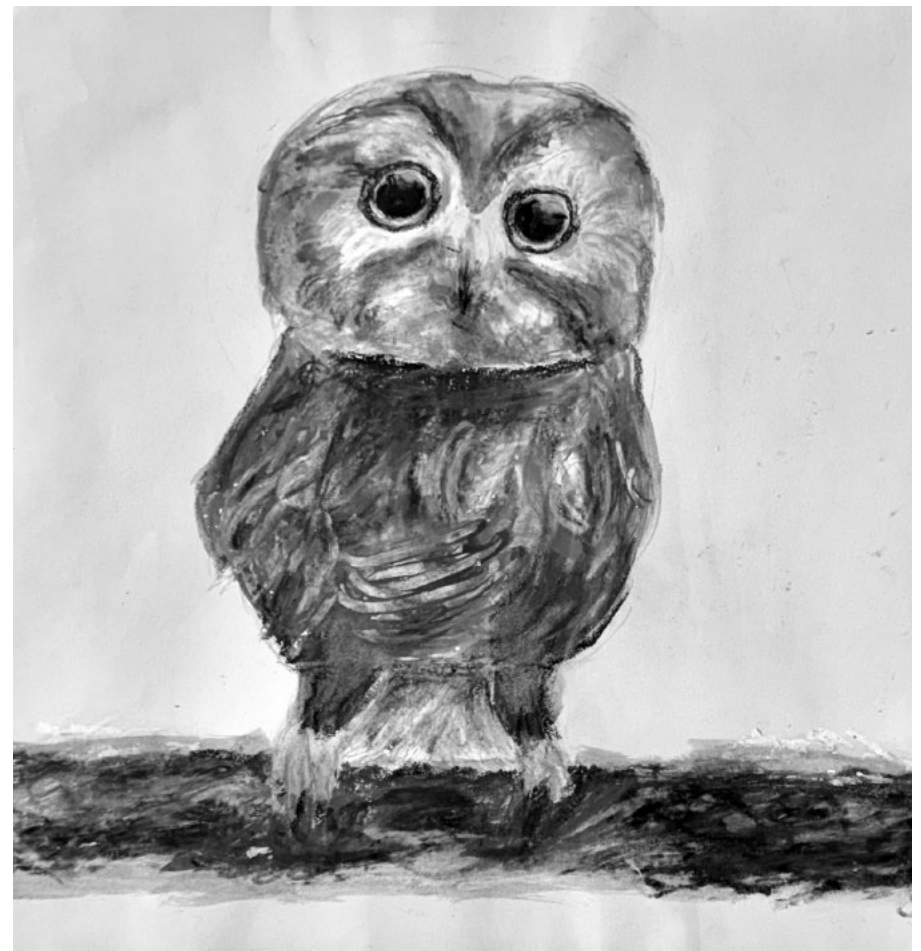
Angela Cucuzza	516-417-0622
Rosella Pecora	347-925-0033

FOOD SERVICE & NUTRITION

Angela Cucuzza	516-417-0622
Victoria Tortorella	917-536-5818

FOUNDERS DAY

Roe Dailey	516-761-0614
Lauren Costello	516-672-2970



Parisa Russell, Grade 6, James A. Dever School

HS REPRESENTATIVE

Amanda Bohm 718-578-9410

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

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Shelly Lokhai 347-446-0068

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Camille Belli 516-790-4660

HOSPITALITY

EXECUTIVE BOARD

INSTALLATION DINNER

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Roe Dailey 516-761-0614

INTERSCHOOL

Reshmi Muthraja 347-245-6465

KINDERGARTEN KICKOFF

Rosella Pecora 347-925-0033
Joanne Espinal 516-404-2750

**MOTHER'S DAY SALE/
PRE ORDER PLANT SALE**

Angela Cucuzza 516-417-0622
Rosella Pecora 347-925-0033

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Stephanie DelMaestro 516-413-0966
Jillian Fuchs 516-537-2468

PARP

Josephine Lombardo 347-528-2675
Jade Hodge 646-648-1770

POPSICLE PLAY DATE (K)

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Joanne Espinal 516-404-2750

PUMPKIN PATCH

Jasmine Simeonidis 516.250.3783
Joanne Espinal 516-404-2750

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Camille Belli 516-790-4660

SCHOOL CLOTHING

Megan Kleven 929-255-0770
Jade Hodge 646-648-1770

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Rosalie Bevenuto 516-993-6237
Shelly Lokhai 347-446-0068

**SEPTA REPRESENTATIVE/
SENSORY COMMITTEE**

Christine McNamara 516-209-9334

TALENT SHOW

Jillian Fuchs 516-537-2468
Christine Randel 516-672-9904

**TEACHER/STAFF WELCOME BACK &
APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

Megan Kleven 929-255-0770
Maria Silaco 516-805-1585

TRUNK OR TREAT

Lauren Costello 516-672-2970
Dorothy Afonico 516-805-0929

VALENTINE'S DAY SALE

Angela Cucuzza 516-417-0622
Rosella Pecora 347-925-0033

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA/TECH HELP

Jillian Fuchs 516-537-2468
Vivian Ramirez 917-379-9895

WINTER DANCE

Daniella Rivera 516-859-1857
Tia Herrera 516-445-6039

GRADE REPRESENTATIVES**PRE-K**

Rita Molish 516-852-1825
Laura Olivo 516-614-2618

KINDERGARTEN

Rosella Pecora 347-925-0033
Joanne Espinal 516-404-2750

1ST GRADE

Joann Viola 516-852-1825
Joi Soohoo 917-670-8927

2ND GRADE

Rosalie Benvenuto 516-993-6237
Daniella Rivera 516-859-1857

3RD GRADE

Victoria Tortorella 917-536-5818
Jasmine Simeonidis 516-250-3783

4TH GRADE

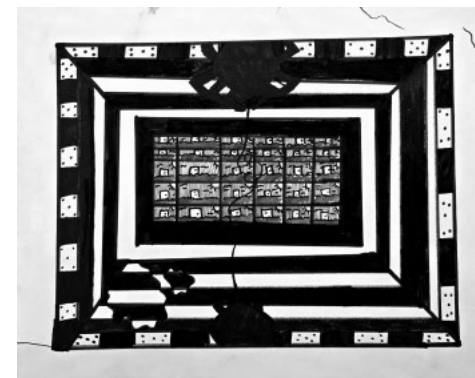
Vanessa DeFalco 516-287-8675
Amy Darnell 718-450-1152

5TH GRADE

Jackie Colon 347-853-6629
Nicole Palazzolo 646-641-7338

6TH GRADE

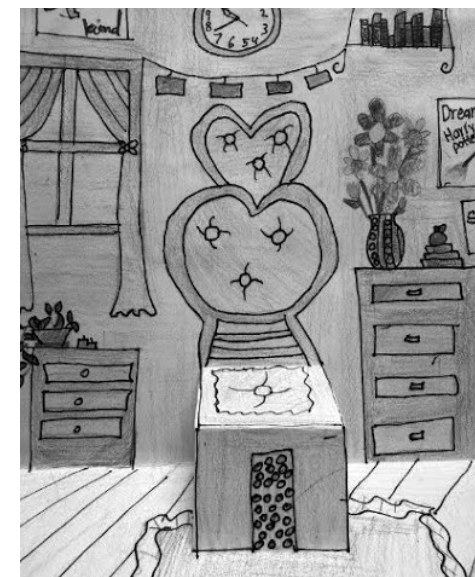
Bridget Giammarino 516-491-2886
Johayra Vitale 516-425-7756



Gabrielle Chin, Grade 6, Howell Road School



Ariana Hossain, Grade 2, Wheeler Avenue School



Anabia Rizwan, Grade 4, Willow Road School

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

A child must be 5 years old by December 1 of the year in which he or she begins kindergarten. Kindergarten registration dates for the school the child will attend will take place in November of the year prior to entrance (please see dates below). Kindergarten registration takes place throughout the year at the Registration Office located at Memorial Junior High School, 1 Kent Road, Valley Stream on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am-11:00 am. Required records for registration are certificate of birth, proof of residency in Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen and proof of immunization.

- Dever - Monday, November 16, 2026
- Howell - Tuesday, November 17, 2026
- Wheeler - Wednesday, November 18, 2026
- Willow - Thursday, November 19, 2026

REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

New residents may register school-age children by obtaining a registration packet from the school district website at www.valleystream13.com or by calling the Central Registration Office at 516-872-5674. Upon completion of the packet, an appointment must be made with the residency officer for review before the student is able to attend school. Students entering sixth grade must show proof of varicella vaccine or proof of the disease signed and stamped by the doctor.

TRANSPORTATION

Bus service will be provided as follows: Kindergarten through third grade: pupils residing one-half (1/2) mile or greater from the school they attend; fourth through sixth grades: pupils residing one (1) mile or greater from the school they attend. The above applies equally to private, parochial and public school students. Bus routing information is mailed home toward the end of August, or is provided by the school for students registering after the school year has begun.

TRANSPORTATION: OUT-OF-DISTRICT

Pupils attending schools out of the district are eligible for transportation if the distance to the school is not more than fifteen (15) miles. **New York State law requires transportation requests for the following September to be filed on or before April 1 with the local school district.** Applications can be obtained by calling the Business Office at 516-568-6110 or on the district website at www.valleystream13.com.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST/ LUNCH ACCOUNT PROCEDURE

Our district participates in an electronic point of sale system that allows students to have more time to enjoy their meals. All students are entitled daily to 1 FREE breakfast and lunch. All à la carte items such as cookies, chips, ice cream, water bottles, etc. are NOT FREE. If a child accumulates an unpaid meal and snack charge, "Negative Balance" letters will be sent home to remind parents to settle their accounts. As an added convenience, student accounts can be established through MYSCHOOLBUCKS. This eliminates the need to send your child to school with money, and helps you manage their account more effectively. We continue to encourage families to apply for Free Lunch and Breakfast for the upcoming school year. All information is kept confidential. Visit www.valleystream13.com and select "School Meals" located at the upper right side of the page. Scroll to the bottom of the page to register. You can also click on the red apple to view the Aramark website for menu/nutrition information.

TAX CODE INFORMATION

The New York State Tax Code Number for the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen is 655. This is to be entered in the appropriate box on your state income tax return. It is used in the apportionment of state aid.

FOR READY REFERENCE

Nassau County Drug, Alcohol & Crisis Helpline - 481-4000
Nassau County Executive Office - 571-6000
Nassau County Immunization Program - 227-9697
Nassau County Medical Center - 572-0123
Poison Control Center - 1-800-222-1222
Nassau County Mobile Crisis Team - 227-8255
Valley Stream Central High School District - 872-5601
Nassau County Tax Assessor - 571-1500
Residency Hotline - 872-5677

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Board of Education is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where students may receive, and district personnel may deliver, quality educational services without disruption or interference. Responsible behavior by students, teachers, other district personnel, parents or guardians and other visitors is essential to achieving this goal. The district has a longstanding set of expectations for conduct on school property and at school functions. These expectations are based on the principles of civility, mutual respect, citizenship, character, tolerance, honesty and integrity. The Board recognizes the need to clearly define these expectations for acceptable conduct on school property, identify the possible consequences of unacceptable conduct, and ensure that discipline, when necessary, is administered promptly and fairly. To this end, the Board adopted a district code of conduct. The code of conduct and versions written in age-appropriate language are available in the main office of each school and on the district website, www.valleystream13.com. Unless otherwise indicated, this code applies to all students, school personnel, parents or guardians and other visitors when on school property or attending a school function.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The nationally recognized after school program Right at School now serves Valley Stream 13, providing high quality before and after care enrichment programs for our students. Right at School has a nurturing and well-organized approach to their program. After a healthy snack and fun fitness activities, participating students will complete their homework assignments with committed educators and then engage in curriculum-based after school activities. Parents will be able to work with Right at School to create a flexible schedule to support our families' busy lives. Drop-in care is also available. Find out more about this program on their website.

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DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS

In July 2012, the Board of Education adopted the Dignity for All Students Act. The Board of Education is committed to providing an educational and work environment that promotes respect, dignity and equality for all. The Board recognizes that harassment and bullying are detrimental to student learning and achievement. This behavior both interferes with the mission of the district to educate its students and disrupts the operation of district schools. Such behavior affects not only the students and employees who are its targets, but also those individuals who participate in or witness such acts. The Board expects students to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner for their respective levels of development, maturity and demonstrated capabilities, with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students and school staff, the educational purpose underlying all school activities and the care of school facilities and equipment. The Board believes that the most positive school climate is one that is culturally sensitive and which models positive behavioral interactions that clearly show there is no tolerance for antisocial behaviors such as bullying, harassment and discrimination. To this end, the Board strictly prohibits all forms of harassment by district employees, students and volunteers against students including, but not limited to, hazing, bullying, cyberbullying and sexting, which may occur on school grounds, on school buses, while using school property or at off-campus school functions. The Board also strictly prohibits any harassment including hazing, bullying, cyberbullying and sexting that occurs off campus and endangers the health and safety of students or staff members, substantially disrupts the educational process, or creates a reasonably foreseeable risk of such disruption. Conduct which is of such a severe nature that it either has or would have the effect of unreasonably and substantially interfering with a student's educational performance; opportunities or benefits; or mental, emotional and/or physical well-being; or reasonably causes or would reasonably be expected to cause a student to fear for his or her physical safety, is expressly prohibited. When harassment is of a sexual nature, Board Policy No. 0110 provides additional information and clarification on student, staff and district responsibilities in this area. Dr. Lisa Dunn, Executive Director of Special Services, is the District Dignity Act Coordinator. She can be reached at 516-568-6260. The building principal serves as the lead member of the Dignity Act Team for the school.

USE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

The Board of Education is responsible for maintaining and fostering student discipline, as well as safeguarding the facilities and property of the district. The Board further recognizes the importance of student, staff, and visitor privacy. After careful consideration, the Board supports the use of surveillance cameras on school grounds. Cameras are an important component of the district's overall approach to safety, which also includes but is not limited to identification badges, locks, lighting, and alarms. Surveillance cameras are intended to monitor student behavior, promote student and staff safety, and to deter vandalism and other criminal activity. However, this does not preclude other uses deemed appropriate by the Board of Education. Recordings may be used as evidence of misconduct in disciplinary proceedings.

District surveillance cameras will only be used in public areas where there is no "reasonable expectation of privacy." Audio recordings shall not be utilized by school district employees without the express permission of the Superintendent or his/her designee; however, such prohibition does not preclude the use of audio recordings by law enforcement officials in accordance with their duties and/or as otherwise authorized by law.

Any video recording used for surveillance purposes in school buildings and/or on school property shall be the sole property of the district. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall be the custodian of such recordings. All video recordings will be stored in their original form and secured to avoid tampering and protect confidentiality. The district shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws related to student records in retaining these recordings.



Amelia Akbar, Grade 5, Willow Road School



Jacob Lam, Grade 5, Wheeler Avenue School



Yahya Khan, Grade 1, James A. Dever School



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