



Waterford Township  
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# Back to School Night 2019

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# Introductions

## Board of Education Members:

- William Wilhelm
- Michael McClintock
- Matthew DeNafo
- Michael Vitarelli
- Ben DeVuyst

## Superintendent

- Dr. Brenda Harring

## Director of Elementary Education

- Julie Lyons



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## Introductions cont'd

### Grade 3

- Megan Scotti
- Jill O'Donnell
- Alison Dimitratos
- Sally Schaller
- Gabrielle Magner

### Grade 4

- Dawn Agoston
- Michelle Oriente
- Aaron Bracy
- Lauren Ingemi
- Tina Kennevan

○ Nicole Nadolny

Student Teacher



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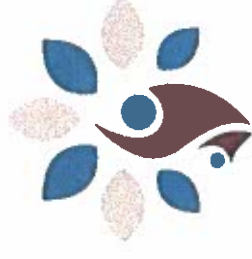
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### Grade 5

- Jess Borman
- Christina Costante
- Marissa Gehin
- Jamie Stephen
- Carol Young

### Grade 6

- Dana King
- Lauren Gray
- Patricia Chance
- Margaret Johnson
- Alana Catania



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## Special Education

- Josh Diamond
- Al Vitarelli
- Marie McGann
- Colleen Garretson
- Kate Ginzberg
- Carley Marsh
- Ashley Wisniewski
- Kelly Walsh
- Jessica Sweeney

## Instructional Coach

- Christine Manna
- Candice Michelini

## Response to Intervention/Specialist

- James Moore
- Frank Ambroselli
- Ann Cicatiello
- Mary Low
- Heather Denafio

## Data Technology Integration Coordinator

- Betty Scola



# Introductions cont'd

## Enrichment

- Christine Bozzuffi- Art
- Lucia Moreira
- Emma Gibbons- Music
- Sierra Keyes- Music
- Megan Knoll- Physical Education
- Andrea Palumbo-STEAM
- Deb Parker- GT

## Occupational Therapist

- Diana Prokapus

## Child Study Team

- Beth Friedman
- Kelly Herman
- Carly Gallagher- Speech

## School Nurse

- Erica Ravencamp

## School Counselor

- Gabrielle Holwell
- Ryan Ciavaglia



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# District Updates

- **Lighthouse Recognition**
  - **One of Eleven Districts**
  - **Two Year Cohort**
- **Attendance Incentives - Strive for Less Than Five!**
  - **Class of the Month**
  - **Perfect Attendance for the Trimester**
  - **Class of the Trimester**
  - **Attendance Carnival**
- **Attendance Awareness Carnival**
  - **September 28th 1:00-3:00 WES**



# District Goals

## Goal D1:

- The superintendent, in cooperation with the administrative team and teaching staff, will engage students in **meaningful learning conversations on prompting and conferencing** during guided reading and Reader's/Writer's Workshop.

## Goal D2:

- The superintendent, in cooperation with the administrative team and teaching staff, will further develop instructional strategies that **embed a differentiated approach and promote deep conceptual understanding of Mathematics**, using strategies, practices and frameworks, including: Guided Math, number talks, modeling, reasoning, and flexible thinking.

## Goal D3:

- The superintendent, in cooperation with the administrative team and teaching staff, will implement practices that address the needs of the whole child through **trauma sensitive and restorative practices**.





## Dismissal/Pick up

- If changes are to be made for dismissal, please send in a handwritten note to the office and email your child's teacher in the morning.
- In the case of an emergency pick up, please try to notify the office prior to 1pm.
- Please make sure to have your ID with you when entering the building to sign out a student.
- If you have not already done so, please make sure to hand in the green Emergency Contact form and yellow Media/Internet Release form.



# Nurse

- Please make sure that all medications are dropped off by an adult to the main office or nurse's office. Do not send medications in your child's bookbag.
- Physician's Authorization Form must also be completed
- Make sure that emergency contact numbers are up to date so that the nurse can reach you in case of an emergency.



# School Security

- Please ring the bell and state the reason for your visit at the door.
- Show valid identification
- Make sure to sign students in and out.
- Please wear a “Visitor’s Badge” when you are in the building.
- Fire and Emergency Drills are conducted on a monthly basis.
- Emergency School Closings or Delayed Openings will be announced via Blackboard.

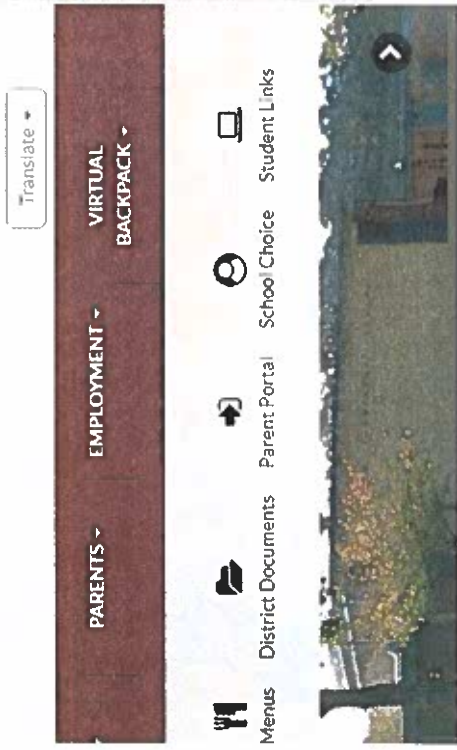
**Class III Officer- Officer Lenny Thackston**



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# Communication

- Virtual Backpack
- Communication Folders



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## Code of Conduct

- Revised Code of Conduct
- Focus on Restorative Practice
- Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying- Is this Bullying?  
As per the NJ Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights-
  - Does it meet a protected class?
  - Is it physically or emotionally harming the student or another group of students not directly involved?
  - Does this interfere with the child's education or willingness to be present at school?



HIB

## Conflict Versus Bullying

### **Conflict**

Students are arguing daily over a disagreement during kickball.

### **Bullying**

A child is told by his/her classmates that he cannot participate in the kickball game because of his/her weight



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# Wildcat ROAR

This year our school is implementing a new school-wide positive behavior program. It is called the Wildcat ROAR. Our students are expected to demonstrate the core values of:

**R- Responsibility**

**O- Opportunity for Success**

**A- Academic Achievement**

**R- Respect**



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## Guidelines

- All passing grades
- No discipline referrals to the office
- 98% attendance rate for the event time frame





# ROAR Incentive Events

- **(October 30th) Pumpkin Dash**
  - (9/24-10/28)
- **(November 27th) Kickball Game**
  - (10/28-11/27)
- **(February 7th) Movie marathon**
  - (12/20-2/3/20)
- **(March 26th) Opening Day for Phillies**
  - (2/3/20-3/27)
- **(May 1st) Kentucky Derby**
  - (3/27-5/1)
- **(May 22nd) Memorial day- summer blast off**
  - (5/1-6/10)



## Literacy in the District

- **As an invested partner in your child's learning, we want to share some information about the literacy assessment we'll be using in our district this year. In addition, we want to share how teachers are using responsive teaching to move your child forward in their literacy development. Please visit our school website to view a brief video explanation of the assessment and what drives a teachers decision making process. In addition to finding the video on the main page, you can also find it under the parents tab.**



## School Community

- Mrs. Christina Leach- President of HSA
- Mrs. Mindy Dalabes- Just Kids
- Please make sure to visit the Home and School Association and Just Kids tables located in the hallway.

