

**UPPER DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUPERINTENDENT'S MONTHLY BULLETIN
MAY 2019**

Mon., 5/6	Teacher Appreciation Week begins PTO Meeting – Seabrook Media Center at 6:30PM PTO Variety Show Rehearsals until 4:30
Tues., 5/7	National Teacher Appreciation Day PTO Variety Show Rehearsals until 4:30
Wed., 5/8	National School Nurse Day Family Night – No Homework
Sun., 5/12	HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
Tues., 5/14	Grade 2 Trip to Levoy Theatre PTO Variety Show Rehearsals until 4:30
Wed., 5/15	Pre K & Kindergarten Registration at Seabrook: 8 – 10:30AM
Thurs., 5/16	Mid Marking Period 4 Moore/Woodruff Open House and Band Spring Concert beginning at 6:30 PM
Mon., 5/20	Grade 6 Trip to Funplex
Tues., 5/21	PTO Variety Show Rehearsals until 4:30
Wed., 5/22	Pre K & Kindergarten Registration at Seabrook: 8 – 10:30AM
Thurs., 5/23	Grade 7 Trip to Cape May/Whale Watching PTO Variety Show at 7PM
Fri., 5/24	Blue & Gold Day
Mon., 5/27	SCHOOL CLOSED – MEMORIAL DAY
Tues., 5/28	Grade 8 Trip to Funplex Grade 8 Honor Society Induction at 6PM Board of Education Meeting at 7PM
Thurs., 5/30	Student Council/Honor Society Trip to Great Adventure Library Book Dedication at 6:30PM
Fri., 5/31	Kindergarten Trip to the Cape May Zoo Grade 1 Trip to Storybook Land Grade 2 Father's Day Kite Day

Schools Closed: Schools will be closed on Monday, May 27 for the observance of Memorial Day.

Mother's Day: Mother's Day is on Sunday, May 12. We wish all Mother's a Happy Mother's Day!

Full Day Pre-School: Our district will once again be offering full-day preschool this coming September. Registration is taking place by appointment. Please contact the Seabrook School at (856) 455-2267 ext. 4201 for more information.

Teacher Appreciation Week: The week of May 6 through May 10 is Teacher Appreciation Week. Please let our teachers know how much you appreciate them as they appreciate all your support.

Eighth-Grade Graduation: Our Eighth-Grade graduation will take place on Friday, June 14, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Moore School.

Class Lists: Class lists will be distributed in August. Please make a note of this as we will not be granting requests for placement per the established policies.

Family Night: Upper Deerfield Township School District recognizes the importance of family and spending time together. This month we have designated Wednesday, May 8 as family night. No homework will be assigned in the district on this night.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:

1. No students are permitted on school grounds until schools open at 7:40am. In addition, no students should be crossing route 77 in areas other than where the crossing guard crosses the students in the crosswalk area. If you have no reason to cross route 77, you should not be doing so and should be coming directly to school for your safety and the safety of others.
2. During the after school parent pickup in the Seabrook School Drop-Off Zone area for the Moore School and Seabrook School Students, you may only enter the parking area in the entrance leading to the drop off zone (the entrance between the Moore School and the Morris Administration Building/Complete Care) and park in the designated parking spots between Moore School and Seabrook when you pick up your child(ren). You are not permitted to park in the drop off zone for safety reasons and must pick up your child(ren) at the side door of the Seabrook Gym. No students are permitted to be unescorted entering the parking lots for pick up. We ask you park your vehicle in a designated parking spot and adhere to the crosswalk area to pick up your child(ren) after school. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.
3. Please adhere to the policy of signing your child out of school for appointments and other matters that necessitate your child needing to leave early. If your child leaves school early and plans on returning, you must bring them in to the school and sign them back into the building.
4. If your child rides the bus and you plan on picking him/her up from school, please notify the school office prior to 1:00pm of your intention to pick your child up from school. If there is an emergent situation, please report to the office so your child can be removed from the bus by the administrator or designee of the administrator. Please do not attempt to go the bus directly and have your child removed as this is a matter of safety.
5. **Bus Safety:** Please remind your children to use their seatbelt on the bus and adhere to the bus safety items of remaining seated, not moving from seat to seat and talking loudly.

Academic Assistance: Academic Assistance after school is available for students on designated dates from 2:15 – 3:15 PM under the direction of district teaching staff. This program will conclude for the year on May 31.

Social Media and Cell Phones: Parents and students are reminded to adhere to social media postings and school cell phone use policies. There have been instances of concern being raised over cell phone use and social media postings regarding the material posted. In addition, cell phones are not to be used in school or on the school grounds. This is a safety issue for many reasons, especially as students are walking to and from buses during arrival and at dismissal.

Being at School: Regular attendance in school sets up a good pattern for your child's entire school career. Show him/her that school comes first by trying to only use days off for after school or over school breaks.

Complete Care: There is health care available on our campus in the William Morris Administration Building/Complete Care Office. The office is available for many of your medical needs and is open from 8:30am to 12:00pm Monday through Friday.

Student Dress Code: Please make sure your child is in compliance with our district dress code per the student handbook. One area of concern is with the pants not being worn properly. Boys in particular are wearing pants below the hip/buttock area exposing undergarments and skin. This is not only a dress code violation, but offensive as well and this could be cause for harassment. In addition, the other area of concern is the pants with holes that are exposing skin in certain areas. Please refer to the student handbook as a reference.

PTO: Our PTO meets each month and the May meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 5 at 6:30pm in the Seabrook School Media Center. Come out and support our PTO and join a committee.

Board of Education: Our Board of Education meets monthly and the May meeting is scheduled for May 28 at 7:00pm in the Woodruff School Library.

Quotes Worth Quoting:

"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." - *Theodore Roosevelt*.

"Life isn't about finding yourself. It's about creating yourself." - *George Bernard Shaw*

"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." - *Walt Disney*

"The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking." - *Albert Einstein*

"Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself." - *Leo Tolstoy*