

THE BRIDGE

SUMMER 2017



● Welcome Back ● New Team Members ● Athletics

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 K4-5th Meet the Teacher
 9am-10am

 Orientation (All Grades)
 10am in Sanctuary

 Upper School Walk Through
 11am-12pm

First Day of School.....8/14

Parent Athletic Meeting.....8/17

Principal's Corner

Welcome to the new 2017-18 school year at Beaches Chapel School.

We are excited and ready for another year of Christian education. The spiritual, academic, social/emotional and physical growth of your child is the focus and goal at Beaches Chapel School.

Many positive changes have allowed BCS to make advancements in every area. While we celebrate these developments, we are looking forward to another year of academic and athletic advancements.

I would like to announce that Beth Riggsbee, is joining our Administration Team as Assistant Principal. We are thrilled to have her leadership and skills at Beaches Chapel School. Beth holds a Masters in Educational Leadership from Jacksonville University. She has over 40 years experience as an Administrator and Science teacher. Beth has been married to her husband Andy for 49 years, has two children, Allison and Andrew (deceased) and five grandchildren. I am so happy to welcome Beth to our BCS team.



In addition:

BCS has seen remarkable retention this year with both students and faculty. Admissions are strong with waiting lists in most grade levels.

- Improved fiber optics for complete Wi-Fi coverage has been installed throughout the school.
- Technology classes are being taught in all lower school classrooms with a Smart Table in 3rd grade. Technology is a focus in middle school with additional computers and iPads for the new school year.
- In addition to our Learning Specialist focusing on lower school student needs, extra support for students in the area of math by offering elective classes for middle and high school students.
- Additional after school STARS opportunities will be available, including tap dance, chess and tae kwon do.
- The sports program continues to advance with strong leadership and coaching for all ages.

This year, we have successfully reaccredited with SACS and FLOCS.

We thank you for entrusting your most precious children to our care and we look forward to a productive and enriching school year.

May God continue to bless you and your family.

Vivian Pinner Watson
Principal
Beaches Chapel School

Meet our New Team Members!

We are excited about additional faculty changes to improve our school. Niki Boote will continue to teach lower school P.E. and assist in VPK. Amy Edwards will move to Kindergarten assistant full day, and Diana Tatman will fill the lower school Learning Specialist and duties as VPK Director.

● Kate Waltz

VPK Teacher

Schooling: Child Care Development Associate Certificate from Child Care Educational Institute. Florida Child Care Professional-Credential Birth-five years, renewed through 2021. DCF Child Care Facility 10 & 30 hour training-completed.

Experience: Nine years as a VPK teacher at Beaches Chapel School and Lighthouse Christian Preschool. Over 13 years as a teacher's aide, substitute teacher, and extended day and summer camp director. First Aid and CPR certified.

Personal: Married to Kirk, a fishing charter captain, for 36 years. Has two children, Lara and Kyle, and one granddaughter, Madison, 14, who are all BCS alum.



● Kim Thomas

Art Teacher

Schooling: BFA from Kutztown University in Pennsylvania.

Experience: Experienced in drawing, sculpture, fibers, jewelry making, and horticulture. She owned her own farm (Redbud Farm) and art business (Magpie Arts), where she ran children's workshops and taught afterschool art programs for Primary schools in Yulee. Prior to BCS, she was the Art Teacher at Amelia Island Montessori School.

Personal: Currently lives in Riverside/Avondale area with her two children, Sophia Grace, K4, and Katori (Ori), 4th grade, who will both attend BCS this fall.

● Ken Black

11th Grade Bible Teacher

Schooling: BA in Theology from Jacksonville Baptist Theological Seminary. Currently working towards Masters in Theology with plans to graduate May 2018. Associate in Claims (AIC) from the Insurance Institute of America.

Experience: 30 years handling claims and litigation. 25 years training claims adjusters. 14 years teacher/mentor Lawtey Correctional Institute. Children's Church and Sunday School teacher. Biblical Worldview and Apologetics Adult Sunday School teacher.

Personal: Married to Mary for 33 years with 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Enjoys playing basketball, kayaking, and surfing.



● Mark Adamec

12th Grade Bible Teacher

Schooling: Bachelors in Biblical Studies from Andersonville Theological Seminary

Experience: President and Owner of Adamec Harley Davidson with multiple locations around Northeast Florida. Has served on the Board of Elders at Beaches Chapel Church for 10 years, the Worship Team for 30 years, Finance Committee Chairman for 2 years, and Impact Group leader for 2 years.

Personal: Married to Diane for 32 years with 3 sons. Enjoys studying the Bible, playing drums and piano, surfing, snowboarding, and riding motorcycles.



● Pam Mullarky

12th Grade Bible Teacher

Schooling: B.S. in Physical Education and Health and a Masters in Teaching from Jacksonville University. Ph.D in Counseling from Logos Graduate College.

Experience: Ten years teaching experience at Dupont Junior High School and Episcopal High School. Elected School Board member for 8 years in St Johns County. Founder and CEO of Project SOS. President of the International Abstinence Association. Served as a Board Member at Care Through Education International from 2007-2011. Vice President of Florida Healthy Choices Coalition from 2008-2015.

Personal: Married to Bruce Robbins. Has 3 sons (Jon, Justin, and Warren) and 4 grandchildren (2 boys and 2 girls).

● Christy Podstawa

Auxiliary Administrator/WBCS Teacher

Schooling: FSCJ: 2012-2015

Experience: Experience in both the classroom and in corporate office settings. Long-term substitute teacher at BCS during the 2016/17 school year.

Personal: Christy has lived in Jacksonville and the beaches area since 1985. She has been married to her husband, Michael, for 16 years and has two children, twins, Joseph and Allie (2nd grade) who both attend BCS.



Attention Parent Volunteers:

This year we will be conducting training for “Child Safety.” The purpose of the training is to ensure all volunteers are aware of safety and liability issues.

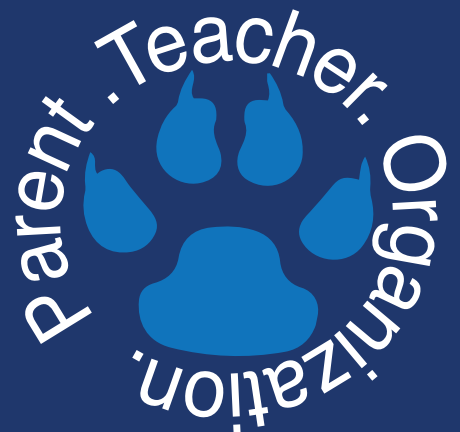
This will be mandatory for all parent volunteers. This training will be a one-time requirement. Dates and times will be announced soon.



*Registration for STARS will begin in August.
We are excited to introduce several new
classes this year! Check out our website for
more information.*

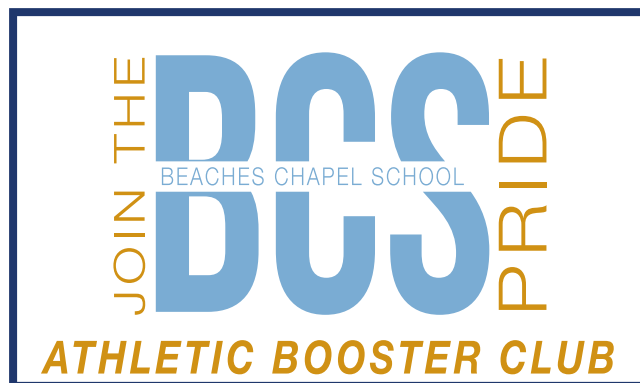
Help BCS Build for the ***Future!***

*Join us for the first Parent Meeting on
Thursday, September 7 after chapel in
the Cafeteria! Sign up to Volunteer for
this year's PTO Events!*





Lion's Athletics



GO LIONS!

Athletic Physicals are required before the beginning of the school year in order to participate in fall sports.

All current athletic schedules, forms and information can be found at beacheschapelschool.com under "Athletics."

Download the form from our website under "Athletics" and turn it into the Business Office! All proceeds will go to our Athletic Department and our Concession Area Project!

BLUE MEMBERSHIP **-COST \$50-**

Includes an athletic magnet, booster bag & shirt, name listed on website and athletic program.

GOLD MEMBERSHIP **-COST \$250-**

*Includes everything in **BLUE** membership package above & **FREE** entry to all BCS Home games.*

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP **- COST \$500-**

Company Banner displayed in the Impact center for one full year. Opportunity to distribute flyers/coupons to school families upon approval. Name listed on website and athletic programs. First option on other advertising options/ business opportunities. Invitations and recognition at booster events.



Volleyball

*Tuesday 8/8, Wednesday 8/9
10:00am-1:00pm*

Middle School Soccer

*Monday 8/14, Tuesday 8/15, & Thursday 8/17
3:00pm-4:30pm*

Cross Country

*Opening Meeting- Thursday 8/17
3:00pm-4:00pm*





IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!
SIGN UP AT [BEACHESCHAPELSCHOOL.COM](http://beacheschapelschool.com).

WEEK 6-JULY 17-21
COOKING
FIELD TRIP-SWEET PETE'S

WEEK 7-JULY 24-28
WACKY SCIENCE
FIELD TRIP-MOSH

WEEK 8-JULY 31-AUGUST 4
ANIMAL PLANET
FIELD TRIP-ZOO

LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY



Purchase a brick paver and pave the way for the next generation. The cost is \$100 per brick. For more information go to beacheschapelschool.com.



*RC Uniforms is our official
uniform provider for the
2017-2018 school year.*

School
Lunch



We are so excited to be partnering with Gourmet Power Meals for our school lunches this school year!

Uniform Swap

We are having a uniform swap on **Tuesday, August 1 from 10am-12pm**. If you have any gently used, clean uniforms that you no longer need, please bring them to the school during the week of July 24-28.