

# THE BRIDGE



SUMMER 2020

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# important dates

Uniform Giveaway.....7/23

Orientation.....8/10

*Please watch our BCS Virtual Orientation before visiting our campus on 8/10 for specific instructions. You will receive an email with directions to view this event when it is available.*

Lower School  
9:00am-9:30am

Families with  
Lower & Upper School  
9:30am-10:00am

Upper School  
10:00am-10:30am

First Day of School.....8/11

Parent / Athlete Meeting.....8/13

HS Mission Trip Meeting.....8/17

MAP Testing.....8/17-28

SGA Elections.....8/25





# UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 22 | 7:00PM

University of North Florida's head basketball coach, Matthew Driscoll, and UNF player, Carter Hendricksen, will speak at Beaches Chapel (610 Florida Boulevard, Neptune Beach) on Wednesday, July 22 at 7pm at the SALT Student and College Ministry service. Everyone is invited to attend this service, no matter your age! Please wear masks and practice social distancing. For more information call 904-241-4211.

*SWOOP!*



JULY 23 | 9:00AM

## UNIFORM GIVEAWAY

If you would like to donate uniforms in good condition to our Uniform Giveaway, bring them to the school office. The Uniform Giveaway will be on Thursday, July 23 from 9am to 12pm under the drive-through area. Come and get gently used uniforms for FREE!

## VIRTUAL MEETING

### Parent / Athlete Meeting

If your child plans to play a sport this school year, please watch our Parent/Athlete Meeting. In this **VIRTUAL** meeting, parents will receive important information about our athletic program regarding athlete eligibility, communications, and much more! **Our student-athletes will also receive required FHSAA training that they must complete.** You will receive email instructions on how to view this event.

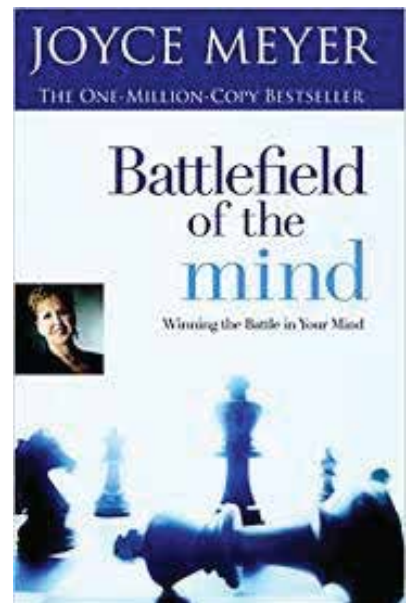


AUGUST 27

## Ladies' Bible Study

We are excited about our upcoming Bible study starting on August 27th. This will be a 12 week session and will be offered at 9:00am and 6:30pm. We will make some adjustments like limiting seating and not offering refreshments this time around, but we know it will still be so good to be together.

We will be going through the study, "The Battlefield of the Mind" by Joyce Meyer. We will be mixing things up this session. We are going to read the book and when we come together we will go through the study guide questions together. This will give us more time to share and have deeper discussion. Bring your friends and join us!



# Nice to meet you!



We are blessed to be welcoming six new teachers to the Beaches Chapel School family this school year. You will also see some familiar faces in new roles when we return in August. Learn a little bit about our new team members and get excited for an awesome school year when we FINALLY get to be together at BCS again.

## Madeline Firestone *Art Teacher*

Madeline Firestone has had a passion for art since she can remember and knew it would always play an integral role in her life. She received a BA from Flagler College in 2010 and was fortunate enough to work at Art with a Heart in Healthcare from 2015 to 2020, a non-profit organization in which she facilitated patients and families making art in a medical setting to promote well-being. In her personal art life she loved using acrylic paint to create pet portraits, mixed media to construct floral peace sign wreaths, and laughing with her friends while making blind contour portraits. Life is beautiful and when art is involved regularly, it makes the journey much brighter!



## Carlee Maynard

*1st Grade*

Carlee Maynard has a BA in Elementary Education with a Reading and ESOL endorsement from Flagler College in St. Augustine, FL. She has also completed her State of Florida Educators' Certification for grades K-6. Throughout her course study she spent numerous hours in classrooms ranging from Kindergarten to Sixth grade and completed her internship as a fourth grade teacher. Upon graduation, she worked as a substitute teacher at BCS and is currently teaching at Beaches Chapel Preschool. She is looking forward to a fun filled learning experience for her first grade class.



## Andrea Torres-Espejo

*Music*

My name is Andrea Torres-Espejo and I am the new Music Teacher for Beaches Chapel School. I recently graduated from the University of North Florida with a Bachelor's in Music Education and a Choral Conducting Certificate. My passion for music developed during Middle School and High School in my school's choir and my Church's Music Ministry. This influenced me to want to teach students music in the future. During my time at UNE, besides working as a choral manager, I worked as the Music Coordinator for the University's Catholic Ministry. I'm very excited to meet all the students this upcoming school year and to start my teaching career with such a caring faculty and staff.





## Christy Forte

*5th Grade*

Christy Forte moved to Jacksonville last summer with her husband Mike and their three children and they love it here! Beaches Chapel was the first school she heard about and after checking into it said, "Please, God, that would be amazing!" She is over-the-moon that God agreed.

Christy graduated from the University of Georgia with stops in Birmingham, London, and Cortona, Italy while in college. Christy has taught Kindergarten, 1st, 4th, and 5th grades, middle school literature and writing, and high school history and literature. She's found many things about every grade to love- this is one way that she knows God has called her to be a teacher.

Christy's constant prayer as both a teacher and a mother is to "do right" by the children- to this end, she expects lots of hard work when its work time- and truly enjoys the times she can just enjoy life with the young people God has placed around her.

Christy is praying for each of her 5th graders and is very excited to meet them! For now, she hopes they have a wonderful summer full of lots of playing time!!



## Krysta Kotos

*Kindergarten*

Krysta was born and raised in Jacksonville, FL. She went to Wake Forest University where she received her Bachelor's Degree with a major in Elementary Education and a minor in Psychology. After graduating from Wake Forest, she continued her education at the University of Georgia where she received her master's degree in Reading Education.

Krysta was an Assistant teacher at Jacksonville Country Day School for two years where she taught both 1st grade and Kindergarten. She has been substitute teaching at Jacksonville Country Day and Bolles for the past two years as well as nannying for the families of the children she used to teach.

Krysta is a certified yoga instructor for both kids and adults. She has taught kids yoga at Jacksonville Country Day and Yoga Den. Krysta shares her free time with her family and her fur babies Athena, an english golden retriever and her cat, Ollie. She is very excited to join the Beaches Chapel community.



## Kathryn Harnish

*MS Science*

Kathryn Harnish has a passion for two professions Teaching and Physical Therapy. She is excited to join Beaches Chapel School community with over eleven years experience teaching with Christian foundation. Kathryn is a resourceful educator committed to foster excellence in every student guiding them to achieve their academic, spiritual, and social-emotional growth potential. Kathryn holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physical Therapy from Northeastern University, a Master of Science Education Degree from the University of Bridgeport, and has completed graduate coursework in Health Education. She has held leadership positions in her Physical Therapy career. Kathryn is married to George, and they have two children. As a family they enjoy traveling, swimming, soccer, and skiing.



## NEW ROLES

In addition to introducing all of these new faces, some of our previous team members will be filling new roles this school year. Congratulations on each of your new positions and thank you for your flexibility to meet the needs of the school!



**Vanessa Bickerstaff**  
*Before Care Teacher*



**Audrey Dikter**  
*Technology/Administrative Assistant*



**Magda Nieto**  
*Lunch/School Aide*

# ATHLETICS



## **Cross Country**

July 28- 8am  
XC Fun Run with  
Christy & Becca

August 3- 8am  
Tryout

## **Volleyball**

Tuesday, August 4- 10am-12pm  
Open Gym

August 5 & 6- 10am-12pm  
Tryout

## **Middle School Soccer**

August 17 & 18- 3:30pm-4:30pm  
Tryout

## **Swimming**

TBD  
(waiting on pool to open)

**Cheer**  
August 18 & 20  
Clinic

August 21  
Tryout

*If your child plans to play a sport this school year, they must return all of the athletic forms before they will be eligible to try out. You can access these forms under the "Athletics" tab on our school website.*

# WELCOME

## **Coach Russell Adell**



Coach Russell Adell grew up in Milwaukee, WI where he attended North Division High School. He holds 8 varsity letters as a 3 sport athlete (4 basketball, 2 football, 2 track & field). Adell was a 4 year varsity starter in basketball, 2 year starter in football at running back and 2 year track in field athlete competing on the indoor 4x100 team and the High Jump. During his senior campaign of high school, he earned All-Conference in all 3 sports. He earned several basketball scholarships completing his AA in History from Allen County Community College located in Topeka, KS and his BA in Legal Studies from Park University located in Parkville, MO. After college, he competed in professional basketball minor leagues before moving into his coaching career.

Coach Adell served 2 years as a Freshman, JV and Varsity assistant coach at East High School & West High School located in Kansas City, MO. After moving to Jacksonville, he accepted a Middle School coaching job at St. John's Country Day School located in Orange Park, FL. The following year he founded a non profit 501c3 program, whose mission is centered around bridging the gap between Academics and Athletics and currently serves youth through stewardship. This past season he served as an assistant coach for the BCS middle school championship team. During this time he has held an USA Basketball Gold Coaching License from 2017 to present date.

## BCS BOOSTERS JOIN THE PRIDE

### **BLUE MEMBERSHIP | \$100**

Athletic Sticker | Booster Bag & Shirt | Name on Website & Athletic Programs

### **BLACK MEMBERSHIP | \$300**

Everything included in the BLUE Membership Package | FREE Entry to ALL BCS Home Games | Logo or Family Name on Sponsor Board

### **CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP | \$500**

Company Banner Displayed in the Impact Center for One Full Year  
Distribution of Flyers/Coupons to School Families upon Approval  
Name Listed on Website & Athletic Programs  
First Option on other Advertising Options/Business Opportunities  
Invitations & Recognition at Booster Events

# LUNCH NEWS



Due to COVID-19 precautions, BCS feels we should limit the number of people touching your child's food and coming onto our campus. With that in mind, we will not be offering lunches from outside sources during the 2020-2021 school year. Your child will need to bring his/her lunch each day. We have, however, come up with special treats students can purchase each day in addition to their lunch. We will not be taking orders online. We will take up money in class each day and fill out an old fashioned lunch ticket. Thank you for understanding that we are making decisions with your child's safety and health in mind.

<b>Monday:</b>	Sam's Club Bakery Cookie.....	\$1
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Smoothie(flavors change weekly).....	\$5
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Candy Bar (variety offered).....	\$1
<b>Thursday:</b>	Hot Dog Meal (hot dog, choice of chips, fruit cup, cookie).....	\$5
<b>Friday:</b>	Ice Cream Bar (variety offered).....	\$1

## show some SPIRIT

Don't miss out on ordering your NEW spirit wear for the upcoming school year. BCS students show their school spirit every Friday by wearing a spirit shirt! This year, we are offering two t-shirt designs and two hoodies. Visit our school website to order yours! The deadline to order is August 4th.



## MASKS



We will have Beaches Chapel lion masks for sell for \$5 in our online spirit store. Order yours for this school year at [beacheschapelschool.com](http://beacheschapelschool.com).

## Worship Team Tryouts

August 4

1:00pm-2:00pm  
High School Worship Band

2:00pm-3:00pm  
Middle School Choir





Our STARS program offers enriching courses that are conveniently located on our school's campus. We have a variety of courses offered every day immediately following school dismissal.

There are some exciting new classes coming to the STARS program this school year. We are adding Golf, Ukelele, and Art classes to the schedule.

In addition to these changes, we will continue to offer some of the popular courses from years past including Dance, Tennis & Soccer. Registration will open in August for the Fall 2020 STARS courses. To register your child, visit [www.beacheschapelschool.com](http://www.beacheschapelschool.com). Classes begin after Labor Day.

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CAMP

Beaches Chapel summer campers visited Catty Shack Ranch Wildlife Sanctuary. Their mission is to provide a safe, loving, forever home for endangered big cats, and to educate the public about their plight in the wild and captivity. Their primary focus is the rescue of cats from serious situations. Once an animal is taken in at Catty Shack Ranch, they have a loving, forever home for life. They do not breed, sell, or trade any of their animals. Current residents include tigers, lions, cougars, leopards, bobcats, arctic foxes, and coatimundis (the last two are "honorary cats")

