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# THE BEAL BULLETIN

## September 17, 2023

## **Beal Highlights**



## **A Message from the Principals**

#### Dear Beal Families,

Thank you to all who attended our Curriculum Nights last week, we had a great turnout. We hope you were able to get a glimpse into what our students and teachers do every day.

September's SEL competency is self-management. Self-management is the ability to regulate your emotions and behaviors in different situations and to set and work toward goals. Students will work on skills such as planning, focusing attention, remembering instructions, and juggling many tasks successfully. As a result, students are taught to recognize when they need to take a break, need space, need help, and the power of yet. Each grade level looks a little different, but all grades are working on the skill at their developmental level.

This week we will continue to practice our building wide safety protocols. Students will practice a lockdown. Unfortunately, drills of this type are a necessary part of life in schools today. As a school community, we continue to be diligent in our preparedness to deal with a crisis we hope we never have to encounter. Please talk to your child about the importance of following safety protocols. Thank you for your continued support.

Please continue reading the Beal Bulletin for some important information. If you need assistance during at any point during the school year, please call our main office at (508) 841-8860.

Sincerely, Kristen Gasper and Shelley Hoey

## **Important Dates**



- Please mark your calendars with these important dates. More information about each of these events can be found in the newsletter and/or future newsletters.
- Tuesday, September 19, 2023- PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm, Beal Library & Zoom
- Tuesday, September 26, 2023- Bookworm Breakfast, 8:15-9:15 am, Beal Library
- Friday, September 29, 2023- All School Meeting
- Monday, October 2, 2023- All School Council Meeting, 6:00 pm, Shrewsbury High School
- Friday, October 6, 2023- No School- Professional Development Day
- Monday, October 9, 2023- No School- Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Wednesday, October 11, 2023- Picture Retakes
- Friday, October 27, 2023- All School Meeting
- Thursday, November 9, 2023- Parent Conference Day, No School for Students
- Friday, November 10, 2023- No School- Veteran's Day

Shrewsbury Public Schools Calendar 2023-2024

## **Beal School Council- Volunteers Needed**



The Beal school community is looking for three parent volunteers to participate on our School Council this year. A School Council is a representative, school building-based committee composed of the principal, parents, teachers, and community members. Members typically serve a term of one to two years.

Using our **District 5-Year Strategic Commitments and Priorities** as an anchor, our primary goal in the coming year will be to develop a school improvement plan. Our School Council Meetings will be on Thursday afternoons, likely once per month. We will meet in person in the Beal School Media Center from 3:45-4:30pm.

Our first meeting, the only evening meeting of the year, will be our All School Councils Meeting with all school councils from around the district for a joint meeting on Monday, October 2nd from 6:00-8:00 pm. At that time, we'll determine the date for our first few School Council meetings.

If you are interested in volunteering to participate on our council, please use this link to complete a form to share your information and interest. If we have more volunteers than needed, we'll be asking our parent-teacher organization to vote on choosing our council members.

## **Child Safe Procedures**



If your child is going to be absent or late to school, we require that you telephone us either the night before or first thing in the morning on the day of the absence at (508) 841-8860. The answering machine for our child-safe procedure is on 24 hours a day. If we have not received a call to report an absence, the school

will be in contact with the parent or emergency contact to confirm the child's safety. Please help our busy office staff by always calling us when your child will be absent or tardy.

## Safety Tip Line



This anonymous form can be used to submit information that may be helpful in ensuring the safety of students, faculty, and property of the Shrewsbury Public Schools in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts.

This form creates an electronic email alert to several staff members of the Shrewsbury Public Schools. It does not go to the Shrewsbury Police Department.

Staff email alerts are generally monitored Monday through Friday during business hours of 8am to 4:30pm.

If the information you have is TIME SENSITIVE, please call 911 for assistance.

If you wish to speak to a representative from the Shrewsbury Police Department and your concern is not urgent you can reach them 24/7 by calling 508-841-8577.

# A Message from the Food Services Department



Please click here to view the SPS Food Services Newsletter.

The calendar for school lunch for this week is below. Students may choose a free lunch from the cafeteria or bring their own from home. Please connect with your classroom teacher if you have

questions about your child's lunch. Also, please send a snack in with your child each day. Teachers will build a short snack time into their daily schedule depending on what time their lunch block is.

Breakfast is now available each day and will be served from 8:45-9:15 in the cafeteria. Students may choose a free breakfast upon arrival.

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Monti's Pizza	Nachos-Bean or Beef	Pizza Bites/Marinara Sauce	Cheeseburger or	Mozzarella Sticks /Marinara
Chef's Choice	w/Toppings (Cheese, Salsa,	Toasted Ham and Cheese on a	Gardenburger	Sauce
Steamed Broccoli	Lettuce, Sour Cream)	Croissant /Pretzels	Brunch Bag	Chicken Patty/ Chips
Pasta Salad	Brunch Bag	Roll	Baked Fries	Mixed Vegetables
Carrot Sticks and Hummus	Corn	Pasta Salad	Steamed Carrots	Tossed Salad
Berries	Apples	Green Beans	Garden Salad	Roll
		Mixed Fruits	Orange Wedges	Peaches

## Notes from the Beal PTO





Our PTO meeting will be this Tuesday Sept 19th at 6:30 in the media center and on zoom. We will have high school volunteers to provide childcare if you are interested in taking advantage of that option. We are excited to plan some fun activities! Please join us! Here is the link for our <u>agenda</u> and for <u>zoom</u>.

Opportunity to sponsor T-Shirts: Do you own or know a local business that would be interested in sponsoring Beal t-shirts for our students? We are excited to announce that we are moving our big school fundraiser to the Fall (Friday, November 3) and are once more planning to give each of our students a new school shirt! We are currently looking for businesses to sponsor the t-shirts. See <u>HERE</u> for details and <u>HERE</u> to make your payment through Paypal.



Beal BookWorm: If you have a child with a birthday in August, September, or October please be on the lookout for a flyer inviting them to our quarterly BookWorm breakfast that will be held on Tuesday, September 26 from 8:15-9:15 am in the Media Center.



STEM Beginnings Do you have a child who enjoys science, technology, engineering and math activities? This after school program will run on Fridays from September 29th through December 8th. It will be held at Beal from 3:45-4:45 pm. There will be no class on: October 6th, November 10th, and November 24th as these are all no school days. There are 8 classes in all. Please

click the picture for more information!



Want to connect with other families in your child's class? Sign up

for the Beal School Classroom directory! Your information will only be shared with the families in your class.

2023- 2024 Beal School Classroom Directory



VOLUNTEER CORI CHECKS

#### Volunteers at Beal

Volunteering in school is a great way to be connected to your child's school experience and help the school at the same time. In order for this to be possible, all volunteers are required to

complete a CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) verification with Shrewsbury Public Schools. Please visit Beal's front office or the Shrewsbury School Department at Town Hall with your identification to submit the required paperwork (passport, drivers license, state issued ID card or permanent residency card). Please allow at least 2 weeks for processing. These verifications are valid for 3 years.

#### **Cafeteria Volunteers**

CORIs

Would you like to volunteer at school? Our students in Kindergarten and 1st Grade often need a little extra support at the beginning of the school year to set up their lunches. Help from families would be greatly appreciated! Please see the following link for details: 2023 Fall Cafeteria Volunteers and don't forget to get your CORI check in order before coming in.

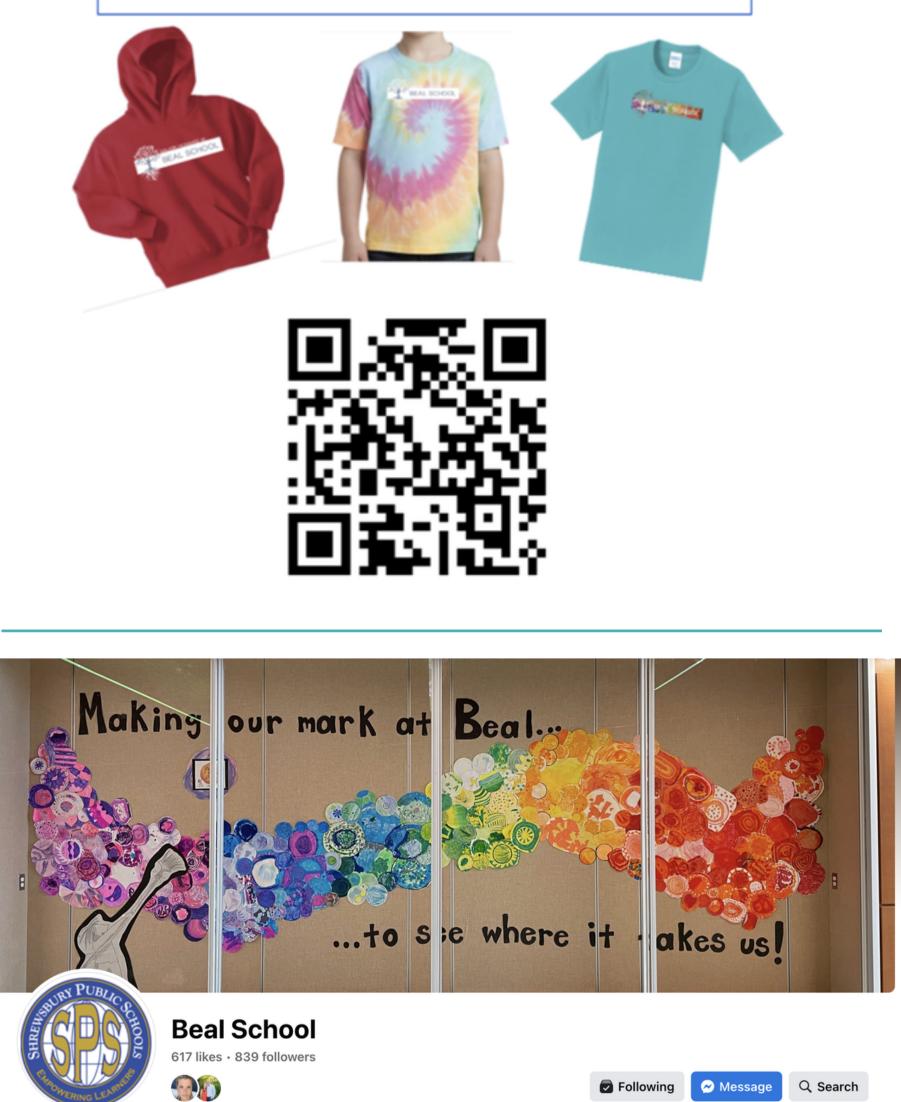


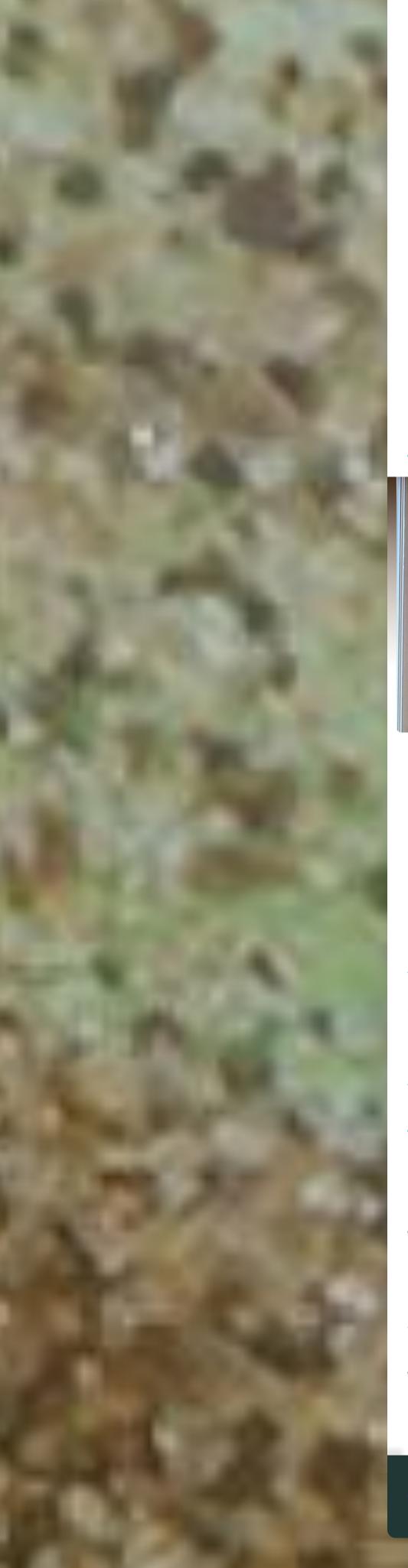
## **Frequently Used Numbers**



Main Office- (508) 841-8860 School Fax- (508) 841-8862 School Nurses- (508) 841-8870 Nurses Fax- (508) 841-1535 Extended Day- (508) 841-8861

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#### Follow Beal School on Facebook!!!

Please join our Beal School Facebook pages for your social media lens on what is happening at Beal School.

Following

#### Beal School Facebook page

Our wonderful PTO also has a Facebook page geared towards supporting families and community. Please find their information here:

#### Beal school PTO Facebook page

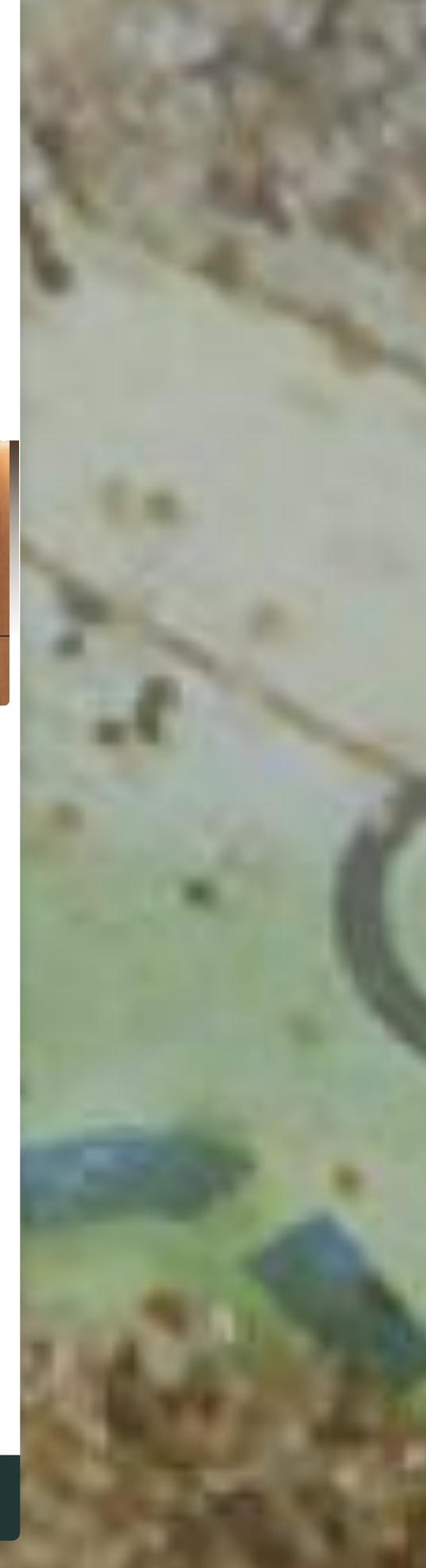
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