



THE BEECHWOOD SCHOOL

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BEECHWOOD'S UPCOMING CALENDAR

Nov. 15	In House Kindergarten Registration Ends 5:30 PM
Nov. 16	All re-registrations due
Nov. 5- 16	Holiday Food Drive
Nov. 22 & 23	Thanksgiving Holiday-School Closed
Nov. 28 & 29	Individual Portraits
Dec. 3 - 14	Toy Drive
Dec. 20	Holiday Party
Dec. 21	Open – Regular Hours
Dec. 24 - Jan. 1	Winter Break- School Closed
Jan. 2, 2019	Tuesday, School Reopens
January 2019	Winter Coat Collection

2019-20 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration for current Beechwood students has begun. Interested parents may stop by the office to pick up an application. Forms along with the necessary fees totaling \$325 will be accepted until the end of the day on Tuesday, November 15.

Kindergarten acceptance will be determined by a readiness screening with Marge McElroy, as well as, the classroom teacher's assessment of your child's readiness skills and overall classroom interactions. Submission of application with fees does not guarantee acceptance. Families will be notified of acceptance by December 18. If Beechwood determines a child cannot be accepted into our kindergarten, all fees paid will be returned.

Please drop in to observe our kindergarten or talk with Tanya Shaw LaFlam, Marge McElroy or Sue Hagan.

2019-2020 REREGISTRATION

Reregistration forms for students entering preschool, prekindergarten or summer camp *have been mailed to your homes*. Forms are due back to the office by November 16.

If you receive a re-registration application but your child will not be returning, please sign and return to the office. Your tuition deposit will be credited to your May installment.

Please call the office with any questions Thank you.

SIBLINGS

The 2019-20 registration forms are ready for new students! Our families with a sibling who will be 2yrs/6mos or older by September, may register now. Forms are in the office. Please note, discounts are available for multiple children attending at the same time.

Beginning Monday, November 5 our playground will be closed @ 5:00PM until March. Thank You



*****INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS*****

As mentioned earlier Ed Quinn had surgery and is unable to take our pictures this year. Therefore, Maggie Capp from Impact studios will be taking individual pictures on Wednesday & Thursday, Nov. 28 & 29. **Detailed information will be sent home the week of November 12.**

- *Interested preschool children who attend both days will have pictures taken on Wednesday, November 28.*
- *Thursday only children will have pictures on Thursday. Children who DO NOT attend on either day may be brought to school by a parent on Thursday, Nov.29 @ 10 AM, if interested in having picture taken.*
- *Kindergarten students will have their pictures taken on Thursday, November 29 only.*

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please check your child's Parent Note Board to sign up for a conference. We appreciate the time our staff takes in scheduling. Teachers often come to school early or return late in the afternoon to accommodate parents' schedules. Please be punctual and keep your appointment. Missed conferences will only be rescheduled during the teacher's regular hours.

Nov. 5-	Mrs. Ehrlich & Mrs. Angevine
Nov.12-	Mrs. Reali & Mrs. Rutkowski
Nov.26-	Ms. Tanya & Mrs. Bier
Dec 3-	Mrs. Dee

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

NOVEMBER 5 – NOVEMBER 16

Beechwood is partnering with the Food Bank of South Jersey for Harvest for the Holiday Food Drive. Any non-perishable donations in unbreakable containers are appreciated but suggestions are listed below.

Please bring to bins in the upper hall:

- Mrs. Dee – yellow & orange canned vegetables
- Mrs. Erhlich – canned pie filling or boxed crust mix
- Mrs. Bier– cans of chicken or turkey gravy
- Mrs. Rutkowski – chicken broth or boxed stuffing
- Mrs. Angevine – boxed mac & cheese or boxed potatoes
- Mrs. Reali – canned yams or sweet potatoes
- Ms. Tanya – canned cranberry sauce

NAP BAGS

New Jersey licensing has made it mandatory for all nap items to be placed in a bag for daily storage. The BEECHWOOD SCHOOL BAGS may be used for this. They are available for \$10 at the office. Otherwise, please send your child's nap items, even mat rolls, in a labeled bag. Thank You.

IMMUNIZATIONS

It is a New Jersey State Law that all children in a pre-school or kindergarten setting **must** be immunized. Please be sure that our office has an updated shot record by **NOVEMBER 20**. At that time, the state will be confirming that Beechwood School is in compliance. **Also, children up to 60 months MUST provide proof of a flu vaccine or a note stating exemption.**

FALL FESTIVAL PROCEEDS

Thank you to all of our families and staff for supporting our Fall Festival. We are happy to announce that through your generosity, Beechwood was able to collect almost \$1641 toward playground enhancement, particularly shading solutions.

TOY DRIVE—December 3-14

This year Beechwood School will be collecting toys for the Nemours/Alfred I DuPont Hospital for Children's Christmas Party. Party participants will be old. More information will follow in our December newsletter.

EXTRA CLOTHES

With the change of seasons, we are asking parents to please send in a fresh set of **extra clothes** that has a long sleeve shirt, pants, socks and underpants. The staff will put the lightweight extra clothes in your child's cubby.

The office supply of extra clothes is running low. If by chance, you're looking to get rid of some pants or shirts 3T and larger, please think of Beechwood. It would be greatly appreciated!



UNICEF

The kindergarten class collected money for the poor children around the world. If you participated, please bring the UNICEF box to the kindergarten room by Monday, November 5 and the students will count it and send it to the UNICEF office. Thank You.

REMINDER:

Check your child regularly for ticks & head lice.

DRIVEWAY ISSUES

Please do not back all the way up our driveway to the street or make a "K" turn at the foot of our driveway. Both practices are dangerous and serve as a potential hazard. We realize at certain times driving and parking is tight, but for children's safety and to avoid fender benders, please proceed slowly. Drive forward and turn around at the end of the street (but not in the neighbors' driveways). Finally, if you wait a few minutes there are usually spaces available in the lot. Thank you!



FYI—On October 25, eight more staff became certified in CPR. Many staff are already certified.

EARLY ARRIVAL & LATE PICK UP FEES

Please help us with teacher/child ratios. We need all families to adhere to the schedule for which you registered, 9-11:30 am, 9-1 pm, or full day, unless other arrangements have been made. Extra time may be arranged with advanced notice. An extra hour's charge of \$8/hr. will be applied before 8:45 am or after 1 pm. The cost for 11:30-1:00 pm with lunch is \$16. The charge for late pick-up after 5:30 pm is \$10.00 for every portion of 10 minutes. Extra hours and late fees are due at pick-up. Thank you for your cooperation.