



The Bay Academy for the Arts & Sciences
Intermediate School 98

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Principal

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1. **Back to School-** Thank you for helping to make this worthwhile event successful.
2. **ID Cards-** Please remember to wear your Staff ID upon entering/exiting the building, in the halls, during passing. This will help us to maintain a safe environment for all. Please DO NOT make any adjustments to wear the ID card in any other place besides where you were shown. It needs to remain easily visible. Thank you for your cooperation.



3. **ID Card Discounts-** Mrs. Samuelson has shared the following link where discounts are offered to teachers with photo ID: <http://www.uft.org/our-benefits/teacher-and-educator-discounts>
4. **Increased Mailbox Storage Space-** In response to frequent concerns about mailbox storage limits, the NYCDOE has increased the size of all staff members' mailboxes to one gigabyte; this increases your mailbox capacity by a factor of ten.
5. **Denim Day-** We will be supporting Breast Cancer Awareness on Monday October 20, 2014. If you would like to join us please see Mrs. Karen Goldberg and donate a minimum of \$5.00. As part of this philanthropic activity you may wear denim and pink on that day. We would like to have a photo shoot in the afternoon of all the staff members who participate.
6. **Marking Periods-** Please note the trimester dates:
9/4 through 11/26 1st Trimester
11/27 through 2/27 2nd Trimester
2/28 through 5/29 3rd Trimester
The third trimester information is CONFIDENTIAL
7. **Edline/EGPW-** The first student Progress Report must be updated by close of business Monday September 29, 2014.
8. **ELL Training-** All teachers must complete 7.5 hours of ELL training. If you have not already completed this mandate, you must see Ms. Cerbone for details.
9. **Edline/EGPW Training-** Training is available to any staff member. If you wish to attend you may speak to Ms. Cuoco for available dates.
10. **District 21 Middle School Fair-** The fair will take place on Tuesday September 30, 2014 at Seth Low from 5:30-7:30pm. We will be representing The Bay Academy at this fair. We need as many volunteers as possible since we are the most crowded table. You may RSVP to Nancy by 9/24/14. Please mark your calendars for this event.
11. **BrainPOP-** You may access this exciting, educational site now that the error has been corrected.
12. **Social Committee-** You may join the Social Committee by submitting \$60.00 cash to Marietta Falconieri.
13. **Chemical Inventory-** Please return the completed chemical inventory form to Ms. Gladis by Wednesday September 24, 2014.
14. **Making Strides for Breast Cancer-** If you are interested in participating in this wonderful event please see Ms. Cuoco. Many staff members will be walking through Prospect Park for this worthy cause.

As we continue to adjust our instructional approach to meet the needs of every student, it is important to keep in mind that we are all working towards a common goal. We are asking our students to complete high level tasks which will promote critical thinking. We are helping them develop problem solving skills needed to succeed in high school and college and we are expecting them to achieve progress and growth. Thank you for your commitment to these essential goals and for helping to make our school the great institution that it is!