

### MEDFORD LAKES SCHOOL DISTRICT Neeta Elementary School

# Welcome to our 6th Grade Orientation...

...And to MIDDLE SCHOOL!!

# The Medford Lakes School District Board of Education (MLBOE)

The Board of Education consists of elected people from our community that help make our district GREAT! They have a public meeting each month to help keep the school district running smoothly! We thank them for all they do for our staff and students! You will find the meeting dates on our school website under the Board of Education tab.

www.medford-lakes.k12.nj.us

#### **Board Members**

**Mrs. Bezanis, President** 

**Mr.** Kerfoot, Vice President

Mrs. Schultz, Member

Ms. Moore, Member

**Ms.** Connerly, Member

#### **Welcome To Middle School!**



Dr. Dent, Superintendent Neeta Principal

#### **Meet the Administrative Team**



Mr. Vrettos, Business Administrator



Mrs.
Summerville,
Director of
Special Services



Mr. Vanderzee, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds

## Meet Our <u>AWESOME</u> Office Staff



Mrs. Heicklen,
Administrative Assistant to
Dr. Dent

Mrs. Walsh,
Child Study Team
Secretary





Welcome to Neeta *MIDDLE* School!

**Grades 6th-8th** 8:09 AM-3:02 PM

Early Dismissal 12:23 PM

## MLEF Foundation



#### www.medfordlakeseducationfoundation.org



## **PROJECTS**

Third Grade Butterfly Project

**Nokomis Night at the Art** 

**Project Infinity** 

**Teacher Enrichment Grants** 

**Updated Chromebooks** 

**Tech Programs** 

**Robotics Club** 

**The Neeta Play** 

The Secret Garden at Nokomis

**Upgrades to School Computers** 

**Smart Boards** 

**Camp Ockanickon** 

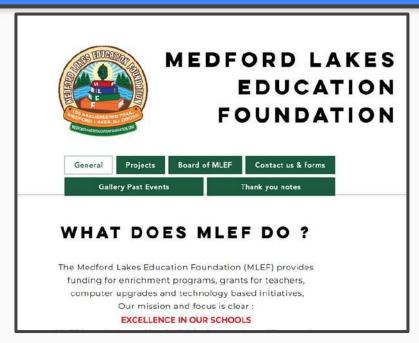
## CAMP OCKANICKON

MLEF donates up to \$5000.00 yearly towards Camp

**Ockanickon** 



# WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS



#### **Email us MLEF.EDU@GMAIL.COM**

#### **HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (HSA)**

- Meetings held monthly
- 🙏 Lunch Program
- Book Fair
- Classroom Parties
- Holiday Shop
- Bike Registration
- ...and SO much more!





### LAKERS SEPAC



Special Education Parents Advisory Council

- ✓ Offer parents <u>SUPPORT</u> and <u>SOLUTIONS</u>
- ✓ Provides input to district on different issues concerning students with disabilities
- ✓ <u>Meetings</u>: Monthly, 3rd Thu 6:30 pm Neeta Library

## **ARRIVAL**

## Carline/Walkers Arrival/Drop off 8:00 AM-8:09 AM

Students in grades 6-8 enter the building through the APR lobby door. The doors open at 8:00 AM and students are expected to go directly to their locker.

- Students arriving <u>after 8:10 AM</u>, MUST BE SIGNED IN BY A PARENT IN THE FRONT OFFICE.
- Students marked late 5x will receive a DETENTION!

## **Neeta MIDDLE School**

**Encouraging RESPONSIBILITY!** 



## Middle School Sports

#### **FALL SPORTS**

- Soccer (boys & girls)
- Field Hockey (girls)

#### **WINTER SPORTS**

- Basketball (boys & girls)
- Cheer (boys & girls)

#### **SPRING SPORTS**

- Lacrosse (girls)
- Baseball (boys)
- Neeta Sports Booster Club (Please join!)

## **Academics in 6th Grade**

#### **Math**

Big Ideas Grades 6,7,8

#### <u>ELA (English Language Arts)</u>

Elements of Language Grades 6,7,8
Instructional Coach Grades 6,7,8

#### **Science**

**Science/Dimensions** Grades 5,6,7,8

#### **Social Studies**

History Alive! Grades 6,7,8



## SUPPORT SERVICES

#### **SCHOOL COUNSELORS**

Mrs. Stuby

hstuby@medford-lakes.k12.nj.us

Mrs. Lembo elembo@medford-lakes.k12.nj.us

#### **SCHOOL NURSE**

**Mrs. Collins** 

acollins@Medford-lakes.k12.nj.us

#### **CST - "CHILD STUDY TEAM"**

Mrs. Summerville

jsummerville@medford-lakes.k12.nj.us



When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, "Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping."

- Mister Rogers

BitsofPositivity.com

## STUDENT COUNCIL

- Student Council represents the students and try to make your voice heard.
- We organize fundraisers, Spirit Week, dances, relay race, and many other student activities
- Think of creative ideas to make the school year fun
- Communicate to your other classmates on what activities are coming up.



#### **TOOLS OF COMMUNICATION**

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITE

#### www.medford-lakes.k12.nj.us

- Access to Parent Portal
- Link to <u>www.MyFoodDays.com</u>
- Posting of current announcements
- Calendar of school and district events
- Highlights of school and district happenings
- Links to teachers email address

### Thursday "LAKERS LINKS" (email blast)

- Emailed each Thursday
- Weekly notices
- Important Reminders
- Highlights of school & community happenings

#### **Realtime Parent Portal**

- Grades
- Schedule
- Daily Attendance,
- Contacts
- Notification Preferences

## Required Health Office Documents

#### **YEARLY PHYSICAL**

- 6th Grade Students are required to have a yearly physical prior to starting the school year.
- Due Date: 9/20/2024
- Click on link to be directed to the **Universal Health Physical Form**

Note: If your child is not due for his/her annual physical, please supply the Health Office with a note including the date and time of his/her appointment no later than 9/20/2024

#### **IMMUNIZATIONS**

- **TDap** 1 dose required for all entering sixth graders who are 11 years of age or older
- Meningococcal- 1 dose required for all entering 6th graders who are 11 years of age or older

Note: Immunization records are required to be submitted to the Health Office no later than 9/20/2024.

If your child is not due for immunizations, please supply the Health Office with a note including the date and time of his/her appointment

\*\* The Burlington County Department of Health immunization audit will take place October 2024. Failure to provide documentation will result in <u>student</u> exemption\*\*

## Required Health Office Documents Continued

#### Consent for Health Services/Yearly Health Update Form

 Medford Lakes requires the Yearly Health and Health Services Consent Form to be completed no later than 9/23/2023

Link: Yearly Health Update Form

#### **Consent for Over The Counter Medications**

- Medford Lakes School District requires the OTC consent form to be completed and returned to school
- All OTC medications of been approved by the Medford Lakes School District Physician

#### **Approved Medications:**

Acetaminophen (Tylenol)
Ibuprofen (Motrin)
Diphenhydramine (Benadryl)
Throat Lozengers/Cough Drops
Antacid Tablets (Tums)

### Camp Ockanickon





#### **Required Health Camp Forms**

1. Confidential Health Information
Form - this form indicates if your child
has any specific dietary
needs/restrictions, phobias,
mental/social/emotional health
concerns etc

Link: Camp Ockanickon Emergency
Contact/Health Form

#### **Medications**

ALL medication must be supplied to the Health Office in the original bottle by a parent/guardians

Medication must have a valid expiration date

Medication and appropriate administration forms must be supplied to the nurses office no later than 7 days prior to the trip.



Mrs. Agin Science Teacher



Ms. Clark PE Teacher



Mrs. Gibson Math Teacher



Mr. Heggan Science Teacher



Mrs. Craig Basic Skills Teacher



Mr. McCall POR Math Teacher



Mrs. Morales ELA Teacher



Mr. Meakim Social Studies Teacher



Mrs. Haziza Music Teacher



Mr. Moorhead ICR Teacher



Mrs. O'Brien Math Teacher



Mrs. Reid Math Teacher



Mrs. Ross ELA Teacher



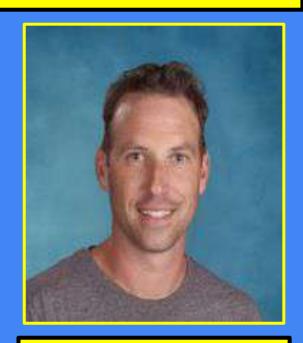
Mrs. Summerville Spanish Teacher



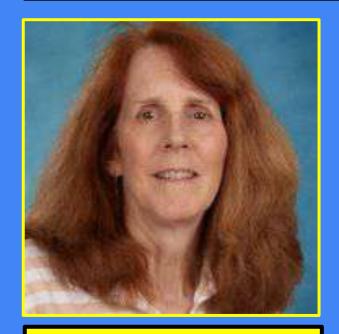
Mrs. Swindells Media Specialist



Mrs. Walsh Social Studies



Mr. Wassell Computers



Mrs. Wells Art Teacher



Mrs. Wharton ELA Teacher



Mr. Lepere ICR ELA Teacher

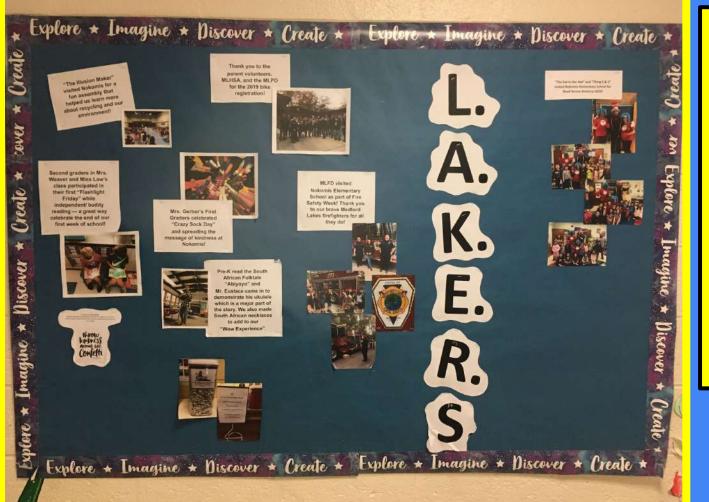
## **Meet Our School Counselors**



Mrs. Stuby Grades 6-8



Mrs. Lembo Grades 3-5



#### L.A.K.E.R.S.

**Leadership** 

Accountability

Kindness

**Enthusiasm** 

Respect

Service

## **Questions???**

Important information for families here!!!

Neeta MIDDLE School is the beginning of a <a href="NEW">NEW</a> and exciting adventure! If you have further questions, please email Mrs. Heicklen

<u>jheicklen@medford-lakes.k12.nj.us</u>