## POINT PLEASANT SCHOOLS

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Dear Panther Families!

Greetings and welcome to the start of another school year. I would like to take this time to welcome our students back to school while extending an extra special welcome to our new preschoolers at our elementary schools, 6<sup>th</sup> graders at Memorial Middle School, and 9<sup>th</sup> graders at Point Pleasant Borough High School. We are looking forward to an exciting school year!

Our Panther Counseling Department is growing and changing. I recently entered the role of Director of School Counseling Services for Point Pleasant School District. I service all grades from preschool through grade 12. As a member of this community and previous counselor for the district, I am privileged to serve in this position to support the wellbeing and mental health of all our students. In returning to a full day of learning, please know the district is working to ensure that all students have their educational, social, and emotional needs met.

We are proud to announce the addition of our newest elementary school counselor, Ms. Rachel Poole. Ms. Poole has a strong mental health background with children of all ages, and she will be the full-time school counselor at Nellie F. Bennett Elementary School. Ms. Courtney Tintle will remain full-time at Ocean Road School.

Ms. Jaylin Burzon will join the Memorial Middle School Counseling Department as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade counselor. Ms. Burzon was a Panther intern and is excited to return to support our middle schoolers. Mr. Greg Lins will join the high school team to counsel our students at all grade levels. Mr. Lins is a proud Point Borough graduate with many years of counseling and military experience. Last but not least, Ms. Laureen Caggiano is our new Student Assistance Coordinator for the middle and high school students. She comes to Point Borough with years of prevention experience and mental health expertise.

Point Pleasant Borough School District offers school-based counseling through a new partnership with the YMCA. The confidential counseling takes place at your child's school during nonacademic times. The program launched this summer and the YMCA is looking to add an additional counselor at the start of the school year. The YMCA program accepts Medicaid, Aetna, and Horizon BCBS. If you are interested in the services, please contact your child's school counseling department. More information about the new services can be located on our website: www.pointpleasant.k12.nj.us/YMCA

Please see page 2 for more information about your school counselor.

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## **Point Pleasant Borough School District Counselors**

### **Elementary Counselor Contacts:**

Ocean Road: Ms. Tintle	Nellie F Bennett: Ms. Poole
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#### **Memorial Middle School Counselor Contacts:**

Ms. MacDonald – Grade 6	Ms. Kelly – Grade 7	Ms. Burzon – Grade 8
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#### **Memorial Middle School Administrative Assistant:**

Ms. Schoemer – <u>kschoemer@pointpleasant.k12.nj.us</u> ext. 2312

### **High School Counselor Contacts:**

Ms. Molyneaux (Long term sub)  9 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> A-F A-C A-D A-G  kmolyneaux@pointpleasant.k12.nj.us	Mr. Lins 9 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> G-L D-K E-K As Assigned glins@pointpleasant.k12.nj.us
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<sup>\*</sup>Please note that Ms. Gergely will return in November. (jgergely@pointpleasant.k12.nj.us)

## **High School Administrative Assistants:**

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Ms. Ferrara – nferrara@pointpleasant.k12.nj.us ext. 2208

#### MMS & PPBHS Student Assistance Coordinator:

Ms. Caggiano – lcaggiano @pointpleasant.k12.nj.us

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's counseling department.

Sincerely,

#### Nicole Hankins

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**Director of School Counseling Services**