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BAY HAVEN CHARTER ACADEMY

The beginning is the half of every action - Greek Proverb



Message from Dr. Tim Kitts Chief Education Officer

Dear Bobcat and Buccaneer Parents:

Bay Haven Charter Academy, Inc is the new district office serving both Bay Haven located on Hawks Landing Blvd. and North Bay Haven located on Balboa Avenue. We refer to the newly formed district office as INC. With growth comes change. We actually made the decision to discontinue the services of an outside financial services company and we brought the payroll and monthly financial reporting in house. We now serve 1700 students and over 180 faculty and staff on two campuses. Bay Haven INC has also responded to the overwhelming request by parents to create a high school. The plan is unlike any seen in the panhandle. You need to visit the North Bay Haven website and view the career models and the technology being offered to the students. Please encourage families to come and visit our North Bay Haven campus to see and experience the Buccaneer difference. It is exceptional! Naturally, Bay Haven and the North Bay Haven elementary and middle schools will continue to offer a powerful High Expectations/High Achievement education for all children. You have made a commitment to be a part of your child's education and together we can achieve great things. Parental involvement is a mainstay of our tremendous success. Let's all work together to continue the tradition.

Dr. Tim Kitts, CEO



A Message from Principal Bolinger

Hello and welcome back!

As I am sure you have heard, Bay Haven elementary and middle are both "A" schools! It is, of course, a direct result of the hard work of all involved: our students, faculty, staff and parents...it's a "whole village" thing.

In my first year as your principal, I am dedicating myself to continuing the "high expectations/ high achievement" tradition set forth by our founding principal, Dr. Tim Kitts. He and I have been friends and colleagues for many years, so I know of his high standards and integrity...big shoes to fill!

In the coming days, look to our website, www.bhca.ws. Todd Fuder, our webmaster is working to bring it a new look and feel. I know you will enjoy it.

We are offering a shuttle bus service between Bay Haven and North Bay Haven in the morning and afternoons for the convenience of our parents who have students at both schools. Since this service has just been put in place, we do not have any certified drivers except for me. So, I will be driving the shuttle for approximately six weeks until we can have our own personnel trained. There's a story behind my having this training...ask me about it sometime!

Let's have a great year and, of course,
GO BOBCATS!

Parents in Prayer



All parents are invited to join us in a time of non-denominational prayer for our Bay Haven family who impact the destiny of our children. t 7:45 a.m. each Wednesday in the conference room. For info contact: Terry Barner at 774-0095.



Visit www.bricksrus.com/order/bhca

Don't forget to order your **personalized** BHCA Brick!

These bricks will be used for walk-ways throughout the BHCA school grounds.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS



HIGH ACHIEVEMENT

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Monthly Meetings

1st Thursday - Board

2nd Tuesday - Foundation

4th Tuesday - PTSP



PTSP Pointers

President's Message *with Nancy Crow*

Welcome back students, parents, faculty, and staff. We are in for another fun-filled year of events demonstrating our commitment to support family unity at BHCA and financial support for our school. Let me introduce you to your 2010 - 2011 PTSP Board of Directors:

- President - Nancy Crow
- Vice President - Laura Swindler
- Fundraising & Events Coordinator - Linda Waddy
- Volunteer Coordinator - Jennifer Glass
- Communications Coordinator - Amanda Morris
- Secretary - Monika Bennett
- Treasurer - Maria Williams

Please check our schedule of events. If you are interested in being the Chairperson for any of these events or just volunteering your valuable time, please contact Jennifer Glass at fishingglass@gmail.com.


As always, we welcome your membership. Prices will remain the same this year. For a \$10 membership, you may work at least one hour at a major PTSP event (Ice Cream Social, Summer Reward Party, etc.) and claim 5 volunteer hours toward your 20 hour commitment. Remember, this benefit can only be used one time per year, per family and should be used wisely. For a \$20 membership, you will receive the previously described benefit as well as a Common Cents coupon book worth thousands in savings. Typically, someone could use 3 or 4 coupons and get their money's worth. That's value for your money. After the purchase of one coupon book, you may purchase more books for \$5 off each one. I truly appreciate your support of our school.

Please feel free to contact me at president.ptsp@bhca.ws or 258-4275 (call or text).

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

To volunteer, contact Jennifer Glass at fishingglass@gmail.com and let her know in which area you prefer to serve. Thank you so much for your service to our school. It's the children that will


benefit the most from your involvement.



PTSP Ice Cream Social
Aug 27
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.




Book Fair
Sept. 10 - 21




Family BarBQ
Sept. 10
5:00 – 7:00



Fall Festival
Oct 16
10:00 – 3:00



Charleston Wraps
Catalogue Sales
Sept. 16 – Oct. 1



Fish Fry
Feb. 18
5:00 – 7:00



Teacher
Appreciation
May 2 - 6

You gotta have art!

with Mrs. Irby



Hello Bobcats! The new school year is here and exciting things are happening in the art studios. We have a wonderful new teacher that is now with us for the early elementary side. Ms. Kensinger is now teaching at the new North Bay Haven. That is sad news for us, but great news for the Buccaneers. The good news is that Daphne Watts, one of the most respected educators in Bay County, has filled her shoes. She is an exciting art educator that I am honored to have at our school. She has three children at Bay Haven, Chad, Thomas, and Christina. She already knows the ropes!

Right away, we will be preparing for your favorite art activity, "Art to Remember". Veteran Bobcats know that this is an art fundraiser put on through the PTSP. Once we considered stopping this program, but parents begged us to keep it in place. It is the perfect way to commemorate your child's development through their expressiveness.

If you are interested in volunteering with this or other projects, please contact me at 248-3500 ext 124. There is always a way to get your volunteer hours in with the Art Department.

Thank you for allowing us to share Art with your children as we look forward to this creative year!

ATHLETIC CORNER

WITH COACH FARNER



Hey all you wonderful Bobcats out there!

Welcome to our new students and of course, our returning students! It's going to be a great year in athletics! Right off the bat, I want to tell you about one improvement that is, to me, the most amazing of the summer. Nancy Crow, who is president of our PTSP, (Parent, Teacher, Student Partnership), and her officers, approved the purchase and installation of two new wonderful water fountains for the outside fields. This has been a much needed requirement for the PE department. It's like water from heaven. All of this would not have been possible if you, our Bay Haven parents, did not support the timely and appropriate fundraisers that the PTSP sponsors. In essence, it was you the parents who gave us those water fountains. So, THANK YOU and keep helping your children by participating in these fundraisers. My personal favorite is the Cookie Dough campaign.

The athletics department is the only team that has not changed at Bay Haven. We are very proud of that. The elementary team headed up by Coach Marketa Reid has a great program lined up for you. Coach Ryan Ramsey, who became a new Dad this June, and Coach Bridget Whitelock all make teaching 600 children every week look easy.

The Middle School team consists of Coach Kelley Broome, Coach Mark Blais, Coach Eric Bush, and of course me. We received some great training this summer and plan to implement it into this year's classes.

Football and volleyball are off to an amazing start. Coach Walter Woodrick is our football coach this year. This summer, he organized a summer conditioning program that consisted of about 25 boys. Coach Woodrick is hoping that this training will make a difference on the season. Look for the details coming to you through email about our tailgate party on August 27th at the school and the football jamboree on September 7th at Tommy Oliver Stadium.