

Hello Cocoa Beach Families,

Happy Halloween! We are heading into November with a full head of steam. We have a lot going on.

Hurricane Make-up Days: By now you should be aware that the District has decided not to utilize the Hurricane Make-up Days that were scheduled in the Thanksgiving week. So **the week long Thanksgiving break is intact**. Instead, we will extend 1st Semester through January 9 (exams remain in December); and we will have full school days on November 4, 18, December 2, and January 6 (those were early release days). So we do not have Early Release this Friday.

School Pictures: We have completed all of the photo shoots for grades 7 through 11. If your son or daughter did sit for a school picture, but you did not purchase a package of pictures, you still can. Dean Stewart has all of our student pictures on file. You can go to their website and order pics. Here is the website: <https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000940640#login> Our school code is 5945.

Salute to Service: During the week of November 7th we are going to have several activities to honor the men and women who serve in our military. We will kick off the week with **"rep your branch" day on Monday the 7th**. We ask everyone to wear any apparel, such as t-shirts and sweatshirts that represent a branch of the military. Not uniforms, but apparel that reference the Army, Navy, Marines, Air/Space Force, and Coast Guard. We will even allow hats, such as Baseball Caps that have branches/insignias on them – current US military branches only. We will cap off the recognition with our Veterans Day Ceremony on Thursday, November 10th.

Humanitarian Award: Last week I mentioned that Ralph Maccarone, is a finalist for a national award for his effort with Who We Play For. Please check out the website below and consider voting for Ralph as he has turned his personal loss into a cause that has provided heart screenings to over 200,000 young people and saved over 200 lives. You can vote once per day until November 9th. This is truly a great cause and a great individual who deserves our support. <https://www.nascarfoundation.org/award>

Thank you for choosing Cocoa Beach. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

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