

BAY SHORE MIDDLE SCHOOL

393 Brook Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

At A Glance . . .

Principal

Dr. LaQuita Outlaw

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Assistant Principals

Mr. Christopher R. Mentz

Dr. Michael Grimaldi

Grade Levels

6 - 8

School Hours

7:35 am - 2:21 pm

Total Enrollment

1,300

SCHOOL MOTTO: *Together we learn, united we succeed.*

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND HONORS: Johns Hopkins Talent Search, SUNY Stony Brook Math Scholars Program, Member of Newsday Future Corps, Suffolk Reading Council Honor School, Phi Delta Kappa Educator of the Year Award Recipient, Islip Town Youth Award Winners, New York State English Teacher of the Year Award Winner, Social Studies Teacher Argonauts for the Jason Project Award Winner, Gene Schmidt Wellness Center, NYSESLAT Award, Math Recognition, New York State High Performing School, and Music Award Winner.

SCHOOL BACKGROUND: Bay Shore Middle School was built in 1957 and an extension was added on in 1967 due to increased enrollment. In 1985, the school became a middle school, housing grades 6, 7, and 8. In 2003, additional classrooms, a new gymnasium and a music suite were built to accommodate the additional middle school's development.

SCHOOL STAFF: The middle school has a 140-member teaching staff. Support staff includes paraprofessionals, secretaries, custodians, food service workers, two school nurses, social worker, guidance counselors, psychologists and security personnel.

ENROLLMENT: The Bay Shore Middle School serves a diverse, multicultural population of approximately 1,300 students.

CODE OF CONDUCT: A Board of Education-approved Code of Conduct/Dress Code outlines rights and responsibilities of students, staff and parents.

CURRICULUM: We provide a balanced, comprehensive and success-oriented curriculum in a sensitive, caring and supportive learning environment. Our program ensures a successful transition from the self-contained classroom structure of the elementary school to the departmentalized structure of the high school, while providing support and direction in your child's transition from late childhood to adolescence. Our program includes a multi-grade advisory program, block scheduling, and interdisciplinary instruction. World languages taught at the seventh and eighth grade levels include Latin, French and Spanish. The Bay Shore Middle School also has a dual language program, an accelerated/honors program, research program, as well as an extensive music and art program.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Qualified students are offered various support services: ESL, Math Lab, Reading Lab, Writing Lab, Self-contained Classroom, CWC (Class-Within-A-Class inclusionary special education setting), Resource Room, Speech, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Counseling.

TESTING: NYS English Language Arts in grades 6-8, NYS Mathematics Assessment in grades 6-8, and an assessment in Social Studies and Science in grade 8. Students in the accelerated program also take the Earth Science & Math A Regents.



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STUDENT PROMOTION: Students promoted from Bay Shore Middle School will attend Bay Shore High School.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS AND CLUBS: The middle school provides a variety of extracurricular programs for students including: Interscholastic and Intramural Sports, Environmental Club, Writing Club, Relax and Read Club, Technology Club, Backstage and Drama Club, Opus Literary Magazine, Yearbook Club, Newspaper Club, Math Club, Chess Club, Computer Club, Science Club, National Junior Honor Society, and Tri-M Music Honor Society.

COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY: We have two computer labs with networked computers accessible to all of our students. Wireless labs are also available for classroom use. Additional computers can be found in the writing lab, reading labs, music room, library and all classrooms. These computers are used to encourage individual research skills and communication. Smartboards are located throughout the building.

SCHOOL MISSION AND GOALS: The mission of the Bay Shore Middle School is to provide all of our children with challenging opportunities that inspire intellectual development, creative talents, and personal growth in an atmosphere enhancing positive self-esteem and wholesome educational values. Our children will increase their skills to think critically, make wise choices, and act with self-discipline and mutual respect. They will assume responsibility as productive citizens with a promising vision for the future.

PARENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: The Parent Faculty Association has been designed to foster involvement, communication and participation at all levels. Parents as Partners connects parents directly with teacher teams on a monthly basis.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Spring and Winter Concerts, Educational Expo, Book Fair, Career Day Program, Drama Production, Moving Up Ceremony, National Junior Honor Society and Tri-M Music Honor Society Inductions, Renaissance Program, Spirit Week, Holiday Food Drive, Adopt-a-Family Program, and a Battle of the Classes are some of the events at Bay Shore Middle School.

ABOUT THE PRINCIPAL: Dr. LaQuita Outlaw obtained her Baccalaureate Degree from Queens College and continued her studies earning a Masters Degree in Administration and Supervision at Mercy College, and a Doctoral Degree in Educational Leadership and Accountability from St. John's University. Dr. Outlaw began her administrative career at the Bay Shore Middle School as Instructional Supervisor after having served as a secondary English/Language Arts teacher at the high school and middle school level. Dr. Outlaw brings strong administrative skills and enthusiasm, which enable her to effectively lead the administrative team, as well as her staff and students. She is dedicated to setting high standards of academic excellence in a socially and emotionally nurturing environment.

ABOUT THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS: Dr. Michael Grimaldi, a former Special Education and Physical Education teacher, began his educational career at the Lake Grove School where he taught students with special needs. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from New York Institute of Technology, a Master of Science Degree in Education from Hofstra University and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration and Leadership from Hofstra University. Dr. Grimaldi received his Doctoral Degree in Educational Administration and Research from Dowling College where his research focused on student engagement and academic achievement within inclusion and general education classrooms.

Mr. Christopher R. Mentz has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Athletic Administration from St. John's University, a Master of Science Degree in Secondary Education from Mercy College and received his School District Administration Certification from Dowling College. Mr. Mentz has served as a Mathematics Coordinator in the New York City Public School System. Prior to his administrative responsibilities, Mr. Mentz worked as a middle school mathematics teacher in both New York City Intermediate School 10 and the William Floyd Middle School.

VISITORS: School visitors are welcome, but are encouraged to call ahead for an appointment. All visitors must check in at the main office.

QUESTIONS: Please contact the Principal's Office at 968-1210 for additional information and assistance. For information pertaining to the Bay Shore School District, visit our website at www.bayshoreschools.org.



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