



Newsletter

From the desk of Mrs. Austin

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STAFF PREPARES FOR AN AWESOME YEAR!

Staff returned on August 16 to prepare for the return of students to campus. We collaborated, planned, and decorated in anticipation of seeing students after too much time away.

We have so much planned to make this year full of learning and memories.

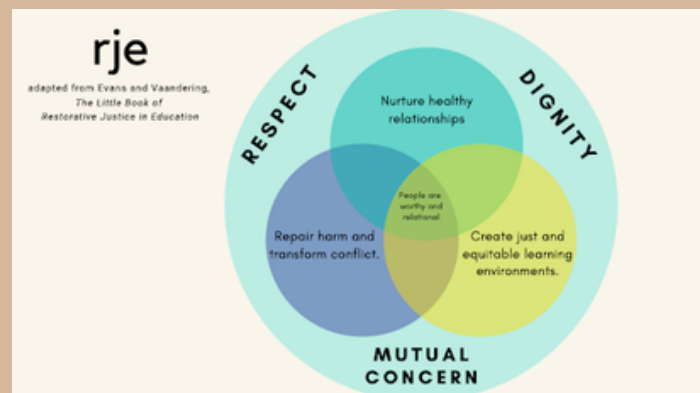
"I am looking forward to all of our in person field trips with students and being able to do fun science labs with groups again! ", Ms. Storey

"Meeting students and joining the Bayhill community in person is exciting. Also, I'm looking forward to introducing a Spanish 3 class this year!" Ms. Kober

WHAT ARE RESTORATIVE PRACTICES?

Restorative Practices in schools is a set of principles and practices that build community and involve processes that restore relationships when harm has occurred. Restorative Justice practices support and compliment current school initiatives and can be used to positively impact school culture, discipline, and academic needs, (seedsrc.org). RJ provides equitable alternatives to detention/suspension/and expulsion.

By bringing restorative practices to Bayhill, we strive to improve relationships and community, and to build social-emotional skills that help students in school, the work place, and their communities. For a quick informational video click [here](#).



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING AGENDA THROUGH SEPTEMBER

This year we have added Social Emotional Learning into our weekly schedule every Wednesday. Our SEL time features three components:

- **Restorative Principles & Practices:** We will be introducing Restorative Principles and Practices into the community.
- **Community Activities:** We will be having community activities such as team building, all school volleyball games, student council assemblies, and other fun activities to just enjoy each other.
- **Teen Topics:** We will be bringing in speakers or hosting movie content that addresses important topics to teens such as anxiety and mental health, college & career awareness, and adulting 101.

Here is our agenda through September:

August 25 – Assembly for COVID prevention and all school fun & games and Ice Cream Sundae bar

September 1 – First Restorative Justice Circles – The what and why of restorative circles, learning to actively listen, communicate effectively, and function as a cohesive group.

September 8 – All school Volleyball game

September 15 – Restorative Justice Circles – establishing mutual guidelines for conducting circles, exploring the theme of resiliency and what it means in our lives.

September 22 – Team Building Events

September 29 – Restorative Circles



OFF CAMPUS LUNCH

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors can enjoy off campus lunch beginning Monday August 23. Please remind your student that off campus is a privilege and they may lose it for returning to school late. Students must return to campus prior to the bell.

Freshman will have off campus lunch after the 5th week.

Parents must give permission for off campus. Bayhill does not have a cafeteria and there is NO DOOR DASH! Students who stay on campus must bring a lunch.

Eating & drinking can only take place in the courtyard and the lunch room. Students should put their masks on after eating.

CLUBS

Tuesday August 24, we will have a clubs assembly so students can learn about the various clubs at school and choose their club for semester 1. Regular club meetings will happen every Tuesday and Thursday between 4th period and lunch.

FIRST FRIDAY FUN

Don't forget that the first Friday on August 27 will be our First Friday Fun event. Students will have 20 minute class periods followed by pizza and kick ball at Live Oak Park. Students will be back on campus in time for 1:00PM dismissal.



IMPORTANT DATES

- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - 8/23 8:20AM
- FIRST FRIDAY PICNIC SCHOOL OUT AT 1:00PM - 8/27
- BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT - 9/21 6:00PM
- FAMILY PICNIC - 9/25
- INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY - NO SCHOOL 10/
- BOWL-A-THON - 10/21 6:00PM

SAFE RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN

Each Friday, we will update the Safe Return to School Plan with new guidance from the Berkeley Department of Public Health. You can see recent updates to quarantine procedures on our website. Updates are in red.

<https://www.bayhillhs.org/covid-plans/>

DON'T FORGET! - ALL STUDENTS NEED A CHROMEBOOK OR LAPTOP



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