



NBA News

To update our returning families and inform our new families, here is some important information:

PTT

Would you like to know what's going on? Would you like to help the school and make a difference? By attending our PTT Meetings, you will be informed on what is happening around the school. If you really want to make a difference, you can take part in helping to provide fun and educational activities for the students. Either way, for attending the meeting you will receive a jeans pass for each of your children.

The next scheduled meeting is September 13th at 6:00 P.M. At this meeting we will be discussing the family activity night, book fair, and cookie dough kick off.

Come to our next meeting. Child care will be provided at no cost. Meet some of the parents of other students and get a jeans pass for your children.



BUS DELAYS

Whenever there is fog, ice or snow, it may be necessary for us to delay the bus. These delays will always be for two hours' duration and are announced on TV Channels 13, 11, 24 as well as local radio stations. The crawl at the bottom of your TV screen may just say "New Bedford Academy-Buses Delayed".

Disregard delays or cancellations for "Bedford Public Schools"

When the bus is delayed, school starts as usual at 7:45. It is the responsibility of those students who ride the bus to ask for any assignments that they miss. Parents may bring their children to

school or wait for the bus.

SCHOOL CANCELATIONS

When the weather is really bad, we will cancel school, which will be announced through the local media in the same way we announce a bus delay. The crawl will say "New Bedford Academy closed", which includes our child care program for that day.

Should there be the need for any last minute changes to the bus route or schedule in the first few weeks of school, we will directly contact the families affected through phone calls and flyers.

Mission Statement

New Bedford Academy is a fully accredited public school providing quality education through ability-based instruction in a safe and caring environment.

Vision Statement

To be the most prestigious K-12 school

Staying healthy at school

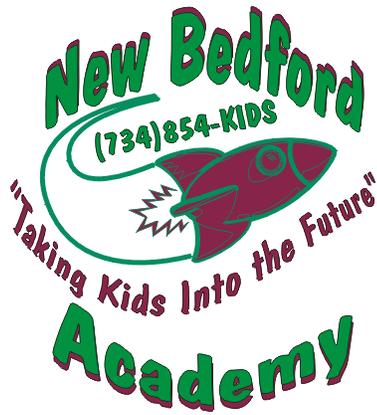
School is a great place for children to learn to get along with others, helping each other learn and sharing new ideas. Unfortunately, children also share their germs and viruses.

We are careful to keep children from sharing snacks and lunches, hats and brushes, or

water bottles, but the only sure way to limit exposure to foreign bacteria is to teach the children to carefully wash their hands with soap and warm water. This education begins at home.

Should your children become ill as they surely will, especially if this is their first year of school, please keep them home.

Children with a **fever** (temp. over 101), **cough**, **profuse nasal discharge**, **vomiting**, or **diarrhea** will be more comfortable at home. A sick child requires the teacher's undivided attention, endangers everyone else, and is not able to focus on his or her lessons, so please arrange now for your family's "sick sitter".



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The ROCKETEER is a monthly newsletter distributed to all NBA families via our Home / School envelopes. Each issue is packed with important information regarding activities, policies, and up-coming events. Please read the ROCKETEER carefully and post all pertinent flyers and calendars for future reference. Return orders promptly and be sure to initial and return the Home / School envelope so that the next issue may be inserted and no part of it will be lost. The next issue will be distributed during the last week of September.



Rose Pest Control comes the second Friday of each month. We will notify you with a sticker on the front door inside the rocket if any indoor applications are necessary.

Because you asked

Every year we are asked questions concerning several confusing issues. Here's the straight scoop:

Jeans for Cards—On “Jeans for Cards” days, students who have not pulled more than the acceptable number of task cards during the intervening time period, earn the privilege of wearing jeans. Jeans must be clean and in good repair, free of holes or torn hems, and may be worn with athletic shoes and appropriate T-shirts or tops.

Birthday Bash—Each month, Mr. Sauter hosts a Birthday Bash on a designated day during lunch. Students whose birthdays fall in the current month are invited to join Mr.

Sauter for a double lunch hour featuring birthday cake and ice cream! Classroom birthday treats on or near your child's birthday may be scheduled with his/her teacher and your child may chose to wear jeans on (or the nearest day to) the birthday OR on Birthday Bash day—but not both.

Dress code conflicts—Please read the “Parent/ Student Handbook” which is posted on our web page under “Printable Forms” or view a copy in the school office. The agreement form can be printed off or one can be picked-up in the office. Pay special attention to the “Dress Code” section, especially to those paragraphs addressing hair, make-up, nail polish, and clothing styles.

Help us eliminate unnecessary conflict and carefully adhere to the dress code policy, which was enacted to help us concentrate on school not fashion.

Exit RIGHT onto Secor—Please help us to insure not only everyone's timely exit from school, but also the safety of our children and motorists on Secor. Please follow the rules of the road by observing the road sign at the end of the drive, which states **RIGHT TURN ONLY** during designated times. Please turn onto a side road to drive north. The fireworks store owner has asked that you not use his lot for turn arounds. Let's be good neighbors and good role models for our students by observing these simple driving rules and common courtesies.