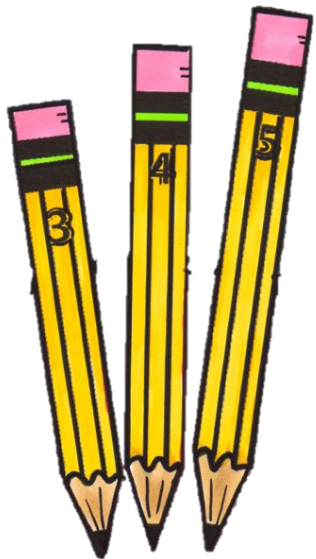




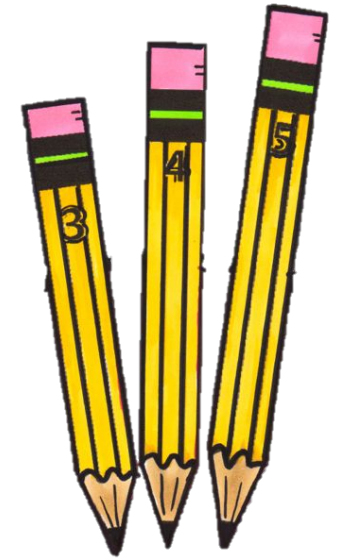
# Laddie A. Decker Sound Beach School



## Grade 3 Open House

*September 12, 2024*

**Dr. Jean Marie D'Aversa, Principal**  
**Tricia Cucinello, Assistant Principal**



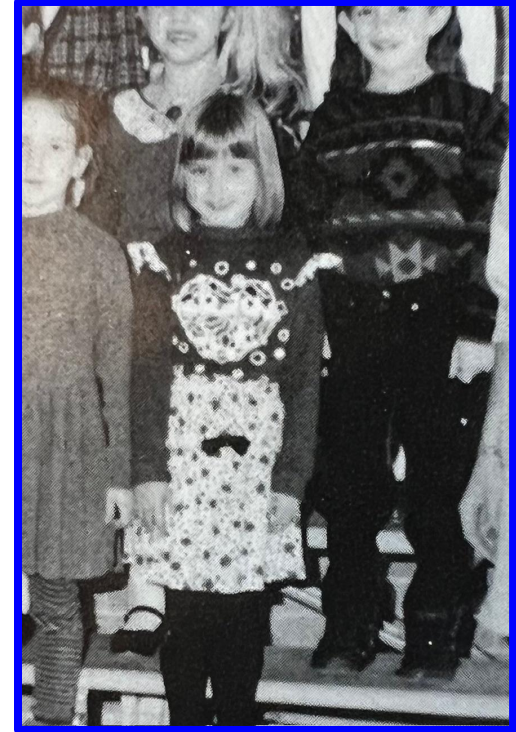
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# Administration

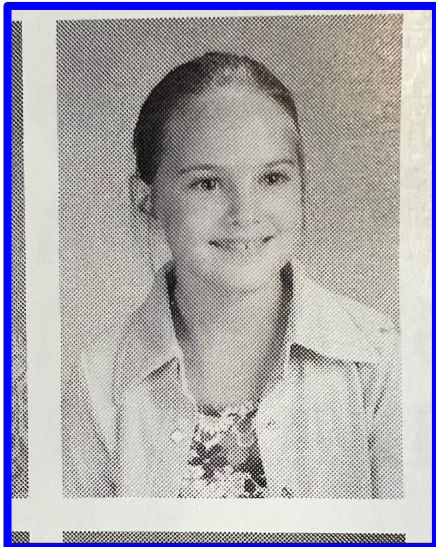
*Jean Marie D'Aversa, Ed.D.*  
*Principal*

-Miller Place Graduate (K-12)  
-Educational History & Background

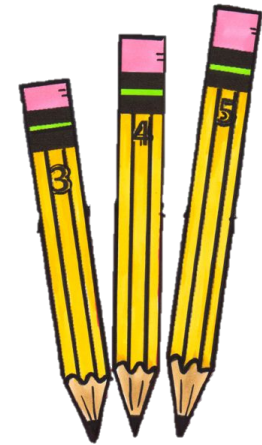


*Tricia Cucinello*  
*Assistant Principal*

-Educational Background (AMPS)



*Evan Curran*  
*Curriculum Specialist Elementary Education*



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# Building Philosophy

*It takes a village to raise a child. Here at LADSBS, we work as a team to cultivate a positive, safe, and secure learning environment for all.*

*Communication is key. Together, we can collaboratively work to establish a school environment that encourages every child to reach their potential.*

FAMILY

WHOLE CHILD:  
Academic, Social,  
Emotional and  
Physical Needs

ENCOURAGE  
RESPONSIBILITY

ENCOURAGE  
INDEPENDENCE

TEACH AND  
MODEL GOOD  
CHARACTER

LIFE-LONG  
LEARNERS



# Dignity for All Students (DASA)



The New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (The Dignity Act) seeks to provide the state's public elementary and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function.



*It is expected that all students  
treat one another with kindness  
and respect.*



# Safety & Security



*All exterior doors are locked during the school day.*

*Armed guard on premises.*

*Photo ID required.*

*Security guard at front desk.*

*Guard outside with recess.*

*Security cameras inside and outside of the building.*

*Ballards in front of the school.*

*No unannounced visitors in the building.*

## **Lockdown Notification Procedures**

*2 Fall, 2 Spring*

*Prior notification at least one week in advance.*

*There will not be prior notification for fire drills.*



# Arrival & Dismissal



## Arrival

8:25 a.m. drop-off  
Back entrance (cafeteria)

## Dismissal

Begins at 2:50 p.m.  
Back entrance (cafeteria)

*Please be cautious when driving on school grounds.  
Music will begin shortly at 7:30 a.m.*



# Health Office

*Ms. Summers, School Nurse  
Ms. Guido, Clerical Assistant  
631-474-2721*

*Please call the health office in the morning when your child will be absent.*

*Attendance is important.*

*We look forward to seeing your child every morning. However, if your child is truly sick, please keep them home.*





# Curriculum & Instruction

## ELA

- HMH into Reading
- Small group Reading
- Differentiated Instruction
- RAZ-Kids, Typing.com

## MATH

- Math Modules
- Eureka Math

*Workbook and online components with hands on approach using manipulatives.*







# Curriculum & Instruction

## SCIENCE

- BOCES IV and Elementary Science Program
- Hands on Science Kits
- Generation Genius (online component)

## SOCIAL STUDIES

- Putnam Westchester BOCES
- C3 Inquiries



*All curriculum and instruction is a collaboration of technology as well as a hands on approach to learning, fostering key skills for growth and success.*



# Student Support Services

**Math (RtI)**

Small group instruction

**Reading (RtI)**

Small group instruction

Read 180

**Speech**

**Nurse**



**Special Education**

**ENL**

Push in/pull out

**Mental Health Team**

**Student Assistance Counselor**



# Monthly Themes/Lessons

## Monthly Themes

*Start with Hello - Kindness*

*Friendship Month*

*Clean up Day*

*Autism Awareness Month*

*Breast Cancer Awareness Month*

*ALS Awareness/Ride for Life*

*National Bullying Prevention Month*

*P.S. I Love You Day*

## Mental Health Team

*Mrs. McNulty, School Psychologist*

*Mr. McMorris, School Counselor*

*Ms. Tonso, Scope Behavior Counselor*

## Character Education Lessons

*Kindness*

*Respect*

*Gratitude*

*Responsibility*

*Perseverance*

*Integrity*

*Compassion*

*Acceptance*

*Resilience*





# Events & Field Trips

*Start with Hello  
Spirit Weeks  
Riverhead Aquarium  
Port Jefferson Bowl  
Field Day  
Clean up Day  
"Souper" Bowl  
ALS Ride for Life  
STEAM Night  
One Million Word Challenge  
Fire Prevention Day  
March Madness Book Tournament*



*Clubs: Lego, coding, sign language,  
kindness club, service club, trivia club,  
fashion club, yoga, etc.  
January - March*



# Start with Hello Week



- Monday, September 16th - **“Hey Day”** Students will be given name tags and have a meet and greet with one another. Make a new friend and say hello to an old friend.
- Tuesday, September 17th - **“Stand Out Against Bullying, Neon Day.”** Meet someone new. Get to know that person, you never know if you could make a new friend at LADSBS. **Wear neon to stand out against bullying.**
- Wednesday, September 18th - **“Walk for Kindness Wednesday.”** Students will decorate paper shoes to line the hallways with positive messages and inspiration of kindness.
- Thursday, September 19th - **“Trusted Adult/High-Five Promise Pledge.”** Suffolk County Sheriff Visitation Day. Officers from the Suffolk County Sheriff Department will visit students during lunch/recess to discuss kindness and the importance of finding a trusted adult. Students will create high-five handprints to be displayed around the school.
- Friday, September 20th - **“Be a Team Player.”** Wear Miller Place apparel or school colors to show that we are all on the same team at LADSBS.



# Home & School Partnership

**Open lines of communication**

**Contact your child's teacher with any concerns.**

- The more they know, the better they can support your child in the classroom.
- School District Calendar, School Tool, LADSBS Website, Newsletters.
- Ms. Cucinello and I are always available.

**Jean Marie D'Aversa, Ed.D.**

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First Day of School [SlideShow](#)