



Township of Ocean Schools

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

As we approach the end of the school year, I would like to inform you that beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, cursive handwriting instruction and practice will be implemented in grades three, four, and five. Instruction will take place during the literacy block and will utilize resources and materials that are already part of our literacy program.

This curriculum update aligns with New Jersey state law, P.L. 2025, c.284, which requires schools to provide cursive instruction for students in grades three through five. Through these activities, students will develop proficiency in both reading cursive and writing it legibly.

You can find more information regarding the NJ cursive handwriting law, P.L. 2025, c.284, by clicking [here](#). If you have any questions or concerns about how this will be implemented within the school day, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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Estimados padres/tutores,

Al acercarnos al final del año escolar, les informo que, a partir del ciclo escolar 2026-2027, se implementará la enseñanza y práctica de la escritura cursiva en los grados tercero, cuarto y quinto. La instrucción se llevará a cabo durante el bloque de lectoescritura y utilizará recursos y materiales que ya forman parte de nuestro programa de lectoescritura.

Esta actualización del plan de estudios se ajusta a la ley estatal de Nueva Jersey, P.L. 2025, c.284, que exige que las escuelas impartan instrucción en escritura cursiva a los alumnos de tercero a quinto grado. Mediante estas actividades, los alumnos desarrollarán competencia tanto en la lectura como en la escritura cursiva de forma legible.

Puede encontrar más información sobre la ley de escritura cursiva de Nueva Jersey, P.L. 2025, c.284, haciendo clic [aquí](#). Si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud sobre cómo se implementará esto durante la jornada escolar, no dude en ponerse en contacto conmigo.

Respetuosamente,

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