Welcome to the Township of Ocean Intermediate School

5th Grade
Parent Information Session
June 11, 2026

Tonight's Goal

- Review important information about 5th grade
- Tour 5th Grade Wing

ADMIN TEAM

- Mr. Christopher Amato, Principal
- Mr. Patrick O'Neill, Assistant Principal
- Ms. Laura Macaluso, Assistant Principal

Who Ya Gonna Call?

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS

5th Grade Office (ext. 7100)

Mrs. Jamie Graziano

Main Office (ext. 7000)

Mrs. Shauna Burgess

TBD

Nurse's Office (ext. 7010)

Mrs. Laura Dorony

SUPPORT STAFF

- **5th Grade Guidance Counselor**
  - Doreen Brown (ext 7031)
- **Child Study Team**
  - Emma Roda
  - Melissa Grandinetti
  - Dana Magliaro
  - Jennifer Bauries
- **Student Assistance Counselor (SAC)**
  - Elyssa Greene

TOIS at a GLANCE

- 5th-8th Grades
- Approximately 900 students
- Incoming 5th grade 216 students--Class of 2034
- 100 Teachers
- Extracurriculars 5-8
- Sports 6-8



SCHOOL HOURS

Regular School Day

- **HR Starts at 8:00**
- **Dismissal 2:30**
- **Student drop off 7:45**
- **Late bus 3:25**

Delayed Opening Hours

- **HR Start Time 10:00**
- **Dismissal 2:30**
- **Student drop off 9:45**

Early Dismissal 12:25

PICK UP/ DROP OFF PROCEDURES

- **School starts with Homeroom at 8:00AM.**
  - Morning drop-off begins at 7:45 am on the ***west side*** of the building.
  - All drop-offs must be on the ***west side*** of the building.
- **School ends at 2:30 pm**
  - All pickups are on the ***west side*** of the building.
- **ANY ENTRY DURING SCHOOL HOURS MUST BE ON THE *WEST SIDE* OF THE BUILDING.**

BUSES

- ***Students must ride their assigned buses to and from school***

- **Bus passes will be posted in Genesis** in August along with forms packet.
- **All transportation change**s must be made by calling the transportation department at extension 1950 (Daile Stapienski).
- **Late buses Monday-Thursday**
  - Oakhurst/Wanamassa
  - Twinbrook/Cindy Lane
  - Wayside

Clubs/Extra Help end at 3:15 pm

5th Grade Clubs/ Late Buses

Clubs Available for 5th Grade

Book Club

Makerspace Club

Science Club

5th and 6th Grade Chorus

Intramural Sports

Dance (Coming Soon)

Link:

Program of Studies, Electives and Extracurricular Activities

Late Buses - Approximate Pick Up Time at TOIS

Oakhurst/Wanamassa- 3:30 pm

Twinbrook - 3:45 pm

Wayside - 3:55 pm

PICKING UP YOUR STUDENT

- **Written notification** is required for an early dismissal or a change in the pick-up arrangement.
- Please do not email written notification
- **Regular school dismissal pick up** (2:30 pm):
  - Park on the *west side* of building.
  - Enter foyer and wait for students to be brought over by staff member.
- **Early dismissal pick up**
  - Park on *west side* of building.
  - Report to foyer and security will assist you.

Students cannot walk down to West Park Avenue. Very Dangerous

ABSENCES

- **Call the 5th Grade Office at extension 7100**
  - Important for safety reasons
- **After 3 consecutive absences the nurse will require a doctor's note**
- **Letters will be sent home for excessive absences (State Law)**
- **Please make every effort to arrive on time - it impacts learning**
- **Excused vs. Verified**
  - **Excused: Religious reasons and Bring your child to work day**
  - **Verified: Called in or doctor's note, still counts towards an absences**

ACADEMICS

- **Semi-departmentalized**
  - 2 Teacher Team (Math/ELA)
  - 3 Teacher Team (Math/ELA)
  - Switch for Math,ELA, SCI, and SS
  - English Language Arts Literacy, and Social Studies
  - Math, and Science
  - SCI and SS alternate by MP
  - Math (*Envision*) and ELA (*Wonders*) textbooks are available online
- **Preparation for 6th grade**

SPECIALS

- **Art, Music** 1x weekly
- **World Language,** 1x weekly (Italian)
- **Physical Education** 5x weekly (sneakers needed)
- **Health** 5 day unit monthly
- **Band** 1x weekly for students who choose to play an instrument

OTHER CLASS PLACEMENTS

- **Intervention, Gifted and Talented, and ELL**
  - Students are pulled out for these programs
  - ***Try*** to schedule during workshop periods
- **Instrumental Music (Band)**
  - 1 time per week
  - ***Try*** to schedule during workshop periods

5th GRADE SCHEDULE

- 8 periods, 41 minutes
- SS/Science 55 Min
- Recess, 26 minutes

Grade 5 Schedule
2025-2026

	Time Periods	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homeroom	8:00am-8:08 am	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom	Homeroom
Period 1	8:08am-8:49 am					
Period 2	8:53am-9:34 am					
Period 3	9:38am-10:19 am					
Period 4	10:23am-11:04 am					
Period 5	11:08am -12:03pm					
Lunch	12:07pm-12:32pm	LUNCH				
Period 6 (Recess)	12:36 pm-1:02pm	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess
Period 7	1:05 pm-1:46 pm					
Period 8	1:49 pm -2:30 pm					

LUNCH & RECESS

- Lunch in the Cafétorium
- 26 minute recess daily
- Classroom snack time determined by homeroom teacher based on schedule. During the morning.

STUDENT TECHNOLOGY

- Google Chromebooks (1:1)
- Chromebooks are the property of the Township of Ocean School District and should be used in accordance to the Acceptable Use Form
- Parents and students will be supplied with log-in information for both *Wonders/WonderWorks* and *Envision Math*.
- ELA and Math assessments and diagnostics are completed on this device.

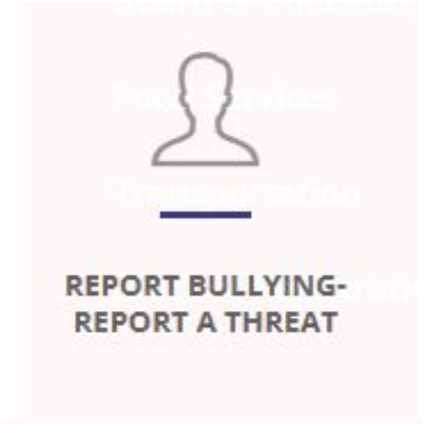
SCHOOL CULTURE AND CLIMATE

- **Building a strong foundation and Social Emotional Learning (SEL)**
  - Student Assemblies (Sept/Feb)
  - Compass Assemble- Kindness Quest
  - Guidance Lessons
  - Outstanding Citizens
  - *Wonder - Novel*

- **Grade 5 Positive Incentive Program**
  - Class bank books
  - Classes earn dollars toward their class accounts for modeling good behavior and citizenship
  - Dollars are added to Spartan day competition scores

ANONYMOUS REPORTING

www.oceanschools.org







CELL PHONES AND DEVICES

- **Cell phones must be kept off during the school day and *in student lockers*.**
  - If the phone is being used during school day, student will be asked to put it in locker; failure to comply=call home and discipline referral.
  - Please talk to your child about responsible use of technology.
- **Apple Watches** to be used for keeping time only, not games or text messaging (same consequences as cell phone). Put it in school mode or sleep mode during the school day.

SOCIAL MEDIA RESPONSIBLE USE AND SAFETY



Whole School Assembly - Robb Holla

- **October 20th**
- **Parent Session TBD - PTA Meeting**

Guidance Lessons

- **Cyberbullying**
- **Digital citizenship**
- **Safety**

Popular social media platforms

- **Instagram**
- **Snapchat**
- **Tik Tok**

http://abcnews.go.com/Lifestyle/tweens-technology-kids-parents/story?id=38006049

STUDENT INFORMATION AND REPORT CARDS

- **Genesis**
  - If you need help with accessing your account contact the main office
  - Please use your account, not your students

- **Schedules/Grades/Teacher information will all be available on the site.**

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

- Conferences take place first week of February at the close of Semester 1
  - February 2nd-5th
  - February 4th (Night Conferences)
- Scheduling is done through **Genesis**.
- If you have concerns earlier in the year, contact Mrs. Brown, Guidance Counselor, and schedule a meeting.

EMERGENCY DRILLS

- Two emergency drills monthly
- One must be a Fire Drill
- Second Drill possibilities:
  - Lock down drill
  - Evacuation drill
  - Relocation drill
  - Shelter In Place
  - Bus Evacuation
  - AED Alerts (Janet's Law)
  - Tabletop drill



FORMS & HOMEROOM ASSIGNMENTS

- **All student forms and student schedules will be released through Genesis in August.**

NURSE & MEDICAL INFORMATION

- **Call nurses with any health issues including surgical procedures.**
- **Inform nurses if your child has asthma, allergy/anaphylaxis, diabetes, etc.**
- **Medication in school:**
  - Doctor's note and parent signature
  - Parent must bring medicine to school
  - Consent Form to Administer (available for download)
- **Fractures/sprains**
  - Doctor's note to excuse from PE
  - Foot injuries-- covering like a sock.

NURSE & MEDICAL INFORMATION

- **Routinely check health records for immunizations.**
  - Will receive a letter if your child needs immunizations.
- **If your child has vomiting, diarrhea, or a fever the day before, please keep them home 24-48 hours**
- **Good hygiene and healthy habits**
  - Hand washing
  - Avoid touching eyes, mouth
  - Eat a healthy diet
  - Sleep

Township of Ocean Intermediate School PTA



PTA is responsible for a number of events for 5th graders:

- 5th and 6th Grade Socials - Fall and Spring
- 5th Grade Class Coordinators for Special Snack
- Winter Fest (Largest Event of the Year!)
- Students vs Staff Basketball Game
- Book Fair
- School Store
- Assemblies

PTA also provides funding and support for:

- 5th Grade Citizens Breakfast
- Support for teachers and coaches, as requested
- Class trips
- 8th grade celebration and scholarships

PTA meetings occur in person 5-6 times per year, with first meeting in **October**

Memberhub will be available to join the PTA, view the calendar, sign up for committees and order spirit wear

You can also reach out to: toispta@gmail.com

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Volunteers are needed
Contact Jon ‘Mike’ Huston
at jhuson@oceanschools.org





SUMMER READING

Book Selection (Four Steps)

1. www.oceanschools.org
2. **Click on Teaching and Learning**
3. **Click on Summer Assignments 2026**
4. **Click on Intermediate School Reading**
5. **Click on Summer Reading BINGO**

This is a strongly encouraged assignment.

Spartan Summer Resource Library

TOIS General Supply List

Get a jump start on getting supplies for next school year. The below list will allow our students to be prepared for the start of school. Please note, some teachers may request some additional and specific items for their particular class.

2 - Two inch binders
Lined three hole punched paper
Dividers
2 - 2 subject spiral notebooks
4 - Two pocket folders
Blue, Black, and Red Pens
Pencils
Pencil Case
Highlighters
Thin Dry Erase Markers
Colored Pencils
Glue Stick
Wired Earbuds/headphones



5th Grade Band Interest Letter

5th and 6th Grade Chorus Parent Letter

5th Grade Band and Chorus Parent Info Presentation








Communication

Final Site

- TOIS Updates/Happenings
- Important Dates
- Alerts

Social Media

- Celebrations/Honors
- Highlights of events

YouTube

- The Ocean View
  - Morning announcements for students

Social Media

Instagram

- @homeofthespartans
- @camatotois

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- @camatotois
- @MrPONeill_TOIS

*****Disclaimer – We will not respond to any post. These tools are simply used for informational purposes only. If you have any questions or concerns please call or email*****

CONTACT INFORMATION

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER

732-531-5630

- EXT 7000 MAIN OFFICE
- EXT 7100 5TH GRADE OFFICE
- EXT 7031 Ms. Brown, Guidance Counselor
  - dbrown@oceanschools.org
- EXT 7007 Mr. O'Neill, Asst. Principal
  - poneill@oceanschools.org

FAQ

- **When will I know my student‘s placement?**
  - Student Placements will be mailed out electronically on Genesis at the mid to end of August.
- **How are students placed in classes?**
  - Randomly placed.
- **Will my child have a tour?**
  - Elementary Orientations are this week.

Thank You!

