



**Town of Bedford**

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## **Superintendent Update**

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**June 9, 2023**

Hello Bedford School Community,

### Davis Town 2023

Davis Town 2023 was a huge success! As part of our social studies curriculum in the Bedford Public Schools, the Kindergarteners learn what it means to be a community, what are the places in a community, and who are the members of our community. Most importantly, they develop an understanding of the interconnectedness between businesses, programs, and community members. In the culmination of a year of learning, each Kindergarten classroom was turned into a functioning pretend business. The students had full control over what business their classroom became and for two days the businesses were open for visitors like a real town-Davis Town!

Kindergarteners collaborate to decide on their business and what visitors will do at that business. They designed the physical space, and they determined the roles needed for the business to function. Davis Town was open for businesses on June 1st and 2nd and students and visitors enjoyed the Health Club, Aquarium, Pet Hospital, Animal Rescue and Rehabilitation, and the Toy Store. We are very proud of their innovation, creativity, and dedication to hard work!

### Eighth-Grade Moving On Ceremony

The 8th grade Moving On ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at Sabourin football field in Bedford at 5:00 PM. Parents, guardians, caregivers, and extended family are invited to attend. Following the ceremony there will be an 8th-grade students-only cookout with

games and music in the rear parking lot/fields of JGMS from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM. The events will be luau/beach themed, and we encourage all who attend to dress in festive attire and bring a blanket on which to sit. If there is inclement weather, the ceremony and party will be held inside JGMS (with limited capacity for the ceremony). The ceremony will be simulcast on Bedford TV. For more information please email [jgmsmovingon@gmail.com](mailto:jgmsmovingon@gmail.com)

### Lane School Challenge Day

The Lane School held its annual Field Day for Grades 3 and 4 this week. The students had a blast! The highlight of the event was definitely the chance for our enthusiastic students to dunk the staff in the dunk tank. Laughter filled the air as the students aimed for the target and sent their teachers and school staff into the water. In addition to the dunk tank, there were plenty of other fun (and wet) games that kept the children entertained throughout the day. The students had a fantastic time getting soaked and embracing the spirit of friendly competition. We would like to express our gratitude to Ms. Post and Mr. Smith and the many parents who contributed to making this Field Day a memorable and joyous event. Thank you for your continued support!

### Race to the Base

On Tuesday, June 6, 2023, the HAFB Women's Forum and Hanscom Middle School hosted twenty BHS students on base. The day allowed our students to see what happens on the base on a day-to-day basis. Thank you to Colonel Taona Enriquez and her staff for coordinating with BHS Counselor Brian DeChellis for coordinating this event. To read more about the day please navigate to the article [BHS Students Introduced to Hanscom AFB mission. people](#) by Mark Wyatt of the 66th Air Base Group Public Affairs Department.

### Lane School Math Olympiad

Math Olympiad at Lane School is open to any interested 5th grader. This year, we had 70 students participate, and all 5th-grade classes were represented. **Our team won the highest team award possible, with a score in the top 10% of all participating teams** (3,919 teams internationally) from grades 4 through 6. Out of our 70 Lane School Math Olympians, 59 students received individual awards, meaning they had scores in the top 50% of all participants (over 100,000 individuals participated internationally) or higher. I hope all students, whether they won an individual award or not, feel proud that they tried something different like a math competition, and hopefully learned some new problem-solving strategies.

### Summer Office Hours

During the month of July and the first week of August all of our school offices, and the Superintendent's office, will be open Monday through Thursday. While some offices may be staffed on Fridays, we will not be making appointments on Fridays for registrations, school tours, or other normal business. All appointments during the summer will need to be scheduled in advance. For more information see our [BPS Summer Hours Webpage](#). The office hours will be as follows:

Superintendent's Office: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Thursday

Davis School Main Office: 8:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday through Thursday

Lane School Main Office: 8:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday through Thursday

JGMS Main Office: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Thursday  
BHS Main Office: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Thursday

#### LABBB Collaborative Graduation

On Thursday, June 8, 2023, the LABBB (Lexington, Arlington, Burlington, Bedford, Belmont) Educational Collaborative held its graduation ceremony at the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum and Library in Lexington. The ceremony celebrated the graduation of over thirty LABBB students. The ceremony was hosted by Ms. Trisha Costa and Mr. Jim Kelly it also featured the Lexington Minutemen. Executive Director Pamela Girouard spoke about the joy of her first year at LABBB during the ceremony and we heard from Emily Patel and Sarah Short from The Roasted Granola. Roasted Granola is a LABBB Community Partner. Congratulations to all of the LABBB graduates and their families.

#### Bedford Town Manager Search - Community Survey

Members of the Bedford community are encouraged to fill out an online survey with their feedback on the desired experience and attributes of the next Town Manager. The Select Board is currently searching for the next Town Manager, with support from Community Paradigm Associates and the Town Manager Search Screening Committee. This survey will be available until the end of the day today, June 9, 2023. Survey link: <https://forms.gle/ip553BCitfmzYhqE8> In addition to the survey, a community forum will be held in June. Details will be announced soon.

#### Work Permits

Nancy Powell, BHS Registrar, oversees Work Permits for high school students. Please reach out to her at [nancy\\_powell@bedfordps.org](mailto:nancy_powell@bedfordps.org) or 781-275-1700 ext. 4407. More information about work permits may be found on our website [here](#).

#### Bedford Food Bank is free and open to all!

As we transition to summer and the end of school, the Bedford Food Bank wants to remind families that the Food Bank Drive-Thru is available on Thursdays, 4-5:30 pm at the Town Center Building, 12 Mudge Way (rear parking lot). No preregistration or paperwork is required. This is a free service of the Town of Bedford and available to any household where supplies would be helpful. In addition to pantry staples, the Food Bank offers fresh produce, dairy, meat, protein, diapers, feminine care, and household products. For more information, please visit: [www.bedfordma.gov/BedfordFoodBank](http://www.bedfordma.gov/BedfordFoodBank) or call 781-275-7727.

#### Bedford Department of Health and Human Services Gun Buy Back Events

The Bedford Department of Health and Human Services in conjunction with the Bedford Police Department is hosting a Toy Gun Buyback event on Saturday, June 10, 2023, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the Bedford Police Department, 2 Mudge Way. At this event, youngsters are encouraged to bring in their toy guns, meet Bedford Police Officers, and receive a voucher for a free ice cream from Bedford Farms. These events are part of the continuing Bedford Safe Campaign and are hosted by the Bedford Police and Health Departments, the Bedford Board of Health, and the Middlesex Sheriff's Office. For more information, please navigate to [www.bedfordma.gov/BedfordSafe](http://www.bedfordma.gov/BedfordSafe).

### Bedford Pride Event

Bedford Youth and Family Services and the Parents Diversity Council (PDC) are proud to make Bedford's PRIDE celebration an annual event! Please feel free to join them for an afternoon of community, solidarity, and fun for LGBTQ+ folks and allies on Sunday, June 11, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bedford Town Common. This event is for all ages. There will be a dress-up parade, tables with information, crafts, stories, games, live music, and ice cream! For more information

### Bedford Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) Event

The Bedford Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) invites everyone to join them for their end-of-year celebration at Red Heat Tavern on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 7:30 PM. All are welcome to attend. Come out and meet or join other parents and caregivers of Bedford students receiving special education services. Appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided.

### Bedford Family Connection Event

Please join the Bedford Family Connection as they celebrate 35 years of family fun! The 35th Anniversary Bash will take place on Saturday, June 24, 2023, from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM at the field at 12 Mudge Way in Bedford. Since its inception in 1988 Sara Dorer and Judi Babcock. Bedford Family Connection has been supporting families with children ages 0-5 in Bedford for the past 35 years! Bedford Family Connection has become a cornerstone of our community, providing support, connection, and resources for families in the area. To celebrate Bedford Family Connection will have a bubble performer, a live folk band with family-friendly music, a few giveaways, and ice cream to purchase! Click [HERE](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

As always, thank you for your patience, your participation, and your continued commitment to our schools.

Sincerely,

Philip Conrad  
Superintendent