

# The Edgartown School



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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we prepare for the opening of school on September 6, I am honored to be part of the school community and privileged to serve as the principal of the Edgartown School. I pledge to continue Edgartown's commitment to foster a respectful, stimulating and nurturing school community for all students, staff and parents. Our dedicated faculty and staff are preparing to welcome your children to a year filled with learning opportunities that prioritize social and emotional learning and encourage curiosity, creativity, collaboration and critical thinking.

Enclosed in this letter you will find important information for the start of the 2022-2023 school year. Please review it carefully.

## **Parent Teacher Association**

Our Parent Teacher Association, (PTA) is dedicated to making this school a better place to learn with the help of volunteers. Please consider joining this wonderful organization. The PTA will have a table in the school lobby on the morning of September 6, the first day of school. Please stop by and say hello. The first PTA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13 at 8:20am. in the staff dining room. Your attendance would be terrific!

## **Edgartown School Committee**

The School Committee will hold its first meeting of the school year on Wednesday, September 7 at 5:30pm in the library. School Committee meetings are generally held on the second Wednesday of each month. All are welcome to attend.

## **School Advisory Council**

The School Advisory Council (SAC) meets monthly to discuss ways to improve the school through the School Improvement Plan. The first meeting of the SAC is on Tuesday, September 13 at 10:00am in the staff dining room. Please sign in at the main office to obtain a visitor's pass.

### **Open House – September 20**

6:00pm - 8:00pm Open House, Health Fair, Garden Celebration, and Community Barbeque. All food will be provided. Here's the schedule breakdown:

6:00pm -7:00 pm The Health Fair is in the Main Lobby. The Garden Celebration is in the School Garden. The food provided will be served in the cafeteria.

6:45pm-8:00pm Open House in the classrooms. Visit your students' classrooms and meet the teachers.

### **Curriculum Nights**

We are thankful we can return to holding in-person Curriculum Nights! This forum is designed to share important information about curriculum, testing, classroom management practices, homework, and grading policies. There will be two Curriculum Nights this fall. The first Curriculum Night on September 28 is for parents/guardians of students in grades K-4. The second Curriculum Night on October 5 is for parents/guardians of middle school students in grades 5-8. More information about these events will be provided as we get closer to these dates.

### **School Meals**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has decided to extend free school meals for ALL students throughout the 2022-2023 school year! This means that breakfast and lunch will continue to be served at NO COST to all students. Even though meals will be free for all, it is important for families to complete the household Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals. We strongly encourage all families to submit this form, as it allows us to establish eligibility for P-EBT Benefits and serve families most effectively.

### **Change of Address/Phone**

It is very important that you notify the office when there is a change in any contact information such as phone number, address, email, emergency contacts, etc. Please call 508-627-3316 or email: [mbnaron@mvyps.org](mailto:mbnaron@mvyps.org).

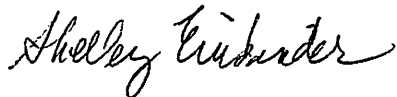
### **School Website**

Important forms can be found on the school's website at [www.edgartownschool.org](http://www.edgartownschool.org) This website also contains teachers' web pages and useful information about the school. Thank you for taking the time to review the important information on our website.

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I look forward to welcoming your children back to school on September 6 and hope it will be a year filled with joyful memories.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shelley Einbinder".

Shelley Einbinder, Ed.D.  
Principal

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