WELCOME TO NISHUANE SCHOOL!

Frank Sedita, Principal
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Our Vision

Nishuane School is a diverse school that develops creative, curious, and confident learners through academic exploration, healthy relationships, and exposure to the arts.
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A warm welcome to the new families and the returning families. I hope that everyone had a great summer.

Please make sure that all the medical forms are submitted before the first day of school.

Please plan to drop off any medications on the first day of school.

All forms can be obtained from the nurse or the district website.

I wish everyone a great school year!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.
PTA Board 2022-2023

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PTA Website @ www.nishuanepta.org
Facebook Groups @ Nishuane PTA and Parents/Caregivers @ Nishuane School
PTA Lingo

**ASE or Explorers**
After School Enrichment, which is entitled Nishuane Explorers

**Boo Hoo Breakfast**
1st day of school parent social to learn more about PTA, committees, SATp, etc.

**CP**
Class Partners, each class has at least 2 or more parents or caregivers to help coordinate between teacher & PTA

**Fireball**
Fundraising event with Hillside (usually every 2 years)

**GrowLab**
Committee that oversees the outdoor gardens and classes

**Mayfair**
PTA spring community fundraising event (in May!)

**Spiritwear**
Clothing and other items that help show your Nishuane pride.
Get involved - PTA Committees & events

PTA Committee Sign Up
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Explorers (Year Round)
Hospitality (Year Round)
Grow Lab (Year Round)
School Spirit (Year Round)
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PTA Website Committee (Year Round)
OneNish! Committee (Year Round)
Fundraising (Year Round)
Public Health Committee
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Pancake Breakfast (October 2022)
Photography (Year Round)
Nishuane Bookfair (September/October 2022)
Holiday Gift Drive (November/December 2022)
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Mayfair Community Fundraiser (May 2023)
School Tours (Spring 2023)
Second Grade T-Shirts (Spring 2023)
Second Grade Transition Picnic With Hillside (Spring 2023)
School Action Team for Partnership (SATp)

**SATp Co-Chairs:** Kendra Johnson, Kay Richards & Tara Wentzell
Teachers & Support Staff

- Grades K-2 Teachers
- Resource Teachers
- SNAP (Related Arts) Teachers
- Curriculum Support
- Child Study Team
- Related Service Providers
- Paraprofessionals
Be Positive!

- Kindness
- Try Your Best
- Mistakes are OK

- Morning Meetings
- Apologies of Action

- Problem Solving
- Closing Circles

Bucket Fillers
Related Arts

- Art
- Drama
- Mandarin
- Music
- Physical Education
- Social Emotional Learning
- Technology
Nishuane Programs

Magnet Courses:

● Aesthetics
● Creative “I”

Multi-Tiered System of Supports

● Intervention Referral Services
First Day of School!

- First Day of School is **Tuesday, September 6, 2022**
- First Days:
  - Opportunity for children & families to get to know teachers/staff
  - Become familiar with all aspects of Nishuane School
  - Become familiar with routines, procedures & expectations
  - Caregivers may bring child(ren) into building
    - **Door A**: Grades 1 & 2
    - **Door G**: Kindergarten
  - Boo Hoo Yahoo Breakfast (Front Lawn)
Attendance

- Attendance taken during Morning Meeting between 9:10 a.m. and 9:20 a.m.
- Please call the attendance line at 973-509-4222, option “1” to report your child’s absence.
Be Involved

PTA

School Action Team

Classroom Volunteers
School Supplies & Materials

- 1st Day of School Supply Boxes
- Supply Wish List:
Odds & Ends

- Class placements are available on Genesis portal through Parent Access as of Monday, August 29, 2022.

- Please ensure that you have completed all mandatory district forms on Genesis so that you will be able to login to see your child’s assignment and schedule.

- Please note that great care was taken in making these placements and no changes will be made.
Important Dates!

- **Kindergarten Ice Cream Social**: Thursday, September 1, 2022 from 3:30 pm-5:30 pm (In-Person: Outdoors at Nishuane)
- **First Day of School!!**: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 9:10 a.m. Celebration for students & Boo Hoo Breakfast
- **PTA Meeting**: Friday, September 22, 2022 at 7:00 pm (Hybrid: Information to follow).
- **Back-to-School Night**: Wednesday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. (In-person: Information to follow)
- **School Action Team for Partnership (SATp) Meeting**: Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:00 pm (Hybrid: Information to follow)
Wonderings?

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Tour & Passport to Nishuane!