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**Ronald Kister, Director**

The Computer Technology Department at the Levittown Schools concentrates on supporting the most current technological tools available to increase student achievement and teacher productivity. The Department's focus on the maintenance and updating of the computer infrastructure provides an intellectual environment of learning and investigation. With this focus, a distinct set of challenges for the District and the Computer Department has surfaced. Personal Smartphones, tablets, and laptops are extremely common these days. Looking back five years ago, many households may have only had one personal computer which was shared within the household. Connecting these devices to the District infrastructure has brought its own set of challenges.

The Computer Department concentrates on short term and long term goals to meet the rapidly changing challenges of the current electronic environment with the aim towards the successful integration of technology into the curriculum.

# ALTERNATIVE STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

## HOME INSTRUCTION

**Keith Squillacioti, Director**

Home instruction is available for students with health problems which require an absence from school for an extended period of time. Please consult the Guidance Department and/or Principal for procedures to be followed. Call 520-8300 Ext. 610 for more information.

## GED PROGRAM AND ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL @ LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL EDUCATION CENTER

**John Avena, Coordinator 516 520-8300 ext. 532**

The main objective of the GED Program is to provide an alternate educational setting for students who are not able or willing to attend traditional classes and earn a local high school diploma. The GED Program offers students academic preparation to pass the GED exam and earn a High School Equivalency Diploma.

The Alternative High School Program provides an alternate educational setting for students who cannot achieve in traditional classroom settings. The program maintains small class sizes with students receiving individualized attention. All core subjects, Physical Education and Health are offered in the program. Students are required to take Regents exams. Age restrictions apply.

### Equal Opportunity Policy

**No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against, any educational program, or activity, or service, or employment opportunity, in this district, on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, creed or religion, marital status, age, or disability.**

# STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

J. Keith Snyder, Director

## Health Services/Immunizations

State law requires that each student be fully immunized against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B and for students born after 1/1/98 Varicella upon admission to school. Measles, Mumps and Varicella immunizations must be no more than **4 days before the first birthday**. A certification of Immunization issued by a physician or clinic is needed as proof. Diagnosis by a physician that a child has had Measles, Mumps or Varicella disease is acceptable proof of immunity. Diagnosis by a physician is not acceptable for proof of immunity against Rubella. The only alternative to the rubella vaccine is a blood test to show presence of rubella antibodies

Students born on or after 1/1/1994 and who are entering the 6th grade or enrolled in a gradeless class and are age equivalent of the 6th grade, must receive the Varicella immunization. Diagnosis by a physician that a child has had the Varicella disease is acceptable proof of immunity.

As of September 2007 students entering the 6th grade or a comparable age-level special education program who are 11 years of age or older must receive an immunization containing tetanus toxoids, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap). Students entering 6th grade who are 10 years old will be required to be immunized when they turn 11 years old.

**Consistent with New York State law, students who fail to meet the minimum requirements will be barred from attending school.**

## Physical Examinations

Physical examinations for each child attending Kindergarten, Grades 2,4,7,10 and grade appropriate special ed. are required. Arrangements for physical screening by the school physician will be made for students who do not have a medical report from their family doctor on file by October 1. As mandated by State law, scoliosis screening will be provided for students grade 5 and up unless otherwise notified by the parent that their own physician will do this screening.

## Sports Participation

Students in grade 7-12 who are participating in sports are required to have a physical examination. Students have an option of seeing the school doctor or a private physician. All sections must be filled out and signed, stamped and dated by the physician. Interim Health Forms are required from students/athletes who haven't taken part in sports for more than 30 days. The school doctor's schedule is available from the school nurse.

## Student Accident Insurance

The Levittown School District has an insurance plan that covers students who are injured in school or during a school sponsored activity. This insurance is an "in excess" policy. This means that the initial reimbursement must come from the parent or guardian's own insurance. The school district's insurance may then be utilized to reimburse a proportionate amount of the excess cost that was not covered by the individual's own insurance. Insurance forms and information can be obtained from your child's school nurse.

## Dental Examinations

All students are encouraged to complete Dental Exams by October 1st.

## Working Paper Certificates

Working papers are required for students under 18 years of age for all employment and many kinds of volunteer work. It is a simple, fast procedure during the school year. The student must see the school nurse to make the necessary arrangements. Urge your child not to wait until he/she gets a job to arrange for working papers. The student who is prepared with valid working papers and a social security number is in a better position to get the job. This is particularly true during the summer when schools are closed and working papers are issued on a limited schedule. Your school nurse has the information. Check with the nurse for information or assistance concerning immunizations, working papers, community resources, etc. Student work experience should not interfere with their schooling or homework. The district will aggressively seek the enforcement of child labor laws with respect to students and employers.

## District Forms

Please find on the district website [www.levittownschools.com](http://www.levittownschools.com) pertinent forms that can be downloaded for convenience, such as:

1. Athletic Physical Form
2. Interim Health Form
3. Medical Transportation Request Form
4. Medication Administration Form
5. Certificate of Immunization
6. Medical History Form
7. Private Physician's Report Form (Annual Physicals)
8. Adaptive P.E. Form
9. Dental Examination Form
10. Student Sport Application Form

## 63rd Year for the Levittown U.F.S.D. Dance and Gymnastics Program



The Dance and Gymnastics program is a self-sustaining continuing education program. Classes are offered in Kinderdance, Pre-Ballet, Classical Ballet, Creative Movement, Classical Modern Dance, Tap, Jazz, Acrobatics, and Gymnastics.

Lyrical classes are available for intermediate-advanced students. Kick/Tap Line, Jazz Variations, and Pointe are for advanced students by audition only. Students interested in the Teacher-Training Program should arrange an appointment with **Mrs. Dikun**, Program Coordinator.

Program registration is conducted on an annual basis. A brochure containing information for registration can be found on the district website [www.levittownschoools.com](http://www.levittownschoools.com). A three-part registration form can be downloaded and printed for your convenience. Registration begins on the first day of school, September 7, 2011.

For information call 520-8300 Ext. 653 beginning September 7, 2011.

## VOTER REGISTRATION

### REGISTRATION AND VOTING INFORMATION

#### Qualification for Voting

A voter shall be entitled to vote who is:

- A citizen of the United States
- A resident of the district for a period of thirty days or more
- Eighteen years of age or older

And anyone who voted in a school, state, or national election during the four years prior to the pending election can vote.

#### Registration

The Levittown School District has implemented on-going Registration, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2014 of the Education Law. Registration must take place a least five days preceding any school district election.

#### Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the office of the District Clerk, 150 Abbey Lane, any school day between 8 AM and 1 PM or on the District Website. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or up to one day before the vote if the ballot is to be personally handed to a voter. All ballots must be received by the District Clerk by 5:00 PM on the day of the vote. Absentee ballots will be issued for those reasons stated in the Education Law, Section 2018-A

For more information, please call the District Clerk at 520-8300 X608.

**Budget Vote and Board Elections - Tuesday, May 15, 2012**  
**12 Noon - 9 P.M.**

# Health, Physical Education & Athletics

J. Keith Snyder, Director

## Drug Free Schools

The Board of Education is committed to the prevention of alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use/abuse. This statement describes the programmatic elements the District will use to promote healthy lifestyles for its students and staff and to inhibit the use/abuse of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and other substances.

No person may use, possess, sell, or distribute alcohol or other controlled substances, nor use or possess drug paraphernalia, on school grounds or at school-sponsored events, except drugs as prescribed by a physician. The inappropriate use of prescription and over-the-counter drugs shall also be prohibited.

Additionally, the following persons shall be prohibited from entering school grounds or school-sponsored events: any person exhibiting behavior, or physical characteristics indicative of having used or consumed alcohol, drugs or other psychotropic substances.

The District will use the following principles as guides for the development of its substance use/abuse prevention efforts and of any disciplinary measures related to alcohol and other substances:

1. Alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use/abuse is preventable and treatable.
2. Alcohol and other substance use/abuse inhibits the District from carrying out its central mission of educating students.
3. The behavior of the Board of Education, the administration, and all school staff should model the behavior asked of students.
4. While the District can and must assume a leadership role in alcohol, tobacco and other substance use/abuse prevention, this goal will be accomplished only through coordinated, collaborative efforts with parents, students, staff and the community as a whole.

## Health

Health instruction is required in 6th, 8th and 11th grades. K-5 students will receive a half year course that will cover all relevant topics allowing students to make healthy choices throughout their lives. Topics include alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, safety, mental health, nutrition, dental health, sensory perception, disease prevention and control, environmental and public health, consumer health, first aid and other related areas. Elementary school teachers have a health curriculum that is sequentially taught.

## Physical Education

New York State requires that all students attend and participate in either a regular or an adaptive Physical Education program. To fulfill graduation requirements, students must complete and receive a passing grade for four years of physical education. One credit, (1/4 credit per year), is granted for successful completion of this course. This credit is in addition to the credits required for graduation. Students are graded using a rubric. The results of rubric will then be translated into a numerical grade.

## AIDS Education

New York State Education Regulations Chapter G Part 135 mandates that all school districts provide appropriate instruction concerning the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) as part of the sequential Health Education Program for all students.

This instruction shall be designed to provide accurate information concerning the nature of the disease, methods of transmission, and methods of prevention and shall stress abstinence as the most appropriate protection against AIDS.

**No pupil shall be required to receive instruction concerning the methods of prevention of AIDS if the parent or legal guardian of such pupil has filed, with the Principal of the school, a written request that the pupil not participate in such instruction with an assurance that the pupil will receive such instruction at home as mandated.**

## Athletics

Athletics are an elective part of the Levittown educational experience. The school district offers a variety of interscholastic sports available to Levittown students from grades 7 - 12. Programs include: Cross Country, Soccer, Tennis, Badminton, Football, Baseball, Wrestling, Volleyball, Lacrosse, Cheerleading, Basketball, Bowling, Softball, Golf, Winter Track, and Track & Field. Parents of athletes are encouraged to read and review the District Athletic Handbook available online on the District website. Student athletes are expected to continue pursuit of academic excellence while striking a balance with their athletic endeavors. Academics + Athletics = Success.



# TRANSPORTATION

The Levittown School District transports nearly 4,032 students per day to their instructional programs in public and private schools. Additionally, bus service is provided for a wide range of co-curricular activities throughout the school year.

Our transportation fleet consists of vans and buses. This fleet is inspected and maintained on a rigorous schedule by our district mechanics. In addition, all vehicles must be inspected by the Department of Transportation every six months. All district buses are equipped with two-way radio communication. This system has proven invaluable in both the operation of the fleet and in public service to notify the appropriate agencies in the event of emergencies requiring the dispatch of specialized aid vehicles.

School bus drivers have an annual review of their license. An annual written test and road test are required as well as safety refresher courses. Drivers of school vehicles also receive an annual medical examination and biennial physical performance test.

All related expenses associated with the Transportation Department, including purchases of new equipment, are aided by the State of New York up to 90% of cost.

The Board of Education will provide transportation to public and non-public school students who reside designated distances from the school they attend in accordance with the applicable section of the Education Law and rulings of the Commissioner of Education.

Transportation will be provided as follows:

- Grades K - 5 Beyond 3/4 Mile
- Grades 6 - 8 Beyond 3/4 Mile
- Grades 9 - 12 Beyond 1 1/2 Miles



**Don't Let Bullying Move Forward!!!**

**NO BULLYING ON SCHOOL BUSES**

## Out-of-District Transportation

Students who reside within the Levittown School District and who attend non-public schools outside the district may be eligible for out-of-district transportation.

Applications must be filed with the Transportation Department by the parent prior to April 1st preceding the start of the school year. Additionally, parents of any non-public school students establishing residency in the District after April 1 have thirty days to request, in writing, the desired transportation.

If needed, a written request for late bus must be included. Late buses will be provided only if there are at least five requests per school to be maintained daily.

## Specialized Transportation

Where there are significant health problems requiring specialized transportation, the district may provide such service if the following conditions are met:

1. Form is obtained from school nurse.
2. Private physician must supply the district with a full diagnosis.
3. The form is returned to the school nurse.
4. The school physician and appropriate staff review the applications and make a decision if transportation will be provided.

The primary concern of the Transportation Department is the safety of our children. Parents are urged to observe courtesy and promptness. The Board of Education asks that parents understand the following rules of conduct and help their children be observant of them.

## Help Us to Help You....

1. Be at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to bus arrival.
2. Respect private property at all times.
3. Be seated and remain seated until the bus arrives at school.
4. **DO NOT** block the aisles with anything.
5. Obey the instructions of the driver and do not distract him/her.
6. Keep everything inside the bus windows.
7. **DO NOT** shout, push, shove or smoke.
8. **DO NOT** touch any part of the bus after leaving it.
9. When crossing, do so at least 10 feet ahead of the bus as the driver holds traffic.
10. Watch the traffic when walking to and from the bus stop.

**\*No playdates are permitted or requests to be dropped off anywhere other than your assigned stop at any time. This is for your child's safety.**

# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## School Registration

Registration for all students takes place at Levittown Memorial Education Center in the Pupil Services department. Proof of residence must be established by presenting a mortgage, deed, or lease agreement and an affidavit of residency. Proof of guardianship must also be presented at the time of registration.

Only children who will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2011 may be registered. **No Exceptions.**

For questions about registration, contact the Department of Pupil Services 520-8300 x 533

## Use of School Facilities

The public schools are centers of community life. Not-for-profit organizations may use school facilities according to district regulations. Applications and inquiries should be directed to the Dept. of PE and Athletics (520-8300 x625). Although the Board of Education encourages community groups to use school facilities for civic, educational, cultural, or recreational purposes, school-sponsored activities will take precedence in scheduling the use of school buildings or grounds.



## Senior Citizens' Services

Senior citizens are a valuable part of the Levittown community. Seniors are also invited to free musical, theatrical and drama productions when the admission fee is not used for fundraising purposes. In addition, the district staff and students with the support of PTA and other groups provide an end of the year "Prom" for all Levittown Senior Citizens.

The Levittown Board of Education adopted a resolution approving the County property tax exemption for senior citizens. A senior citizen may be entitled to a partial exemption from school district taxes, up to 50% of the assessed valuation of their home.

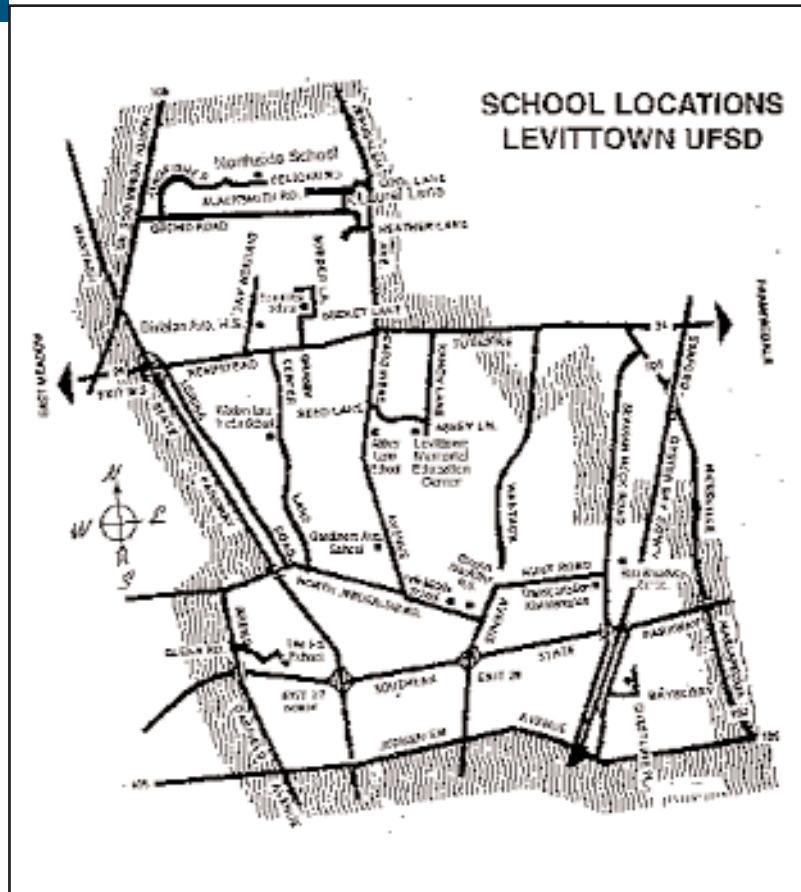
Applications must be made annually, before May 1. If approved, the tax relief will be applied to real property taxes for schools in the next year, beginning July 1. Residents who feel they are qualified for exemption or who wish for further information should contact:

Department of Assessment, County of Nassau  
240 Old Country Road, Mineola, N.Y. 11501 - Telephone 571-2407



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## A note to parents...

This calendar of school events has been especially prepared for parents of students in the Levittown Public Schools. All persons connected with our schools will find the information herein helpful. A strong partnership between parents and the schools which their children attend is an important part of the quality of a child's education. Where parents and schools work together toward common goals; where parents and schools expect and enforce common standards of behavior - in such schools all children will learn and prosper. The Levittown Public Schools invites each parent to become familiar with the expectations which we hold for your children. We ask that parents take advantage of all avenues of communication with their schools. Get to know, not only the Levittown Public Schools, but that school and/or those schools which your children attend: get to know the school, its expectations, and its personnel. This calendar is only a part of this process. We hope it serves as a general reference.

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