



## P.S./I.S. 25

### South Richmond High School

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and drive...



## Parent-Teacher Association

### PTA Officers

Julius Boschi, President  
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## Message From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As I proudly begin my second year as principal, I welcome all our students and families to another great year. Please join me to welcome our new Assistant Principals: Christopher Restivo (Main Site) and Anthony Casella (North Shore). We begin our school year with excitement and enthusiasm; as well as high expectations. We've begun the semester strong and are determined to succeed. We received the iTech iLearn grant and it's providing laptops for all our middle school students during school. We are in the process of implementing the Achieve 3000 reading program in the intermediate programs.

Our first school event will be held on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. It's the Transition/Career Development Fair for our families and the Staten Island community. It will be a success! Parents and guardians, staff, clinicians, high students and guests from other schools have been invited to attend. Our goal is to provide students, parents and guardians of children with special needs the opportunity to meet and learn about the agencies, services and college; including the work readiness programs available. They will also find out what accommodations and support services that college can provide as well as how to apply for financial aid.

As you know, schools work most effectively when parents, teachers and administrators are working collaboratively. To this end, I make an open invitation to all parents/guardians to join the Parent-Teacher Association. They have many school and holiday events planned for this year and they need your support. The next PTA meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am - location: North Shore site – SIMH - 669 Castleton Avenue**. They will have a special guest speaker: Officer Febus from the 120<sup>th</sup> Pct. to discuss internet safety, bullying, gangs, etc.

I look forward to announce the successes of each student to the parents and the community.

Sincerely,

*James McKeon*, Principal

## Message From the Parent Coordinator

Welcome back! Fall is finally here! The teachers and paraprofessionals are all looking forward to working with your children and have high expectations for them. Please make sure that you are communicating/supporting your child's teacher in order to achieve positive outcomes. **Parent/Teacher Conferences – District 75** are scheduled for **Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm** and **November 4<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm (SIMH North Shore is scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup> – afternoon & evening)**. Please confirm the location and time of the conference with your child's teacher.

This year, the PTA and I are collaborating to ensure that parents/guardians attend the PTA meetings. We've invited special guest speakers to present vital information that may assist you and your child with special needs. The PTA is working diligently to ensure that the upcoming events are beneficial to the children and the school. Please call the PTA President and offer any assistance that you can provide. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact me. I look forward to see you soon.

You can certainly visit our school website at [www.p25southrichmondhs.org](http://www.p25southrichmondhs.org) for school information. The Department of Education has a new website called [www.ARISParentLink.org](http://www.ARISParentLink.org) which will give you access to academic information regarding your child. You can also see Progress Reports, Quality Reviews, Survey results and State Report Cards.

I am confident that working together collaboratively as a team, we will have a successful year.

*Zenaida Martinez*

# Reminders!

- **Picture Day**  
Main Site & North Shore  
- Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>
  - **No School**  
**Monday, October 11th**  
(Columbus Day)  
**Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
(Election Day-No students  
will be in attendance)
  - **Parent-Teacher Conference**  
District 75  
Wednesday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
(evening) 6:00pm-8:00pm
- Thursday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> (afternoon)  
12:30pm-3:00pm -  
½ day for students



## Helpful Websites:

- Homeworknyc.org
- www.NICHCY.org
- www.theARC.org
- www.NPND.org
- www.SensoryResources.com
- www.CEC.SpEd.org
- www.PACER.org
- www.ResourcesNYC.org
- www.NCLD.org
- www.AllKindsOfMinds.org
- www.IRSC.org
- www.FCSN.org
- www.theNADD.org
- [www.ZeroToThree.org](http://www.ZeroToThree.org)

## PTA & School Meetings/Events

**PTA Meeting** – Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the North Shore Site - 9:30 am  
**School Leadership Team** – Tuesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at the Main Site 9:00 am  
**Holiday Fair** – Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> (ALL sites are invited)

## Community Events, Seminars & Conferences

**Transition/Career Development Fair:**  
Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup> – PS25R- South  
Richmond HS – 10:00 am–12noon

**Family Support and Transition Resource Fair** – Saturday,  
October 16<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 am – 1pm –  
DOE Jerome Parker Campus – 100  
Essex Drive S1, NY 10314 –  
contactsiddc@aol.com

**DOE – English Language Learners**–  
presents Including Samuel &  
Understanding the Citywide Special  
Education Reform – Wednesday,  
October 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm –  
Michael Petrides HS – registration  
required at  
<http://www.nycparents.eventbrite.com>

**Dept of Ed Citywide High School Fairs**  
The annual Citywide High School Fair will be  
held this weekend, Saturday, October 2 and  
Sunday, October 3 at Brooklyn Technical  
High School, located at 29 Fort Greene Place  
off DeKalb Avenue. The fair will be open to  
the public from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both  
days.

This event provides a great opportunity for  
parents and students to speak with  
representatives from the City's public high  
schools. Families will also be able to attend  
various information sessions related to the  
high school admissions process. Translated  
materials and interpretation services will be  
available. For more information, [visit the High  
School Admissions website](http://www.nycparents.eventbrite.com).

**Special Olympics** The Special Olympics  
Soccer League is starting a new season.  
Athletes ages 6 – 16 are invited to join our  
unified teams (Special Olympians and  
Partners) or clinic. The season opens with a  
clinic and then league play begins. We will  
also continue to offer a clinic for athletes who  
need more experience before joining a team.  
No prior experience playing soccer is needed.  
Special Olympics medical and Consent form  
is required. Forms could be downloaded on  
the SO link of [www.SportsEquip.com](http://www.SportsEquip.com). There  
is no fee for this league.  
For more information contact Chris Rooney at  
[CRooneycmr@aol.com](mailto:CRooneycmr@aol.com)  
Join with a Friend!

**NY Metro Chapter of the National  
Autism Association** – October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
and 24<sup>th</sup> – Stephen Gaynor School (148  
West 90<sup>th</sup> St) – Temple Grandin will be the  
keynote speaker – register online  
[www.regonline.com](http://www.regonline.com)

**Special Mass for Children with  
Special Needs:** October 10<sup>th</sup> - St.  
Thomas Church – 50 Maguire Avenue  
– 718- 984-1156

**Eden II Programs** - 150 Granite  
Avenue Staten Island, NY 10303  
718-816-1422 - Parents as Partners is  
an 8-week training program designed  
to educate families on various issues  
associated with autism. Training  
consists of two parts: Lecture series  
and Hands-on parent training.  
Parents participate in hands on  
training with their child and receive  
one-on-one training from Eden II staff.

**The GRACE Foundation of NY**  
(Getting Resources for Autistic Children's  
Equality) offer services for families and  
children with Autism  
(email [GRACEOFNY@aol.com](mailto:GRACEOFNY@aol.com) or 718-  
983-3800 for more info)

**New York Branch of the  
International Dyslexia Association**  
– For more information contact New  
York Branch of the International  
Dyslexia Association 71 West 23rd  
Street | Suite 1527 New York | NY |  
10010  
Website: [NYBIDA.org](http://NYBIDA.org)

**RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN WITH  
SPECIAL NEEDS, INC.**  
\*\*\* **Staten Island**  
**SPECIAL CAMP FAIR** – Saturday, January  
29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – call 212-677-4650 ext. 20  
[www.resourcesnyc.org](http://www.resourcesnyc.org)

**Staten Island Developmental  
Disabilities** – Jackie Tripodi, Outreach  
Coordinator (718)983-5354 email:  
[contactsiddc@aol.com](mailto:contactsiddc@aol.com)  
Website [www.SIDDC.org](http://www.SIDDC.org)

**Staten Island Developmental  
Disability General Council** will be  
held at 930 Willowbrook Rd – Bldg.  
41A, Elizabeth Connelly Resource  
Center:  
October 22; November 19<sup>th</sup>;  
December 17<sup>th</sup>; January 21; February  
18, 2011 – Legislative Breakfast;  
March 18, 2011; April 15, 2011; May  
20, 2011; June 17, 2011  
[contactsiddc@aol.com](mailto:contactsiddc@aol.com)

**Health Resources:**  
**The Child/Teen Health Program**  
(888)692-8662 can help you find: a doctor,  
transportation arrangement for your

medical appointment, find family planning and  
prenatal care providers, medical specialists,  
special programs for Medicaid eligible  
teenagers; Referrals to WIC and City  
programs that promote wellness care,  
physical activity and healthy eating for  
children

**Child Health Plus:** (800)698-4543

**Family Health Plus:** (718)840-4492  
Josephine Marino, Coordinator;  
email [jmarino@healthplus.ny.org](mailto:jmarino@healthplus.ny.org)

**Medicaid: STATEN ISLAND  
MEDICAID OFFICE**  
215 Bay Street  
Staten Island, NY 10304  
(718) 420-4660/4732

**Hearing Impaired:** If you need or know of  
anyone who needs TTY phone service or  
equipment please contact Verizon's Center for  
Customer's with Disabilities at 1-800-974-  
6006

**Need Help?** If you are in Staten Island,  
New York, and you need help, please  
contact the following programs as  
appropriate:

### Need food?

Please contact Project Hospitality's  
Community Services Center, which is  
located at 514 Bay Street, at (718) 815-  
0800.

### Need a place to spend the night?

Please contact the Drop-In Center,  
located at 25 Central Avenue, at (718)  
720-0079, ext. 10.

### Need help managing HIV/AIDS?

Please contact the SHINE Center at  
(718) 876-7716.

### Need HIV/AIDS housing?

Please contact Gina Cambria at (718)  
448-1544.

### Need help with recovery from alcohol or drug addiction?

Please contact our Recovery Center at  
(718) 273-0850.

### Services are free and confidential

**N.Y.C. Youthline**  
(800) 246-4646

**Jewish Board of Family & Children's  
Services**  
(718)761-9800