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What's Happening



November 22-24 Thanksgiving Holiday December 5

NO SCHOOL

November 27 Marvelous Monday

November 29 2nd QTR Progress RPT





December 8 Sweet Treat

December 11 Marvelous Monday

December 19 PTSA Board Meeting

@ 12:00pm

December 12 Strings Winter Concert

@ 6:30 pm

December 20 Half Day

December 21-Jan 2 Winter Break

Parents, as a token of appreciation to Beck's hardworking teachers and staff members, PTSA traditionally gives \$10 gift cards for distribution at the staff holiday lunch. Once again, we need your help by donating \$10 gift cards. Suggestions include grocery stores, movie tickets, fast food, Target, Wal-Mart, coffee stores, car wash, ice cream, yogurt, gas cards, ITunes etc. Please drop your \$10 gift card donations or monetary donation to Kathryn in the front office no later than Friday, December 8th.

We appreciate your spirit of giving.

A Message From Our Principal



As we approach the holiday season, life always seems to evolve into a frenzied pace as we try to juggle the many commitments that we face. This Thanksgiving is difficult for my personal family as it is the first without my amazing mother, who passed away in May. During difficult times it can be hard to remember the many blessings we have so it is important to remind ourselves to slow down and take a few moments for reflection. As I do this, I realize that despite my loss, the list of things I am thankful for is endless and includes many things here at Beck Academy.

I am thankful for:

- The love and support of my husband and children who understand that sometimes it is hard to balance being a mother, wife, and educator.
- My extended family who has always supported my passion to work with children and supported me on this journey.
- Family, teachers, staff, parents and students who provided me with unwavering support when my mother was sick and understood when I needed to step away so I could be a daughter and a caretaker.
- Teachers and staff members who go above and beyond the call of duty to educate and care for the students we serve and whose impact cannot be measured in test scores alone.
- Students who comes to school excited to greet another day, willing to share their thoughts, smiles, love, laughter and hearts with us.
- A school community that is united by a singular focus of providing each and every student with an unparalleled education and unwavering emotional support.
- Supportive families and community members who continuously put the needs of our students first and always lend a helping hand.
- The values and traditions that have made Beck Academy the outstanding school that it is.
- The honor to serve as your principal and the joy that it brings to my life.

I would like to wish the entire Beck family a Happy Thanksgiving. May you always remember to count your blessings and enjoy cherished time with family and loved ones.

Jennifer MeistenBeck Academy Principal



L.I.F.T.

Afterschool L.I.F.T. will provide students with direct instruction in content areas in which they are struggling or need additional practice. The purpose of L.I.F.T. is to meet individual student needs with additional guided help in order to master the content standards. Specific dates and times have been set aside for students to participate in afterschool L.I.F.T. Students are allowed to stay on specific **Wednesdays from the hours of 3:30-4:30.** The dates are provided for you at the below.

Our weekly L.I.F.T. dates are:

Parents are more than welcome to provide transportation for their student, but if transportation is an issue we will offer transportation for students to be dropped off at a predetermined location. If this is a need, a separate permission slip will need to be signed.

11/29	2/14	4/11	5/30
12/13	2/21	4/18	
1/10	2/28	4/25	
1/17	3/14	5/9	
1/24	3/21	5/16	
1/31	3/28	5/23	

Bob's BackPack Program Supplies Needed!

We would truly appreciate any donations. Donations can be in the form of a check or cash given to the front office and designated for Bob's backpacks, or donations may be any of the following:

No peanuts or peanut butter due to possible food allergies

Individual serving sizes and pull top cans:

Soup / Chili / Any kind of Pasta with Meat

Vienna Sausage / Beans and Franks

Chicken Salad Kits

Macaroni and Cheese

Ramen Noodles

Soup Cups like Oodles of Noodles or other brands

Fruit cups / Applesauce / Jello

Pudding

Vegetables

Breakfast Foods

Instant Oatmeal / Grits

Breakfast Bars / Pop Tarts

Honey Buns

Snacks: Granola Bars / Fruit snacks/ Cheese &

crackers

Desserts (individually Wrapped/Packaged in one serving size)

Cookies

Little Debbie Cakes

Oatmeal Pies

Moon Pies

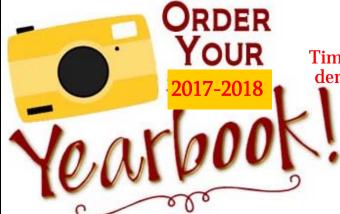
Drinks:

Juice Boxes

Yoohoo Chocolate Drinks

Fruit Juice

Yearbook News....



It's that time again....
Time to order your copy of the Beck yearbook! Orders can be made online, with debit/credit cards, by clicking the link below:



Cash/check orders are also being taken with the order form, located on Page 11. The price for a yearbook is \$35 and personalization is available for an additional charge.

8th Grade Recognition Ads

Honor that special 8th grade student with a 1/4, 1/2, or full page recognition ad. See page 10 for information.

Click **HERE** for the online order form.

Ad information, photos, and payment are due by December 15, 2017.

Yearbook Order Form: Page 5

8th Grade Recognition Ads: Page 6

SAVE A PIECE OF HISTORY STUDENT'S FUTURE.

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Create a custom ad for your student's yearbook.



Eighth grade yearbook ads are a great way to celebrate student success and milestones and reflect on the person your student has become. Show your pride and support your school at the same time. Visit jostensadservice.com to create your recognition ad. Please don't forget to buy your yearbook at www.jostensyearbooks.com

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Last day to order: 12/15/2017

Ad layouts

Available layouts depend on the adalzes offered by our school. Refer to the yearbook recognition ad pricing to the right for more details. Ad layouts and sizes offered are available on www.jostensadservice.com.

RECOGNITION AD PRICING

Received by 12/15/2017

COLOR

Full Page Not Offered 1/2 Page \$90,00 1/4 Page \$45,00 1/5 Page Not Offered

SAMPLE ADS (more ad templates available online)





1/2 Page



1/4 Page



1/8 Page



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A partnership can make a HUGE difference.

Become a BECK Business Partner

Want to have your business banner in the carpool line?
Interested in putting your logo on our events?
Looking for a special way to support our school?

Become a Beck Business Partner!

Contact Joy Ivester at BeckAcademyPTSA@gmail.com



Help support Beck Academy!

Get your PTSA membership!
Memberships are \$6 per membership.
Help Beck reach 100% participation!

Go Beck Blue Knights!

Any questions, please contact PTSA Membership Chair, Joye Grabarczyck at BeckAcademyPTSA@gmail.com



Beck Backers



The Beck Academy PTSA would like to thank everyone who has contributed so far to this year's Beck Backers fundraiser. A total of 64 families have donated over \$9,500. When you support this fundraiser, 100% of your contribution stays at Beck Academy and supports the educational needs of our children. Also, your contribution is fully tax deductible. Donations are still being accepted so there is still time to contribute.

THANK YOU! Meredith Dobson, Beck Backers Chairperson

Beck Heralds (\$50 - \$99)

Buddy and Marianne Clay Gaye and Jacques Cantin The Ferguson Family Nate and Stephanie Manning Terry and Michelle Smith The Carbonell Family Melissa Tomberg Terry and Michelle Smith Dean and Jennifer Smith The Cremmins Family Leslie and Vernon Hayes The Kim Family Steve and Deb Lombel The Violette Family Charlie Taylor Scott and Érin Schwasnick Dr. and Mrs. Phillip Reavis Allen and Cindy McCravy Beate Leonhardt Elvin Liu Bill and Stacy Durrell Brycen Nelson The Shaw Family Harold and Janet May Anonymous Yvonne and Jerry Nuckolls **Grace Singingheart** TJ and Kristy Way Valerie Martin Bill and Allison Harder Mariana Ionite The Yenser Family

Lancers (\$100 - \$249)

Carlos Nobrega The Scroggins Family Pavani and Govind Rengarajan Trecy and Kathy Watson The Dobson Family Johana and Craig Haydamack Wendy and Chip Smith Molly and Judson Boehmer The Bird Family Jonathan and Kerra McAdams Saeeda Chowdhury The McClure Family Sam and Leanne White Dave and Paula Gorman The Hill Family Steve and Carolyn Hahn Philip and Maria Cole The Cizmic Family Kelvin Young Yun Anonymous John and Sherry Donohue Dan and Beth Brawley

Jousters (\$250 - \$499)

Tripp and Meredith Glenn
Cathy Jones and Keith Goodall
The Aiesi Family
The Bannister Family
David and Angela Harner
The Lucas Family
The Fields Family
Patrick and Sangita Shirley

Beck Warriors (\$500-\$999)

Anne Latham
The Grabarczyk Family
The Foster Family

Beck Knights In Shining Armor (\$1,000 and Above)
Susan and Raoul Glenn

Thank you!



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Publix Super Markets has a great program that will enable our school to make money every time we shop at Publix. It's simple: Just present the Publix Partners card (the one that you received in the first day packet) when you shop and Publix will handle everything else. For every eligible \$37,500* our supporters spend at Publix, \$250 will be given to our school at the quarter's end. If we haven't reached the \$37,500 mark by the end of a quarter, our balance will carry over to the next quarter.

There are on hundreds of products we use every day. Simply clip the coupon from the package and start collecting. Send the Box Tops in with your student or drop off in the front office next time you are at Beck. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents and when we all work together, the money adds up fast! Beck will have a several contests throughout the year. Stay tuned....

If you have questions e-mail: Kerra McAdams at kerramcadams@gmail.com Collection bin is located in the front office.



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www.Greenville.k12.sc.us/Beck



Beck Academy is a very special place and we are excited about the new year!

The PTSA organization is an important part of our school. The overall purpose of a PTSA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. PTSAs benefit everyone. Strong schools mean stronger communities. Beck is well known as having one of the best and most active PTSAs in Greenville County!

PTSA Executive Board Members 2017-2018

President - Angie Hill
1st Vice President - Rhonda Traynham
2nd Vice President - Lynn Edmonds
Secretary - April McClure
Treasurer - Jana Scroggins
Assistant Treasurer - Maria Vogt

Email: BeckAcademyPTSA@gmail.com

You can send an email to the above address to reach any of the Executive Board or Committee Chairs and it will be forwarded to the correct person!

Check out information on our Beck PTSA website. Make our webpage a FAVORITE. Be sure to check it at least once a week!

<u>BECK PTSA WEBSITE</u> <u>www.beckacademyptsa.weebly.com</u>

PTSA Committee Chairs 2017-2018

Apparel/Merchandising - Meredith Glenn

& Jennifer Adams

Awards - Katie Mitchell

Beck Backers - Meredith Dobson

Beck's Big Event - Kim Eades

& Kathy Rumchak

Birthdays for Teachers - Karine Lawrence

Box Tops - Kerra McAdams

Business Partners - Joy Ivester

Cookie Dough - Tina Goumas, Jennifer Smith & Jennifer Cook

Directory - Danielle Colby

E-Newsletter - Amanda Dease

Grade Level Coordinator 6th - Jen Pestrak

Grade Level Coordinator 7th - Tina Goumas

Grade Level Coordinator 8th - Tracy Chastain

Grade Level Coordinator Liaison - Amy Stone

8th Grade Dance - Tracy Chastain

& Carol Greene

Hospitality - Brooke Cremmins, Dawn Ridge & Jeanne

Anderson

International Day - Amanda Dease

& Janet Schultz

Legislative - Gary Daniels

Membership - Joye Grabarczyck

Reflections - Amanda Westmorland

School Store - Jennifer Lucas & Brittany Boheman

Staff Appreciation - Susan Shelley & Kim Troyer

Student Appreciation - Stephanie Manning, Cathe-

rine Daniels & Mary Margaret Bannister