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Dear Seaside Elementary School Community:

It is with great pleasure that I introduce myself to you. My name is **Robert J. Homer** and I am your principal at Seaside Elementary School. I consider myself fortunate to have been chosen to lead this outstanding community and to manage the facility. My leadership team of Morgan Emsley, Assistant Principal and Curriculum Coach, Sharon Roseway look forward to working with you in the best interest of your children so that they are able to achieve at high levels academically, behaviorally, socially, and emotionally. Listed below, please find excerpts from my resume so that you may become acquainted with my educational, professional, employment, and personal background.

Education

- M.A. with distinction, August 1994, Rider University, Lawrenceville, NJ. Educational Administration
- B.A., January 1981, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ. Business Education/Accounting
- Leadership & Teaching for High Standards, Harvard Graduate School of Education, Harvard University, Boston, MA

Professional Certificates

- State of South Carolina Educational Administration: Elementary and Secondary Principal
- State of New Jersey Educational Administration: School Administrator, Principal, Supervisor
- State of New Jersey Teaching: Business Education, General Business, Accounting, Keyboarding, Data Processing
- State of South Carolina Teaching: Business, Marketing, and Computer Technology

Administrative Experience

- **PRINCIPAL:** July 2019--present, Seaside Elementary School, Horry County Schools, Garden City, SC
- **PRINCIPAL:** July 2014—2019, River Oaks Elementary School, Horry County Schools, Myrtle Beach, SC
- **PRINCIPAL:** July 1999—June 2014, Joseph D. Sharp Elementary School, Cherry Hill Public Schools, Cherry Hill, NJ
- **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:** December 1996—July 1999, Cherry Hill HS West, Cherry Hill Public Schools, Cherry Hill, NJ
- **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:** October 1994—November 1996, Lower Cape May Regional High School, Lower Cape May Regional School District, Cape May, NJ

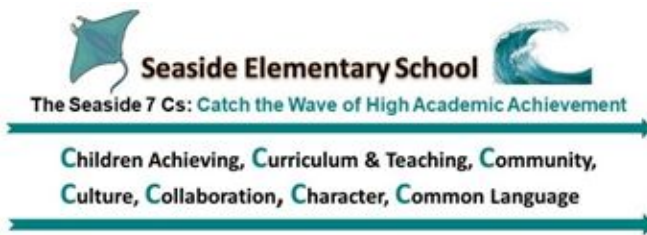
Teaching Experience

- **BUSINESS EDUCATION TEACHER:** September 1983—October 1994, Triton Regional High School and Highland Regional High School, Black Horse Pike Regional School District, Blackwood, NJ
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER:** 1999—2008, St. Pius X Catholic Church, Cherry Hill, NJ

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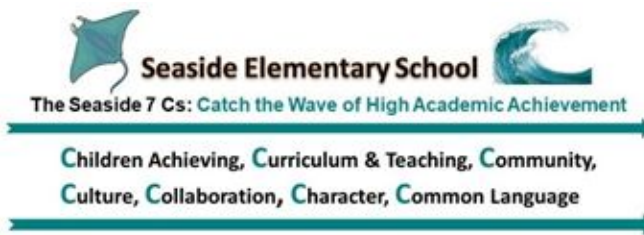
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Morgan Emsley, Assistant Principal (memsley@horrycountyschools.net)



Personal

- I grew up in a small town in central New Jersey named Manville. I am a product of the Manville Public Schools attending from Kindergarten through 12th grades. Manville is located in central New Jersey in between the Raritan and Millstone Rivers in close proximity to New Brunswick, NJ the location of Rutgers University.
- I am the son of two of the most hard-working people I have ever met, my father and mother, William and Anna Homer. My dad passed in 1991 and my mom passed in 2002. My sole sibling, my brother Bill continues to live in Manville.
- I have been married to my wife Donna for 37 years. We met at Montclair State College in 1980. We are both graduates of Montclair State College. Montclair State College is now Montclair State University. It is approximately 20 minutes from New York City in northern New Jersey.
- Prior to moving to Myrtle Beach, my wife was a preschool teacher at the Schoolhouse in Mount Laurel, NJ.
- My wife's family lives in the Philadelphia/South Jersey area. My wife's father, Charles passed in 2012. Her mother, Rosemarie lives in Delran, NJ; her brother Fred lives in Palmyra, NJ; her sister Lori lives in Warrington, PA, and her youngest sister, Bonnie lives in Delran, NJ.
- We have two children, Robert, age 29 and Rebecca, age 27. They are both graduates of Washington College in Chestertown, MD. Robert graduated with a degree in history and Rebecca graduated with a degree in English. Robert was a member of the Washington College Men's Swim Team. Rebecca was an officer in the Alpha Chi Omega sorority.
- Rebecca got married to Ryan Pragano in August 2018. The wedding was held in Disney World at the Grand Floridian. Rebecca and Ryan met at Epcot Center during her college internship. Rebecca is now a middle school English Language Arts teacher at Westside K-8 School in Kissimmee, FL. Ryan works as a coordinator at the new Star Wars attraction at Disney Studios. They reside in Davenport, FL.
- Robert graduated from Widener Delaware Law School in Wilmington, DE. He was a substitute teacher in the HCS. Having an undergraduate degree in history, he has caught the teaching bug. He passed the Praxis and was accepted in the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) program in SC. He is now an employee of the HCS as a Social Studies Teacher at Whittemore Park Middle School in Conway, SC. He resides in the heart of the Market Common in Myrtle Beach.
- Prior to moving to Myrtle Beach, we lived in Cherry Hill, NJ for 22 years. Cherry Hill is in the southern part of New Jersey right across the Delaware River near Philadelphia, PA.
- We have been living full-time in Myrtle Beach since I began my tenure in the HCS at River Oaks Elementary School in 2014.
- We currently live in Emmens Preserve in the Market Common.
- We began traveling to Myrtle Beach for vacation in the late 1990's. We liked it so much that we purchased a condominium in the Prestwick Country Club community. We vacationed and stayed at that condominium many times from 2007--2014.
- We do not currently have any pets but we are partial to dogs, especially terriers. We have fond memories of our Scottish Terrier Barney and our Airedale Terrier Duncan.

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- We enjoy traveling, dining out, reading, movies, and theatre. We do miss Broadway plays in New York City!
- I enjoy watching television because I find it relaxing. I have varied interests, but I watch primarily sports, documentaries, movies, and several cable/streaming series. My all-time favorite television show is *Seinfeld*. My all-time favorite movie is *Forrest Gump*.
- I also enjoy all types of sports. During my teaching career, on the high school level, I coached football, basketball, and baseball. I was the head basketball coach at Highland Regional High School for seven years.
- Throughout my scholastic years, I played football, basketball, and baseball.
- While living in New Jersey, I continued to play basketball. For over 18 years, I played basketball with a core group of 15—20 friends every Saturday morning. These days, I stay active riding my bike, doing basic calisthenics (mostly pull-ups and pull-ups), and playing pickleball.
- I follow many professional sports teams. My favorites are the New York Giants in football, the New York Yankees in baseball, and the Philadelphia 76ers in basketball.
- I enjoy all types of music (my favorite genre is classic rock) and I have played the drums since I was 9 years old.
- My most relaxing pastime is reading while sitting in my beach chair under an umbrella on the beach.

In closing, I hope you know this provides you with a most thorough background on me from both a professional and personal background. I will publish a principal's newsletter periodically during the school year and hope to keep you up-to-date. Best wishes for a most successful 2020—2021 school year! I am extremely pleased to continue my work with you and the entire Seaside Elementary community!

Sincerely,

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