

February 2017



# THE WILDCAT'S

## Diplomat Middle School ROAR

Proud to be a  
Behavior Support  
"PBS" Model School



### **Upcoming Events :**

- February 2: 4p** - SGA Meeting
- February 3:** Quarter 3 Interims
- February 3:** FVA Solo & Ensemble (Select Students)
- February 6:** Soccer Game DMS vs Oasis @ Pelican Soccer Complex
- February 6:** Jazz Music Performance Assessment-Lehigh HS
- February 7:** Jazz Music Performance Assessment-Lehigh HS
- February 7: 4p** Crafty Club Meeting
- February 9:** Interim Report Card Day
- February 10:** Solo & Ensemble Music Performance Assessment
- February 11:** Solo & Ensemble Music Performance Assessment
- February 13:** Track and Field Tryouts begin
- February 16:** 4p SGA Meeting
- February 17:** 6th gr. field trip-Wooten's Everglades Tours
- February 20: No School** - Presidents Day.
- February 21: No School** - Teacher In-Service Day
- February 23: 5p** All County Jazz Auditions-NFMAA
- February 24:** FOA Concert MPA
- February 24:** Quarter 3 Interims
- February 25:** FOA Concert MPA
- February 27: 6p** SAC Meeting
- March 2:** FVA Concert MPA
- March 2: 4p** SGA Meeting
- March 3:** FVA Concert MPA
- March 13: 4p** Tennis & Golf Try-Out begin
- March 15: 6p** All County Jazz Rehearsal-NFNAA
- March 16:** End of 3rd Quarter
- March 16: 8:30a** All County Jazz Rehearsal-NFNAA
- March 16: 4p** SGA Meeting
- March 16: 7:15p** All County Jazz Concert-NFMAA
- March 17: No School** - Professional Duty Day

### **A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL**

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#### **Home of the Wildcats!**

REMINDER TO PARENTS: If your morning schedule is tight, you may use our before school care for a small fee each school day. Students may come on campus at or after 9:15 am, without the need of our fee based care. Students who arrive before 9:15 am, become a part of our before school care at a cost to parents of \$5 per school day. Student must be picked up immediately after dismissal. After school care is no longer available.

Si necesita información en Español, favor de llamar a Iris Talento a 574-5257, entre las horas de 9:10 AM y 4:10 PM.

**YEARBOOK PRICE**  
**CHANGE**

Yearbook Prices have changed from \$33.00 to  
\$35.00

They can be ordered online from the Diplomat  
Middle School Website  
**www.dpm.leeschools.net** OR from the  
publisher **www.balfour.com**



Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers, at times, must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Diplomat Middle School are certified, but may be assigned one or more classes outside their areas of certification and are required to take appropriate steps to comply with the statutory regulation::

Kelly Denney	ESOL
Alicia Ford	ESOL
Ben Uphoff	ESOL
Linsey Uphoff	ESOL
David Migliore	Gifted

**“WORK HARD.  
BE KIND.”**

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## Counselor's Corner

Dear Parents,



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## A BIG THANKS TO OUR BUSINESS PARTNERS

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**If you, or someone you know is interested in becoming a business partner with our school, please contact Diane Ford ([dianef@leeschools.net](mailto:dianef@leeschools.net)) or Lorna Ermacora ([lornae@leeschools.net](mailto:lornae@leeschools.net)). Donations of time, supplies, services or monetary support are welcome.**



**Student Assignment 2017-18  
 January 23– March 24, 2017**

Parents of **currently** enrolled students in Lee County Public School grades five, eight, and students in Pre-K attending Lee County Public Schools who are eligible for kindergarten for 2017/18, will be mailed their child's personalized application on January 19, 2017. This is a very exciting time of year for students and parents as they plan for 2017-2018.

Those receiving the applications can save time by applying online! Please read the documents sent to you very carefully, and determine if you want to apply online, mail it back to us, or bring it to one of our offices in person. This is a nine-week application period. There is no need to stand in long lines the first few days since you have nine weeks to submit the application. All applications are processed as a group.

Parents of children who will be five on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and who are not enrolled in one of the district's Pre-K programs must visit one of our offices to register for kindergarten for the 2017/2018 school year (bring registration requirements). This should be done during the first application period

(January 23 – March 24) to increase the chances of being assigned to your preferred school. Brand new students cannot apply on-line – they must be registered in person.

There are **no automatic assignments** – parents need to register incoming kindergartners even if they have an older sibling already attending the preferred school.

Please visit [www.leeschools.net](http://www.leeschools.net) for registration requirements and Student Assignment Office locations.

Lee County is home to Florida's top ranked virtual school. Lee Virtual Instruction Program is the only Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade public school in our area. This challenging virtual learning program follows the school district calendar. Students have access many of the same courses as they would in a traditional school including Advance Placement(AP), Dual Enrollment (FGCU, FSW, FMTC and CCTC) along with the flexibility of a dynamic schedule. Students who complete the virtual course of study receive the same accredited diploma as any other public school. There are two application periods for LVIP. The first application period coincides with the Student Assignment's first application period. The second one begins the Monday after Thanksgiving for second semester enrollments and closes prior to final exam week of the first semester. Applying to LVIP does not affect your current School Choice assignment until the student completes orientation and enrollment in the LVIP program. Lee Virtual also offers a variety of summer courses for original credit. Visit Lee Virtual Instruction Program at <http://lvip.leeschools.net/>.

### **Selección Escolar 2017-2018 Enero 23 – Marzo 24, 2017**

Los padres de familia de estudiantes actualmente asistiendo a las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Lee en los grados quinto, octavo, y Pre-kínder atendiendo a una de las escuelas públicas que son elegibles para Kinder recibirán en el correo una aplicación personalizada en enero 19 del 2017. Este es un tiempo muy importante del año para los estudiantes y sus padres para planear para el año 2017-18.

Los que reciben esta aplicación pueden ahorrar tiempo aplicando por computadora. Por favor lea los documentos que le enviamos cuidadosamente y determine si usted quiere aplicar por computadora, mandar la aplicación por correo, o traerla en persona a una de nuestras oficinas. El periodo de aplicación es de nueve semanas. No hay necesidad de pararse en líneas largas los primeros días de aplicación ya que usted tiene nueve semanas para aplicar. Todas las aplicaciones son procesadas en grupo.

Los padres de los niños que cumplirán cinco años antes o el día 1 de septiembre, 2017 y que no están matriculados en una de las escuelas del distrito en el programa de Pre-K deben visitar una de nuestras oficinas para matricular a sus niños por primera vez en kindergarten para el año escolar 2017/2018. Por favor aplique durante enero 23 y marzo 24 para aumentar los chances de ser asignado a una de las escuelas de su preferencia. Estudiantes nuevos no pueden aplicar por computadora, estudiantes nuevos deben aplicar en persona.

No hay **asignaciones automáticas** – los padres de familia necesitan matricular a todos los niños que van a entrar a kindergarten aun cuando tengan hermanos que ya están asistiendo a esa escuela.

Por favor visite la página del Internet [www.leeschools.net](http://www.leeschools.net) para los requisitos de matrícula y para información acerca de donde están situadas nuestras oficinas.

El Condado de Lee tiene una de las mejores escuelas virtuales de la Florida. El Programa de Instrucción Virtual de Lee es la única escuela pública de Kindergarten hasta el grado 12 en nuestra área. Este desafiante programa de aprendizaje virtual sigue el calendario del distrito escolar. Los estudiantes tienen acceso a muchos de los mismos cursos como lo harían en una escuela tradicional incluyendo la Clases Avanzadas (AP), Inscripción Dual (FGCU, FSW, FMTC y CCTC) junto con la flexibilidad de un programa dinámico. Los estudiantes que completan el curso virtual de estudio reciben el mismo diploma acreditado que cualquier otra escuela pública. Hay dos periodos de aplicación para LVIP. El primer periodo de solicitud coincide con el primer periodo de solicitud de la asignación de estudiante. El segundo comienza el lunes después del Día de Acción de Gracias para las matrículas del segundo semestre y cierra antes de la semana del examen final del primer semestre. La aplicación a LVIP no afecta su asignación actual de Elección Escolar hasta que el estudiante complete la orientación y la inscripción en el programa LVIP. Lee Virtual también ofrece una variedad de cursos de verano para el crédito original. Visite el Programa de Instrucción Virtual de Lee en <http://lvip.leeschools.net/>.

