



October 1, 2020

The Wildcat's Roar

DIPLOMAT MIDDLE SCHOOL

PROUD TO BE A POSITIVE – BEHAVIOR SUPPORT "PBS" – MODEL SCHOOL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- 1- STUDENT OF THE MONTH
RECOGNITION**
- 5 - QUARTER 1 INTERIM
CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE (5PM)**
- 6- CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE (5PM)**
- 7 - A AND A/B HONOR ROLL
RECOGNITION AT LUNCH
CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE (5PM)**
- 9 - CASTLE KUDOS REWARDS
- NO COLLAR SHIRT DAY**
- 12 - CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE (5PM)**
- 13 - CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE (5PM)**
- 14 - CROSS COUNTRY MEET
MARINER @ 5:45PM**
- 16 - STAFF PICTURE DAY**
- 21 - CROSS COUNTRY MEET
TRAFALGAR @ 5:45PM**
- 30 - FALL PICTURES FACE 2 FACE
END OF QUARTER 1**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Hello Wildcats,

Congratulations! This has been a GREAT start to the new school year. We have just completed four weeks of school with only half of our students in the building, face-to-face, and half of our students using the Home Connect option – through Google Classroom and Zoom.

Our teachers and the district have worked hard to make the Home Connect classes a foundation of success. Our students are working hard to navigate through all the Zoom classes while at home. Everyone is doing their best and that is what we expect.

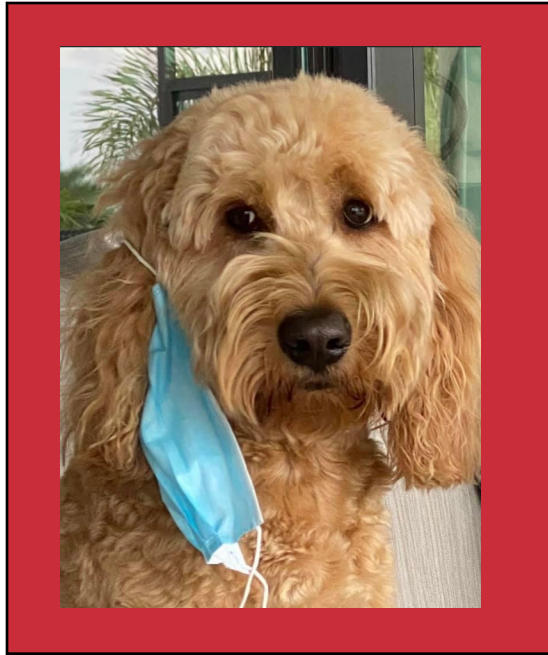
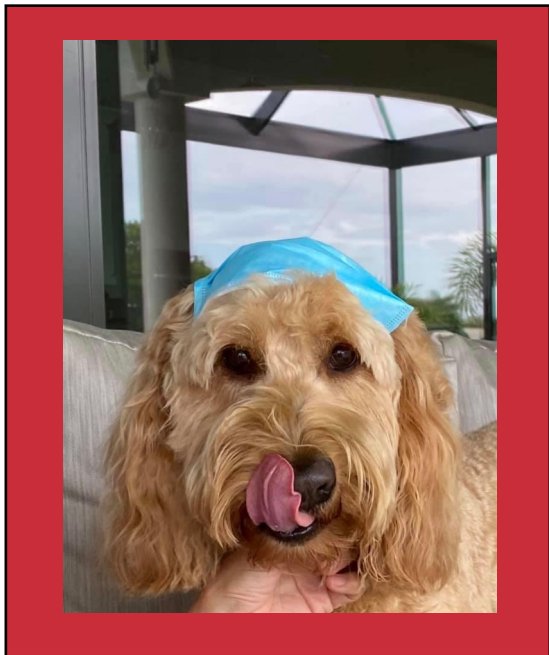
In early October, you will receive a document from the district on which you will make a decision about your child's instructional model for quarter two. The decision will be for the entire quarter. We will not be able to make changes after the deadline passes due to creating new schedules for those students who choose to become face-to-face students. Although I would love for all of our students to return to the building, it is important that you understand, the more students who are in the building, the less physical distancing will take place. Make sure you consider all information the district will share with you so you make the most informed decision for your child. You should receive the document on or about October 5th. The deadline to make the decision will be on the document.

Parents, interims will be available later this week in FOCUS, but you can always review grades in FOCUS at your convenience.

Our word this year is CREATE. We know that it is our individual responsibility to create the best day, week, and school year, that we can possibly live. We have to give 100% of ourselves at all times—even when relaxing and having fun.

Proud to be in the Pride,

Maura Bennington, Principal



**COOPER
SHOWS US THE
PROPER WAY TO
WEAR A MASK**



Make sure
that your
mask always
covers your
face,
including
your mouth
and nose.
Stay safe
Wildcats!

GRADE LEVEL REMINDERS

ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE THEIR CHROME BOOK CHARGED AND WITH THEM EVERYDAY.

SIXTH: PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR STUDENT TO USE THEIR PLANNER EVERYDAY TO WRITE DOWN ASSIGNMENTS AND CHECK THEM EVERY NIGHT FOR COMPLETION.

SEVENTH: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE CHECKING FOCUS ON A DAILY BASIS TO STAY ON TOP OF YOUR GRADES.

EIGHTH: 8TH GRADE YEARBOOK ADS ARE ON SALE STARTING AT \$25, GO TO JOSTENS.COM TO DESIGN YOUR STUDENT'S AD TODAY!

YEARBOOKS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR \$35 UNTIL **OCTOBER 30TH**...HEAD OVER TO JOSTENS.COM AND RESERVE YOUR STUDENT'S COPY TODAY BEFORE THE PRICE INCREASES.

RESPECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS – ON TIME; ON TASK

PRIDE CORNER: WILDCAT STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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6th Grade

Kiley Santiago



Josiah
Feliciano



Skylar Kulwicki



7th Grade

Isabella Pedre



Jackson
Lowther



Grayson
Polakiewicz



8th Grade

Garrett
Hathcock



La'Cherie
Alexander



Asheleigh
Greim

ATTITUDE – RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIONS

IMPORTANT TO NOTE

OUT OF FIELD

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 teachers listed below are certified, but may be assigned one or more classes outside of their areas of certification and are required to take the appropriate steps to comply with statutory regulations, or are engaged in training to add English to Speakers of Other Languages(ESOL) to their Florida Teaching Certificate.

Katharine Adams, ESOL; Kelly Denney, ESOL; Nina Johnson, ESOL;

William Reamer, ESOL; Lynnda Shawver, Reading;

Lucas Welling, Middle Grades Mathematics 5-9

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CROSS COUNTRY IS BACK!!

Cross Country Practice is held on
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays
from 4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Area Meet:

Wednesday, October 14th at Mariner
MS 5:45 pm

Regional Meet:

Wednesday, October 21st at Trafalgar
MS 5:45 pm

Lee County Championship: Tuesday,
November 10th at Kelly Road 6 pm

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

7-Eleven, Andalusia and Diplomat

Garden Club, of Cape Coral

Vip Limo, Fort Myers

Sam's Club, Pine Island Road

Bjs Wholesale, Pine Island Road

WAWA, Pine island Road East

Stuff A Bagel, Pine Island Road and Skyline

Publix, Kismet and North Del Prado

Walmart, Skyline Blvd and Mohawk

Jason's Deli, Santa Barbara Blvd

Buon Appetito, Surfside and Veterans Blvd

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Diplomat Middle School would like to send out a BIG Wildcat thank you to all of our Community Partners. Your generosity allows us to reach educational goals. To say we couldn't have had a successful school year without you is an understatement. Thank you again for all that you continually do.

If you would like to become one of our business partners, please contact Diane Ford for more information at DianeF@leeschools.net

CONGRATULATIONS 2020 NJHS INDUCTEES

Julyssa Alvarez

Allison Brightbill

Ashley Camacho

Brooke Carrigan

Alyssa Cosimelli

Clark Daley

Melanie DeJesus

Kirtis Denham

Andrew Drake

Lenneth Earsley

Zyon Estada

Jeanleanne Figueroa-Maldonad

Keelin Fitzgerald

Valeria Gonzalez

Reagan Guida

Noah Hernandez

Jeffrey Jacobs

Caroline Kamphouse

Rylyn Montgomery

Dalila Palenzuela

Edriana Pedreja

Peyton Renz

Willow Ritch

Abrianna Romero

Kylie Ross

Nicholas Sheehy

Angelique Gonzalez

Trinitee Stevens

Blake Thomas

Jose Torres

Omaris Torres

Braden Townsend

Henry Upoff

Mia Vigneri

Amalea Wall

Kenzie Wallace

Haylee Welch-Mings

Shaunna Yeomans

IMPORTANT PARENT REMINDERS

Lee County School Board Policy 4.16:

No student shall be released within the final 30 minutes of the school day unless the principal/designee determines it is an emergency.

Being in school is important

It is important that our students are in school everyday and that they are on time for each class, including the beginning of the day. Just as students receive a detention during the day for being tardy to classes, students will also receive a detention on every third unexcused tardy to school. Therefore, every 3rd unexcused tardy will result in an after school detention.

School Clinic/COVID-19 Notice

If your child goes to the school clinic during the course of the day and complains of any symptom related to COVID-19, they will be sent home for 10 days unless they return with a doctors note explaining that your child symptoms are not related COVID-19.

Picking up your student

Student must be picked up at dismissal each day, 4:00 pm, or at the designated end time of any school sponsored event.

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY



MARY FISHER
District 1



DR. GREG ADKINS
Superintendent



MELISA GIOVANNELLI
District 2

DEBBIE JORDAN
District 3



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PROGRESSIVE

The School District of Lee County 2020 -2021 Amended Instructional Calendar

July 2020							January 2021							
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- Holiday – Schools Closed
- Professional Duty Day – No School For Students
- Preschool Days – No School For Students
- First and Last Student Day
- Early Dismissal Days – Students
- Hurricane Make-Up Day

Special Notes

- All Jewish Holidays begin at sundown the day before they are listed