



Home of the Soaring Eagles Newsletter

Upcoming Dates May & June

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<http://dun.leeschools.net>

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May 12th Spring Chorus Concert
May 17th SAC Meeting @ 4:30pm
May 18th & 19th Spring Band Concert
May 27th Grade 8 Dance 6pm to 9pm
May 30th No School (Memorial Day)
May 31st Early Dismissal – 2:00pm
June 1st & 2nd Early Dismissal – 2:00pm
June 2nd Dunbar Day (All Day Event)
June 2nd Students Last Day & End of Qtr. 4

Spring 2022 Test Dates

The following is the FSA/EOC test dates with make-ups to be determined at a later date.

May 17th Grade 7 Civics & Grade 8 Science
May 24th & 25th Algebra/Geometry (Odyssey of the Mind
Participants will test May 18th & 19th)

Please make sure your child arrives on time with a fully charged chromebook. Any student signed out before the completion of their test session will invalidate the test.

Out-of-Field Teachers : As of May 12, 2022

Florida State Statue 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the fields in which the teacher is certified. The following faculty members are: Sarah Azzam – ESOL, Chelsea Clarke – ESOL, Jill Farley – ESOL, Monica Araujo – ESOL



Spring Choral Concert

Performances by Paul Laurence Dunbar MS & Ray V Portoff



Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle and Ray V Pottorf Elementary proudly co-present the Spring Choral Concert on Thursday, May 12, 2022. Please join us in the PLDMS cafeteria for the final concert of the year. The performance for Chorus 1 and 2 will begin at 6:00pm, and Chorus 3 and 4 will perform at 7:00pm. No reservations or tickets needed to attend this event.



Spring Band Concert

The following are the dates and times for the Spring Band Concerts:

- Beginning Band Concert, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Baby Jazz Band will perform on Wednesday, May 18th at 6:30pm at Fort Myers High School.
- Wind Ensemble and Jazz will perform on Thursday, May 19th at Fort Myers High School at 6:30pm.

Admission is free for all concerts



8th Grade Award Ceremony



The 8th grade award ceremony will be held on Friday, May 27, 2022 from 10:30am to 12:30pm in the PLDMS gymnasium. All 8th grade students attending will be allowed **two guest per student due to limited seating**. The dress code for this event is business casual. Students may wear clothes that either adhere to the school dress code, or they may wear appropriate business wear. If the student is wearing anything deemed inappropriate, they will be excluded from the award ceremony. Listed below are examples of acceptable and unacceptable dress code attire.

ACCEPTABLE DRESS CODE	UNACCEPTABLE DRESS CODE
GIRLS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dresses, skirts, capris or slacks (Must knee length or longer)• Casual blouses and tops• Sandals, Heels, Nice Boots or flats (No flip-flops) GUYS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Khakis, Slacks• Collared shirts, Button Down Shirts (No T-shirts)• Dress shoes, Nice Boots	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jeans/T-shirts that do not follow school dress code• Short dresses/skirts above knee length• Leggings or tight fitting clothing• Clothing with holes/shredding, or obscene/offensive language or graphics• Visible undergarments/ Sleeveless/Sheer tops/Tank Tops (Cannot show excessive skin)• Anything drug/alcohol/sex/gang related• Chains, spiked collars or belts, or accessories that may be used as weapons• Hats

Starry Night – 8th Grade Dance

The 8th grade dance will be held on Friday, May 27, 2022 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm in the PLDMS cafeteria. Ticket sales begin May 9th for \$10.00, and students attending will need a signed permission slip. The following rules and dress code apply:

- ✓ No ISS (In-School Suspension), OSS (Out of School Suspension), or Phoenix during Quarter 4
- ✓ All Fines/Fees must be paid prior to the dance to attend

Dance Dress Code

ACCEPTABLE DRESS CODE	UNACCEPTABLE DRESS CODE
<p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Skirts, or slacks•Dressy blouses and tops•Strapped Dresses (one-shoulder, spaghetti straps, halter, etc)•Sandals, Heels, Nice Boots or flats <p style="text-align: center;">GUYS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Khakis, Slacks•Blazers and Jackets•Collared shirts, Button Down Shirts, Vests•Ties and Bowties•Dress shoes, Nice Boots	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Informal clothing such as Jeans, T-shirts, and sneakers•Super short dresses and skirts. Dresses, Skirts, and Slits may not be more than 3 inches above the knee (A 3x5 index card will be used as the reference)•Strapless dresses•Clothing with holes/shredding, or obscene/offensive language or graphics•Clothing that shows excessive skin or cleavage (2 piece dresses must not show more than 1 inch of midriff)•Anything drug/alcohol/sex/gang related•Accessories that may be used as weapons•No Hats•No Flip Flops



2022-2023 Course Selection Electives

It's that time for all current 7th, 8th, and incoming 6th grade students to choose their electives for the 2022-2023 school year. The course selection is located on our school website at dun.leeschools.net or your child's Launch Pad located on their school issued chromebook. Please read and follow the directions accurately in order to receive your chosen courses. You will receive a submission email with the email address provided. The deadline for your selection is Friday, May 13, 2022. Please contact your child's school counselor (information listed below) with any questions.



School Counselor Request

Students may request to see their School Counselor through CASTLE on their Chromebook. We are here to help your child grow in the areas of: personal, social, academic and career goals.

Counselors:

Mrs. Eileen Cherbini - EileenC@leeschools.net

Grade Level: All 8th Grade & 6th Grade A-L

Ms. Maricela Ferras – MaricelaFE@leeschools.net

Grade Level: All 7th Grade & 6th Grade M-Z

School Social Worker:

Meghan Rogers – meghanr@leeschools.net



Attention 6th Grade Parents



All students entering the 7th grade next school year are mandated by Florida State Statute to have a "Tdap" immunization. Please contact your Health Care Provider or the Health Department of Lee County to obtain the immunization if your student has not received the vaccination. A # 680 "Proof of Immunization" form should be brought to the clinic before the end of this school year if possible. Your student must have the "Proof of Immunization" documented in the clinic by the first day of 7th grade to receive a class schedule and start school. The Health Department of Lee County can be reached at 239-461-6100 and provides childhood immunizations free of charge.



Dunbar Day is Back!



The PLDMS Dunbar Day will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022 during school hours. All students are welcome to participate in this field day event unless suspended or removed from extracurricular events by administration. If you are interested in donating snacks, drinks, or other items please contact the event coordinator Barry Miller at BarryJM@leeschools.net More information coming soon on dress code and activities.

The Future of Art

Congratulations to eleven of our PLDMS art students for being selected as exhibiting artist in this year's The Future of Art. This show is among the highest achievements in the Visual Arts in Lee County. Sponsored by the Alliance for the Arts and Lee County Educators Association, it features the best of the best of all art students from participating schools across the district.



Payton Sidwell
Harry Handy
Addisyn Nadwodny
Georgiana Muresan
Rebecca Bely
Penelope Lesage
Jia Patel
Haven Kaserman
Ahniya Alicea
Shreeya Srinivasan
Ashlyn Alicea
Shreeya Srinivasan
Ashlyn Hoffman

Lee County Teacher of The Year Mrs. Louis

We would like to Congratulate Mrs. Louis for being chosen as the Lee County Teacher of the Year by the Lee County Bar Association.





PLDMS Banner Fundraising Project

Looking for a great way to help our school? Do you have a local business or business contacts? This is a great advertising opportunity for local businesses, and a great way to fund much needed educational programs, school supplies, and extracurricular enrichment programs at PLDMS. We are offering to place a limited number of 4x6 advertising banners on our exterior fence facing Winkler Ave. All PLDMS families will have priority banner placement if you order before May 20, 2022. Scan the QR Code, download and complete the form. Please contact Gina Pabalan at gina.pabalan@outlook.com or (727)224-1245 with any questions.



Before and After School Activities



Craft Club – Tuesday

Email Club Sponsor for availability as space is limited. The cost is \$10.00

Club Sponsor – Deanna Konior deannacko@leeschools.net

Identity Club – Monday

Identity Club is a welcome space where we discuss and explore culture, history, and ourselves in order to find our identities.

Club Sponsor – Dillon Jepkema dillonj@leeschools.net

Math Team – Tuesday

Club Sponsor – Michael Senicola michaelss@leeschools.net

Students that participate in an after school activity must have a completed form that is located in the front office and school website. Club description and list can also be seen on our school website at <http://dun.leeschools.net>



SPARS

School Public Accountability Reports

The **School Public Accountability Reports (SPARs)** are available for review at all Lee County Public Schools or at the District's Communications Department at the Lee County Public Education Center. The SPAR reports may also be viewed online at:

<http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm>. or dun.leeschools.net under Quick Link



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MIDDLE SCHOOL

SUMMER LEARNING

(OPEN TO ALL CURRENTLY-ENROLLED STUDENTS)

JUNE 13 – JULY 14*

* Some program dates may vary. Please see attached flyers.

**VIRTUAL
OPTIONS**

**FACE-TO-FACE
OPTIONS**

**ENRICHMENT &
SUPPORT**

PARENTS MUST OPT-IN ~ STUDENTS WILL BE PROVIDED A COMPUTER

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR i-Ready VIRTUAL EXPANDED LEARNING GRADES 6-8

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR STEM CAMP INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS VIRTUAL CAMP

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS INFORMATION & ENROLLMENT

CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR LEE VIRTUAL SCHOOL CURRENT GRADE 8 STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES
FOR ACCELERATED CREDIT

Students are permitted to attend a face-to-face program as well
as a virtual program.

Please contact your child's school if you received an invitation to
attend Summer Credit Recovery or High School Algebra Camp
for current 8th graders.



S.O.S. ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

The School District of Lee County through the Department of Diversity and Inclusion and Dunbar Community School are hosting the Support Our Students (S.O.S.) Enrichment Program. The program was established in 2017 and provides a unique opportunity for students. This community-based initiative offers high school students, including students beginning high school during the 2022-2023 academic year, exceptional learning opportunities, cultural arts, and career enrichment activities that inspire them to discover, embrace, and appreciate their self-worth. This summer program also includes an opportunity for students to receive a stipend after successful completion.

For additional information, please contact the Department of Diversity & Inclusion at (239) 335-1588. If you have additional students that are interested in enrolling this year in the Support Our Students Program, please visit Dunbar Community School's website at: https://dcs.leeschools.net/our_students programs to fill out an application.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAM DETAILS:

- 5-week Enrichment Opportunity
- Site: Dunbar Community School (Fort Myers)
- Dates: June 13-July 14 (Mon-Thurs)
- Student Hours: 8:00am-2:00pm
- Transportation to and from program provided
- Breakfast and lunch provided




DIVERSITY & INCLUSION





Connect with **LEE** *Live Educational Experts*

The School District of Lee County will begin providing virtual daytime and evening support for educational needs and assignment questions for grades K-12.



CONNECT to the **Connect with LEE** student website located on the [Student Launchpad](#).

LOCATE the grade or content specific virtual classroom link on the website.

CLICK on the link to be placed in a virtual waiting room until your **Live Educational Expert** is available.

Available School Days

Elementary School Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m.
Monday - Thursday: 3:30-7:30 p.m.

Middle School Hours:

Monday - Friday: 10-12 p.m. & 2-4 p.m.
Monday - Thursday: 4:30-7:30 p.m.

High School Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8-10 a.m. & 11-1 p.m.
Monday - Thursday: 3:30-7:30 p.m.

All **Connect with LEE Live Educational Experts** are certified Lee County educators!



OUR MISSION

To ensure that each student achieves his/her **highest potential**



FOCUS Parent Portal

Child's Assignment Grades • Class Grade • Attendance • Referrals
Progress Monitoring Results • Report Cards • Interim Report Cards
Beginning of the Year Forms such as Student Emergency and Health Information

How to Register

- Visit <http://focus.leeschools.net>
- Click "Create a Focus Parent Portal Account"
- Scroll to the bottom and click "Create Account"
- Fill in required fields and hit submit

Reset Password

- If your email is already registered or forgot your password:
 - Visit <http://focus.leeschools.net>
 - Click "Reset your Focus Parent Portal password"

Once an Account is Created

Linking Student Accounts

IMPORTANT

Gather **Student ID, Birth Date, and Portal PIN**
Portal PIN will be emailed to the email address on file at the beginning of 1st and 2nd semester or **contact your child's school.**

- Click "Link a child to your Focus Parent Portal account" or "I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled."
- Fill in required fields
- Click "Add Student"
- Repeat for each child
- Click "I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal."

The School District of Lee County

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STAY CONNECTED THROUGH SCHOOLMESSENGER COMMUNICATE



The **SchoolMessenger Communicate website** and **app** enable parents, staff, and students to stay informed and up-to-date on important information and activities within their school and district communities.

**RECEIVE
24/7/365
ACCESS TO
NOTIFICATIONS
SUCH AS:**

- ▶ **Activity and event information**
- ▶ **Classroom and group updates**
- ▶ **Potential emergency situations**
- ▶ **Related weather reports**
- ▶ **Schedule changes**

Set your communication preferences for phone calls, emails, texts and more. Additionally, the app allows teachers and parents to communicate individually or in groups, all in one place.

**GET
STARTED**



SIGN UP FOR SCHOOLMESSENGER COMMUNICATE TODAY!

Visit **Go.SchoolMessenger.com** and sign up for your free account. This app is available via PC, Apple iOS and Android.

For a detailed user guide, sign up instructions, and FAQs for teachers and parents, visit **www.LeeSchools.net**



Please verify with your child's school that all contact information is correct in order to receive SchoolMessenger communication.



FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



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