#### September 1, 2019

## Three Oaks Middle School

### The Heron's Call



## A Letter from the Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. Our students have all acclimated to the new schedule and the students and staff are working hard preparing for a productive year.

The intramural sports program began on August 20 with basketball tryouts. Volleyball and cross country will begin on October 15. We are pleased with the number of students interested in our sports program this year. Our after school tutoring programs will begin on September 17. Students are encouraged to attend on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays (when school is in session) for either intramural sports or after school tutoring. The program times are from 4:00 to 5:15 p.m. See schedule on page 4.

I would like to urge all parents to become involved in their children's education through membership in our Three Oaks Middle School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and our School Advisory Council (SAC).

The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 23 at 5:30 p.m. and the next SAC meeting is scheduled for September 25th at 8:30 a.m.

I would like to encourage everyone to be safe as we prepare for the Labor Day weekend and the possibility of some inclement weather conditions. The School District of Lee County will keep families informed throughout the school year. Please be sure that you have entered your contact information in the FOCUS parent portal at <a href="http://focus.leeschools.net">http://focus.leeschools.net</a>

Sincerely,

Michael S. Carson Principal

## Dates to Remember



Monday, September 2 Labor Day/No School No School

Wednesday, September 4 –
Monday, September 16
PTO's LocaLinx Coupon Book Fundraiser
Dates

Monday, September 23 PTO Meeting 5:30 p.m. Media Center

**Tuesday, September 17**Free After School Tutoring Begins 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday, September 25 SAC Meeting 8:30 a.m. Media Center

Monday, September 30 Rosh Hashanah No School

**Tuesday, October 1**Picture Day

**Monday, October 14**Professional Duty Day
No School



#### **Chromebook Notes**

- \* Bring in your Chromebooks every morning Fully Charged
- \* Students who do not bring in their Chromebooks are expected to <u>call a parent</u> to bring it to school, we have very few spares
- \* Please carry your Chromebook in its case so you do not damage your Chromebook- (DO not walk in the hallways using the Chromebook or carry it around by the monitor)
- \* If you <u>intentionally</u> damage your Chromebook (including removing keys, barcodes, etc.), you will be charged accordingly for the damage
- \* If you lose your Chromebook you will be charged \$300.75
  The cost to replace a lost case is \$18.00 and a lost charger set is \$45.00
- \* Students should always be logged in to Launchpad since it is single sign on and most of their resources can be accessed from there
- \* Using district programs, school personnel monitor your internet activity in the classroom, as well as after hours and at home.
- \* The complete history is tracked and logged and appropriate school personnel will be alerted to severe problems.

#### Attendance Standard

$\square$ All students are expected to be on time and present each day school is open during the school year.
$\square$ Students may not be absent from school without permission from the principal/designee.
$\Box$ The school principal or designee is the only person authorized to excuse a student's absence.
$\square$ A note from a parent/guardian is a request that a student's absence be excused.
□ When a student accumulates an excessive number of absences (5 days in a calendar month or 10 days within 90 calendar days) and additional absences occur which are caused by illness, a written statement from a physician verifying that the absence was caused by an illness may be required by the principal to be submitted by the parent/guardian (School Board Policy 4.16).

## Teachers 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 following teachers at Three Oaks 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.

The following staff members are enrolled in training to add the English as a Second Language (ESOL) endorsement to their current certificates: Kristi O'Bannon, Lauren Bubb, and Christy Wolpoff

The following staff members are enrolled in training to add the Gifted endorsement to their current certificates: Alan Staal

The following staff members are enrolled in training to add the Reading endorsement to their current certificates:

Kristi O'Bannon and Mary Carroll

## Intramural Dates to Remember



Basketball

August 20 - October 22



**Cross Country** 

Volleyball and October 15 - December 16



Soccer

December 9 - March 5



Track

February 24 – April 21



Golf and Tennis March 30 - May 27

## Student Council News



Student Council is collecting all types and all sizes of new socks during the month of September to donate to homeless shelters. Last year students donated over 2,000 pair that were presented to the Lee County Homeless Coalition.

You can drop them off at the office or have your child bring them to their first or second period teacher. The class that collects the most socks will receive an award!

# ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: PICTURE DAY IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 SMILE PRETTY!



## THREE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fee Based Baker 10-014	Student Council Fite/Carroll #7-009	Book Battle Brashear 1-003	Reading/LA Harris 8-005	Fee Based Brashear Media Center
	Cadet-Leadership Dpty Watkins Office Conf. Rm. 1st Tues. of Month	Yearbook Club Giddings 8-003 (Application Process)	Debate Club McKellar 10-004	
	Interact Club Garrich 8-008			
	Math Club Brock 8-004			
	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Laux 10-009	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Laux 10-009	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Laux 10-009	
	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math/PreAlgebra Pennington 7-008	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math/PreAlgebra Pennington 7-008	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math/PreAlgebra Pennington 7-008	
	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pre-Algebra- Algebra Douglas 10-010	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pre-Algebra- Algebra Douglas 10-010	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pre-Algebra- Algebra Douglas 10-010	
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Bus transportation for bus riders is generally available to school sites on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. An announcement will be made if buses are not available.

**South Bus:** Three Oaks Elementary, River Ranch Rd @ Estero High School Gate -A, Pinewoods Elementary, Bonita Springs Middle, Bonita Springs Elementary

**North Bus:** San Carlos Elementary, Wa-Ke-Hatchee Rec Center @ Lexington Middle, Heights Elementary, Cypress Lake High, South Ft. Myers High, Dunbar Middle, Central Ave @ Ft Myers Middle, Ft Myers High

To provide for student safety, students are required to be picked up by 5:30pm. Violations of the 5:30pm pick up time will result in possible dismissal from all after school activities. There is a daily cash fee of \$1.00 per minute for students not picked up by 5:30pm. All Three Oaks Middle After School Programs on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Thursdays are *FREE* to our students. Fee Based supervision is on Monday and Friday at a cost of \$4.00 per day per child.

START DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2019