

Villas Elementary School

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<http://vls.leeschools.net> T: 239.936.3776

Breakfast: 7:25am- 7:55am

Students Hours: 7:55am- 2:10pm

Office Hours: 7:00am- 3:30pm



Upcoming Events

August 10

Students' First Day of School

August 15

Villas 101

KDG & New family orientation

August 17

Dairy Queen Night 5pm-8pm

August 25

Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser Kickoff

PTA Family Movie Night

August 28

PTA Meeting 5:30 pm

SAC Meeting 6:00 pm

August 29

5th Grade Parent Luncheon

PTA Meeting 2:30

September 4

Labor Day **NO SCHOOL**

September 8

Last Day for Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser

September 8

Favorite Football Jersey Day

September 10

Grandparent's Day

September 13

Quarter 1 Interim Report Day

September 15

Chuck E. Cheese Night 3pm-9pm

September 16

AR Blast 10 am-12 pm

September 19

Volunteer/Business Partner Orientation 9am

September 21

Rosh Hashanah – **NO SCHOOL**

Dairy Queen Night 5pm-8pm

September 25

PTA Meeting 5:30 pm

SAC Meeting 6:00 pm

September 26

4th Grade Parent Luncheon

PTA Meeting 2:30 pm

September 30

Yom Kippur

A Message from Administration

Welcome back to school! I hope that all of you had an excellent summer vacation filled with countless memories. I look forward to hearing stories from our students these first few weeks of school.

While the students were gone, the staff at Villas has been busy getting the building and classrooms ready for the start of the year. In addition, staff has attended workshops and trainings and have done some professional reading to make this a wonderful school year.

The first couple weeks of school will be spent setting up routines and expectations. We are all excited to have students back in our classrooms and hallways filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our mission to help every child feel welcomed, connected and part of the Villas family. Our entire school staff is dedicated to working with each Villas student to provide the help, encouragement and enrichment each child needs to feel successful and happy at school

Free Breakfast and Lunch

Students at Villas Elementary will be served lunch and breakfast at no charge, regardless of family income status. For additional information on the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, please visit the Lee County School District's Food and Nutrition website at www.leeschools.net/backtoschool. Click on the middle right hand side for "FAQ's for free breakfast and lunch."

Lunch Menu Link: <http://vls.leeschools.net/index.cfm?p=cafeteria-corner>

ALL VISITORS:

All campus visitors must sign-in at the office upon arrival and present either a photo I.D. or a volunteer badge.

Your photo I.D. will be scanned into our automated system and a visitor sticker will be printed.

We ask that you wear your sticker where it is visible to staff and students. Please bring your sticker back to the office to sign-out.

STUDENT INFORMATION & EMERGENCY CARDS

It is imperative that every student has a completed school Emergency Card on file. Please make sure that you complete this information for your child with updated work, cellular and home phone numbers and addresses. Also include contact information for others that may pick up your child if you are not available. It is critical that we have this information on file.

SPAR Report is available at:

http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbpar/year1415/nclb1415.cfm?dist_schl=36_401

School Grade is available at:

<http://vls.leeschools.net/school-performance-grades>



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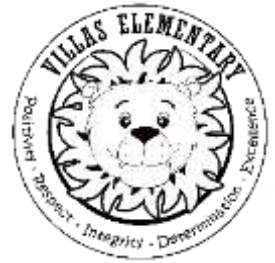
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The Villas Vision is to ensure that every student achieves his or her highest academic potential.

Dismissal Changes

It is required that you send in a note with your child if they are going home in a different manner than usual. Also, please be sure to put your child's first and last name as well the teachers name on the note. The school office must be notified in writing no later than 1:30 p.m. of any last minute changes, please e-mail Maria Garcia at MariaEG@LeeSchools.net, and contact the Main Office at 936.3776.



Parent/Teacher Calls

Parent/Teacher communication is important, however this must take place in a manner that does not interrupt instruction. You may email the teacher at any time. When calling the school during school hours, please notify the office staff if your call/message is an emergency. The teacher will respond to your email/call as soon as his/her schedule permits within a day.

ATTENDANCE

Please try to have your child in school **on time** each day. Whenever possible, medical appointments should be made outside of school hours.

PTA

The PTA supports students, parents and the education at Villas by promoting a sense of community through fundraisers and volunteer opportunities. The PTA can use the help of a few good people, just like you. For volunteer opportunities please contact Holly Beasley at 936.3776.

Parent Pick-Up

Please use Parent Pick-Up Signs at all times when picking up your child. If you need new Parent Pick-Up Signs, please contact your child's teacher.

Bus Information

To find a bus stop, go to www.leeschools.net/backtoschool. For additional help or answers to your bus and transportation questions you may contact the **Transportation Department direct at 239-590-4000.**

Click on "Bus Routes" on the middle left hand side of the page. This link will take you to the Interactive Database for up-to-date information on bus routes that have already been assigned. Please call us here at Villas Elementary with questions, concerns or to request a bus stop. If your child will ride a school bus from school to a local day care center, please be sure to complete the Day Care Bus Stop Request 2017-2018. This must be done in advance of your child riding the bus to ensure there is enough room on the bus for all students.

School Supply List and Dress Code

The 2017-2018 School Supply List and Dress Code Policy are available on our website at <http://vls.leeschools.net>

Emergency Practice Drills

The School District of Lee County emphasizes the importance of providing a Safe, Secure & Healthy Environment for all. All schools work closely with local, state & federal agencies to meet regulatory requirements & safety measures. Safety is a priority. Villas participates in monthly practice drills in order to be prepared in an emergency situation. Emergency Drills include: fire, tornado, bomb threat, lockdowns, and bus evacuations.

Traducción disponible: Si desean información sobre este boletín por favor de llamar a Keila Espinoza (936-3776) de 7:45am-2:00pm

Before School Program

- Before school begins at 6:45 am.
- Only registered students may attend.
- The cost is \$10 per week, per child or \$3 per day, per child.

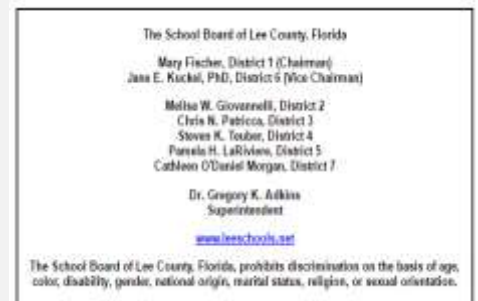
After School Program

- Payments are due Monday or the first day your child attends.
- Bring exact change.
- Pick up is by 6:00 pm; \$1.00 per minute will be charged after 6:00 pm.
- Bring ID or the school issued Parent Pick-Up Sign when picking up your child.

Reporting Out-of-Field Teachers

All teachers at Villas Elementary are Highly Qualified. The following teachers are engaged in training to add the endorsement, English for Speakers of Other Languages, (ESOL) to their teaching certificate:

- Caryn Toback
- Kristin Wilhelm
- Lorraine Yates



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