



Greetings Surfer Families!

Here we are in March and time is flying! There are so many great things happening every day at Lee Virtual School. It was wonderful meeting all the families that attended our academic celebration and celebrating student achievement.



This week marks week ten of semester two, which means students should be around 50% complete in the coursework. Our team is busy monitoring student progress and will be making calls to ensure students have scheduled DBA's and are on track. Don't let your student be a DBA dodger! Be sure to check in on your parent account (or in your student's account) to partner with our team in monitoring progress. Remember, your student cannot pass a course without completing their DBA's.

Spring break is next week and students are getting excited to have some down time. Parents and guardians, I ask that you continue to support your student by ensuring they are on pace and checking for daily completion of assignments before allowing them to enjoy their spring break. May will be here before you know it!

Families, testing is in full swing and will be through May. As a reminder, students are required to participate in all testing. All end-of-year testing is mandatory and will be administered in person at the district office. Please be sure to read the testing section in this newsletter carefully to make sure you are clear on the dates and times for each grade level and/or course end-of-year exam.

I would like to invite all families to participate in the accreditation survey on page 6 of this newsletter. Your input and feedback are very valuable to Lee Virtual School's improvement initiatives. The survey will be open through March 26th.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership to ensure our students are successful.

Virtually Yours,
Jennifer McMillan Barnes, Principal

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End-of-Year Testing Information

Parents, please read the following information below very carefully as participation in State testing is required for Lee Virtual School students. We want you to have the information ahead of time so you can plan your schedule around the dates to ensure your child attends. End-of-year testing has to be completed in person for grades 3-12. Kindergarten, first grade, and second grade are the only exceptions to this requirement and will be administered remotely.

Here's what you need to know now:

- End-of-year testing has to be completed in person for grades 3-12.
- You will receive letter in April with all the information you need. It is best practice to post the letter in an area that is visible to serve as a reminder.
- Please call the main office at 239-337-8178 if you have any questions about testing. Every question is important!



Elementary Families

Please note the testing dates for your child on the calendar below. All testing will be in person at the Lee County Public Education Center on Colonial Blvd. Families of 5th graders, please note that the NGSSS Science test is a 2-day assessment. You must attend both days to receive a score. Students will need to bring their computer fully charged on testing days.

Assessment		Date	Student Arrival Time	Test Start Time	Approx. Test Completion Time
Grade 3					
Grade 3 FAST Reading (CBT)		Monday, May 1	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 3 FAST Math (CBT)		Monday, May 8	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 4					
Grade 4 FAST Reading (CBT)		Monday, May 1	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 4 FAST Math (CBT)		Monday, May 8	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 5					
Grade 5 FAST Reading (CBT)		Monday, May 1	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 5 FAST Math (CBT)		Monday, May 8	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Grade 5 NGSSS Science (PBT)		Day 1: Tuesday, May 9 Day 2: Wednesday, May 10	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	3:00 PM

CBT - Computer Based Test

PBT - Paper Based Test

***All FAST/EOC Assessments are administered at the Lee County Public Education Center on Colonial Blvd. Students enter/exit via the NORTH Entrance.**



Middle School Families

Please note the testing dates for your child below. Some assessments are based on a student's grade level while others are based on enrollment in a specific course. All testing will be **in person** at the **Lee County Public Education Center** on Colonial Blvd. Students will need to bring their computer fully charged on testing days.

Assessment	Date	Student Arrival Time	Test Start Time	Approx. Test Completion Time
Grade 6				
Grade 6 FAST Reading (CBT)	Tuesday, May 2	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	10:45 AM
Grade 6 FAST Math (CBT)	Monday, May 15	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:45 AM
Grade 7				
Grade 7 FAST Reading (CBT)	Wednesday, May 3	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	10:45 AM
Grade 7 FAST Math (CBT)	Thursday, May 18	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:45 AM
Grade 8				
Grade 8 FAST Reading (CBT)	Wednesday, May 3	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
Grade 8 NGSSS Science (PBT)	Tuesday, May 10	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
Grade 8 FAST Math (CBT)	Thursday, May 18	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
EOCs				
Civics EOC (CBT)	Wednesday, May 24	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	3:45 PM
Algebra 1 EOC (CBT)	Monday, May 22	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	10:45 AM
Geometry EOC (CBT)	Monday, May 22	11:30 – 11:50 PM	12:00 PM	1:45 PM

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High School Families

Please note the testing dates for your child below. Some assessments are based on a student's grade level while others are based on enrollment in a specific course. All testing will be **in person** at the **Lee County Public Education Center** on Colonial Blvd. Students will need to bring their computer fully charged on testing days.

Assessment	Date	Student Arrival Time	Test Start Time	Approx. Test Completion Time
Grade 9				
Grade 9 FAST Reading (CBT)	Friday, May 5	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	10:45 AM
Grade 10				
Grade 10 FAST Reading (CBT)	Friday, May 5	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	2:45 PM
EOCs				
Algebra 1 EOC (CBT)	Monday, May 22	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	10:45 AM
Geometry EOC (CBT)	Monday, May 22	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	2:45 PM
Biology EOC (CBT)	Tuesday, May 23	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:45 AM
Florida Civic Literacy Exam	Tuesday, May 23	12:30 – 12:50 PM	1:00 PM	2:45 PM
U.S. History EOC (High School) (CBT)	Wednesday, May 24	8:30 – 8:50 AM	9:00 AM	11:45 AM

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Note: It is a graduation requirement that students earn a proficient level on the Grade 10 FAST Reading Assessment and Algebra EOC by their graduation date. It is also a graduation requirement that students take the test in geometry, biology, and U.S. History.

The Florida Civic Literacy Exam is only for our dual enrollment students seeking to earn an A.A. degree.

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Students enter/exit via the NORTH Entrance.



Accreditation is the recognition from an accrediting agency that an institution maintains a certain level of educational standards. The School District of Lee County is asking for feedback via [this online survey](#).

Please take a few minutes to complete it to ensure that LVS is represented in all of the collected data. **Parents, educators, and families are invited to participate in this survey.**



The **Cape Coral-Lee County Public Library** are proud to announce their 17th annual Children's Environmental Art Contest called **Cooling the Earth**. Open to ages 5-12 years. One submission only. Visit <https://CapeFriends.org> under Art Gallery TAB. Deadline for submissions is by noon Saturday, April 29th. Questions? AlessiaLeathers@Yahoo.com.

Start a Conversation Series

Time Management

It is very common for Lee Virtual School students to feel disconnected from a traditional schedule; students don't always know how to self-regulate and understand how much time they need to spend in each course.

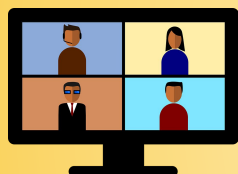
Parents, please support your student in learning this valuable life-long skill. Set a schedule and routine for your student's school day and then please honor it.

Write down a schedule for the week ahead by reviewing each course pace chart and engagement, including blocking off times for participation in Live Lessons or DBA's. Routines offer a sense of stability and offer a roadmap for important moments during the day, allowing students to take ownership of their learning. Stay calm and keep learning!

Grit & Perseverance

LVS students have the ability to continue working on something even if it becomes challenging or takes a long time to complete. They have stamina! Parents, please teach grittiness by example; let your student see you struggle and yet keep going. Help your student set small goals to help reach their bigger goal.

Also, it is ok for your student to struggle and try something again and maybe, again. Acknowledge and praise your student for completing goals and being determined to progress even when they want to give up. Let's get to gettin'!



Just a reminder that our next [Parent Informational Meeting](#) will be held **Thursday, March 16th** beginning at 6pm via Zoom.



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What: Job Fair for Seniors
Where: FSW Suncoast Arena
When: Thurs, April 6th



Time: 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
Who: Interested seniors
How: Complete [Google Form](#)

Dual Enrollment Information - For students currently enrolled at FSW, summer and fall registration will begin sometime around the first week of April. Please contact Ms. Baker the week of March 27th to schedule a day/time to register.

If you are brand new to dual enrollment hopefully you have attended a Thursday DE info. session and have spoken with Ms. Baker to begin the process. Last Zoom info. session will be March 16th at 11 am. If not, and you are interested in the potential for dual enrollment, please contact Ms. Baker ASAP.

Senior meeting was held **March 8th**, if you missed it please go to the senior Google Classroom to see. **2yo5pm** Reach out to your counselor with any questions.

Attention Juniors - a FREE SAT will be available for you to take here on Wed., April 12th. Look for registration form from Mr. Riley if you have not signed up yet. Please take advantage of this opportunity! *Normal cost is \$60.00.*

The last test date for seniors to qualify for the **Bright Futures Scholarship** will be **June 3rd** for the SAT and **June 10th** for the ACT. Many of you have the GPA and the hours but just need test scores to qualify! Please complete the Bright Futures application if you have not already - www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org



Registration for summer and fall term at FSW will begin in late March.

An FGCU Public Information Meeting will be on Thursday, March 16th at 6:30 PM. Check out the FGCU website for more info.

<https://www.fgcu.edu/admissionsandaid/ace/ace-admissions.aspx#calendar>



During our research, we manage quite a bit of information.

Sometimes we need to use information sources that are not originally ours.



Did you know that you can site your sources right there in Google Docs? There is [a useful tool](#) for students to use to cite their sources directly from their Google Document.

Early Spring

Poet: William Wordsworth

Through primrose tufts, in that green bower,
The periwinkle trailed its wreaths;
And 'tis my faith that every flower
Enjoys the air it breathes.

The birds around me hopped and played,
Their thoughts I cannot measure:—
But the least motion which they made
It seemed a thrill of pleasure...

Math Challenge! (March)

$$\text{Irish Flag} + \text{Clover} + \text{Clover} = 138$$

$$\text{Irish Flag} \div \text{Clover} = 1$$

$$\text{Clover} + \text{Leprechaun Hat} + \text{Leprechaun Hat} = 100$$

$$\text{Stack of Books} = 4 \times \text{Irish Flag} + 14$$

$$\text{Clover} + \text{Irish Flag} + \text{Leprechaun Hat} + \text{Stack of Books} = ?$$

Answer Key on last page of newsletter

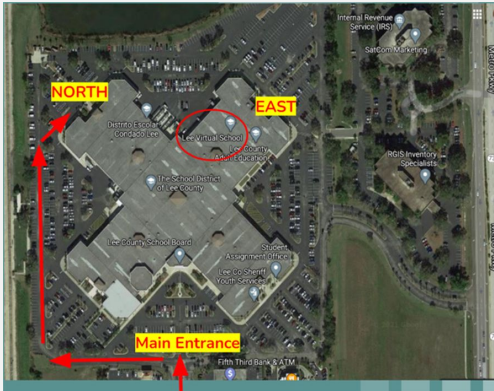


Connect with LEE!

The Lee County School District offers FREE math tutoring Monday through Thursday afternoons from 4:30-7:30 pm. Students can log in through the Launchpad and click on “Connect with Lee”



Main Entrance



Go to NORTH Entrance



How to get to the North Entrance at the LCPEC



In-person Testing



Testing for March - April 2023

- 3/28 @ 9:00
ACT Reading for Seniors in need of Reading concordant score
- 3/29 @ 9:00
ACT Math for Seniors in need of Math concordant score
- 4/12 @ 8:00
College Reportable SAT for Juniors
- 4/17 @ 9:00
Florida Civics Literacy Exam





The LVS Gifted Program welcomed four new students! We are so excited that they are a part of our classroom.

March 2nd was **Read Across America**. Read Across America is an annual event celebrated on or near March 2nd, which is the birthday of children's author Dr. Seuss. It is a nationwide reading celebration that was created by the National Education Association (NEA) in 1997 to promote literacy and encourage a love of reading among children.

As part of this nationwide event, our students learned about the history of Read Across America, Dr. Seuss, the introduction to the fundamentals of art, and art appreciation.



Students read Dr. Seuss's *Horse Museum* and visited a virtual Art Museum where over 30 actual works of art featuring horses throughout history and from all over the world were viewed. Dr. Seuss incorporated these works of art to explain how artists view the same object differently and to introduce readers to some of the major artistic movements, including Impressionism and Surrealism.

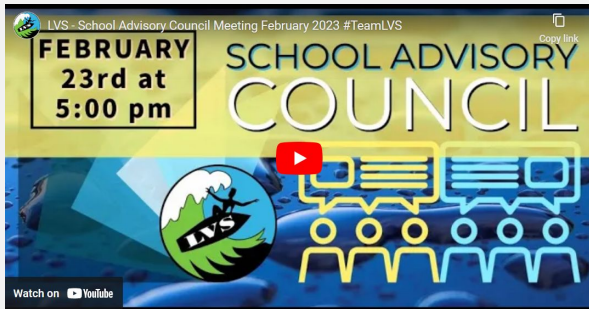


Students were able to explore points of view, meaning, artistic expression, and interpretation with Dr. Seuss's *Horse Museum*. They were also challenged to observe, think, discuss, as well as to create their own horse to

be displayed in our museum. All student masterpieces are displayed in Mrs. Riley's Museum of Exceptional Work. Happy Learning!



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL



The February 23rd meeting brought discussions about the celebration of students' academic achievements, the school's highly optimistic

approach to the new F.A.S.T. testing, and highlighting many of the best things going on at LVS. We even had some important student feedback on the iReady resource and how the program has been received by them. Our host, Dr. Iovine, and our presenters Mrs. Ramsey and Mr. Riley, reviewed testing and the iReady platform at LVS.

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 5 pm on Zoom. Please pre-register on our website at lvs.leeschools.net.



The meeting will include topics related to the operations of Lee Virtual School, updates on data and school progress, as well as important parent topics about upcoming school events.

Families will also be able to ask questions and participate in the meeting by providing feedback.



Video Game / ESports club meets on the last Thursday of every month at 6pm. Please register for [our Zoom room](#). Also, please join our Google Classroom by using the code:



E S P O R T S

h3wqlke You will see all of our club updates on this page. Please call or text Mr. O'Grady at 239-357-8013. You can also email him at SeanJO@LeeSchools.net. If you have any ideas for the club, feel free to let him know.



Deaf Awareness Club - Next meeting is Wednesday, March 29th at 4:00 p.m. Join us via this [Zoom Link](#). During the next meeting we will be learning about assistive technologies for Deaf and hard of hearing and sharing community resources for everyone.

Contact Mrs. Pankey with any questions at 239-296-6972
Google Classroom Code **dn51g4r**
CHECK IT OUT!! Sally J. Pimental
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Center
<https://dhhc.life>



Tubular Times



CLASS OF 2023
GRADUATION

MAY 20
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CONVENTION CENTER

1375 MONROE STREET
FORT MYERS, FL 33901

What: Job Fair for Seniors
Where: FSW Suncoast Arena
When: Thurs, April 6th
Time: 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
Who: Interested seniors
How: Complete [Google Form](#)



Lunches will be provided for approved seniors who complete and submit the [Google Form](#). Also, seniors will be expected to dress professionally as multiple interviews may take place.



Apr 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Slideshow Photo(s) due Use Google Form Individual Photo & Family/Friends Photo (see Google Form for details) 	By 4:00 pm	Google Form will be used
May 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seniors - All work is due Stay in contact with your teachers 	By 4:00pm	Includes dual enrollment courses
May 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Chromebook Return At the EAST entrance Check that your account is clear 	8am - 4pm	EAST entrance of the district building
May 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Survey due Google Form 	End of Day	Google Form
May 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduation Practice Mandatory for all attending ceremony Practice is for students only 	6:00 pm	Students enter at NORTH entrance of the district building and go into the Caloosahatchee Room
May 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduation Ceremony Cap and Gown required RSVP also required 	10:00 am	Caloosa Sound Convention Center 1375 Monroe St, Fort Myers 33901



NEED HELP WITH TECHNOLOGY?

Technology Help Request

Tech Support Issues? Best Ways to Contact Us!

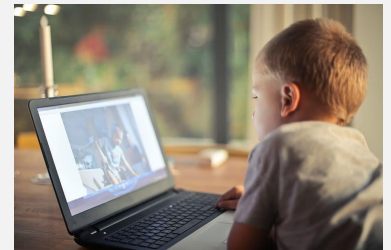
Teachers/Staff:

If you are experiencing simple computer problems, you can send an email to either Dawson or Eric.

If you have anything additional that needs to be addressed, then please submit a [Help Ticket](#).

Parents/Students:

If experiencing computer problems, please visit our [LVS Student Tech Help Request Page](#) and fill out the form so we can assist. If a time-sensitive issue, then the student/parent can also call us directly at **337-8178**.



TEACHERS! Reminder that you will need to logon to **the district WiFi** at least once per month to keep your laptop updated. Simply visit a school site nearby you and *stay logged in* for about 15 minutes.



Some examples of issues with which we can help include:

- Password reset
- Chromebook not working as expected
- Chromebook screen or keyboard issues
- Student cannot access their Google Drive
- VSA/Educator: I cannot access my dashboard
- VSA/Educator: I cannot get to my lessons
- VSA/Educator: I cannot access my gradebook



Student Technology Help Request

Outstanding Achievement



Abigail



Evangelia



Filat



Aurora



Ben



Peyton



Adrian



Logan

- The 7th Grade Team would like to recognize Abigail Hatziyianis and Evangelia Hatziyianis for student excellence.
- We celebrate both Filat Milov (1st) and Aurora Walsh (2nd) as winners of the 7th Grade Spelling Bee. They moved on to the March 9th Bee at Three Oaks Middle School.
- 6th Grade recognizes Saba Carlton and Aiden Morgan for attending live lessons, self-advocacy, determination, and perseverance.
- 8th Grade recognizes Ben Farwell and Peyton Burton for attending live lessons and for earning the top two places in the Morphology Game.
- Both Adrian Quintero (1st year) and Logan Burton (2nd year) have won the **Carson Scholar Award!**



- March 17th - Hurricane Ian Make up Day
- March 20th through 24th - Spring Break (School Closed)



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Answer Key to Math Challenge

