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# GMS NEWS

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## MESSAGE FROM MR. MORELAND

*Gulf Middle*

Welcome to 2023!!

We are officially halfway through the 22-23 school year.

Although semester one brought us challenges, changes, and interruptions, we are moving into 2023 with focus and determination. As we look forward to 2023, academics, attendance and behavior will be central to each school day.

Our PBIS trips are approaching. Students earn end of year PBIS trips by demonstrating positive behaviors and passing grades. Remember to check FOCUS regularly and review grades and discipline with your student.

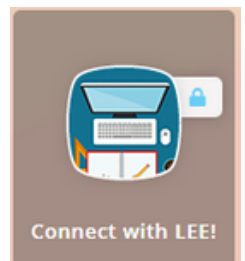


i-Ready is a personalized learning tool that is assigned to all students. The expectation is that all students complete 45 minutes of i-Ready instruction in Reading and Math each week. Students are given time in class each day to work on this, but sometimes they do not reach that 45 minute mark. Please check in with your student to review their i-Ready and meet that 45 minutes per week. PBIS will be periodically looking at i-Ready and students may get a small reward. The i-Ready icon is found on their launchpad.

## Connect with LEE!

Did you know that the school district offers free tutoring to all students virtually?

Any K-12 student currently enrolled in the school district has access to our very own district teachers for tutoring. Tutoring is offered Monday through Thursday from 3:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Students can access Connect with Lee using their student launchpad.



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# IMPORTANT DATES

Please take special note of these dates, some of been adjusted due to Hurricane Ian

February 17- Hurricane Make-Up Day- **Full day of school for students and staff**

February 20- President's Day- **NO SCHOOL**

February 22- **Full day of school, previously an early dismissal day**

March 17-End of Q3

March 17-**Full day of school for students and staff**

March 17- **American Heart Association Color Run**



Preparations are beginning for our annual 5K Color Run benefitting the American Heart Association. If you would like to make an donation of any kind please contact Mrs. Winfield, [emmamw@leeschools.net](mailto:emmamw@leeschools.net) . We are in need of items for swag bags, lunches, sweet treats, and other items. We'd love to make this years' color run the best one yet!!

## Out of field teacher notification

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 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. Albert Onzo-Gifted Education, Sophia Woliver-K-6. In addition, the following teachers, Doreen Baird, Brittani Barnett, Christopher Ingraham, Antimo Onzo, Sophia Woliver, Krystal Burtanger are engaged in training to add English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) to their certificates.

## STUDENT STANDOUTS



KAIDEN VALENCIA IS A STANDOUT IN THE ART ROOM. HE ENCOURAGES HIS PEERS AND LEADS BY EXAMPLE. HIS EXCITEMENT IS INFECTIOUS. I CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON KAIDEN TO BE ON TASK AND PUTTING FORTH HIS BEST EFFORT.



NADYA RAMIREZ RECEIVED TOP HONORS FOR A PERFECT SCORE ON HER COSTUME DESIGN FOR THE CHARACTER, LYDIA DEETZ, FROM THE BROADWAY SHOW, BEETLEJUICE. SHE ALSO RECEIVED BEST IN ROOM AND WAS ABLE TO REPRESENT OUR DISTRICT ON THE ORANGE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER STAGE.