



**ISSUE 3**  
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## Principal's Message

Hello parents, We are off to a great start of the second semester! It's hard to believe we're already into February and halfway through our third quarter. Progress reports were issued on February 8 and I cannot stress enough how important it is to check Focus on a regular basis for your student's progress in each of their classes. The fourth quarter is fast approaching and we want to finish strong!

Students are currently going through the registration process and are selecting their courses for the 2024-2025 school year. We offer many wonderful opportunities from certification courses to AP Scholars and the AICE Diploma. Most of your questions about these programs can be answered by going to [lemonbayhigh.com](http://lemonbayhigh.com) under the Guidance & Academics tab.

We are also reaching the time when seniors are reflecting on their accomplishments and legacy to

Lemon Bay as they look forward to their future plans. At this point, we have had over 100 students apply for the Senior Hall of Fame and we will select approximately 45 students to be inducted into the Hall of Fame on Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00 in the auditorium.

We also have a new district strategic plan. The four goals of the plan include:

- Students
- Staff
- Community
- Resources

While we have always emphasized the importance of these goals at Lemon Bay, we are now partnered with the district for our common vision of "Success for All!"

I am honored to be a part of the Lemon Bay community and for the honor to serve as your new principal.

Robert Murphy, Principal

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## 2023-2024 Guidance Team

Mrs. Bedford . . . . .	Grade 10 A-G and Grade 11
Ms. Patterson . . . . .	Grade 10 H-N and Grade 12
Mrs. Ragazzone . . . . .	Grade 10 O-Z and Grade 9
Mrs. Dailey . . . . .	College and Career Counselor
Ms. Robinson . . . . .	School Social Worker
Mrs. Grzechowiak . . . . .	School Social Worker
Mrs. Diaz-Rawlins . . . . .	Guidance Office Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Henry . . . . .	Data Management Technician

## Controlled Open Enrollment is Right Around the Corner!

This is a friendly reminder from Dr. Desjardins, Assistant Superintendent of School Support Services for Charlotte County Public Schools, alerting parents that the months of February and March are designated as the school district's controlled open enrollment window (school choice). During these months, parents and guardians may select a school in our district other than their child's assigned geographic school for the upcoming 2024-25 school year as long as that school is not closed due to being at capacity enrollment. If a school is "open" to reassignments, it is important to note that your child is not necessarily guaranteed a spot at that location. If there are more reassignment requests for a particular school than available seats, then the district will use a random lottery to determine which students will be allowed to attend that school. If a random lottery is needed, it will be conducted during the first two weeks of April.

Any student who is currently on reassignment to a school other than his or her assigned geographic school is no longer required to renew his or her reassignment every year. Your student will remain on that school's roster until your student has completed the highest grade level offered at that school (5th grade for elementary school and 8th grade for middle school). Out-of-County residents no longer need to renew their reassignment application each year they wish for their student to attend a Charlotte County Public School unless they decide to change the school their student is currently attending.

Reassignment forms are available at any Charlotte County Public School, Charlotte County Public Schools Murdock Center, or on the web at [www.yourcharlotteschools.net](http://www.yourcharlotteschools.net). A complete listing of schools that are at capacity (closed to reassignments) is also available on the school district's website. If you decide to select a school other than your child's assigned geographic school, be careful to research the special conditions such as athletic eligibility that are attached to reassignment obligations. Transportation is not provided for students who have obtained a reassignment. Out-of-County students no longer need to obtain a signature (release) from their county of residence.

Parents or guardians who have any additional questions may call 941-255-0808, extension 2141.

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## Electricity Classes

The First hour class started their Basic Circuit Boards before the break. They learned how to test them with a multimeter and each student learned to install, identify and label the wires and electrical components on their boards. They have also been taking their NCCER certifications and doing lessons in class that will guide them in being successful on the certification exams.

The Second hour class has advanced to learning Three-way circuits on their Circuit Boards. They can also install, label and identify the wires and electrical components on their boards. They are in the second phase of their NCCER certifications. This class has been exceeding expectations in NCCER certification exams and electrical job site knowledge.



## Think Pink Club

The Lemon Bay High School Think Pink Club would like to thank the Short Family Foundation for their generous donation. The Short Family Foundation donated \$2500 to LBHS Think Pink Club in support of the American Cancer Foundation Fight Against Breast Cancer Campaign. Pictured are LBHS Think Pink Club Officers: (L to R) Sophia Sweiderk, Sophia Dickerson, Marie Artigas and Addison Morey.



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## Touchdown Club (Lemon Bay Football Boosters)

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 April 6, 2024 – Matinee, 1:00 PM    Assistant Director: Ayla Albright  
 April 6, 2024 – Night 3, 6:30 PM    Pit Conductor: Philip Eyrich

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Presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI (mtishows.com).

**Kids Needs**

A huge THANK YOU to Kids Needs and your unwavering holiday support for our Lemon Bay and Englewood area families! This year Kids Needs partnered with our school social workers in providing \$36,900.00 of holiday gift cards for 179 families and 492 children so they might have a better Holiday Season!

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Who can benefit from the CRC? ALL STUDENTS GRADES 9-12.

What goes on in the CRC? POST-SECONDARY HELP, INTEREST SURVEYS, COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES, SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, LUNCH & LEARNS – VISITS FROM TECHNICAL, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, MILITARY & CAREERS, ASVAB, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, KHAN ACADEMY PRACTICE FOR SAT.

When can a student visit the CRC? During their lunch, before and after school or a pass from their teacher.

Where is the CRC located? NEXT TO THE CAFETERIA – VERY CONVENIENT TO STOP IN ON THE WAY TO LUNCH.

Why is the CRC a great resource for students? STUDENTS CAN EXPLORE AND PLAN FOR THEIR FUTURE!

PARENTS & STUDENTS – sign-up for the CRC's REMIND Text based on graduation year.

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Career Resource Center – Class of 2025

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Career Resource Center – Class of 2027

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**ASVAB TEST – This will be offered after spring break. Sign-ups will begin March 1st.**

ASVAB (Career Exploration Program) – approach to career exploration helps you identify your skills and interests and encourages you to explore all the pathways you can take to reach your career goal. Check out the website for practice and more information: [www.asvabprogram.com](http://www.asvabprogram.com)

**10th, 11th and 12th Graders: Sign up in the CRC to take the next ASVAB.**

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## Guidance Going-On's

Class registration for the 2024-25 school year is wrapping up. Hopefully, you had an opportunity to discuss with your son or daughter his/her class choices for next year. If you did not and would like to know for what he/she registered, please do not hesitate to contact the appropriate guidance counselor.

Testing season is upon us. There is a very good chance that your son or daughter will be required to take an End of Course (EOC) exam-given for Algebra 1, Geometry, United States History and/or Biology. If your son or daughter is in 9th or 10th grade, they will be required to take the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) in Writing and Reading. Eleventh and 12th grade students who have not yet passed the FSA writing and reading will be retaking this test. In addition, students enrolled in an Advanced Placement OR AICE class will be taking these tests in late April and May.

Dates for these tests can be found on our high school website at [www.lemonbayhigh.com](http://www.lemonbayhigh.com). Students and teachers have been preparing diligently for these tests. Please encourage your son or daughter to get a good night's sleep the evening before and come to school fueled and ready to "show what they know".

Parents and students are reminded to check and monitor grades on FOCUS at least a couple of times a week. If a parent or student is not sure of log-in, please contact the guidance office. Students and Parents should communicate with the student's teacher and guidance counselor if there are concerns.

## Manta Rays "RIP" into Bullying

Student conflicts occur on any high school campus. Those conflicts typically result in a difference of opinions. Overcoming differences and embracing diversity is what we believe makes Lemon Bay High School a great school for our students. Our students strive to support each other and demonstrate kindness and compassion. Our school district and school take a strong stand to ensure bullying behaviors do not occur. Keep in the mind, the following "RIP" acronym if you are unsure if bullying is occurring and should be reported:

- R = Repeated (occurs more than once)
- I = Imbalance of Power (is the victim perceived as younger, weaker, less smart, or less socially accepted)
- P = Purposeful (it was deliberate or intended, not accidental)

What is Bullying? Bullying, which includes cyberbullying, occurs when a person or group of people repeatedly hurt, embarrass, or frighten another person. Cyberbullying means bullying through the use of technology or any electronic communication regardless of whether the bullying occurs on or off school grounds. Examples of cyberbullying include but are not limited to: text/instant messaging, e-mails, creation of a webpage impersonating another person and/or other electronic means through the internet.

Bullying is not:

- An altercation between equals
- Good natured playful teasing among equals or peers
- An isolated incident

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- School Resource Officer or local law enforcement agencies.
- School Administrator or any available staff member.
- The FortifyFL Reporting APP or to the Crimestoppers Tipline (1-800-780-TIPS).
- Contacting the Supervisor of District Security and Emergency Management at (941) 255-0808
- Calling 9-1-1.

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