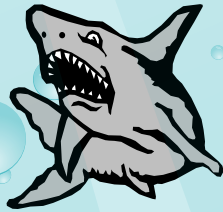
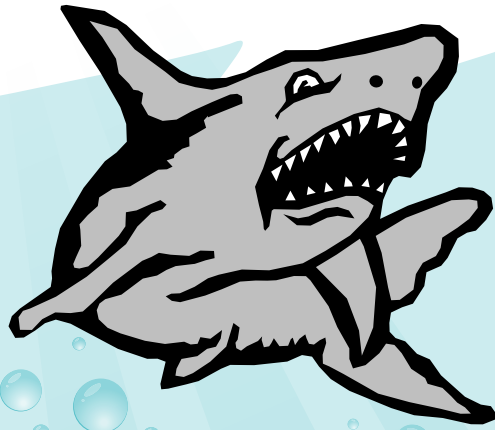


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Mission Statement

The Mission of Gulf Coast High School is to provide a safe learning environment in which students have the opportunity to receive the highest quality education to facilitate future academic and career success

From The Principal's Desk

Gulf Coast Shark Families,

I hope that all of you are safe and in good health. As we begin the 2020-21 school year, vast changes have occurred due to Covid-19. The student experience is going to be different whether you chose for your child to attend school physically or virtually. Our teachers have worked very diligently to provide quality instruction regardless of your child's learning delivery choice.

Students must follow all safety guidelines while they are on campus. Masks are a requirement as we all look out to protect one another. I wear my mask to protect you, while you wear a mask to protect me will be a common theme. I want to personally thank all of you for your support as we all will have to work together to provide the safest learning environment for all of our students. I hope that at some point soon we will all be able to cheer in the stands at one of our sporting events, listen to a concert, watch a play in our auditorium, or shake hands and have a conversation at an Open House or Curriculum Night.

There are some new additions and faces that you will see on campus or online this year. They include:

- Michelle Cotto – Office Manager
- Sean Baldwin – English / E.S.E.
- Jordan Erickson – Math

As the year moves forward, we are going to send out weekly email updates on information associated with Gulf Coast. These updates could include information about upcoming activities, academic information, and celebrations. We will also be updating our social media with information as well. If you have not done so, please follow us on the following social media outlets:

- Twitter - @GCSharks
- Facebook - facebook.com/ccpsgch

As always parents, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email. Thank you for trusting us to educate your child.

Joe Mikulski, *Principal*
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Administrative Team

Mr. Joe Mikulski, *Principal*

Mr. Eric Nelson, *Assistant Principal, Curriculum*

Mrs. Caroline Hylemon, *Assistant Principal*

Mr. John Lambcke, *Assistant Principal, Discipline*

Mrs. Catherine Crawford-Brown, *Assistant Principal*

Mr. Greg Maniscalco, *Instructional Support Specialist*

Mr. Alan Scott, *Activities/Athletic Director*

Mrs. Cindy Giles, *Guidance Department Chair*

Mr. Mike Shaw, *Plant Operator*

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Student Services 2020-2021

The Gulf Coast High School Counselors are looking forward to a great year! Parents and students can contact their assigned counselor with questions and concerns via email.

Counselors Assignments 9th-12th

Counselor	Assignment	Email Address
Mrs. Dombroski	A – CL	dombrl@collierschools.com
Mrs. Giles	Co-D, SA 12th	gilescy@collierschools.com
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Mrs. Garber	S-Z	garbed@collierschools.com
Mrs. Reale	Gifted 9-12	realema@collierschools.com

Office of Attendance and Discipline

Welcome Back, SHARKS!

We missed you so much and looking forward to a great year! The Office of Attendance and Discipline is here to make sure that everyone is safe and to foster a positive learning environment where every student can be academically successful. Be a "Good Shark!" Start the year off right! Make good choices by wearing your mask and school ID, getting to class on time, and staying on top of your academics! Any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to our office: 239-377-1431.

Early Dismissal/Absence Calls

Please leave a message on (239)377-1500 for all students who will be absent, note this is **a message only line**, the attendance office staff will retrieve and update your child's record.

All students who need to be released early from school will be required to provide a parent note or call. All calls for early dismissal can be made to (239)377-1431 making sure to provide the student number, name, and time for release. All notes for early dismissal need to be dropped off to the attendance office first thing in the morning, a valid phone number for the parent/guardian must be on the note. A phone call from a staff member will be made to the parent/guardian, students will not be released until proper verification has been made. Parents who provide their child with a note for early release may also call (239)377-1431 and leave a message the night before.

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Seniors and College Admissions

SAT and ACT Testing

Seniors who have not yet taken an SAT or ACT should register ASAP. ACT has added additional test dates in September and October for students.

Students can send SAT and ACT scores to colleges directly from the College Board (collegeboard.com) or the ACT (act.org) websites.

Students can request transcripts to be sent to colleges by emailing Ms. Lopez at lopezan@collierschools.com. Make sure to include your name and student ID number in the email.

Financial Aid

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be available for the 2021-2022 school year beginning October 1, 2020. This application is required to be eligible for PELL Grants and other federal administered funds. Students and parents can visit fafsa.gov for more information.

The Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) will also be available for the 2021-2022 school year beginning October 1, 2020. This application is required to be eligible for Bright Futures and other state-administered funds. Students can visit www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf for more information.

Local Scholarships

The Community Foundation of Collier County maintains a scholarship list for CCPS students at <https://www.swflscholarships.org/>. Seniors should check this list regularly starting late in the fall for information on scholarship opportunities.

Testing Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

A student with a documented disability may be eligible for accommodations on national college exams including ACT, SAT, PSAT, AP, and/or Certification Exams including Adobe, Microsoft, Autodesk, QuickBooks, and ServSafe Exam.

ACT and SAT Accommodation Request must be started early and the request process may take up to seven (7) weeks and does not begin until all required documentation is received.

For guidelines and documentation requirements see the following testing links:

- **College Board (SAT, PSAT, AP):** <https://www.collegeboard.org/students-with-disabilities>
- **ACT:** <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act-educator/accommodations.html>
- **Certiport, Certification Exams:** <http://www.certiport.com/PORTAL/desktopdefault.aspx?page=common/pagelibrary/Disabilities.htm#Process>
- **ServSafe Exam:** https://www.servsafe.com/ServSafe/media/ServSafe/Documents/SSFS_Exam_Accommodation-1-3-2018.pdf

Testing Dates

Testing Dates 2020-2021	Accommodations Request and Documentation (Where Required) Must Be Received by:
PSAT/NMSQT® October 14, 17 and 28, 2020	August 25, 2020
SAT and SAT Subject Tests November 7, 2020+	September 18, 2020
SAT and SAT Subject Tests December 5, 2020*	October 16, 2020
PSAT 10 Testing Window February 22 - March 26, 2021	December 11, 2020
SAT March 13, 2021*	January 22, 2021
PSAT 10 Testing Window April 13 - April 30, 2021	February 22, 2021
Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) May 3 - 7, 10 - 14, 2021	January 14, 2021
SAT and SAT Subject Tests May 8, 2021**	March 19, 2021
SAT and SAT Subject Tests June 6, 2021+	April 16, 2021

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To Login Using Your Email Address

- If your email address is on file or if you have registered your student using the online centralized registration, you may log in to the Parent Portal using this email address.
- Your password is either your student's 6 digit student ID or the password you created when registering your student on the online centralized registration system.

To Login Using Your Mobile Phone Number

- If your mobile phone number is on file or if you have registered your student using the online centralized registration, you may log in to the Parent Portal using this mobile phone number.
- Your password is either your student's 6 digit student ID or the password you created when registering your student on the online centralized registration system.

To Login Using Your 10-digit Parent Portal User ID

- Collier County Public Schools provides each parent/guardian, with custody of a child in the District, with an individual 10 digit Parent Portal login number for each child.
- You may log in to the Parent Portal using the 10 digit number as your Username.
- Your Password for the Parent Portal is your student's 6 digit Student ID.
- If you do not know your 10 digit Parent Portal number, you may obtain this information by visiting your child's school and retrieving your Parent Portal login information at the main office.

Keep Your Contact Information Updated

It is critically important for parents to keep their contact information updated to receive important District and school news, especially in the case of an emergency. The District has provided an easy way for parents to update their information through the **CCPS Parent Portal** on the District website.

- Verify or update your phone number and email address
- Opt-in to receive text messages from the District (text message charges may apply)
- Select your preferred method of receiving information from the District
- Complete your student's Media Release and Directory Information forms
- Complete your student's Emergency Contact Card
- Complete the Student Code of Conduct form
- Authorize your student's use of Edmodo and Educational Social Media

CCPS Portal Sign Up — Go to:

<https://origin1.collierschools.com/app/Portal/signup>

To login to the Parent Portal you can use your email address, mobile phone number, or Parent Portal ID.



Follow Your Child's Bus by Signing Up for the "Where's the Bus" App

- This app allows you to know if the bus is on time or late and it projects how long it is from your stop.
- Sign up for the "Where's the Bus" app by clicking the link below.
- <https://www.wheresthebus.com/nts>
- Know precisely when your bus will arrive at your bus stop.
- Eliminate morning and afternoon stress rushing to the bus stop wondering when the bus will arrive.
- Access arrival time instantly with Apple or Android apps or any Internet device (smartphone, tablet, PC, iPod, etc.).

"Where's the Bus" App

- CCPS is now offering the "Where's the Bus" app to provide parents and students with timely information about the location of your child's bus. Using GPS technology, this app will show you and your child how many more miles your bus is from the bus stop.
- The "Where's the Bus" app is free to CCPS families whose children ride the bus. The app is available on all devices with internet access (smartphone, tablet, iPod, personal computer, etc.) and takes less than five (5) minutes to install. Brief instructions below.
- At CCPS, our transportation team is committed to provide with the best service. We hope the "Where's the Bus" app makes your household's bus riding experience even more convenient and safe. If you have any questions about "Where's the Bus", please contact Transportation 377-0600 ask for Dan Lammers, Administrative Supervisor-Logistics lammerda@collierschools.com

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Collier County School Calendar

Board Approved 2020- 2021 Academic School Calendar ~ July 28, 2020

July

M	T	W	T	F	S*	T*
		1	2	3		
6	7	8	9	10		
13	14	15	16	17		
20	21	22	23	24		
27	28	29	30	31		

*S = Student Days = 179 days
*T = Teacher Days = 196 days

August

M	T	W	T	F	S	T
3	4	5	6	7		
10	11	12	13*	14		
17*	18	19	20	21	5	
24	25	26	27	28	10	
31~				1	11	

13~ - New Teacher Start Date
17* - Teacher Start Date
31~ - Student Start Date (changed from original date of Aug. 12*)

September

M	T	W	T	F	S	T
	1	2	3	4	5	15
8	9	10	11	9	20	
14	15	16	17	18	14	25
21	22	23	24	25	19	30
28	29*	30		21	32	

7** - Labor Day [Paid Holiday] No School for Teachers or Students
18 - Teacher Professional Learning day; Virtual Learning for Students
18 - No CCPS scheduled events after sundown
28 - No school for Teachers or Students
29* MS/HS Interim Period Ends

October

M	T	W	T	F	S	T
			1	2	23	34
5=	6	7	8	9	28	39
12	13	14	15	16	33	44
19	20	21	22	23	38	49
26	27	28	29*	30	42	54

5= MS/HS only Online Interim Published
5 - 9 FTE Week
29* - End of Quarter 1 (42 days)
29 - Early Dismissal
30 - Teacher Plan Day; Virtual Learning for Students

November

M	T	W	T	F	S	T
2	3	4	5	6	6	59
9=	10	11	12	13	11	64
16	17	18	19	20	16	69
23	24	25	26*	27	16	70
30				17	71	

9= Report Card Published
25-27 - No School for Teachers or Students Fall Break
23-24 Hurricane Make-Up Days
26** - Thanksgiving [Paid Holiday] No School for Teachers or Students

December

M	T	W	T	F	S	T
	1+	2	3	4	21	75
7=	8	9	10	11	26	80
14	15	16	17	18	31	85
21	22	23	24	25	31	85
28	29	30	31			

1+ Interim Period Ends
7= Interims Published
18- start of winter break
21- 31 Winter Break

Sports Update!

Greetings Sharks,

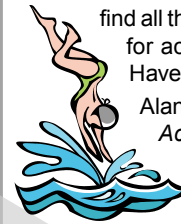
Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. On behalf of the GCHS Activities Office, we are excited about the beginning of Fall Sports on August 31st. Fall Sports include Football, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys and Girls Swimming and Diving, Volleyball, Cheerleading, and Boys and Girls Cross Country. If you plan on participating in sports during the school year, please have an updated Athletic Clearance profile on file. All student-athletes must be cleared through Athletic Clearance before participation in that sport. For up-to-date information, visit <https://www.collierschools.com/gch> and click on activities. On this page, you will find all the information you need for activities here at GCHS. Have a great year, SHARKS!

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Social Distancing and Face Coverings

Social Distancing

Students and staff are expected to maintain social distancing to the greatest extent possible

- Physical classroom space - desks will be distanced and all students will face the same direction
- No student locker use (band, hallway, or PE)
- Water fountains will be turned off
- Personal water bottles and use of water bottle filling stations will be permitted



Go to the website below to watch a message from Dr. David Lindner, Medical Director for NCH Healthcare's COVID-19 Response Team:

https://kaltura.collierschools.com/index.php/extwidget/preview/partner_id/101/uiconf_id/23448617/entry_id/0_udgmfr0/embed/dynamic

Social Distancing: REMINDERS

Signage will be placed throughout each campus as a reminder to practice social distancing. Signs will be placed in the following areas:

- Video doorbells: school entrance, receiving, childcare entrance
- Front office/main lobby
- Hallway bathrooms
- Guidance office
- Food lines
- Bus lineup areas
- Carline areas
- Media Center check out area
- Concession booths
- Ticket booths
- Stadium bathrooms
- Areas that do not have assigned seating areas such as music rooms, gyms or PE pavilions, multipurpose rooms, or auditoriums without seating



Face Coverings

All students and staff will be expected to wear a face-covering on school campus. Face coverings prevent the spread of coronavirus.

The following will be provided:

- Students - two (2) washable face coverings
- Staff - three (3) washable face coverings

Safety Glasses

Wraparound safety glasses are highly recommended (optional). Safety glasses provide wraparound protection and create an additional barrier between an individual and the virus. The glasses are made of clear plastic and are designed to be worn over prescription glasses.



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6 Tips for Parents and Caregivers: Preparing Your Child to Return to School

1. Start Talking

Your child might have worries about returning to school. You can explore these and help them think of ways to manage their worries.

2. Sleep Routine

Help your child return to their normal sleep routine in the weeks before school starts again.

3. Talk About School

Start to talk through the daily routine that they were once so familiar with. It doesn't have to start as a conversation about worries, but these might arise as you talk.



4. Coping Strategies

Model coping strategies you use when feeling stressed such as reconnecting with friends before returning, doing regular exercise, or using breathing techniques. If it applies, you could share your worries and feelings about returning to work and the ways you are managing these feelings.

5. Make Yourself Available As Much As Possible

Children may want to come and "debrief" but maybe not when you expect. Create space for talking in different ways, such as going on a walk together or baking together – there may be less pressure in these circumstances than when sitting face-to-face.

6. Look at the Positives

As schools reopen, other things will too. It might be helpful to talk about things the child is looking forward to, like their favorite shop reopening, seeing friends in the park or getting ice cream from their favorite café.



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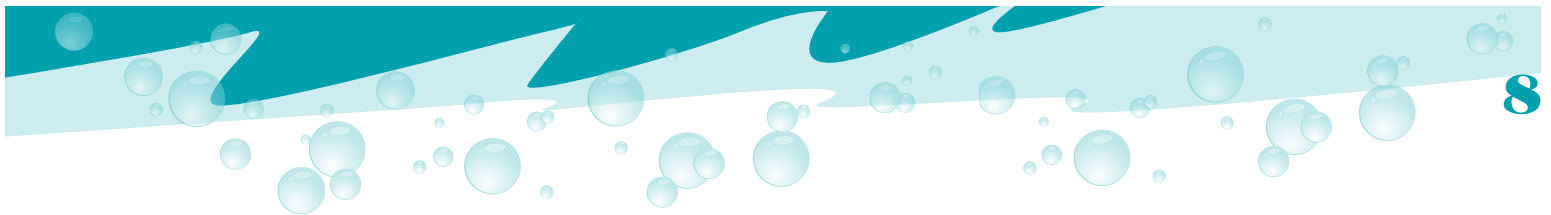


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