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## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Lely High School is off to a wonderful 2019-2020 school year. We have many things to celebrate and we are looking forward to all of the successes our students and staff will achieve this year. One of our top priorities remains safety and as a reminder, it is very important that students have their badges every day. All doors will remain locked and all guests to Lely High School must bring proper identification.

Lely staff and students will be focusing on making connections, this year. We have added a homeroom period in hopes of creating an opportunity for students and teachers to build an even deeper and more meaningful connection. This is a time for students to hear announcements, receive important information, but also to receive support and help, if needed. Speaking of connections, you also can get and stay connected! Please register and access our online parent portal so that you can monitor your child's progress on a weekly basis and communicate with your child's teachers if you have questions or concerns. Be aware of what is happening in your student's school life and talk about what is going on. Your interest and involvement has a tremendous effect on your student's performance and attitude at school. One way to get involved is to join the School Advisory Council (SAC). Our SAC meetings take place monthly and our first meeting will be on September 9 at 5:30 p.m. I am looking forward to a great year and thank you in advance for all of the support you provide to Lely High School.

Ellen Keegan, Principal

## NEWS FROM ATTENDANCE AND DISCIPLINE

How fast does time fly? It really is hard to believe that summer is over and we have embarked upon a new school year. We are certainly looking forward to what we believe is going to be an exciting year! As a part of our continuing efforts to provide safety to our school, all students are required to wear ID Badges during the school day. We have seen a significant increase in the number of students who understand the importance of keeping our campus safe. Remember, it is very important that your student(s) attend school regularly. "Absences add up! Missing just 2 days a month means a child misses 10% of the school year." - Attendance Counts.

We know that your child's success is your number one priority and we are glad to serve the fine young men and women that you send us on a daily basis. In closing, I have two very important reminders. First, a photo ID is required when visiting Lely High School. Second, we want nothing more than for all students to feel comfortable while attending school. No one has the right to make him or her feel uncomfortable, intimidated or harassed. We are here to provide support to all students however; we cannot do it without your assistance. With that said, remember, "See it, Say it, Don't spread it, Report it" and we will do everything within our power to address any/all issues.

Thanks for all you do and for sending us the best students in Collier County!

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Rhoderica Washington, Assistant Principal of Attendance and Discipline  
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## INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS NOTIFICATION FOR PARENTS

Parents may review their children's instructional materials at the school site. Parents may also schedule an appointment to review currently adopted instructional materials at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Administrative Center. Please contact Julia Lorenzo, Instructional Materials Manager at [LorenzJu@collierschools.com](mailto:LorenzJu@collierschools.com) or 377-0103.

## IMPORTANT PARENT INFORMATION

The District and Lely HS value a safe, supportive, and positive learning environment. We care about what our students think and about their experiences at school. This year, we will ask our students how school staff can best support them socially and emotionally. Students will be taking a brief survey during the window of September 16-21. These anonymous results will allow us to address overall school-wide trends. Additionally family and community resources are available at <http://www.collierschools.com/townhall>. Please contact the school with any questions.

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Welcome back to Lely High School for an exciting 2019-2020 school year. We have new course offerings our students are enjoying and quite a few activities for the next few months. The new courses offered at Lely this year are AP Capstone Research, AP Environmental Science, AP French Language and Culture, Health Science Anatomy and Physiology, and Sports Officiating. We are pleased to offer these additions to the advanced studies opportunities already available at Lely High School. In addition to AP and AICE courses, we also offer the largest variety of Dual Enrollment courses taught on campus of any school in Collier County. We are also pleased to announce, for the third year in a row, Lely High School students earned the highest overall pass rate in Collier County on Cambridge AICE exams. Some important events coming up in the next few months include Financial Aide and Scholarship Night on September 23rd. This will be a live event specifically for students and parents at Lely High School. On September 16th, Golden Gate High School will host the district College Night, where students can meet representatives from colleges and universities from all over the state. Another important date for students and parents to be aware of is the date for the PSAT test for all high school freshman, sophomores, and select juniors. On October 16, 2019, all schools in Collier County will administer the PSAT Test during the school day for free to students. Any students not scheduled to test that would like to participate may contact the curriculum office at 377-2020 to request to purchase a test. Khan Academy is a free resource that helps prepare students for the PSAT and SAT exams. In an effort to prepare students for success on those exams, we will be working with students in class to register them with Khan Academy and link their account to their PSAT results. Khan is accessible on any device; we strongly encourage families to discuss Khan Academy with their students at home.

## NEWS FROM YOUR ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS TEAM AT LELY HIGH SCHOOL...

Welcome to a fresh, new school year! We would like to welcome the new staff members that to our team.

Mrs. Marenoski, who is teaching 9th grade English and Intensive Reading, is a new addition to our staff and the state! She recently moved down from Ohio where she began her teaching career. We also welcome Ms. Spina. Ms. Spina teaches 9th grade English and Intensive Reading, as well, and is a Lely graduate! Kathy Kresge started with us in the middle of the school 2018-2019 school year, so this will be her first full year as a Trojan! This year she is teaching everything from English 2 to English 3 honors. Last, but certainly not least, we are thrilled to welcome back Ms. Page. Ms. Page is teaching AICE General Paper as well as 12th grade English and Intensive Reading.

We would also like to remind you of some important testing dates coming up for our Juniors and Seniors who are either college bound or still in need of this requirement for graduation:

- **FSA Retakes:** between September 9th – 20th
- **SAT:** October 5th with a registration deadline of September 6th
- **ACT:** October 26th with a registration deadline of September 27th

We look forward to the successes this school year will bring!



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## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Lely Science Department welcomes you to the 2019-2020 school year! We have all really enjoyed getting to know our new students and getting reacquainted with previous students now for a new course!

Meet our new Lely Family science staff:

- Ms. Macon: from Naples, FL and is teaching Biology this year.
- Ms. Muff: from Cincinnati, OH and is teaching Anatomy and Biology this year.
- Mr. Connelly: from Millville, NJ and is teaching Biology this year.

We are so glad to have them join our Lely Family. With them on our team, we now have over 115 years of experience among the 10 of us! We can't wait to see that this school year has in store!



## FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

The 2019-2020 Lely Fine Arts would like to welcome all the new students and parents to a great new busy arts season. Beside on sight developments in the visual arts; many community events, opportunities, contest, and exhibitions will be ongoing. Lely students will first be shown in exhibits at area medical facilities.

### 2019

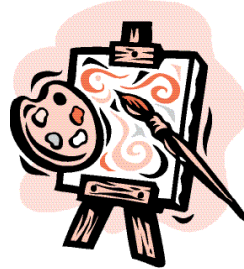
- 9/30-10/25 - Lely student art will be on exhibit at Creekside Children's Care North
- 9/30-10/25 - Lely student art will be on exhibit at East Naples Children's Care East
- 10/28-11/22 - Lely student art will be on exhibit at Children's Care Golden Gate
- 11/30-1/1 - Lely student art exhibit at the Collier County Public Library near Gulf view Middle
- 10/1-11/12 - Art for Democracy contest "Faces of Democracy" A high school competition for 100.00 savings bond and calendar inclusion. What democracy means to Collier students.

### 2020

- 1/25 - Empty Bowls Naples
- 2/03 - Souper Bowl - Empty Bowls Marco Island
- 3/27 - Deadline for Artis Baker Museum of art Button Design Art is .....
- April is Lely Arts month
- 4/1- 5/1 - Jade Riedel Scholarship included Naples Women's club 20,000.00 art competition and exhibit.
- 4/22-7/25 - 12th Annual Artis Philharmonic Center for the Arts Student Scholarship and Exhibition
- 7/2-8/25 - 2020 United Arts Council Student Invitational art exhibit (Must Submit Entry)
- 5/1-5/8 - Lely AP Studio Art Exams and Submissions

Mr. Smith invites any student to join the art or photography club. These clubs will be featuring activities, support and fellowship. Clubs meet minimally twice a month. We will be organizing a fall and spring field trip. Possible trips to Ringling, Salvador Dali, Perez Museum Miami, Vizcaya or Coral Castle. We invite parent input as well as the need of chaperones.

Lely Students have multiple venues for weekend and extended experiences. The largest facility is Artis the Philharmonic center offer Artsmart weekend programs. They offer make and take and free family museum openings 10/17, 11/26, 12/20,, 2/6, 3/11, 4/10 and 6/14. Sights and sounds sketch fusion in art. Student Photography Institute taught by Univ. Of Miami Professor. The student International Film Festival in June 2020. The Naples Art Association in its 65th season with student classes, camps and speakers. Try ArtHub 2.0, which will be a class or art business creation and development. NAA has always expanded to include a new Culinary Scholarship. The Marco Island Center for the arts has a young artist academy and are currently accepting applications; classes will be offered on Saturdays.



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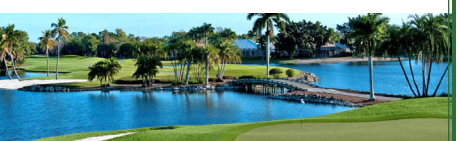
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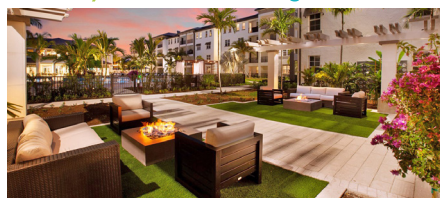
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## JROTC NEWS

Welcome Back 2019/2020 !!!!

Many of you know the goals of our JROTC program at Lely High School. Some of you are new to our program and unfamiliar with what we offer your students. I want to take this opportunity to share with you my philosophy and introduce to you a motivational tool we are instituting to, hopefully, better prepare our students for life after high school.

The mission of JROTC is to motivate young people to be better citizens. In pursuit of this mission, we try to instill self-confidence, self-esteem, self-discipline, respectfulness, integrity, honor and pride in all of our cadets. It prepares high school students for responsible leadership roles while making them better citizens. In order to be a good leader, one must first learn to be a good follower. As a cadet gains experience and knowledge, he or she will be given active, hands-on leadership responsibilities within the Lely JROTC Program. Our curriculum is designed to allow this to happen. I want to emphasize to you that nowhere in our program will you find that we are trying to recruit students for military service.

The Lely JROTC Program Leadership Education Program emphasizes the development of self-discipline, leadership, honor, integrity, and the value of community service. Citizenship training is emphasized throughout the program and reinforced by using current events and activities occurring in the Collier County area, the state of Florida, our nation and the entire world. In addition, students are acquainted with basic military subjects and US Army traditions, customs and courtesies.

The success each student achieves while in the Lely JROTC Program depends largely on his or her willingness to get involved and participate in the program. Satisfactory performance within the program will result in the cadet receiving passing grades during the academic reporting period. However, since the Lely JROTC Program is structured to function much like a military organization, there will also be opportunities for cadets to develop leadership skills and to progress in rank. Promotions, especially those to the senior enlisted and officer rank, are based on a cadet's overall performance and their demonstrated capability to assume greater responsibility. A great deal is expected from the cadets promoted to leadership positions. Cadets who accept top-level promotions also accept the additional duties and responsibilities that go along with the promotion. Conversely, top-level promotions may be rescinded if a cadet, once promoted and assigned to a leadership position, demonstrates that he/she is incapable or unwilling to put forth the time and effort to successfully meet the obligations of the grade and billet assigned.

The Lely JROTC Program continues to seek top students who excel both academically and athletically to ensure that the high caliber of leadership is maintained within the program. We strongly feel that the Lely JROTC Program is a complement to the leadership development of honor students and athletes as well as service clubs within Collier County Public Schools.

Satisfactory completion of the program can lead to preferential consideration for a service academy appointment, or advanced rank in the Armed Forces. The Lely JROTC Program is one of the Army's contributions to assisting America's youth to become better citizens and future leaders of America. The program produces successful students and productive adults, while fostering in each school a more constructive and disciplined learning environment. This program makes substantial contributions to many communities and ultimately to the nation's future. It is the centerpiece of the Department of Defense's commitment to America's Promise for Youth through its emphasis on community service and teen anti-drug efforts.

As you can see just from the above information, the Lely JROTC Program can offer tangible benefits for your child. I believe we offer much more. I am a firm believer in sharing life lessons that will help them in their pursuits after high school. Everything we do in our program is designed to make them a success. **This year we would like for you to take part in assisting us** with an important part of JROTC Basically, it deals with respect. Any cadet who is referred to me by a member of the Lely "family" as being exceptionally respectful will be tracked. Once I have received 5 separate positive referrals for a cadet, that cadet will receive a **Good Conduct ribbon** to be worn on his or her JROTC uniform. If I receive **10 positive respect** referrals, that cadet will receive the most coveted of our motivational tools—a promotion. I believe that respect is contagious. I also believe that our cadets should be the leaders of our great school. They should be positive examples at all times; not just in their JROTC classroom.

This is where you can contribute. If you notice your student being more respectful to you or others, I would appreciate a telephone call (377-4253) or email at [harpm@collierschools.com](mailto:harpm@collierschools.com) for all 10-12 graders. , MSG Santiago would appreciate a telephone call (377-2051) or email at [SantiaLa@collierschools.com](mailto:SantiaLa@collierschools.com) for all 9 graders. We also convey this to their Parents or Guardians on parents' night. Positive referrals will count the same as another teacher, administrator or Lely non-instructional employee. This should not be taken lightly and we ask you hold our cadets accountable to a much higher standard concerning respect. You can also use this to your advantage by reminding your student that you are looking for some positive changes in how they define and understand the word "respect." There are some obvious advantages to this project!

I hope you will join in and support our efforts to provide your students and our cadets with great habits which will produce advantages for them in their "life after high school."

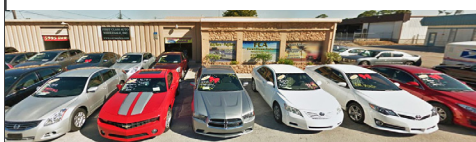
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## CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

The Career and Technical Education Classes at Lely are excited for the start of another school year. This year we are once again going to prepare our students for college and exciting careers in many different fields that they would like to join. We would like to highlight some of the accomplishments of last year's students and hope to expand on those successes again this year. At Lely, we many students achieve industry certifications last year, which means that those students passed industry tests that met the requirements for their area of study. Included in those tests were the FAA Private Pilot License, Private Pilot Knowledge Test, Autodesk Certified User: Inventor, NOCTI Criminal Justice Operations, Web Communication using Adobe Dreamweaver, Visual Communication using Adobe Photoshop, Video Communication using Premiere Pro, Rich Media Communications using Adobe Flash, and Microsoft Office Specialist. If a student is interested in obtaining any of these certifications, they can contact the guidance office.



The Lely Aviation Academy had an extremely busy summer with training 14 students with pilot operations. All 14 students were able to perform flight alone (solo). Three of the 14 students earned their full private pilot license. The other 11 students are still training. Lely has a total of 17 students that have followed on and attended Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in the degree fields of Aviation Science (airline pilot), Aerospace Engineering, and Air Traffic Control. These students earned more than \$4.2 million dollars in scholarships.

These students not only earned more than \$30K in benefits from completing 11-semester hours of college through Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, but they also earned \$11,750 for their pilot's licenses. The latter scholarship is through the James C. Ray Foundation and is currently available for any students that qualify. In order to qualify the students must pass the Private Pilot Knowledge Test, for which the ERAU AS121 (Private Pilot Ground School) prepares them. Moreover, the AS121 is a Part 141 flight school through ERAU that waives the required 1500 hours to 1000 to be hired as an airline pilot.

Students from all over the district are flocking to Lely to take the ERAU Dual Enrollment courses. The courses also offer the students the ability to become a Drone Pilot. Last year Lely had 18 students pass the

USI Safety Exam for Remote Pilot operators. This Exam is what the major industries require in order to hire commercial drone operators. The students also earned their commercial drone licenses and are allowed to earn money while operating a drone.

The aviation academy is filled with students, again, from Lely and the other high schools in the district. These students will be following the footsteps of the others with earning drone and pilots' licenses. Go Lely!



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## GREETINGS FROM THE MATH DEPARTMENT!

Welcome back to the start of a brand new school year. We are very excited about welcoming a new addition to our department this year; Nerline Nerlien. Ms. Nerlien comes to us from Manatee Middle School and will be teaching LAM 1 and Geometry. She has an infectious enthusiasm for her subject and her students!

Please be advised that **FREE math tutoring** is available **every day during lunch in room 2-204 with Mrs. Szczepanski and room 1-209 with Ms. Rivera**. Ms. Rivera will be specifically focusing on SAT and ACT prep on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Your child's math teacher will be working diligently to ensure each student is successful in the classroom, but we need your help to make that a reality! Please encourage your student to seek help if they do not understand the material presented in class. All of us in the math department are looking forward to a great year!



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Greetings from the Student Services/Counseling Department. Thank you to all the students, parents, friends and family members that attended our Open House on Monday, August 26th. It was so nice to see so many familiar, supportive faces, and a pleasure to meet so many new students and their families.

Many of you may have met the newest additions to our student services department at the open house, Mr. Donald Gilmore, Guidance Counselor, and Dr. Phyllis Walters, School Psychologist. There are a few more important dates on our calendar this quarter:

- On **Monday, September 16th** Golden Gate High will be hosting **College Night** from 5:30-7:30pm in the school gymnasium. Students and their families will have a chance to visit with representatives from colleges and universities nationwide. This is a great opportunity to find out specific course offerings at each institution and the requirements of each program and university.
- On **Monday, September 23rd**, we are having a **Financial Aid/FAFSA/Scholarship** night for seniors and their families in the LHS cafeteria. Starting at 5:00pm, we will have a presentation on scholarships, will offer a FSA ID lab, where parents and students will have the opportunity to use laptops to sign up for their FSA ID, and at 6:00pm, Champions for Learning will be presenting on Financial Aid and the importance of filling out your FAFSA. Please join us for this important night.

Students interested in **scholarships** can also use the following link to connect with the Scholarship Connector: <https://www.swflscholarships.org>.

Students planning to attend college take college dual enrollment courses, and students who have not passed the FSA ELA should register for an ACT or SAT exam. Students may substitute concordant scores from either the ACT or the SAT in order to earn a standard diploma.

## UPCOMING TESTING DATES FOR THE SAT

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Online Late Registration Deadline - \$30 Late Fee
October 5, 2019	September 6, 2019	September 24, 2019
November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019	October 22, 2019
December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 26, 2019
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 3, 2020
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 21, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 27, 2020

## UPCOMING TESTING DATES FOR THE ACT

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Online Late Registration - \$30 Late Fee
October 26, 2019	September 20, 2019	Sept 21 – Oct 4, 2019
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 9-22, 2019
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020	January 11-17, 2020
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	Feb 29 -March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 9 – 22, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020	June 20 – 26, 2020

Sign-up for the SAT exam at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) and at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) for the ACT exam.

The fee is \$49.50 for the SAT and \$69.50 for the SAT with essay. There is a \$30 extra fee if registering late. The fee is \$52.00 for the ACT and \$68.00 for the ACT with writing. There is a \$30 extra fee for late registration. Students receiving free or reduced lunch are eligible for a total of two SAT and two ACT test fee waivers during their junior and senior school years. **LHS School Code: 101212**

## COLLEGE VISITS

Juniors and Seniors we have the following upcoming college visits:

- FAU - Sept. 10
- USF- Sept. 12
- Middlebury College - Sept. 17
- Florida Tech - Sept. 17
- Florida Southern - October 1
- The University of Alabama - Nov. 4

There is a sign up book in the guidance lobby. Check out the sign up book often for dates and times and for more visits as they become available. On the day of the meeting, you are responsible to go to guidance to pick up your "college visit pass".

Our counselors are here to help guide all our students along their academic journeys, and to help them make their high school experience a successful one.

Stay up-to-date with all that is happening by following us on Twitter @LelyCounseling

## COMMON AND COALITION APPLICATIONS

Seniors, now is the time to begin your Common and Coalition Applications. Many colleges and universities begin the early decision process in November. Do not wait until the last minute, as your counselor will need time to upload all requested documentation.

Stay tuned for information regarding a new process for students to request transcripts.

While students are not required to complete community service hours as a graduation requirement, they are a requirement of a Bright Futures Scholarship. It is also recommended that students complete some type of community service throughout their high school career. Students need to obtain a Community Service Pre-Approval form from the student services lobby and complete the form in full before returning it to his or her counselor. Procedure for documenting and completing community service hours are as follows:

- Select a place where you would like to complete your hours, making certain the organization is a non-profit.
- Hours must be completed during non-school hours
- Complete the Community Service Pre-Approval Form obtaining all signatures including the student, a parent or guardian, the Community Service Site-Supervisor, and lastly, the School Counselor.

Your school counselor will keep this pre-approval form in your file at school. Students are responsible for keeping track of service hours.

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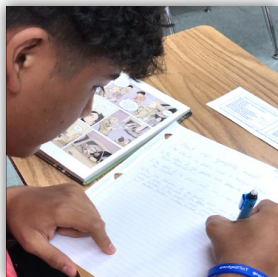
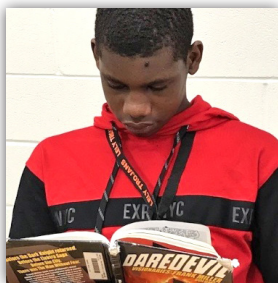
Did you know that many Shakespearean plays have been adapted into graphic novels, as well as traditional texts like *The Scarlett Letter*, and the graphic novel *American Born Chinese* won the American Library Association's Printz Award in 2007?

Here is list of some of the benefits to reading graphic novels:

- Engages reluctant readers
- Engages both sides of the brain
- Demonstrates concise language
- Demonstrates nonverbal language
- Demonstrates sequencing
- Teaches inference
- Promotes critical thinking
- Promotes imagination, creativity, and storytelling
- Slows down speed readers
- Helps readers identify emotions
- Helps readers identify symbolism
- Helps reading comprehension
- Helps students write detailed texts of their own
- Supports art education

Moreover, children with autism can learn a lot about identifying emotions through the images in a graphic novel. Additionally, for children with dyslexia, while it might be very frustrating for them to finish a page of a traditional book, they often feel a sense of accomplishment when they complete a page in a comic book. Accomplishment is important. It is a huge self-esteem booster and leads to kids naturally wanting to read more.

Graphic novels may be the underdog of the literacy world, but a lot of instructional value is gathered from these short, powerful texts. Consider taking your child to the public library or a bookstore so they can check out the graphic novels that are available. You might be amazed by what is gained!



## SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

We are excited to introduce JJ Everage, Lely's newest Social Studies teacher!

- Born and raised in the Commonwealth of Kentucky
- Moved to Lehigh Acres, FL in 2012
- Received his Bachelor Degree (Social Sciences) from Morehead State University
- Received his Master Degree (Educational Leadership) from Union College
- Has 24 years of teaching experience
- Head Football Coach here at Lely High School
- Is married to Lisa Everage and together they have 4 daughters, Taylor, Brynley, Riley and Ashlyn



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## ESE DEPARTMENT

### Hello Students, Parents, & Guardians!

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year at Lely High School! It is our pleasure to support your child, either as a case manager or as a faculty member invested in his or her education and positive school experience. We hope to guide all children toward success this year and in their future endeavors.

### What Is Exceptional Student Education (ESE)?

The mission of the Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Department is to ensure that students with disabilities and those who are gifted receive appropriate educational services leading to increased student achievement and successful post school outcomes.

In Florida, children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability are called exceptional students. The special help they are given at school is called exceptional student education, or ESE. The purpose of ESE is to help each student with a disability progress in school and prepare for life after school. ESE services may include special teaching methods and materials, technology devices, therapies, special transportation, or other supports. There is no cost to parents for these ESE services.

### What does the ESE Team need from me?

We use the term "Team" because it is imperative to work collaboratively among students, parent/guardian(s), case managers, general education teachers, and other service providers in order to support students in achieving their goals.

- **Planners:** LHS will provide a planner (free of charge) to every student. Students should use these daily to record homework and track assignments. Parents and guardians, please check the planner daily to help your child stay organized and on task.
- **Supplies:** Please ensure your child has all the supplies required for all classes. These supplies usually include pencils, erasers, highlighters, folders, notebooks, and binders. If your family is experiencing financial challenges that make purchasing supplies difficult, please communicate with your child's case manager; we may be able to help.
- **IEPs:** As you know, each ESE student has an annual IEP (Individualized Education Plan) meeting to assess progress on goals and discuss appropriate services and setting. It is crucial for the student's parent/guardian to be present at the meeting in order to facilitate open communication between family and school, to determine strengths and challenges of the student, and to collaborate on appropriate placement for the student in his or her next IEP year. We greatly appreciate your cooperation in completing and returning forms in a timely manner; this helps to expedite policies and procedures that we adhere to in order to meet your child's needs. If for any reason you are unable to attend the meeting, please let your case manager know as soon as possible to allow time for rescheduling.

### How can I communicate with my child's ESE case manager?

Lely High School has added a Homeroom period to the student schedule this year. In most cases, the Homeroom teacher is your child's case manager. Homeroom will be held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays during first semester. Your child's case manager will send a welcome letter, which will include contact information.

### How can I get involved?

- Please join us for the LHS Open House on Monday, August 26th from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. We hope to see you there!
- **Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Advisory: Sharing the Commitment**  
The School District of Collier County has an Advisory Committee for Exceptional Student Education (special education). It is comprised of a cross representation of parents, teachers, administrators, and community stakeholders. Meetings address district and state issues. Meeting are not a forum to discuss individual situations or student concerns. The Advisory Committee for ESE operates collaboratively in order to gain and share information from its Board member and guests.

Advisory Meeting Dates for 2019-2020: September 24, November TBD, January TBD, March 23, and May 27.  
Time: 4-5:30 pm; Location: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Administration Center, Room 1-103.