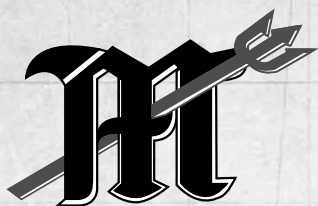




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## **A Message from Dr. McNeeley**

Happy Holidays Triton Family. Can you believe we are almost through our first semester of this school year? It feels like just yesterday we were welcoming back everyone at Open House and handing out schedules and parking passes.

This year has proven to be a difficult one, but also has shown us our true Triton spirit: resilience. I am impressed with our school's sense of community and how we have banded together during these challenging times to help and support each other. The days following hurricane Ian many faculty, staff, students and alumni came together to assist in cleaning our campus. We hugged, shared our storm experiences and then got to work putting back the pieces of what we call our home away from home. It was an exhausting task but like the old adage says: many hands make for light work.

I'm so proud of our students. Through all the challenges we have been through this semester, they continuously rebound with energy, excitement and compassion for both their teachers and peers. Their school pride during homecoming week was a welcome sight and the pep rally had an authentic sense of school spirit.

This time of year is special for so many.

The sights, sounds and smells of the season can wrap us up like a warm blanket. I get my own sense of holiday spirit from my father, who decorated for the season much like the National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation's Clark Griswold did: with exaggerated enthusiasm and lots of lights! As the season approaches, I am reminded of the true gifts of the holidays: the giving of our time, our talents, and our blessings with others. How will you be giving this holiday season?

I encourage everyone to take time over break to nurture their mental and physical health and to truly relax and unwind. For me, that will be watching ridiculous amounts of holiday movies, drinking hot cocoa (with extra marshmallows of course!), baking sugar cookies, and trying my hand at decorating a gingerbread house. I am even going to attempt to use those inline skates purchased during lockdown. Wish me luck!

Triton family, have a wonderful and peaceful holiday season. Let's look forward to the adventures of 2023!

Dr. Angel McNeeley,  
Assistant Principal of Student Affairs

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## The Legend of Mariners Fightin' Triton

Myths filled the fibers of ancient beliefs. No star shone in the skies, no cloud veiled the sun, no wind filled the sails, and no waters swirled near the shore without legendary tales to fill the imagination.

So, Mariners Triton was born. Son of the mighty Poseidon, the near-mortal Triton emerged from the tumultuous surf. His powerful torso tensed for an encounter with any who dared step forth. Triton's protective ability to transform from one being to many made him a formidable foe. His trident enabled rapid transfer of thought and power to oceanic creatures and the surrounding waters.

Seagoing men of old looked to Triton to calm raging seas. The Argonauts beseeched him to aid them in navigating safe routes and calm the waters of the great Deluge. Triton served as a benefactor to the Trojans and mercifully called back to the storm to unleash on them by Juno.

So too is he transformed from calm to terrible. With his enormous strength, he blows the conch which bellows during devastating storms. A mere breath churns air currents toward tempestuous rage. As gigantic waves curl and crash against the beach, Triton's mighty forms roil beneath the seething waters, his curling serpentine tail fueling his motion.

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3. You should be logged in already. If not, you log in with the same info you log into your Chromebook.
4. Click on the top tab "MY INFO"
5. This will show you your current checkouts and fees/fines. A list of your current checkouts will appear first. Scroll down to see Fees and Fines.



Note: It will not show your Chromebook because that is checked out in a different system other than Destiny.



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Jan. 11th.....FAST and STAR RD (all 9th and 10th graders and 11th and 12th graders in RD) will be a special schedule

Jan. 12th.....STAR Math in Math Classes

Jan. 13th.....US History in US History Classes

Jan. 18th.....Bio in Bio Classes

## Senior Info

- Jostens will be here for **Senior Cap and Gown** on December 8th during 6th period from 11:55 AM - 12:42 PM.
- **Senior Dues:** Collection of Senior dues will begin on December 1st. The dues are \$30.
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## Mariner Football

The Mariner Football team has finished the fall season with a 5-3 record, securing the first winning season since 2007. The Tritons finished 2nd in their district and 10th in the region, narrowly missing out on a chance to play in the State Playoffs. Led by team captains Cameron Bennett, Nolan Tantay, and Justin Lewis this young team pulled together to finish the season with two comeback victories on the road vs cross-town rivals Cape Coral and Island Coast. Seniors Cameron Bennett and Gabriel Chica will represent the Tritons in the Rotary South All-Star Classic on Wednesday, December 7th.

This was a record-breaking season for the Tritons as junior Justin Lewis set a new school, with 35 receptions during the hurricane-shortened season. The defense set new season highs in Forced Turnovers and Tackles for Loss. With 18 of 22 returning starters and a 3-1 freshman team coming up the Tritons are excited about the future of the program!



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# Athletics

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## Boys Soccer

The boys varsity soccer team is a mixture of young and experienced players with multiple talent levels, ready to take on the season. With one of the toughest November schedules in south Florida, the boys will be tested right off the bat. Seasoned players, Caden Sandrus, Marcel Tovar, Jose Bermudez and Sami Bedoya will have to be willing to show the young guys how to handle the pressure in the tough games ahead. So far, the team has been working extremely hard, getting better in practice each and every day. During pre-season, we saw how well we can pressure teams and keep them pinned in their half of the field. The next stage will be to take advantage of our created opportunities and be more efficient in scoring goals. We are very excited about the new editions to the team, freshmen Justin Medero and Jeffrey Laguerre are looking to make an impact right away.

It will take a few games to get into the rhythm of things with all that has happened so far this school year, but our team is resilient and the boys are excited to go out and chase a 6th straight district title.



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## Google Classroom Codes

Class of 2023: in7oyq4

Class of 2024: p7dckvv

Class of 2025: oe72k37

Class of 2026: bvok4u2

## Bowling Team

The Lady Triton bowlers were very dedicated and motivated. This was a season of surprises, but the team worked through it. I am sad to say that I will be losing four senior girls this year. These four girls are the ones that I started my coaching with; and they will be greatly missed. The team consisted of Sam Contino, Krystina Gregory, Olivia Browning, Paige Earley, Regan Tucker, Kaylyn Shaynak and Audrionna Kinkelo.

The Boys Triton bowlers started the season with many new faces. As the season went on, all of us bonded together while practicing together and winning games. I am so excited to see what next season brings. Although, I am sad to lose senior Konnor Gregory, he was an exceptional captain of the team and one of my original bowlers. The team consisted of: Andre Enslin, Bo Laventure, Caden Raslavsky, Seth Schulte, Nathan Shaynak, Chris Smith, Mike Testa, Brady Yount, and Konnor Gregory.

These bowlers are amazing and I think that they will accomplish their goals for a successful season next year.



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### How to Register

- Visit <http://focus.leeschools.net>
- Click "Create a Focus Parent Portal Account"
- Scroll to the bottom and click "Create Account"
- Fill in required fields and hit submit

### Reset Password

- If your email is already registered or forgot your password:
  - Visit <http://focus.leeschools.net>
  - Click "Reset your Focus Parent Portal password"

### Once an Account is Created

#### Linking Student Accounts

##### IMPORTANT

Gather **Student ID, Birth Date, and Portal PIN**  
Portal PIN will be emailed to the email address on file at the beginning of 1st and 2nd semester or **contact your child's school.**

- Click "Link a child to your Focus Parent Portal account" or "I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled."
- Fill in required fields
- Click "Add Student"
- Repeat for each child
- Click "I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal."

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### Cómo Registrarse

- Visite <http://Focus.leeschools.net>
- Haga Click en "Crear a Focus Parent Portal Account" Crear la Cuenta del Portal de Padres de Focus
- Vaya al final y haga Click en "Create Account" Crear Cuenta
- Llene los espacios requeridos y presione "submit"

### Cómo Restablecer la Contraseña

#### "Password":

- Si su correo electrónico "email" está ya registrado o si se le olvidó la contraseña "Password":
  - Visite <http://Focus.leeschools.net>
  - Haga click en "Reset your Focus Parent Portal password" (restablecer la contraseña de su Portal para Padres de Focus)

### Una Vez que una Cuenta ha sido Creada

#### Enlazar Las Cuentas de los Estudiantes

##### IMPORTANTE

Tenga a mano la **Identidad del Estudiante, Fecha de Nacimiento, el PIN del Portal (número de identificación personal)**  
**El PIN del portal** será enviado a su correo electrónico que guardamos en nuestro archivo al principio del primer y segundo semestre o contacte a la escuela de su(s) hijo(s)

- Haga Click en "Link a child to your Focus Parent Portal account" añada a su(s) hijo(s) a la cuenta del Portal para Padres de Focus o "I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled." Me gustaría añadir un estudiante que ya está inscrito.
- Llene los espacios requeridos
- Haga "click en "Add Student" añadir al estudiante
- Repita lo mismo por cada estudiante
- Haga Click en "I am FINISHED adding students. Terminé de añadir estudiantes. "Take me to the Portal" Por favor regrese al Portal

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It is important that you create a Focus account to complete all yearly required forms. Those forms include - Health Services, Emergency Services, Health Screening, Vision Screening, and Medicaid.

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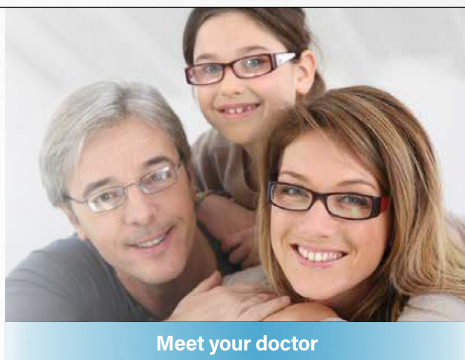
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