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Welcome back! That seems to be the sentiment all around campus. Thank you to all of our faculty, staff, parents and students to a great opening of the 2021-2022 school year. We were able to give a huge welcome to over 1700 students back on campus. Our counselors have been working very hard to make sure the students are where they need to be. The teachers have also been busy with creating lesson plans that meet the needs of their students. Remember, we had a big shift in learning last year, and now, we are getting back to more of the "traditional" classroom setting. My request to you, the parent, is for patience and kindness. It has been a challenge to have everything put back in place and attempt to normalize operations as best as we can. This will take time. Moving forward, keep in communication with your child about school, grades, and life in general. There is a lot of good stuff happening in their school day.

What is happening in the world of Curriculum & Instruction, or also known as Teaching & Learning? We have a new Biomedical Academy this year! Mrs. D'Arco is heading up the program by teaching Principles of Biomedical Sciences. Many of our grade nine students are beginning to challenge themselves in either AP Human Geography with Mrs. Romero-Bettridge, or AP Environmental Science with Mrs. McEachern. Of course, we have FSA ELA, and Algebra EOC retakes, the PSAT for grade 9, grade 10, and select grade 11 students.

As you can see, everyone at Naples High is committed to providing the best education possible for your child. The administration are doing their best to provide students with a "normal" school year. Just as we took time to adjust to on-line schooling, we need time to adjust back to the classroom. Once again, we ask for your patience and kindness when communicating with faculty, staff, and administration. Thank you.

Here's to a great 2021/2022 School Year!







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From the Office of Student Services

Welcome Eagles to the 2021-2022 school year! We had a great start to the school year with all our students returning to in-person instruction. Our school is working hard to make our campus a safe and welcoming place for all teachers, students, and staff. Because our priority is safety, we want to remind parents and students to have their ID while on campus. We want to account for and identify every person on our campus. We also want to make sure we are arriving to school on time and ready to learn.

Some great things happening in the office of Student Services are: The first renaissance fair took place in early September, and the PRO shop is open to our students!! The renaissance fair was a grand celebration of the students that made academic gains; We are very excited to continue celebrating the success of our students academically. To snag some sweet NHS swag for free, be sure to collect PRO tickets. Students can also use cash to purchase school gear.

We want to leave you with a few reminders, but we hope everyone has a great school year!

Please be aware of the Naples High School Dress code as we continue with the school year:

- leans/shorts must not have holes or have leggings underneath the holes
- Dresses, skirts, and shorts must come down past a student's fingertips when they are held at their sides
- Tube tops, muscles shirts, halter tops, midriff shirts, and backless shirts are prohibited
- Tops must be three inches below the waistband
- Leggings/workout pants must be covered by a jacket or shirt that comes down past a student's fingertips when held at their sides.

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- Display decal on the rear-view mirror facing forward.
- Honor the 7-mph speed limit on campus.
- Park only in the assigned parking space in the student parking lot.
- Lock vehicle and leave valuables at home.
- Leave the parking lot and move to class immediately upon arrival to campus.
- Stay out of the parking lot during the school day unless accompanied by a staff member.
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Math Department

The Math department welcomes three new math teachers and a new math coach this year. Mrs. Felts is teaching Geometry and Informal Geometry. She has been teaching 5 years and loves to spend time watching her two sons play baseball or being on her family's boat.

Mrs. Maiman has been teaching about 12 years and answers to Ms. D, Ms. M, or Mrs. Maiman. She has taught everything from Algebra 1 to Calculus, but this year, she is teaching Algebra 1A/B. She loves spending time with her 4 year old daughter Leora. Her first impression of Naples High is that it is BIG!

The last new math teacher is Miss Southwood who is teaching Geometry and Math for College Readiness this year. She has been teaching for 8 years and has taught everything from 7th grade all the way to 12th grade. "Geometry is by far my favorite subject because it uses a lot of visuals and art!" Miss Southwood loves to travel on her time off from school, as well as paint and play the piano. She thinks that Naples High has a beautiful campus.

The math coach for this year is Mr. Tassoni who has been doing a great job supporting our math teachers and students. Any students who need additional math help, can attend tutoring during lunches on Mondays in Mrs. Rodriguez's room 2-207 or on Thursdays in Mrs. Felt's room 2-210A.



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Seniors

- What Should I be doing now regarding college?
- Make sure you are checking your Canvas inbox daily as senior meetings have begun.
- Register for the SAT/ACT. Sign up at www.collegeboard.org or www.actstudent.org
- If possible, visit colleges in person! Many colleges are offering in-person visitation. Check their websites to register for a tour. There is nothing that replaces actually visiting a college in person.
- Make a list of the application, testing, and financial aid requirements for each school you are interested in.
- Letters of recommendation: If you need them, decide who to ask (preferably teachers

 from your Junior year), reach out to them early so they have time to craft a quality letter. Provide them with a resume or a detailed list of activities. You should ask teachers IN PERSON!

- Complete the FAFSA, which opens October
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- Counselors will assist students in filling out the Florida Financial Aid Application through Govt and Econ classes in October

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JROTC

The mission of Army Junior ROTC is "To Motivate Young People to be Better Citizens." One of the best ways to do this is to participate in a wide variety of school and community support events. Citizenship means participation and after 18 months of pandemic related curbs on their activities, cadets are moving towards full speed.

Since the school year began, JROTC provided support for Freshman Orientation, home football games (color guard and parking support), Open House, teacher classroom moves, and the color guard for the September district school board meeting.

Around our community, cadets were involved in several 9-11 ceremonies, provided a color guard for a major event at the Ritz-Carlton Resort and assisted veterans at Moorings Park.

But wait...there's more! JROTC has a number of extra-curricular teams/clubs that meet after school or at lunch to keep students





involved and build leadership/teamwork. The Raider (adventure) team has been training hard for their County JROTC Raider Meet in October, which is a physically demanding competition. The Color Guard team is preparing new members to present the colors at over 50 events this school year. The IROTC Academic Team is gearing up for state and national competitions while also preparing students for the ACT and SAT. Naples JROTC is the only program in Southwest Florida with a drum corps, and cadets love highlighting their spirt at local parades and events. Later this school year, the JROTC Drill and Air Rifle Teams will stand up.

There is a lot more to JROTC than school/ community support and extracurricular teams. Nonetheless, those are the aspects of the program that cadets love and why JROTC students are already "Connecting For Success."





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Faculty in Focus

A native of Baltimore Maryland, Ashley Martinez has been a member of the Naples community since she was 9 years old. This year, the Golden Eagle family was fortunate enough to have her join our community as member of the English department. In her new teaching assignment, Ashley serves 10th grade students, teaching English 2 and Intensive Reading. Please take a few moments to learn a bit more about Ashley and offer her a warm welcome when you see her on campus.



Why did you decide to teach?

During my years of being a stay at home mom, I spent a lot of time volunteering with CCPS. I was somewhere around 4000 volunteer hours when I began teaching. Spending that much time in schools led me to the conclusion that working with kids is where I am meant to be. So now that my kids are older and they themselves students of CCPS, here I am.

How long have you been teaching? This is my second year teaching full time. I came from the middle school level last year, and am happy to have made the switch to high school, if not entirely happy with the wake up time!

What is your favorite part of teaching?

My favorite part of teaching is getting to connect with the kids not just on an instructional level, but also on the other levels of their life. I love hearing about their passions and hobbies, attending their sporting events, and supporting them as individuals because I believe that makes them better students. Ultimately they will leave here and while our educational goals are paramount, a very important lesson is teaching them to be better people.

Why did you decide to become a Golden Eagle?

I wanted to move up to high school because after teaching 8th grade, I realized my passion was with older students. Additionally, the opportunities at the high school level to be part of a broader culture was really appealing to me. This is truly a community, and I am proud to be a part of it.

What are your professional goals this year?

Last year I completed my Reading Endorsement, so this year I am starting coursework for my Gifted Endorsement. I won't finish this year, but you have to start to finish!

What is one thing you want to share with your Golden Eagle family?

I spent 12 years working full time in fitness as a personal trainer and group fitness instructor. I'm certified in everything, but spinning and yoga were always my predominant passion. I still work at a country club on Saturday mornings because I just couldn't give it up!

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Science Department

Physics from Mr. Stewart

The Physics Olympics have gotten off to a good start in honors Physics classes. In the first event, Paper Tower, pairs of students were tasked with creating the tallest freestanding tower from the limited materials of a piece of paper and 50cm of tape (and a time limit). The tallest structure built belonged to Jenny Ayala and Rollie Craig. Their paper tower was able to reach 171.5cm (5ft 7.5in) in height. The second event of the year was Small barge where students were given a 15cm x 15cm (6in x 6in) piece of aluminum foil to shape into a boat that could float pennies in a bucket of water. Once the dust settled, Alexis Bennett and Aiden Bartley were able to successfully float 84 pennies on their barge, the most of any pair of students in the event. Future events include a mousetrap car race, egg drops and other activities that are both fun and relevant. These events are run every third Friday and the students look forward to the competition and the Physics Phun of the activities.

AP Physics I has been busy with projectile launchers (spring loaded cannons that shoot hard plastic projectiles that are interfaced into computers) while learning about 2 dimension kinematics. They can now easily predict where an object will land given where it starts from, the angle of launch and the initial speed that it leaves the launcher. They will be moving on to Forces next.

AP Physics 2 students had the opportunity to lay on a bed of nails last week after learning about the concept of Pressure in the Gasses and Thermodynamics unit. They are currently in the midst of Calorimetry and Expansion of Metals lab activities.

AP Environmental Science (APES) from Mrs. McEachern

Our APES students have gotten a great start to our EcoColumns! They are exploring

nutrient cycles and living ecosystems right in their own recycled water bottle-built ecosystems! They have the plants, detritivores and will even have a fish in the aquatic chamber at the bottom! Check them out through the window whenever you're by the bus loop and see how much they've grown!

Also, keep an eye out for our graveyard headstones to be set up in the green space at the center of campus around Halloween when we start our study on human population demographics!





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Coach Tony Kamen has been the NHS Varsity Boys Tennis coach for 22 years and counting and is the vice president of the Florida High School Tennis Coaches Association and has led his student-athletes to three FHSAA State Championship, seven Regional Championship, and nine District Championship Titles. He is a Class of 2017 Florida High School Tennis Association Hall of Famer.

Previous Golden Eagle recipients include Coach Robert Iamurri (Softball), Coach Bill Kramer (Football), Coach Dave Walker (Girls Basketball), and Ernie Modugno (Athletic Director)

Congratulations to Coach Tony Kamen!

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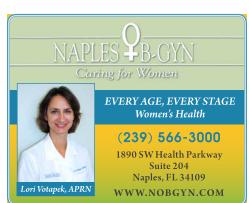
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