



GREETINGS RAIDER NATION



Greetings Raiders!

It has been an amazing start to the 2020-2021 school year! Despite all of the challenges, we have accomplished so much and we have so much to be proud of. We safely have returned back to doing what we do best...teaching, learning, and simply working towards getting back to our "normal," and much needed, high school ex-

periences.

As we move forward into the school year, we are determined to keep our momentum and to continue to build on our accomplishments. We have had an exciting first quarter and we want to continue to encourage all of our students to get involved. Getting involved in extracurricular activities not only supports our school and community, but it also provides opportunities for our students to grow academically, socially, and help build leadership skills.

Also, just a reminder that SAT and ACT testing has resumed again. Students, if you have not already signed up and need assistance, please see your guidance counselor. This is also the time of year that seniors need to pay close attention to graduation updates. Again, make sure to see your school counselor for any assistance. It is important that you stay informed of these deadlines so that no opportunities are missed.

It has been a very successful school year so far and I am truly looking forward to seeing all of our accomplishments as we continue to overcome our challenges and safely move forward.

It's definitely a great time to be a Raider!

RIVERDALE HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Principal:

Scott Cook

Assistant Principals:

Julie Powell

Tony Allen

Melissa Von Hagen

Nicole Johonnett

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

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Superintendent:

Dr. Gregory K. Adkins

MISSION:

Will adapt to the changing face of the community while preparing to meet the needs of a global society

VISION:

Our students set goals and learn the skills they each need to achieve them. Students then apply their learned abilities to their goals in order to best prepare

BELIEF STATEMENT:

Public education is imperative to support and sustain a diverse democratic society. To this end, we believe, student learning is the chief priority for our school. Challenging expectations increase student performance. Students learn in different ways and should be provided with a variety of instructional approaches to support their learning. The home, school and community must serve and support one another. Teaching and learning require a healthy, safe and orderly environment. Resources and services are essential for effective instruction. All staff must continue to learn and all schools must continue to improve.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2020-2021 Daily Bell Schedule and Arrival/Dismissal Plan Riverdale High School

| Period | Start Time | End Time | Passing |
|--|--------------|--------------|--|
| | | | 1st Bell 7:00-7:05 |
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| 1st & 2nd | 7:05 | 8:29 | 8:29-8:34 |
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| 3rd & 4th | 8:34 | 9:58 | 9:58-10:03 |
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| 5th & 6th | 10:03 | 12:02 | 12:02-12:07 |
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| 7th & 8th | 12:07 | 1:35 | 1:35 Dismissal |
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| | | Lunch | 1st 10:07-10:32am 2nd 10:37-11:02am 3rd 11:07-11:32am 4th 11:37-12:02pm |

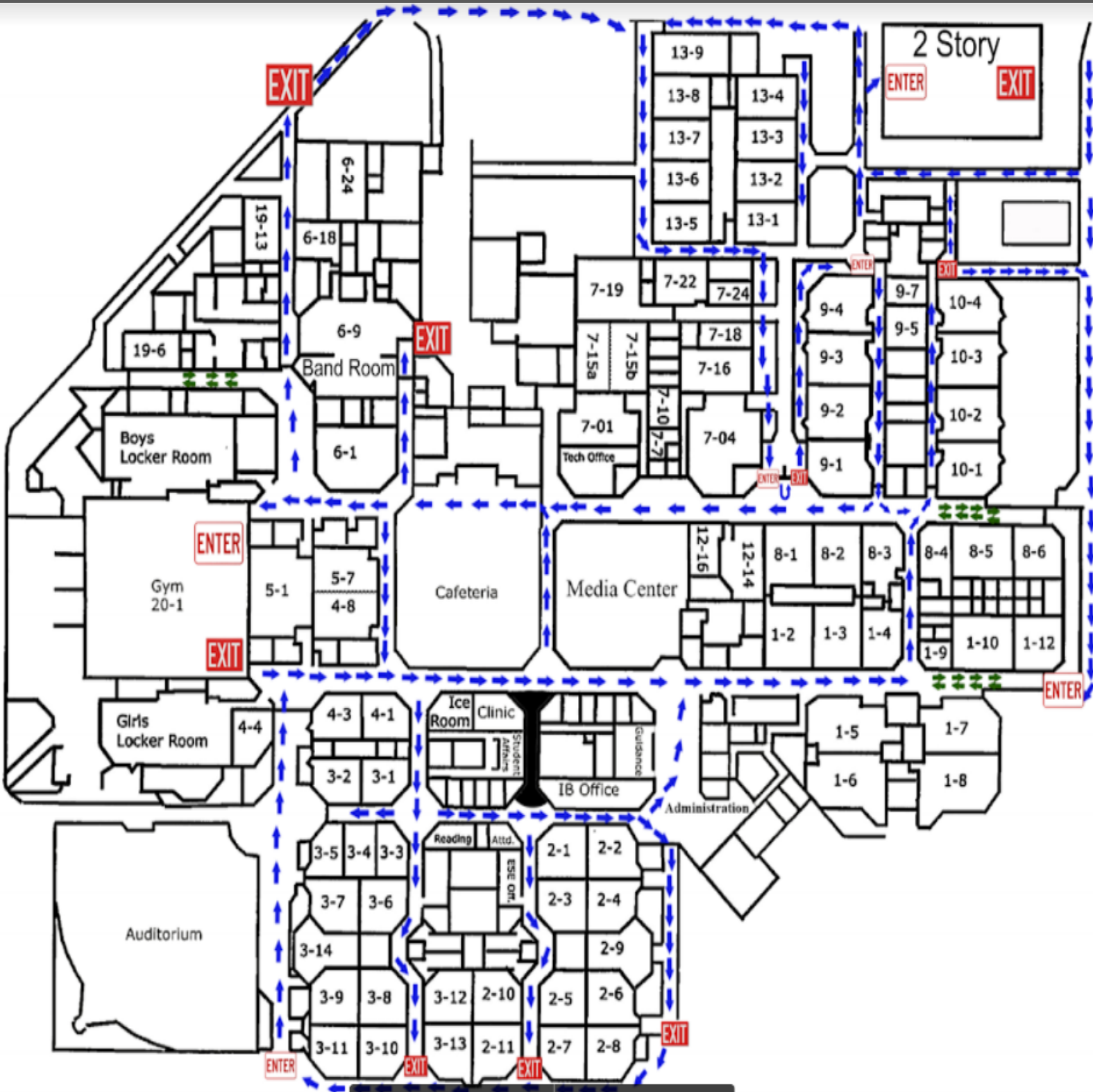
Staggered Arrival:

Parent drop-off and student drivers will arrive at 6:35am. Bus unloading will start at 6:40am. All walkers and bike riders will arrive on campus at 6:50am.

Staggered Dismissal:

Bus riders will be dismissed at 1:35. Parent pick-up and walkers will be dismissed at 1:37. Drivers will be dismissed at 1:40 all by announcement/bell.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



TEDDY BEAR DRIVE

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In Memory of Ethan Burgess

The family is accepting teddy bear donations until 11/18



All donations will go to FHP to provide other families in similar situations with comfort.

Donations can be dropped off to:

Mrs. Ades
Room 8-01

GUIDANCE

COUNSELORS

MRS. KATHERINE HAMMOND

GRADES 9-12 A-E

EXT. 217

DEPARTMENT HEAD

E-MAIL: KATHERINEMH@LEESCHOOLS.NET

ESE – IS, LS, SF AND TEACHER ACADEMY

MS. LORRI MERCER

GRADES 9-12 F-O Department Head

EXT. 421

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MR. OTTO HAMPEL

GRADES 9-12 P-Z

EXT. 385

DUAL ENROLLMENT

E-MAIL: OTTOFH@LEESCHOOLS.NET

MRS. TRACI BUDMAYR

GRADES 9-12

EXT. 220

ALL CURRENT AND PREVIOUS IB STUDENTS

E-MAIL: TRACIAB@LEESCHOOLS.NET

FAFSA REMINDER

Remember to apply for FAFSA

<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Schedule changes can be done through the form within the grade level Google Classroom.

GUIDANCE



ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE



Do you need to:

Get caught up with your work?

Prepare for a test?

boost your GPA?

Academic Assistance is where you need to be!

Where: Student Union

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1:45-3:45 P.M. starting on November 10th

*****Students MUST have transportation home.*****

SENIORS



SENIOR TIMELINE CLASS OF 2021

****Grad Bash Deposits of \$85.00 must be paid by December 18th. Payment in full by March 2nd of \$170.00****
Deposit must be paid in order to reserve a spot.

All Dates are Subject to Change

Senior Portraits must be taken in order to be in the yearbook - by November
Photo Dates - October 7th, 8th, 23rd, 24th - schedule through Cady Photo

Monday, November 2, 2020 - Herff Jones meeting on Cap & Gown/Graduation Announcements - Google Classroom

Tuesday- November 3, 2020- Senior Parent ZOOM meeting 7:00 PM

Friday, November 13, 2020 - HERFF JONES ORDERS during all lunch shifts- Cap and Gown

Thursday, December 31, 2020 - DEADLINE: Ordering Graduation Announcements from Herff Jones

****Friday, January 31, 2021 - >>>Last Chance to Order Cap and Gown<<<** Prices will go up after this date!

Monday, March 5, 2021 - Grad Bash Payment Due in Full. Permission Slips will be distributed when final payment is made.

Tuesday, March 8, 2021 - Grad Bash bus sign-ups with permission slip turned in only (Google Classroom)

Friday, April 23, 2021 - Grad Bash- Universal Studios- 1:00- Report to auditorium YOU MUST BE IN SCHOOL TO ATTEND- At least a half day or you will not be allowed to go! 1st 2 blocks or last 2 blocks

Tuesday-Friday, April 27- 30, 2021 - Cap and Gown Distribution During All Lunch Shifts

Tuesday, May 25, 2021 - Senior Awards Night - 6:30 PM- This event is by invitation only. the invitation is your ticket in and those invited must wear Cap and Gown

MANDATORY Practice Monday, May 24th at 7:15 AM in the Auditorium

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 - Mandatory Senior Meeting -7:10 am- Senior Breakfast/Yearbook distribution following meeting

Saturday, May 15, 2021- Prom FGCU - 7:00-11:00 PM

Tuesday, June 1, 2021 - Baccalaureate- Auditorium- 6:30 PM
(All Seniors are welcome - not a mandatory event - if you attend, then you must wear cap and gown)

Tues-Fri, June 2021 - Senior Final Exams - MANDATORY

Graduation- TBD

SENIORS



Herff Jones Information:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ekbr76nrr-6dWBUC6H53vuRib7pxgrlt/view?usp=sharing>

Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/yoUP4DaMLChNJsvg7>

Senior Photos- Cady Studios:

Last Call is December 8th. Sign up now at CadyStudios.com.

Special Video from Mrs. Gonzalez:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1c8GqE8B52fesVPIFepKVIQYEcrX_mWMF/view

COLLEGE PLANNING TIPS



SENIOR CLASS OF 2021

- You should be applying now and know each college or university's admission deadline.
- Check that your applications are complete and filled out properly.
- Keep copies of application materials and stay organized.
- Extra-curricular activities make your application stand out.
- Be sure to get feedback on your college essay from trusted mentors or teachers. Correct your grammar and use a variety of vocabulary.
- Be sure to include letters of recommendation and ask teachers or counselors well in advance of the application deadline.
- Check the class of 2020 Google Classroom for scholarships, FAFSA information and application tips.
- For questions regarding changes to Bright Futures Community Service Hours requirements and criteria, please contact Lorri Mercer at the school

JUNIOR CLASS OF 2022

- Begin researching post-secondary options such as college or technical schools.
- Meet with your counselor to address any questions about your potential career path so you can make a plan to meet your goals.
- Take the most rigorous courses possible and don't give up. Colleges and employers like to see hard-working individuals with resilience.
- Narrow your search for your college/post-secondary schools to 5 that you intend to submit applications to. Plan on visiting each school in the spring.
- Now is the time to be preparing to take your ACT and SAT.

ACT & SAT TEST DATES

ACT

2020-2021 Test Dates (National)

National Test Dates for 2020-2021 will not open for registration until July 2020.

| Test Date | Registration Deadline | (Late Fee Required) |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| September 12, 2020 | August 14 | August 15 - August 28 |
| October 24, 2020 | September 18 | September 19 - October 2 |
| December 12, 2020 | November 6 | November 7 - November 20 |
| February 6, 2021 | January 8 | January 9 - January 15 |
| April 17, 2021 | March 12 | March 13 - March 26 |
| June 12, 2021 | May 7 | May 8 - May 21 |
| July 17, 2021* | June 18 | June 19 - June 25 |

SAT

| SAT Test Date | Registration Deadline |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| October 3, 2020 | September 4, 2020 |
| November 7, 2020 | October 7, 2020 |
| December 5, 2020 | November 5, 2020 |
| March 13, 2021 | February 12, 2021 |
| May 8, 2021 | April 8, 2021 |
| June 5, 2021 | May 6, 2021 |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



CLASSROOM CODES

Please connect with these Google Classrooms for updated important information.

FRESHMAN CLASS OF 2024: mjfprcv
SOPHOMORE CLASS OF 2023: up72kat
JUNIOR CLASS OF 2022: acyyaqs
SENIOR CLASS OF 2021: 2fu2wdh

STATE TESTING

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS

Transcript forms are located at the front counter in the Guidance Office.

Fill out one form for each college or university to where you are applying.

If you are under 18 years of age, a parent signature is required for the Guidance Office to release your transcripts.

At the end of your senior year, you will need to request a final transcript to be sent to the college or university you will be attending in the fall. Final transcripts are proof of graduation and final standing in the class.

Transcript forms are located at the front counter in the Guidance office. Transcript cost \$ 1.00 per copy being sent. Forms must be turned into Mrs. Funk or Ms. DeLeon.

PARKING PERMIT

Please use this link to find all the information needed to apply for a parking permit.

<https://rdh.leeschools.net/cms/one.aspx?portalId=696095&pageId=2598276>

SCHOLARSHIPS

BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program establishes lottery-funded scholarships to reward Florida high school graduates for high academic achievement.

STEP 1: Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/bf to find out how to qualify for a Bright Futures Scholarship.

STEP 2: Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org and submit a completed, error free Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) during your last year of high school, by graduation.

STEP 3: Make the grade, earn the score....and graduate! The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program is created to establish a lottery-funded scholarship program to reward any Florida high school graduate who merits recognition of high academic achievement. The graduate must enroll in a degree program, certificate program, or applied technology program at an eligible Florida public or private postsecondary education institution.

STEP 4: Know your responsibilities....apply, meet the requirements before graduation; throughout your college career. (Requirements are subject to change with each Florida Legislative session.)

SCHOLARSHIPS

The website (sponsored by the Foundation for Lee County Schools) to apply is

<https://flcps.awardspring.com>. Students will create an account, complete the general application, and then as a third step, apply to the Fred & Jean Allegretti Scholarship. They may also apply to any other that they qualify for, including the Suncoast Scholarship, Jeff Sommers Memorial Scholarship, and Richard Hagy Memorial Scholarship.

- The Fred & Jean Allegretti Scholarship offers a \$1000 scholarship to 5 Riverdale High School seniors. This scholarship is made possible through the generosity of the Fred & Jean Allegretti Foundation.
- The Suncoast Credit Union Foundation has partnered with the Consortium of Florida Education Foundation to award \$116,000 in student scholarships for graduates of the Class of 2020. Suncoast will award \$2,000 scholarships to 58 high school seniors who demonstrate financial need and strong academic performance across the 21 Florida counties we serve.
- The Richard Hagy Memorial Scholarship Fund committee wishes to extend to you this opportunity to apply for the Richard Hagy Memorial Scholarship valued at \$1,000 to be awarded in the spring of 2021. Richard Hagy had a passion for educating students and served Lee County Schools for more than 30 years as a teacher, coach, and principal of ALC and Mariner Middle Schools. He was named Principal of the Year and touched the lives of countless students and friends. This is a one-year scholarship, non-renewable, paid directly to the Financial Aid office of the institution the student is attending.

CLICK THE FOLLOWING LINK FOR UPDATED SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MaUGg25Fu2j4RqicgMj2SW3Lj_vrXELGyfP76IS0GrU/edit

SCHOLARSHIPS



Listed are two links for great scholarship application opportunities:

1. NEXT Website

<https://floridanext.com/>

2. NEXT Magazine

<https://www.pageturnpro.com/Florida-Trend/91432-Florida-Trends-NEXT-2019-2020/sdefault.html#page/1>

(Scholarship listing starts on page 40)

SCHOLARSHIPS

THE ULTIMATE LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS



<https://thescholarshipssystem.com/blog-for-students-families/the-ultimate-list-of-scholarships-for-women-and-girls/>

RIVERDALE SPORTS



Google Site with Riverdale Football Information:

<https://sites.google.com/leeschools.net/riverdaleraidersfootball/home>



RIVERDALE SPORTS



McKenzie Wittenberg is listed in the top 200 for Senior Class Recruits. Officially signing with University of Louisiana Lafayette to play college softball.



RIVERDALE SPORTS



CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country season has come and gone in the blink of an eye it seems. Inconsistency is the enemy of endurance – the first part of the season was a little tough to get in a routine with meets being shifted around and canceled as well as new protocol like wave starts. However, the runners have rolled with the punches and are now putting up some solid times. This past Saturday was our last regular season meet. We had several runners post PR's (Personal Record).



Regional Qualifiers:

Senior Liz Morgan, who ran a personal record of 23:48, placed 20th

Senior, Shania Koehler, ran a season best, 26:54

Junior, Oscar Olguin, placed 20th, who ran an INCREDIBLE PR of 18:44

RIVERDALE SPORTS



MEET THE RHS SPORT STAFF

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PI_IHbrYuyw&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop

SOFTBALL

All athletic paperwork must be into Mrs. Barry to participate. Tryouts start January 18th. Any question see Coach Manetta in room 1-02.

BASEBALL

Baseball will have workouts on Tuesday and Thursday from 1:45 - 3:00 in the weight room until winter break. After winter break will be on the baseball field from 1:45 - 3:30 for conditioning. All athletic paperwork must be into Mrs. Barry to participate. Tryouts start January 18th. Any question see Coach Pringle in room 6-24.

RIVERDALE SPORTS



GIRLS WEIGHTLIFTING

Riley Cook

Grace Ballinger

Audrey

Tiedeman

MaKenna

Wootton

Olivia Gambino

Natalie Scalora

Brittany King

Jennifer Zapata

Haili Weatherly

Kaylee

Freshwaters

Alyssa Casey

Paulina Zavala

Kaitlyn Cross

Hailey Mason



CLASS INFORMATION



Driver Education: Frequently asked questions

When should I enroll my student in Driver Education?

He/she should have their Learner's Permit, and if possible, be able to supplement the lessons done at school with practice at home. Their experience is not important, they can have zero experience or they could be the predominant driver for the family.

What does my student need to do to acquire their Learner's Permit?

To find a full list of requirements to acquire a Learner's Permit, visit <https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-licenses-id-cards/licensing-requirements-teens-graduated-driver-license-laws-driving-curfews/>

Can my student gain their full license while in Driver Education?

Yes, this is possible. Per DELAP (Driver education licensing assistance program) I am allowed to give the Driver License Test to any student who has met the requirements. To find a full list of requirements, visit <https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-licenses-id-cards/licensing-requirements-teens-graduated-driver-license-laws-driving-curfews/>

Do car insurance companies offer a discount to students who complete a Driver Education course?

Some do and some do not. The best way to find out if yours does is to call them and ask. If they do, to get the discount you will send a copy of your student's transcript after the completion of the course.

Is there a Saturday Driver Education program?

Yes! And if your student doesn't have a free elective period during the school day, it could be the perfect opportunity for him/her. The 2020 fall Saturday Driver Ed course will start September 12th and will fill up fast so don't waste time getting on the list. The sign up list can be found in the Driver Education classroom (9-07).

If you have any other questions in regards to Driver Education please contact Jesse Aycock.

Jessewa@leeschools.net

(239) 694-4141

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



HealthPark Medical Explorer Program

Purpose

The Medical Explorer Program through Learning for Life provides a vital link for all students (female & male) in our community 11 - 20 years old with an interest in pursuing a career in the health sciences. The program provides students the opportunity to learn about numerous exciting health care careers and they can even arrange for job shadowing in areas of interest. Additionally, exciting trips and adventures are available to participants throughout the year.

Location and Time

General meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 4:00 PM. Please contact us to confirm meeting location and time.

The registration fee is \$37.00 (will be prorated depending on when the program is started) which includes accident insurance through January 2021.

Contact Information:

Kristine Desfosses RN Nursing Director @ 239-343-6285 or kristine.Desfosses@leememorial.org

Luisa Buitrago Cortes Department Secretary @ 239-343-6284 or luisa.buitragocortes@leememorial.org



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239-936-8072 OR 800-269-8072 ~ www.swflcouncilbsa.org ~ fax 239-936-7864

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IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Please see your Focus Parent Portal for important documents that need to be filled out ASAP.

Please see this video to assist in how to fill out the forms:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gL3YjZj7kWM&feature=youtu.be>

If you do not have a Focus Parent Portal please see this website to help guide you in registering:

<https://www.leeschools.net/cms/one.aspx?portalId=676305&pageId=6495535>

SCHOOL NEWS!

Be sure to keep up with your school!

Riverdale's website:

<https://rdh.leeschools.net/>

Twitter:

@RiverdaleRaider

Teachers Out of Field

Florida State Board Rule 6A-1.0503(3) requires that the School Board must approve all instructional personnel who are assigned to teach out-of-field. In addition, per Florida Statutes 1012.42(2), **all parents of students being taught by a teacher who is out-of-field must be notified.** This includes teachers who are out-of-field in ESOL.

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| Bechler | Michele | ESOL |
| Burke | William | ESOL |
| Esposito | Austin | ESOL |
| Kisic | John | ESOL |
| Nelson | CJ | ESOL |
| Newman | Jonathan | ESOL |
| Simpson | Alicia | ESOL |
| Taylor | Robert | ESOL |
| Tierney | April | ESOL |
| Willis | Teresa | Reading |
| Haley | Bryan | Math |
| King | Ryan | Math |

SUCCESS IS A CHOICE

