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MESSAGE FROM MR. MORELAND

Gulf Middle

As interims have passed and the end of Quarter 1 approaches, I want to encourage you to continually look at your student's grades and stay connected with the school and their teachers. Report cards should not be a surprise, but rather an succinct location of your students grades and their progress for the quarter.

Remember Connect with Lee is available for all core classes Mondays-Thursday. Let's resolve to finish Quarter 1 strong!

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GMS Spirit Store



Do you know GMS has a spirit store where you can purchase school shirts, hoodies, other GMS goodies. We currently have new styles and a sale on selected items. Visit <https://shirtswithacause.com/collections/gulf-spirit-wear> to order your GMS wear today. The link can also be found on our website.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 13- End of 1st quarter

October 16- No School for students

November 17- AHA/GMS Color Run

November 20-24- Thanksgiving Break- No School

How are we doing?

From October 9- October 22, the district is asking all families to take the Family Survey for District Accreditation. The survey takes approximately 5 minutes to complete. The survey link will become active on October 9th. Direct link:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/232512/p818>

Inclement Weather Dismissal

As the first tropical storm of the school years looms in the warm waters, we wanted to remind parents and students of inclement weather dismissal procedures. This information can also be found on our school website.

When lightning is less than 10 miles away, Gulf Middle School enacts its "Inclement Weather Dismissal" procedures.

Ultimately, this procedure states that no student may be outside without being under cover until the lightning is 10 miles or greater from the school. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Below are some bullet points you need to know as a parent:

- If your child is a walker or biker rider, they will be held inside the school until the lightning is at an appropriate distance away. At that time we will issue an "all clear."
- If your child walks to the elementary school, your child will also be held inside the school until "all clear" is issued.
- If you decide to pick up your walker or biker from our school, you must come through the parent pick up line. Please make sure you place your parent pick up number on your dash.
- Please remember if you do not typically use the parent pick up line, the line starts on Chiquita, right on Savona, right on SW 18th Ave, and into the GMS parent pick up circle.
- If your child is a walker or biker and remains on campus through the duration of the inclement weather, your child will be dismissed at the "all clear" and released out the front gates of the school.

GMS/AHA Color Run/Walk

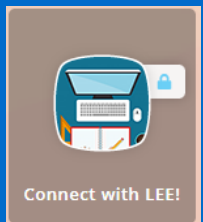


Our annual GMS Color Run is just around the corner! If you own a business and would like to make a donation towards our run please contact Mrs. Winfield, emmamw@leeschools.net.

Mark your calendar!

Our Color Run will be held on November 17, 2023. We need your help to make this a success, so mark this day as a "school day". Sign up for this event will be coming out as the date approaches.

Connect with LEE!



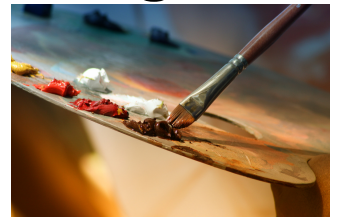
Did you know we have tutoring available, free of charge to all Lee County students.

Tutoring from MS is just one click away for ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies. Hours are Monday-Thursday 4:30- 7:30 on school days. The link to Connect with LEE! can be found on your student's Launchpad.

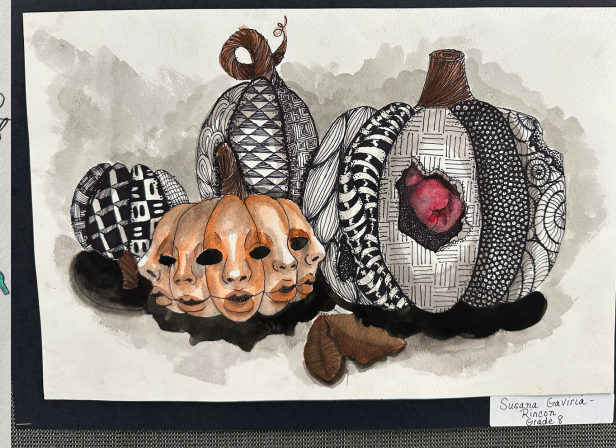
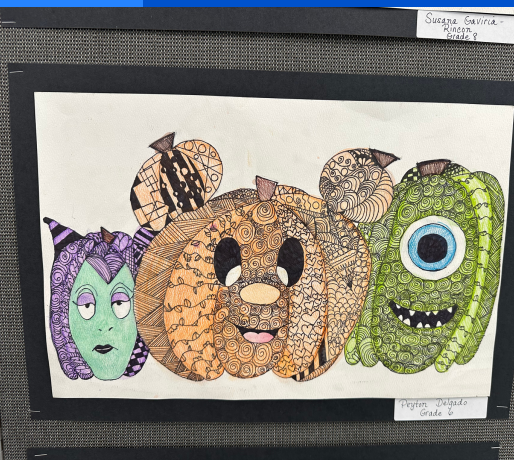
ALL WE DO IS WIN, WIN, WIN...

Sixteen of our current and former students' artwork was selected to be displayed at the Superintendent's Collection at the Public Education Center. Their artwork will be on display for the entirety of the 2023-2024 school year.

Congratulation ! Christopher Ruiz, James DaVolio, Jeremiah Rivera, Kaylee Trefethen, Cheyenne Sharb, Daniela Etchin, Sadie Niedert, and Caroling Klausing. You make GMS proud!!



GMS Art Display



Out Of Field Teacher Notification

Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers are certified, but may be assigned one or more classes outside their areas of certification and are required to take appropriate steps to comply with statutory regulation. April Borden-English 5-9, Robert Ford-Gifted Education, Albert Onzo-Gifted Education.

In addition, the following teachers, Doreen Baird, Brittani Barnett, April Borden, Krystal Burtanger, Erin Neitzelt, are engaged in training to add English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) to their certificates.