

Lawton Chiles High School

"Cognosco, Duco, Perficio" - "I learn, I lead, I achieve"

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RE: 2016-2017 School Public Accountability Report: Chiles High School

Dear Parents and Community Members,

The education, character development, health and safety of our students are part of our commitment to the students and families of Chiles High School. At Chiles, we make it a goal to work cooperatively with our staff, parents and community members to set high expectations. In trying to meet those expectations, we have committees dedicated to evaluating our school programs and classroom instruction. Instruction is supported by research, progress monitoring, academic intervention, guidance assistance, school tutoring, enrichment programs as well as student recognition ceremonies.

Thank you for all of your hard work and effort in making Chiles the one of the best high schools in the state of Florida and the United States. I would like to congratulate our 2017 senior class who earned millions of dollars of scholarship and grant money through their hard work and dedication. I am humbled by the opportunity to remain your principal for the 2017-2018 school year and continue to serve the stakeholders of this community. I'm delighted to be working with an outstanding group of parents, students, faculty and staff to pursue our goals for higher levels of achievement and character. As we move into the school year, old faces have moved on and new faces will be joining our exceptional staff. Let me take the time to encourage you to do one of the following: serve on our School Advisory Council (SAC), join the Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO), join the Chiles Listserv, follow Chiles (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter), volunteer, mentor, or support our athletic, extra-curricular/enrichment programs. We are the best because <u>you</u> are the difference!

We feel blessed to know that we have continue to earn an A designation as school with the efforts of our students and teachers. Their efforts are supported by our parents and surrounding community who make sacrifices and commitments to make sure our efforts at school meet or exceed their expectations. In meeting those needs, we develop a plan with marked objectives and goals for the upcoming year. The plan also indicates strategies and monitoring checks to ensure that our plan is being followed to continue to live up to the expectations of the community. There are obstacles and hurdles for students but the plans are built to anticipate those issues and indicate proactive solutions to meet those challenges. It is duty and charge to do our best for our students in progressing in their learning and character development.

Our School Public Accountability Report (SPAR) is included with this letter. The purpose of this report is to allow our community to review items about our past school year's progress. The report contains a wealth of information on school demographics, enrollment, testing data, school staff, and cost analysis. The 2016-2017 School Public Accountability Report (SPAR) for Chiles is available for viewing in the school office or can be accessed on-line at http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm or http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm or http://www.leonschools.net/chiles. If you contact the school, we will send you a copy of the report at your request. We encourage your participation and input with regard to our continuing school improvement efforts.

Sincerely.

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