



STAR NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was spectacular to see all our shining stars back in school on Thursday! We have been fortunate and I hope that all your families are doing well. Student absences through Friday, September 15th are excused. If there are special circumstances, please contact the front office. Our National Honor Society stars are collecting water to support those in need of fresh water. Please send donations to the front office and help our scholars understand the importance of helping others.

As we settle back in a routine, it is important to build on the successes of the first weeks of school. Please make sure your child is completing homework and consistently putting forth their best effort to achieve their academic and behavioral goals. Progress Alerts will be sent home on September 20th. This is a time to schedule conferences with your child's teacher and be actively involved in your child's education.

Due to Hurricane Irma, our SAC and PTO meetings were changed to September 20th. We look forward to your participation. Our Fall Star Carnival is right around the corner and we need your support to provide our children with a fantastic evening. If you have not joined the PTO, we encourage you to join our STARS need you!

Mr. Rudenberg and I look forward to seeing you on campus as we journey to success. This year is going to be engaging and full of high expectations. Please continue to review your child's agenda book, AVID binder (2nd – 5th), and reinforce our Star P.R.I.D.E. expectations daily. Thanks for your continued support!

Iris C. Wilson, Ph.D.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- September 7Open House, 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.
- September 18LCS High School Open House
.....PTO Star News
- September 20Progress Alerts (1st Nine Weeks)
.....SAC Mtg @ 5:30 Media Center
.....PTO Mtg @ 6:00 Media Center
- September 20/21 ..4th Grade Field Trip
- September 21LCS Middle School Open House
- September 21PTO Parent Involvement Kickoff
- September 27**Dad-Take Your Child to School Day**
- September 28Fall Picture Day
- September 29Fall Holiday, No School

TWITTER / INSTAGRAM

ATMSA is on Twitter (@ATMSAStars) and Instagram (atmsastars)! Follow us to keep up with happenings on campus, including links to our ATMSANews, our morning news program and other exciting events.



CHANGE OF TRANSPORTATION

Transportation changes must be received in writing by 2:15 p.m. Please email atmsa@leonschools.net and describe in detail the change in mode of transportation. Transportation changes will not be taken after 2:15 p.m.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT KICKOFF EVENT

ATMSA's Parent Involvement Kickoff is scheduled for NEXT Thursday, September 21st! We will have scheduled workshops for all our parents to attend that will help them help their children. Topics include: Wonders Online Resources, Using Technology to Reinforce Reading Skills, Writing, AVID, and Positive Behavior/P.R.I.D.E. Please refer to the Parent Involvement Registration form that was sent home. A light dinner will be served to all parents/families who register and attend.

MORNING PROCEDURES

7:45 a.m. Supervision Starts – Cafeteria Opens for Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Students Dismissed to Classrooms from Cafeteria
8:20 a.m. Cafeteria Closes for Breakfast (Late Bus Students will be allowed to eat breakfast)
8:25 a.m. First Bell
8:30 a.m. Tardy Bell

Parents, if you need to speak with your child's teacher, please contact the front office. Instructional time is limited and every minute is critical to your child receiving focused, direct instruction. We will protect this time to ensure our stars receive the full benefit of their time in school. Thank you in advance for your patience and support.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Each week, Ms. Love, Mrs. Mathews, Mr. Rudenborg and Dr. Wilson will recognize a 'Star Student of the Week' in each classroom. These students have demonstrated characteristics highlighted by our Life Skill of the week and our P.R.I.D.E. behavior guidelines. Ask your child about the Life Skill of the week and what he/she can do to demonstrate those behaviors.



The following teachers are out of ESOL compliance :

LEON COUNTY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Our Shining Star students need you! Are you planning on volunteering for a field trip? Want to volunteer in the classroom? Through activities such as volunteering in classrooms, offices, and media centers; performing school beautification projects, or serving as academic competition judges, school volunteers supplement the work of teachers and school staff – continually enhancing the quality of our children's education. All parents/guardians, family members and friends who want to volunteer need to complete the online volunteer application at <https://volunteers.leonschools.net/Volunteers/>.

MATH PALS

Our school has had Reading Pals for many years. We are now going to begin Math Pals for third grade and need at least ten volunteers to work with one child each Thursday from 3:30 – 4:30. If you are available, please contact the front office and Mrs. Green (3rd Grade teacher) will provide the details. Thanks in advance for supporting our scholars.



OSMO

ATMSA's Stars are enjoying learning letters/sounds, math, geometry, and coding using OSMO! Every Kindergarten/1st grade class has an OSMO in the classroom for students to use.

