

A Message from Dr. LeMaster

Parents and Guardians:

We are so proud to let our families know that our school currently is making major academic gains as a school. Currently we are up **11% from last year or 102 points!!!!** These wonderful gains are occurring because of an All-Star teaching staff, wonderful boys and girls that are eager to learn, and supportive parents. We are so proud of our students and teachers and want to say a HUGE thank you to our parents and families!!

We know we can continue improving and we are not content with our gains. We want to build on our academic gains. We ask for your support with the following:

- Getting students to school. If our superstar students are at school they will learn and make academic gains. Every day counts.
- Reminding your son/daughter to get into their classroom as soon as they get to school. Doors open at 9:15 and we love to have our students in their classrooms as early as possible so they can prepare for their day, study for a test, or work on a bell ringer. Every extra minute counts!
- Reminding your son/daughter the importance of getting to class on time. If students are on time to class their teacher can start on time. Again, every extra minute counts. Our bells are set up to allow for students to get anywhere they need to go in just a few minutes.
- Remind your son/daughter to ask for help if they don't understand something. Teachers are glad to answer questions. We also offer extra Math tutoring on Tuesdays and Wednesdays if you are interested.

Dr. LeMaster
Principal
Varsity Lakes Middle



VLMS Vision and Mission



Vision

Varsity Lakes Middle School is a learning institute that is dedicated to the creation of academic excellence through rigorous and engaging instruction and integrated curriculum.

Mission

Varsity Lakes Middle school will provide a nurturing environment that ensures the continued development of the whole student. Through challenging learning experiences, all students will mature academically, socially, physically, emotionally, and creatively.

Parents' Bill of Rights

Provides parental rights relating to a minor child's education, upbringing, and health care.

Please visit the district webpage to learn more.

https://www.leeschools.net/parent_portal/parents_bill_of_rights



Dates to Remember

February

- 8 – ZOOM SAC Meeting
- 14 – Student Honor Roll Celebration
- 18 – No School Hurricane Make Up Day
- 21 – No School President's Day

February 1 – March 1 VLMS Celebrates Black History Month



During the 2019-2020 school year, the State Board of Education passed three rules related to required instruction in health education topics impacting middle and high school students. This year, the District will designate ten dates as Wellness Wednesdays, in order to engage students in this learning. The time set aside on each Wellness Wednesdays will provide students with tools to enhance their social-emotional well-being and support our families in the development of the whole child.

Students enrolled in grades 6 through 12 will receive instruction in mental and emotional health education.

School Counselors

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FortifyFL

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

<https://www.getfortifyfl.com/Tip.html>

Spotlight on Afterschool Activities

Soccer Match Schedule

2/7 (Mon) vs. Oak Hammock @ LSHS 5:45 PM

2/9 (Wed) vs. Ft. Myers @ LSHS 5:45 PM

2/14 (Mon) vs. Dunbar @ LSHS 5:45 PM

2/16 (Wed) vs. Oak Hammock @ LSHS 5:45 PM

2/23 (Wed) vs. Ft. Myers @ FMHS 5:45 PM

Currently we are at the HIGH Community Transmission Level which means that we will start implementing the health and safety protocols. Please see the link below for more information.

<https://www.leeschools.net/cms/One.aspx?portalId=676305&pageId=29060593>

Title One

SAC Meeting – February 8th @ 5:30 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://leeschools.zoom.us/j/89183652237?pwd=dDZwYWVhEQIZud2ZoSDhWWDY3MjBTZz09>

Meeting ID: 891 8365 2237

Passcode: 724309

VLMS School Public Accountability Report can be found on our website

<https://edudata.fl DOE.org/ReportCards/Schools.html?school=0242&district=36>

Varsity Lakes Middle School currently has the following employees classified as out-of-field in the area of ESOL or Non– Highly Qualified per NCLB:

Victoria Clayton, Tiffany Countryman, Christina Cox, Kerrion Davis, Phillips Edwards, Khristyne Graves, Kara Harris, Kyle Howard, Melissa McClanahan, Ellen Moran, Lillian Otero, Mark Phillips, Jolene Porter, Jakyra Smith, Alan Squatrito, Ruth St. Romain, Bilal Hafeez, Janet Marshall, Peter Corica, Jack Conway, Elizabeth Ciminelli, Paul Livesay

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