

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Chromebook deployment - All desktops that were signed out MUST be returned by January 12, 2021. Please contact the front office at 850-488-7110 to set up a time to return your desktop and receive your Chromebook.

Absences - If your student is ill and stays home, be sure to send a note so that the absence is excused.

Late arrivals - School begins at 8:30. Students who arrive after that time must be escorted by a parent to the front office. The student will be marked tardy.

Leaving early - if your child needs to leave early for an appointment, they must be picked up by 2:15. Students will not be dismissed early after that time.

Car pick up - If you have a student who rides a car, be sure to have your tag EVERY DAY so that dismissal runs smoothly and safely! Additionally, coverage is provided until 3:20. Any student left after that time may be taken to our afterschool program where a fee will be imposed.

Digital Academy students - BE SURE THAT YOU ARE LOGGING INTO EVERY ZOOM LESSON EVERY DAY.

If you do not log in, you will be marked absent.

Parent Involvement - be on the look out for upcoming Mental Health workshops and parent involvement activities

It's jacket weather! - Remember to place your child's name on their jackets. We have many jackets that are being left on the playground and in classrooms that we are unable to identify.



Covid Reminders

FACE COVERING ZONE IS CAMPUS-WIDE

- Hallway Transitions
- Restrooms
- OFI Classroom
- Clinic
- Care Cafe
- Arrival on Campus
- Main Office
- Guidance Office
- School Bus
- Dismissal Locations



CONTACT INFORMATION

Please make sure your contact information is up to date in FOCUS. We also encourage you to like us on Facebook and to sign up for Listserv to receive important information.

Sign up at
<http://listserv12.leon.k12.fl.us/scripts/wa.exe?A0=APALACHEE-PARENTS>





STAR NEWS

DECEMBER 2020/JANUARY 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/18 - Last Day to submit Learning Option changes for 3rd quarter
- 12/21 - 1/4 - WINTER HOLIDAY BREAK
- 1/5 - Students Return to school
- 1/13 - SAC Meeting
- 1/15 - End of 2nd Quarter
- 1/18 - MLK Holiday - NO SCHOOL
- 1/19 - Teacher Planning Day
- 1/20 - 3rd Quarter begins
- 1/27 - Report Cards available in FOCUS



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Well, we have made it to the end of 2020! This has been a time of much uncertainty and, unfortunately, due to Covid-19, many of the performances and holiday events traditionally planned for the winter season will not be taking place. We are truly sorry for this change; however, we look forward to the possibility of having performances and other events in the future.

Be sure to check your child's grades and progress through our FOCUS portal on a regular basis and remind our students of the importance of doing their best each day in school, whether in person or digitally. Please review daily agenda books, STAR binders and follow-up on notes or Remind messages from your child's teacher.

Through all this indecision and uncertainty, it is important that we keep our children as consistent as possible. Regular bedtimes and meals are a must for our kids. I strongly recommend taking a break from electronics and getting outside every day over the break. It is also important that they continue reading. Fifteen minutes, every day, by themselves or reading with someone, will greatly improve their reading ability and help develop those necessary life-long skills.

We know that for many, this holiday season seems different, but that does not mean we cannot cherish the time we have with family and the opportunity to have a restful and happy holiday. On behalf of the staff at Apalachee Tapestry Magnet School of the Arts, we wish all of you health and happiness this holiday season.

Shining brightly,
Mrs. Ricardo