



Neptune Beach Elementary Newsletter

We are proud to be an “A” school!

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Manatee Corner

- If you do not have a parent account in focus, you will need one now more than ever. From bus stop registration to school attendance options, there are multiple processes that will be managed through parent accounts in FOCUS. So to be prepared, please make sure you have your established your account through our website. You can register for an account by visiting www.duvalschools.org/focus.
- Parents-In order for students to ride the bus, you need to sign them up through FOCUS. More information concerning the bus and transportation can be found at <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=28229>.
- To minimize the risk of COVID-19 entering a school campus, school volunteers and visitors will not be permitted on school grounds.
- Early Check Out Policy: Please remember that per district policy, students cannot be checked out after **2:15 PM.**

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome Back to the 2020-21 School Year! We are honored to serve as the Elementary School for your child, especially during these unchartered times. Please know, we have put several protocols in place to help keep everyone safe and healthy. Please do read through our monthly newsletters as we will include important information for you. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Please complete the student forms your child brings home today and return them to school so we can keep in touch throughout the year. You will also be provided with opportunities to participate in PTA and SAC-our School Advisory Council. While we ask you to participate if you can, this is not a one-time opportunity. You can always reach out to me later if you cannot be involved right now. We want you to be a part of our school to whatever degree works best for you.

Please make sure your child’s teacher has current telephone numbers to reach you in case of an emergency.

I look forward to a rewarding year of learning!

Elizabeth Kavanagh

CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH

CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH Our character trait for the month of August is **kindness**. Kindness is being caring, compassionate, loving, and considerate. A kind person shows concern for the feelings of others and is helpful and generous. A kind person does good deeds without thought of reward.

Kindness
is the most important
superpower

NBE BUSINESS PARTNERS'!!!

As we begin the new school year, if you would like to become an NBE business partner, or know a business who would like to become a partner, please contact the person below for more details on the various sponsorship levels and marketing packages for each program.

Organizations	Contact Person	Email/Web
NBE	Marla Almon	AlmonM@duvalschools.org

Announcements

- ✓ **Parents**-Please remember to update your contact information (address, phone number, emergency contacts, etc..). Emergency Contact Forms and Returning Student Registration Form can be found on the district's website at <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/10441>. You can also access these forms by selecting the "parent" tab at the top of the menu bar, select "registration", and select "forms" from the options on the left.
- ✓ **Parents**-Download the Duval County App to allow you to view these newsletters, receive up to date information, student grades, and many more important features.

Parents need to download the Duval County Public Schools app onto your phone/tablet/computer. Steps-1. Search in your app store “**Duval County Public Schools**” 2. When app is loaded, **search for Neptune Beach Elementary**. 3. Follow Directions on phone and you are ready to go. This app will also allow you to receive



messages from the school, link onto FOCUS, access blended learning, and other links that are helpful.

- ✓ **Parents**-To allow for social distancing and alleviate large number of adults and children in the front of the school during dismissal, we are recommending for everyone’s health and safety that all students are car riders and not Park to Pick-Up. We understand this will be an inconvenience at first, but after the first week of school, the car rider line will run very smoothly.
- ✓ **Parents**-The new School Dismissal Manager letters were sent out last week. Please log into your account if have not done so already. From the account you add people you want to pick up your child, create a default dismissal, and make daily changes to dismissal if needed. If you choose car line or extended day, each day you need to log into the app (on your phone) and check in on the main page to notify the teacher or extended day that you have arrived on campus. The “check in” button is available at 2:30 each day. One misconception is parents go to events and activity. The check in button is on the main screen. The link is: www.schooldismissalmanager.com
- ✓ **Parents**-Please check out the Neptune Beach webpage. Here you can find updates, information, newsletters, and much more. The link for the website is: <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/nbe>

AUGUST EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20 First Day of School!! 	21
24	25	26	27	28
31	Sept. 1	Sept. 2	Sept. 3	Sept. 4

