

DeLaura Details for the Week



2/4/22 - 2/11/22

Important Upcoming Dates and Events:

- 2/7 Teacher/Student Holiday
- 2/8 2/11 Girls & Boys Basketball tryouts (see info below)
- 2/14 2/17 1st Gradventure Payment/Forms due (forms are attached to Principal's Email, in front office and on school website)
- 2/18 Teacher/Student Holiday
- 2/21 Teacher Professional Development Day Student Holiday
- 2/23 PSAT 8/9 (see info below)

Announcements and Information:

- 8th Grade GRADVENTURE Trip: DeLaura is pleased to officially announce that the 8th Grade tradition of a trip to Universal Studios for Gradventure is officially on! DeLaura is scheduled to attend Gradventure @ Universal Studios on May 13th from 1:00pm 2:00am. More information will be coming soon but we are excited to offer this fun event for our students!
 - Final Price is \$140 which includes:
 - Park Admission for two theme parks for the day/night
 - DeLaura Gradventure T-shirt
 - Dinner at the theme park
 - Charter Bus ride (not school bus) to and from the event
 - Payment plans are available (two installments –February 14-17th and April 4th -8th)
 - o Students will **not** be allowed to attend the trip if:
 - They have <u>ANY out of school suspensions</u> starting from 1/24/22 the event date
 - 2 or more "In-School Suspensions" from 1/24/22 the event date
 - Multiple Referrals or behavior issues may cause students to be placed on a "No Go" list at Administrations' discretion

 Information was sent out to 8th grade families in a separate letter & email but please mark your calendars!

Important registration information for high school:

- <u>Tuesday, February 22nd</u> Satellite Counselors will be back to meet with students and pick up course request forms.
- Wednesday, March 9th Viera Counselors will be here to meet with students and pick up course request forms.
- **Girls and Boys Basketball tryouts** will begin on **Feb. 8**th and continue on as needed through the week. Athletic shoes are required to participate and <u>all students must have a completed Athletic packet on file.</u> The Girls' basketball team tryouts will be from 7:45am 9:00am starting on Feb. 8th. Boys' basketball tryouts will be at 4:15pm -5:30pm. All tryouts will take place in DeLaura's gymnasium. Only students are allowed at tryouts, there will be no visitors or spectators in the gym during tryouts.
 - o Girls Coach, Robert Terry Terry.RobertP@brevardschools.org
 - o Boys Coach, Ryan Frankenfield Frankenfield.RyanW@brevardschools.org
- **PSAT**: The PSAT 8/9 is a <u>practice</u> test designed for 8th and 9th graders to measure their knowledge and skills they are learning in school which are needed to succeed in college. The PSAT 8/9 will test reading, writing, and math by using grade appropriate questions.

The PSAT test is used to:

- Receive feedback on students 'strengths and weaknesses on skills necessary for high school course readiness, as well as college and career readiness.
- Provide feedback through AP Potential which lets you know which Honors and AP courses your child might be ready to take in high school
- Help prepare your child for the SAT. Your student can become familiar with the kinds of questions and the exact directions he/she will see on the SAT.

Testing will take place on February 23, 2022 during the school day. The cost of the test is \$14.00 (cash or check made payable to DMS). Spaces are limited to the first 60 students to sign up and pay. To reserve your spot, Mrs. Terry will be available in the cafeteria before school. If you have any questions, you may reach Mrs. Terry at Terry.Candacem@brevardschools.org or Ext 31619.

- Chaperones and Volunteers: Parents wanting to chaperone field trips or events must be a registered volunteer. Volunteer background check fees have been waived, see this link for how to get registered: https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104
- From the Dean's office: Just a reminder that students are not allowed to wear Airpods/headphones during school. Students who are using their headphones in school will have to have a parent or guardian pick up the device from the front office.
- Family Resources Help— Please see the following link for a variety of organizations and community groups if your family needs assistance: https://www.brevardprevention.org/resources/
- Media Center Schedule: We are currently without a media specialist, so the DeLaura Media Center will be open during the following times for book checkouts/returns only:
 - **Monday-Friday** from 8:45am 9:15am
 - ELA teachers will take their classes during class time
- Bike Rack: Students should park their bike in the DeLaura bike rack which is located in the back of the school (near the basketball courts, see map below). The bike rack by the media center is technically Satellite High's and there is not enough space for all of the bikes. Students should also not lock their bikes against the white fence as that is a security hazard and bikes are blocking the rolling access gate. DeLaura's bike rack is able to be locked and kept secured for the duration of the day, the bike rack by the media center is not. There is a

sidewalk on Jackson Ave and a crossing guard to assist students to the bike rack area. Please see the map below for where to park student bikes.

- BPS COVID Protocol Flowcharts: Please see this link for the BPS Flowcharts of Student Quarantine Protocols and COVID Information: https://www.brevardschools.org/COVID-19
- Yearbook Ordering Information: All yearbook orders and payments are now completed online at www.Jostens.com. Once you open up the Josten's link, you will click the "order now" button on the page and then search for "DeLaura Middle School". You do NOT need to type in a "homeroom" teacher name if asked on the form. Yearbooks are \$50 until November 12th and are a great keepsake for students.



Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Information Session & Fair

Open to ALL 8th through 12th grade BPS Students

When: Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Location: Brevard Public Schools

District Office, Viera, FL

Time: 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Host: Office of Equity and Diversity, Secondary Leading & Learning

Event Page and Registration https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/18938







DELAURA MIDDLE SCHOOL



7th GRADE OPEN HOUSE

WHERE: Satellite High School Auditorium

WHEN: Thursday, March 3rd starting at 6:00 PM





FOCUS OF THE MEETING

- Meet the Administration
- 7th grade curriculum
- Guidance/Registration information
- Campus activities

We look forward to meeting you. GO SCOTTIES!

DeLaura Tutoring Support

Reading

Where: Mrs. Rower, Room 322

When: Mondays & Wednesdays 8:00 - 8:30 AM

7th Grade ELA

Where: Mrs. Swinehart, Room 227

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 4:15 - 5:15 PM

8th Grade ELA

Where: Ms. Austin via Zoom https://brevardschools-org.zoom.us/j/84739749571

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Science 7th and 8th Grade

Where: Ms. Ashley, Room 423

When: Thursdays 4:15 - 5:15

Social Studies 7th and 8th

Where: Mrs. Krueger - Stone, Room 326

When: Tuesdays, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Enrichment - SALT/Gifted *Starts November 15th*

Where: Mrs. Skinner, Room 226

When: Mondays & Wednesdays 4:30 - 5:30 PM





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DeLaura Middle School NJHS and/or Beta Club



Meeting Dates for all members (New & Returning) at 8:45 AM

10/06/21 02/02/22

11/03/21 03/02/22

12/01/21 04/06/22

01/12/22 05/04/22

PARENTS CAN DROP OFF THEIR STUDENTS AT THE NORTH EAST END OF THE OFFICE IN THE PARKING LOT

Ms. NANCY CALDERONE / Ms. ROBERT WILL BE THERE.

MEETING VENUE: OPEN PATIO NEAR THE CAFETARIA

DeLaura Bike Rack Map



COVID Related Links:

- BPS Main COVID Information: https://www.brevardschools.org/COVID-19
- CDC COVID Page: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Interesting Articles & Resources for Parents:

- Parent technology Help Reference Sheet (google classroom):
 https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1 S9A45vTRArvGC7OUwfCzEwRg
 NRUypjLNIX9vO8 MOs/edit?usp=sharing
- Parent Social & Emotional Learning: https://casel.org/parent-resources/
- Distance Learning Resources: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/education/remote-learning/parents
- 13 Tips for Middle School Parents https://www.scholastic.com/parents/school-success/school-involvement/13-tips-success-middle-school-principal.html
- Parent Resources, Department of Education:
 https://www2.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml
- Tik-Tok App— What is this app all about? <u>Tik-Tok App Guide for Parents:</u> What is this thing?
- Parent's College Action Plan (Year-by-year guide):
 https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/for-parents
- Parent help for vaping: <u>Is my Kid Vaping? If so, now what?</u>
- Parents' Calendar for school success:
 https://www.ed.gov/parents/countdown-success
- Get your child to talk about their school day <u>10 Questions to ask your child</u> about their day

Parent Academic Resources

- Khan Academy https://www.khanacademy.org/
 - Free tutoring videos, activities and full length practice tests (SAT too!). Contains help for grades Pre-School through College Prep
 - Available on PC, Tablet and Smartphones
- Learning Ally: https://learningally.org/, helps struggling readers. Contact your child's guidance counselor or our Media Specialist, Megan Harkins, to see if your student qualifies
- Audible App: Available in IOS/Android App Store, ability to listen to books read aloud (Amazon Prime members have small free selection)
- Kids interested in computer coding? www.code.org
- Finance and Business for Kids (PBS): http://bizkids.com/

2021 - 2022 DeLaura Middle Student Clubs & Extra-Curricular Activities	Teacher Sponsor Name
Art Club	Ms. Laura Barna + Community Artists
Band	Mr. Jack Carr
BETA Club	Ms. Nancy Calderone
Book Bash & Book Club	Ms. Megan Harkins
Boys Basketball	Mr. Ryan Frankenfield
Cheerleading	Ms. Marina Rogers
Chorus	Ms. Lisa Benincasa
Debate Club	Ms. Kim Swinehart and Karla Skinner
Diversity and Inclusivity Club	Ms. Rebecca Stanley
Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)	Ms. Kim Swinehart and Karla Skinner
Future Educators of America	Ms. Aleksa Fromson
Girls Basketball	Mr. Jeff Skinner and/or Ms. Caitlin Baldwin
International Club	Ms. Amanda Baltimore
L3 Harris STEM Competition	Ms. Amanda Baltimore and Ms. Diane Westcott
Math Team	Ms. Aleksa Fromson
National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)	Ms. Judith Robert
Orchestra	Mr. Al Dodds
School Newspaper	Ms. Dominque Kidd
Science Research/Science Bowl	Ms. Kelly Smith
STEM Girls Club	Ms. Emily Jones
Student Government Association (SGA)	Ms. Vicki Hero
Track	Mr. Bonar, Ms. Fromson, Ms. Correa, Mr. Doug Butler
Yearbook	Ms. Rebecca Stanley

2021-2022 Bell Schedule

Period	Mon – Thurs	Friday
1st	9:30 – 10:18 (48 min)	9:30 – 10:05 (35 min)
2nd	10:21 – 11:09 (48 min)	10:08 – 10:43 (35 min)
3rd	11:12 – 12:00 (48 min)	10:46 – 11:21 (35 min)
4 th	12:03 – 1:43 (70 min)	11:24 – 1:04 (70 min)
(Lunches)	1st Lunch 12:03 - 12:33	1st Lunch 11:24 - 11:54
	2 nd Lunch 12:38 – 1:08	2 nd Lunch 11:59 – 12:29
	3 rd Lunch 1:13 – 1:43	3 rd Lunch 12:34 – 1:04
5 th	1:46 – 2:34 (48 min)	1:07 – 1:42 (35 min)
6 th	2:37 – 3:25 (48 min)	1:45 – 2:20 (35 min)
7 th	3:28 – 4:15 (47 min)	2:23 – 3:00 (37 min)

DMS Monthly Rotations

MONTH	SCHEDULE
August	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
September	2,3,4,5,6,7,1
October	3,4,5,6,7,1,2
November	4,5,6,7,1,2,3
December	5,6,7,1,2,3,4
January	6,7,1,2,3,4,5
February	7,1,2,3,4,5,6
March	1,2,3,4,5,6,7
April	2,3,4,5,6,7,1
May	3,4,5,6,7,1,2

^{*}Lunch is based off of 4th hour class. See teacher lunch schedule.

Rotations will occur the first Monday of the month. Please see dates below:

September 7th

October 4th

November 1st

December 6th

January 6th (Thursday - first day back from winter break)

February 8th

March 7th

April 4th

May 2nd



The Military and Family Life Counseling Program is here for you during the coronavirus disease pandemic. We now offer telephone and video non-medical counseling in addition to face-to-face non-medical counseling.

Who is eligible?

Free and confidential non-medical counseling is available to service members, Department of Defense expeditionary civilians, their families and survivors.

Child and youth behavioral counselors are available to support children and youth up to age 18. They also offer guidance to families, staff and support personnel.

What can I expect from non-medical counseling?

Your Military and Family Life counselor can help with:

- Managing stress and changes at home due to COVID-19
- Adjusting to deployment and reintegration
- Preparing to move or adjusting after a move
- · Strengthening relationships
- · Managing problems at work
- Grieving the death of a loved one or colleague

Your Military and Family Life Counselor will be hosting a Zoom Meeting on:

Date and Time:

Schedule an appointment with a Military and Family Life Counselor:

Your point of contact: Charitty Presnal, LMHC

Phone number: (760) 499-2811

Call Military OneSource anytime, 24/7 at 800-342-9647 or visit www.MilitaryOneSource.mil.











Subject: Parent Acknowledgement and Consent Letter for Child and Youth Behavioral Military and Family Life Counseling Services

Dear Parents,

We take this opportunity to inform you of a valuable resource provided by the Department of Defense. Due to the unique challenges military members face and the impact they have on families, the Office of Military Community and Family Policy provides Child and Youth Behavioral Military Family Life Counselors (CYB-MFLCs). CYB-MFLCs have advanced degrees (masters or doctoral-level) in the mental health field and specialized training in child and youth development. They support the needs of children and families by partnering with parents, faculty, counselors and staff to foster healthy growth and social skill development. The well-being and safety of your child is our top priority. To ensure a comprehensive continuum of care for your child, CYB-MFLCS may work in collaboration with school or program professionals.

CYB-MFLCs address challenging behaviors and strengthen the capacity of staff, families, programs and systems to meet the needs of military children and youth by:

- Observing, participating and engaging in classroom activities
- Developing strategies for supporting positive behavior, age-appropriate behavioral interventions to enhance coping and behavioral skills in the classrooms and at home
- Meeting one-on-one or in groups, providing evidence-based prevention and intervention services
- Implementing and modeling strategies for teacher and staff responses to children's behavior
- Conducting trainings for staff
- Facilitating groups to increase parents' understanding of social emotional development and positive behavior guidance strategies
- Linking families with community resources or military family programs
- Working with military children in settings such as field trips and other center, camp, or school sponsored activities.
- Conducting individual sessions to address the unique challenges of school-aged military children and youth

At no time will the CYB-MFLC meet individually with a child without being in line of sight of a teacher, staff, or a parent/guardian. CYB-MFLCs are mandated reporters and information provided to the CYB-MFLC will be kept confidential, except to meet legal obligations or to prevent harm to self or others. Legal obligations include requirements of law and DoD or military regulations. Harm to self or others includes suicidal thought or intent, a desire to harm oneself, domestic violence, child abuse or neglect, violence against any person, and any present or future illegal activity. The CYB-MFLC is obligated to follow school and military child and youth programs' regulations for reporting safety concerns including problematic sexual behaviors in children and youth.

CYB-MFLCs encourage the participation of parents in decisions that affect their children and strive to empower parents with the knowledge and skills to act in their children's best interest.

CYB-MFLCs are flexible and can schedule appointments, meetings and activities after hours and on weekends, if needed, with advance notice. They are available to meet with individuals and families who have interest in seeking consultation about their child or family.

Thank you for allowing us to provide support services to your child/children.

Acknowledgement of Understanding:

I understand the role of the CYB-MFLC and that they may work in collaboration with school or program professionals to ensure a comprehensive continuum of services. I also understand that the CYB-MFLCs are mandated reporters as outlined above.

Please select applicable boxes below:
I understand the above CYB-MFLC program description and authorize my child to participate in CYB-MFLC direct face-to-face non-medical counseling sessions. This authorization is valid for the duration of my child's enrollment and can be revoked at any time in writing.
I understand the above CYB-MFLC program description and authorize my child to participate and be supported <i>as a part of a formal group focused on different topic areas</i> . This authorization is valid for the duration of my child's enrollment and can be revoked at any time in writing.
Print Name of Child:
Print Name of Parent or Guardian:
Parent or Guardian Signature:
Date:

NO COST TUTORING

Military life comes with many challenges. Education should not be one of them.

No cost, 24/7 on-demand, online tutoring, so you can study on your schedule.

Connect with a tutor today at tutor.com/military

Visit www.tutor.com/military/eligibility for full funding and program eligibility details. The appearance of the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) visual information does not imply or constitute DoD endorsement.









STUDENT CHECK OUT PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES

Please be advised of the student check-out procedures and guidelines in place for the safety and well-being of your student.

- The contacts you provide for your student are EMERGENCY CONTACTS only. This means that in an emergency situation if you as the registered parent(s) or documented legal guardian(s) are not available, you may instruct us to allow a person on your emergency contact list to check out your student.
- ✓ If you would like someone on your emergency contact list to check out your student any other time (someone that is not the registering parent(s) or documented legal guardian(s), we ask that you notify the front desk in advance of this check out. This is for the safety and security of your student.
- ✓ Please confirm that we have your most up to date cell/work phone contacts.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to provide our best to your student.

INTRODUCING THE FORTIFYFL APP

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

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





QUICK AND EASY SAFETY TIP SUBMISSION

By accessing FortifyFL, students can provide a description of the threat, share pics and videos and optionally submit their contact information.



EASY TIP SUBMISSION

Follow the easy 4-step process to submit a tip. Your name and contact information is always optional, just skip it to submit anonymously.

You can access your previous tips, and submit updates and additional information.