



# **Viking Voice**

**Weekly Newsletter**

## **Fort Walton Beach High School**

**May 31, 2019**

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**\*\*If you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please send me an email (include your student's name) and I will remove you from the distribution list.**

**There is a lot of information in this edition! Remember to scroll all the way through the newsletter for graduation information, summer events, club news, information on athletics, and community service opportunities.**

### **Messages from Administration**

**On Saturday, May 25, Coach Phil Dorn's wife (Lee Ann Dorn) was injured in a boating accident. She suffered a severe abdominal injury and was taken by life flight to FWB Medical Center. She has undergone two successful surgeries and is currently in ICU. Ms. Dorn's family is requesting continued positive thoughts**

and prayers from all of the Viking Family, as Lee Ann begins to navigate through recovery.

Chelsey Dorn has started an online journal to provide updates on her mom's progress, at [www.caringbridge.org](http://www.caringbridge.org) (search for Lee Ann Dorn).

The Steighner and Eads families have started a GOFUNDME page for Ms. Dorn, in order to provide help with medical expenses. Visit [https://www.gofundme.com/lee-ann-dorn?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_campaign=p\\_email%2B1020-sharing-invite-v5](https://www.gofundme.com/lee-ann-dorn?utm_medium=email&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_email%2B1020-sharing-invite-v5) to make a contribution.

The FWBHS faculty and staff has set up a meal train for the Dorn family. Visit <https://mealtrain.com/2qy8v5> for available days and times.

## **Class of 2019**

Friday, May 31  
7:30pm

Graduation – Steve Riggs Stadium  
Meet in Gym no later than 6:30pm

**\*\*Students should not wear their gown into the gym. Instead they should bring their gown into the gym on a hanger. \*\*Students will not be admitted to the gym if they are wearing the gown.**

Friday, May 31

Pick up Diploma (Gym)

Up to 30 minutes after the ceremony (or pick up in Guidance the week of June 3)

## **More Graduation Information**

What to wear under the graduation gown?

Gentlemen – wear dark, dress trousers (no jeans), dark shoes with socks, white or light collared shirt, and a tie. Absolutely no shorts, flip flops, or tennis shoes.

Ladies – wear a dress that does not hang below the hem of the gown. White or light colored shoes look best with the white gowns. Darker shoes look better with the red gowns. Girls **MAY NOT** wear flip flops or high, spiked heels. Flat shoes or wedges work best for walking on the turf.

No jewelry, flowers, or anything not provided by the school should be attached or worn over or on the gown.

We want the ceremony to be a dignified event. Students will not be allowed to bring silly string or foam or anything to be sprayed or squirted on each other. Beach balls will not be permitted. It is rude for the students to toss these while their peers are speaking. Please make sure that your child understands the proper decorum for this ceremony. Administrators and faculty will be checking for these items and students will be removed from the line if we find them with

aerosol cans or materials of any kind that will disrupt or create an undesirable atmosphere.

Thank you for helping us to make graduation a great event for our graduates and their families.

## **Graduation Info for Parents & Guests**

**Contact: J. Spolski ([SpolskiJ@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:SpolskiJ@okaloosaschools.com))**

Because of our synthetic turf, stiletto or spiked heels will not be allowed on the field after graduation. Please plan on wearing flat, wedge or block heels. Please note, your shoes may become dirty or gray from the new in-fill and pellets on the field.

For the last 3 years we have prohibited the releasing of BALLOONS at graduation. Please refrain from this practice and help us preserve our natural resources.

**NO BALLOONS- SAVE OUR MARINE LIFE!**

## **Graduation LiveStream**

The link for the Graduation LiveStream is:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zPES5zAN8U>

FWBHS Graduation: Friday, May 31, 2019; beginning at 7:30pm

## **Summer Intensive Studies (Summer School)**

**Contact: J. Tucci (850-833-3300)**

Classes offered are credit recovery only (no original credit classes) for students lacking one or more credits for promotion and/or graduation (graduating seniors will have priority).

All subjects will be taught through the computer-based program, e2020. Students will work at their own pace. Here is the schedule for summer school:

Dates: June 10 – July 3, 2019

Time: 7:30am – 1:00pm

Students will need to bring their own lunch/snack.

Transportation is not provided

## **Summer Driver's Education**

**Contact: K. Evans (850-833-3300 or [EvansK@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:EvansK@okaloosaschools.com))**

**PLACE:** Fort Walton Beach High School

**DATES:** June 10, 2019 – June 27, 2019

**COST:** \$150.00 per student (make check payable to *School District of Okaloosa County*)

**Times:** Students will register for time slots: 2 hours, 2 days a week for 3 weeks. The last week will be for practice and on-site testing.

**NOTE:** You must have your permit prior to the start date of summer driver's education.

Please see Ms. Evans in the Guidance Office to register your student. Or, call 850-833-3300 with any questions.

## **Thank You to all of the FWBHS Volunteers!!**

The faculty and staff of Fort Walton Beach High School is truly grateful to all of the parent and community volunteers that worked diligently with us this year to provide a quality learning environment for the Viking students. Without the dedication of the volunteers we would not be able to provide adequate customer service or facilitate all of the mandated testing that occurs throughout the year (but especially in the spring months).

Thank you so very much for your time and expertise! We do love and appreciate you!

## **Report Cards, FSA Reading Score Reports, & State EOC Reports**

We will not be mailing home end of year report cards, the FSA Reading Score Reports (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> graders), or the State EOC Reports. These reports will be arriving at FWBHS toward the end of June. When all of the reports are ready for pick up, administration will make an "all call" (automated call) to the parents. This phone call will tell parents what date they can begin picking these reports up from the guidance office.

## **Updating Distribution List**

**Contact: L. Lipnicky ([LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com))**

I will be updating our email distribution list this summer. If you No longer wish to receive the newsletter please send me an email telling me to take you off the list. Please include your child's name and the email address(es) that should be removed. Thanks!

## **Registration of New Students**

During the summer, registration for new students will be conducted on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays between 8:00am-1:00pm. Please call 850-833-3300 (option 2) for more information or to schedule an appointment.

## **Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Graders (Class of 2023)**

**Contact: B. McDaniel (850-543-7001 or [McDanielB@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:McDanielB@okaloosaschools.com))**

FWBHS Leadership will be hosting a 9<sup>th</sup> grade "Day at the Fort" on Friday, August 9, 2019, beginning at Noon. This event will help our 9<sup>th</sup> grade students get acclimated to their new school, meet administrators, and counselors, and find out about programs they may want to join; and they will learn how to navigate through Fort Walton Beach High School.

Parents will receive information and invitations for their 9<sup>th</sup> grader(s) through the mail in July.

We cannot tell you how excited our clubs, sports, and students are about our incoming Class of 2023!

Day at the Fort sample schedule:

Friday, August 9, 2019

Noon	Check-In at the Main Gym Entrance (East Side of the Building)
1:00pm	Grouping and Activities Begin
4:00pm	Student Tailgate with pizza/drinks/snacks/music
5:45pm	Student Section Take Over
6:00pm	Red & White Football Game
8:00pm(ish)	Students picked up from football game

Cost: \$10. This will include admission to the football game, snacks, drinks.

**Class of 2020**

## **Summer Senior Portraits**

**Contact: S. Thetford ([Thetfordsh@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:Thetfordsh@okaloosaschools.com))**

Current Juniors -- Class of 2020 -- dates for summer senior portraits will be June 12-13 and July 8-9. Prestige Portraits, a branch of Lifetouch Photography, will be at FWBHS in the Auditorium from 8:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M. on those dates *by appointment only*. Contact Prestige Portraits at 800-736-4775 for more information.

There is a small sitting fee. If the fee is a hardship for anyone, please ask the photographer to bill you. We still need your photo for the yearbook. They may not take as many poses, but we still need you to show up and have your photo made.

The sitting fee of \$10-\$15, covers the extra time to take multiple poses and to have a set of proofs to be mailed to your home. Students are encouraged to bring favorite outfits or clothing related to extra-curricular activities.

The photographers will have a fake tux top for guys, although we recommend bringing your own white dress shirt; they will have a velvet drape for girls in several sizes, so the ladies should avoid shirts with collars.

The students are encouraged to bring additional outfits, particularly things related to their extra-curricular activities, if applicable, for extra poses: dance, sports, band, etc. Or just favorite outfits -- dressy or casual.

We usually put the traditional tux and drape in the yearbook, but we use the casual pose for other things such as senior quotes, hall of fame winners, etc. In the spring semester, when guidance has calculated the final GPA based on first semester, we have cap and gown pictures in the students' correct cap, gown, and stole color (the company provides these). That will happen after Christmas break, and you'll receive a separate reminder for that.

## **Save The Date**

**Contact: J. Spolski (850-833-3300)**

Class of 2020 – Graduation

Friday, May 29, 2020  
7:30pm  
Steve Riggs Stadium

**[www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov)**

SENIORS – complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) beginning October 1, 2019, at [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov).

Seniors – you and your parent/guardian should go to [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov) now and apply for a FSA ID. Both you and a parent/guardian will need this ID in order to complete the FAFSA beginning October 1.

Students and families can check out these links in preparation for completing financial aid applications:

📺 How to Create an FSA ID - YouTube

📺 FAFSA and FSA ID Tips for Parents - YouTube

## **Bright Futures Information**

Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) – Class of 2019

The *2019-2020 Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA)* will be available online beginning October 1, 2019. The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) website at [www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org) provides the FFAA to students seeking state scholarship and grant awards (including Bright Futures) for the 2018-2019 postsecondary academic year.

Applications can be made beginning October 1, 2019, for seniors at [www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org).

This single application is used to evaluate the student for the following State of Florida programs (you will be answering questions during your registration/account creation that will let OSFA know if you qualify for these programs/scholarships):

📺 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program – Deadline Graduation, 2020

📺 José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant – Deadline April 1, 2020

📺 Rosewood Family Scholarship Program – Deadline April 1, 2020

📺 Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans – Deadline April 1, 2020

## **Seniors – Community Service Hours**

Attention Seniors – Please turn your community service hours into the guidance office. In order for these hours to appear on your transcript we must enter them on to the computer.

**\*\*Bright Futures retrieves your community service hours from the school district's computer system.**

**Please turn your community service hours into the guidance office!!!**

## **Guidance News**

### **Reporting Scholarships Received**

**Contact: L. Lipnicky (850-833-3300 or [LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com))**

**Class of 2019, please continue to report the scholarships that you are awarded, to the guidance office.**

**The deadline for appearing in the senior awards program has passed – BUT, we have to submit a report to the Okaloosa County School District, detailing all of the scholarships that our seniors have received this year.**

**We are depending on you to keep us informed of the awards that you receive. Thank you for your help!**

### **Honors Graduation Criteria**

**The cumulative weighted grade point average is used to calculate honors graduation designation. At the end of the seventh semester, honors graduates will be determined by the following cumulative scale:**

*Summa Cum Laude* – 4.25 and above

*Magna Cum Laude* – 4.0-4.2499

*Cum Laude* – 3.75-3.99

**In order to be considered an honors graduate, students must be enrolled in the same year-long course at the same level and receive a grade for the eighth semester.**

## **Yearbook News**

### **Valhalla – 2019-2020**

**Contact: S. Thetford ([ThetfordSh@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:ThetfordSh@okaloosaschools.com))**

*Valhalla* Vol. 50 for 2018-2019 are completely sold out. A few pre-ordered books have not been picked up yet. The Yearbook Staff wants to extend a big thanks to



parents and students for your support. Be watching for early purchase price for Volume 51 (for the Class of 2020), in August for \$75. The online sales link is not yet available for next year's book.

## **Art Department News**

### **Viking Art Students**

**Contact: K. Moran (850-833-3300 or [MoranK@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:MoranK@okaloosaschools.com))**

All art students who left art pieces in Ms. Moran's room will need to pick them up by June 4<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot get your art pieces by then, you need to call or email Ms. Moran.

## **English Department News**

### **Congratulations Viking Writers!**

**Contact: A. Holt (850-833-3300 or [HoltA@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:HoltA@okaloosaschools.com))**

Congratulations to the Creative Writing students published in the 2019 National Young Writers Poetry Contest book. The competition was open to all 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students across the nation, and Fort Walton Beach High School had eleven talented authors selected to be represented in the publication.

Jada Bard	10th grade	"Pencil Prison"
Jaden Carlisle	9th grade	"Last Day"
Abigail Coyle	11th grade	"Voiceless"
Cedrik Dunlap	11th grade	"Void of Void"
Brianna Gavenda	10th grade	"Our Mother's Elegance"
Anna Henry	10th grade	"Topics of Dreaming"
Alison Janetis	9th grade	"The Scuffs On My Sneakers"
Kaitlyn Kincaid	10th grade	"DISGUISED"
Kendall Moreland	9th grade	"I'm Sorry"
Anne Marie Willis	11th grade	"A Poet"
Joseph Zylak	10th grade	"Panic Attack"

If you are interested in purchasing copies of the book, they are available on Amazon for \$10.



From left to right: Alison Janetis, Anna Henry, Abby Coyle, Joseph Zylak, Anne Marie Willis, Katie Kincaid, Jada Bard, Cedrik Dunlap, Kendall Moreland, and Jaden Carlisle. Not pictured: Brianna Gavenda

## **Club News**

### **National Honor Society**

**Contact: A. Pearson ([PearsonA@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:PearsonA@okaloosaschools.com))**

**Attention Next Year Juniors and Seniors:**

**If you will meet the requirements for the Fort Walton Beach Chapter of National Honor Society (3.75 weighted GPA), please note the following:**

- 1. We do NOT send you a letter of invitation over the summer. You may receive something from National Honor Society of High School Scholars. Please be aware that this is NOT affiliated with FWBH's chapter of National Honor Society (NHS).**
- 2. If you meet the grade point average requirement, you will receive a letter in WAVE next school year to apply to NHS.**
- 3. One of the requirements on the NHS application is community service. Next year students will be required to have their community service hours logged in guidance to meet this requirement. You should have at least 45 hours of community service to fulfill the NHS requirement. HINT: pick up a community service sheet from guidance before the end of the school year.**

**Please contact Ann Pearson at [pearsona@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:pearsona@okaloosaschools.com) with any questions you may have for the National Honor Society application process.**

## **Sports News**

## **Viking Track and Cross Country**

**Contact: C. Sloan ([SloanC@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:SloanC@okaloosaschools.com))**

Some dates to remember and put on your calendars.

**May 13 - 1st practice day for the Okaloosa Express Track Club**

- **Must have an AAU membership #.**
  - **Go to AAUsports.org**
    - **Find track and field**
    - **Click on new memberships**
- **Please bring the registration form and liability form with you**
- **First payment of \$50 is also due on your first day**

**May 20 – current high school students 1<sup>st</sup> day of summer running**

**June 1 - Billy Bowlegs kids run and 5k**

- **Need volunteers to work the kids run, water station for the 5k and finish line**

**June 3 – first day of summer cross country running for everyone including incoming freshman**

- **7 am at FWBHS**

**June 18 – Concussion Baseline Testing**

- **If you are an incoming freshman or new student to FWBHS please plan to attend this event.**
- **If you did not complete this test last year you must do it this year.**
- **This test is good for 2 years.**
- **This will be administered at FWBHS, in the media center**

**July 7 -11- Summer running camp**

**July 29 – First official day of Cross Country practice.**

## **Cross Country – Morning Run Schedule**

**Contact: C. Sloan ([SloanC@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:SloanC@okaloosaschools.com))**

**CROSS COUNTRY  
2019 Weekly Schedule for Summer Morning Runs**

Start date: Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

7:00 am to 9:00ish

This is a tentative schedule and subject to change

Please contact Coach Sloan with any questions and check emails for the weekly schedule

Monday – Meet at Timberlake- Beal Parkway turns into Lewis Turner at Green Acres continue past the Fair Grounds and the golf course approximately 1 mile after the signal light at Mooney take the first left into Timberlake Recreational Area

Tuesday –Meet at FWBHS. We may also have some runs at the Mary Esther trails near the Mary Esther Library off of Hollywood Blvd, and Jet Recreation area off Hollywood.

Wednesday- Meet at Calhoun Park also called Clement Taylor Park it is off 98 heading west take the last right before the Destin bridge if heading east take the first left after Destin bridge onto Calhoun Ave. the park is about a ½ mile down on the left it has a white fence.

Thursday – Various locations and incorporate some light interval workouts will also include going to the Ferry Park.

Friday – Will be our run with a breakfast. We will alternate a different location each week. We will meet and go for our run and after be treated to a breakfast. Locations will be sent out later.

Coach C. Sloan  
Cell: 850-376-4020  
[sloanc@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:sloanc@okaloosaschools.com)

Coach L. Fields  
Cell 803-3126  
[lissette.fields@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:lissette.fields@okaloosaschools.com)

## **45<sup>th</sup> Annual Billy Bowlegs 5K Run/Walk**

**Contact: L. Fields ([Lissette.Fields@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:Lissette.Fields@okaloosaschools.com))**



**45th Billy Bowlegs  
5K Run/Walk  
7:30 AM June 1, 2019**



<p><b>Packet Pickup/Registration</b> May 27th: Get-a-Go-Go Run at Eglin AFB May 30th - 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Run With It June 1st- 6:00 AM to 7:15 AM at FWB High School Registers Online at <a href="http://www.nwffc.com">www.nwffc.com</a> or obtain printable entry forms at <a href="http://www.nwffc.com">www.nwffc.com</a> or <a href="http://www.gwyn.com">www.gwyn.com</a>.</p> <p><b>Course</b> Start and finish line will be at Fort Walton Beach High School on Wright Parkway. The 5K course is a flat circuit winding through the neighborhood near the school.</p> <p><b>Water Stations:</b> There will be two water stations on the course - near mile 1 &amp; 2. Water and fruit at the finish line.</p> <p><b>Commemorative T-Shirts:</b> Guaranteed to first 400 participants to register.</p> <p><b>Awards Pickup:</b> Awards will be presented at the Awards Ceremony at Liza Jackson Park East Pavilion. Awards will not be mailed.</p> <p><b>Awards- Runners</b> Top overall male &amp; female Top overall male &amp; female Masters (40+) Top overall male &amp; female Grandmasters (50+) Top overall male &amp; female Great Grandmasters (60+) Three deep for male &amp; female age groups: 0-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80+</p>	<p><b>Additional information</b> Check <a href="http://www.nwffc.com">www.nwffc.com</a> or contact Race Director at email: <a href="mailto:bowllegs@nwffc.com">bowllegs@nwffc.com</a></p> <p><b>Entry Fees (non-refundable)</b> \$25.00 - until May 24th (postmarked) \$28.00 - May 24th through May 31st \$30.00 - Race Day/June 1st \$ 2.00 - Disc. For NWFFC Members Before May 21</p> <p><b>Race Parking:</b> Parking is available at FWB High School and at Liza Jackson Park.</p> <p><b>Post Race Party:</b> The Awards Ceremony and party will be at Liza Jackson Park with food, drinks and live music in the West Pavilion near IHOP.</p> <p><b>Race Results:</b> Complete timing and results will be available at <a href="http://nwffc.com">nwffc.com</a></p> <p><b>Awards- Walker</b> Top overall male &amp; female Top overall male &amp; female Masters (40+) Two deep in the following age groups: 0-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80+</p>
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Billy Bowlegs 5K Run/Walk Entry Form: 7:30 AM Jun 1st, 2019

Run  (COMPETITIVE RUNNING AND CAPITAL WALKING) Official Use Only  
Walk  (NO RUNNING - WALKING ONLY)

First Name:  Last Name:  Age:

Address:

City:  ST:  ZIP:  Male  Female

Make checks payable & mail to: NWFFC / P.O. Box 911 / Shalimar, FL 32579-0911 Shirt Size (Circle) S M L XL XXL

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Billy Bowlegs KidsRun

**Where: FWB HS Track**

**When: June 1st, 2019 - 9AM (after the 5K race)**

**\$10 early Entry Fee (received by May 28th)**

**\$15 after May 29th till race day**

**Each participant will receive a T-shirt.**

**3 Distances for various age groups:**

**Ages 1-4 run 1/4 mile.**

**Ages 5-7 run 1/2 mile.**

**Ages 8-11 run 1 mile.**

**Each runner will receive a participation medal.**

**Awards will be given to schools with the highest participation.**

**The prizes will be donated to the winning school's athletic programs.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place = \$200 / 2<sup>nd</sup> Place = \$150 / 3<sup>rd</sup> Place = \$100**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age on June 1st : \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_  
M F

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ School  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt size (kids): Small Medium Large

WAIVER (Mandatory) I know that running/walking a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risk associated with running in this event including, but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/humidity, traffic and conditions of the road, all such risk being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the NWFTC, FWB HS, and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent must sign for children under 18 years of age)

Make Checks Payable to: NWFTC P.O. Box 911 Shalimar, Florida 32579

Questions: Call 803-

## **Testing Information**

### **School Based 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Exams**

**Contact: L. Smith (850-833-3300 or  
[Lindsey.Smith@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:Lindsey.Smith@okaloosaschools.com))**

#### **Friday, May 31**

Early Release (School Dismissed at 11:30am)  
1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> period Exams

### **AP & AICE Exams**

**Contact: L. Lipnicky (850-833-3300 or  
[LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com))**

\*\*Time listed is the student report to the testing location time

#### **Friday, June 7**

10:00am FWBHS Media Center  
AICE Thinking Skills 1

## **Educational Travel Opportunity**

### **2020 Galapagos Islands Trip**

**Contact: T. Marez (850-833-3300 or [MarezT@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:MarezT@okaloosaschools.com))**

I am excited to announce that I will lead a group of Fort Walton Beach High School students on a WorldStrides program to Galapagos Islands. On this once-in-a-lifetime adventure, students will explore one of the most bio-diverse areas of the world. They'll experience incomparable learning moments while gaining a new appreciation and love for science. This will be a trip that your child will be talking about for years to come!

Your child will return home excited to tell you about:

- Visiting Mitad de Mundo, and stand on the middle of the world!
- Seeing the Giant Tortoise and learn why Darwin found these amazing land creatures so amazing
- Snorkeling at Concha Perla and coming face to face with playful sea lions and the Galapagos Penguin
- Hiking the Sierra Negra Volcano and learning how to properly identify volcanic rock

I have chosen to travel with WorldStrides because of their exceptional service, their 50 years of experience, their safety record, and their preventive measures that ensure learning occurs in a safe and fun environment. I will chaperone the program with other teachers as needed, and throughout the program our group will be guided by a WorldStrides-certified Course Leader 24 hours a day. Since this is not a school sponsored trip, we will not be attending as representatives or employees of the school.

Please read the information below, check out the sample itinerary and visit [www.worldstrides.com/signup](http://www.worldstrides.com/signup) for more details about WorldStrides and our group's trip. If you have any questions, you can contact me at (850)833-3300, or via [marezt@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:marezt@okaloosaschools.com).

Dr. Tavia Marez  
850-833-3300 Ext 14275  
[marezt@okaloosaschools.com](mailto:marezt@okaloosaschools.com)

## Galapagos Islands Details:

### TRIP DATES

**Trip ID#: 170718**  
Destination: Galapagos Islands  
Departing: Friday, June 12, 2020  
Returning: Saturday, June 20, 2020

### TRIP PRICE

**SIGN UP NOW** to take advantage of our special early registration discount and Spring 2019 program price!

Prices are based on 30 full-paying participants.

**Student:** Your discounted price is \$3,616 quadruple occupancy, which reflects a \$200 discount off the Spring 2019 price for signing up prior to Friday, February 22, 2019.

**Adult:** Your discounted price is \$4,188 double occupancy, which reflects a \$200 discount off the Spring 2019 price for signing up prior to Friday, February 22, 2019.

Payment can be made in full or spread out into monthly installment payments\*. Select EZPay when choosing monthly installment payments and have your payments automatically deducted from your bank account saving you time and potential missed payments.

Full Refund Program: An additional \$299 covers cancellation (see Terms and Conditions at [www.worldstrides.com/ms-terms-conditions](http://www.worldstrides.com/ms-terms-conditions)).

**FLAG financial assistance:** FLAG financial assistance may be available for families with an adjusted gross income up to \$85,000. See reverse for details.

\*Installment amounts may vary in price based on when you sign up and optional inclusions. Your last payment must be made by the final payment deadline and may be larger than your previous installment payments. Your final payment is due on 02/23/2020.

### INCLUDES

- Round trip transportation
- Sightseeing transportation
- Field Journals
- Admission fees
- 24-Hour Emergency Support
- Course Leader
- School Credit
- Evening Activities
- All Meals
- Quality hotel accommodations
- Accident/health insurance
- Online educational resources

### SIGN UP TODAY!

**Sign Up By:** 02/22/19 – register now and SAVE!

Deposit Amount: \$49 (non-refundable) – This is a special, reduced deposit amount for signing up prior to 02/22/19.

#### Sign Up:

- Online at [www.worldstrides.com/signup](http://www.worldstrides.com/signup) (use Trip ID#170718 to sign up)
- By phone – call WorldStrides' Customer Service Team at 1-800-468-5899
- By mail – use the registration form **on reverse**



Sign up today for the trip of a lifetime!



**ONLINE**

[worldstrides.com/signup](http://worldstrides.com/signup)



**PHONE**

800-468-5899



**MAIL**

Fill out the attached form  
and return by mail

## Easy ways to pay for your trip

At WorldStrides, our passion is student travel. We believe every student should have the opportunity for travel to change their lives and that's why we offer several tools to help make these experiences possible for each and every student.



### Financial Assistance with FLAG Future Leaders of American Government

- Over \$2.5 million in financial assistance given out each year to thousands of families
- Families with annual adjusted gross incomes of less than \$85,000 may qualify
- One simple call and you'll know how much is available for your trip

Hurry, financial assistance is given on a first come, first served basis.



### Fundraising with the Gift of Education

- Student driven fundraising where 100% of money raised goes to offset trip price
- Easy to use e-cards, letters and shareable Facebook links students can send to friends and family
- Thousands of students pay for their entire trip each year through the Gift of Education



### Payment Plans that are easy & affordable

- Sign up for the trip with a small deposit
- Remaining payments are spread out into smaller amounts and paid monthly prior to travel
- Set up auto-deductions from your checking account to save time and money

Please don't let the cost of the trip prevent your child from experiencing this incredible opportunity with their friends. WorldStrides Customer Service can help make this a reality so call us today at **800-468-5899** and let us tell you more about these great programs available to help you pay for your trip.

### Protect your investment with our Full Refund Program

Educational travel is an investment in your child's future. Our Full Refund Program protects that investment should you have to cancel prior to departure. The program refunds all money paid (less non-refundable deposit, fees, and the Full Refund Program cost). We strongly recommend that you add-on our Full Refund Program when signing up for your trip.

Full Terms and Conditions are available at [worldstrides.com/tripterms](http://worldstrides.com/tripterms).

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Fort Walton Beach High School**

**Trip ID# 170718 - 06/12/20 - CC**

Full legal name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Additional registrant name\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Federal mandate (TSA) requires that travelers provide their complete first, middle, and last names (as they appear on legal documents, not nicknames or initials) and date of birth.

Date of birth: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  Male  Female  Student  Adult Additional registrant DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  Male  Female  Student  Adult

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  I verify this is a valid email address. Sign me up for paper-free billing and notifications

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Party name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Include a souvenir T-shirt and bill me \$19. My size is **S M L XL XXL**

Amount I am paying today: \_\_\_\_\_

Your minimum payment is \$49

I am paying by check There is a \$35 charge for returned checks

I am paying by credit card  MasterCard  Visa  Discover

Card Number:

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Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes, enroll me in the Full Refund Program!
- No, do not enroll me in the Full Refund Program

Signature

X: \_\_\_\_\_

I have reviewed and agree to the Terms and Conditions and confirm my Full Refund Program selection. Full Terms and Conditions can be found at [www.worldstrides.com/tripterms](http://www.worldstrides.com/tripterms)

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