

## September 2021

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Kelli Sanders, Principal

### Principal's Message

Aviator Highlights  
 Antioch Elementary School  
 4700 Whitehurst Lane, Crestview, FL 32536  
[www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch/](http://www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch/)

Kelli Howard, Assistant Principal

<b>DATES TO REMEMBER:</b>	
2	Peppers Day/PTO Fundraiser
6	Labor Day/No School
8	FIC Cards go home to parents
9	Progress Reports Available
11	September 11th/ Patriots Day We Remember
15	PTO Meeting 3:45pm via Zoom
17	Constitution Day & Citizenship Day/ Wear Red, White, and Blue
20- 24	Freedom Week/ Wear Red, White, and Blue all week
21	SAC Meeting 4:00pm via Zoom
22	FIC Cards due back to school
Oct. 5	Chick-Fil-A night
7	Fall Pictures
11th	End of Nine Weeks/ Teacher Workday/ Student Holiday

Dear Parents,

We have had a fast and furious start to our school year! I cannot remember a time where we had to conduct a severe weather event and a lockout event in the same year much less in the first twenty days! Your child's teachers did an amazing job during both events in keeping students safe and calm. I will always try to keep you informed during these events using our call out system. If you have "opted out" of receiving calls through this system you will have to follow the directions on this newsletter to opt back in. We are unable to make that change for you.

We are also doing everything in our power to slow down the spread of the COVID virus. We are encouraging frequent hand washing and we are wiping down surfaces frequently. This variant of the virus presents with a variety of symptoms: a runny nose, sore throat, diarrhea, and fever. Please help us by keeping your student home if they present with any combination of these symptoms.

While we are working to keep your children safe we are also trying to provide them with the best education possible. Our students will be moving to the new Florida Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (BEST) standards for English Language Arts (ELA) this year in Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. Our 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students will still be learning the Language Arts Florida Standards (LAFS) standards and we will bridge to the BEST standards for a smooth transition. Your students will continue to learn the Mathematics Florida Standards (MAFS) and the Next Generation Standards (NGSS) for Science.

I am always available if you have questions or concerns. Don't hesitate to call me.

Your principal,

*Kelli Sanders*

### Note from Our Counselor, Connie Rice:

Welcome to another exciting year at Antioch! We are so glad you are all here. One way you can help your children be engaged with their learning is to create a box to celebrate everything they learn or accomplish this year. They can put notes in the box with their successes like "I learned 25 sight words" or "I learned all my multiplication tables". They can also include information about times they were helpful to other students or to their teacher(s). At the end of the year they can go through the box to remember what a great year it truly was. I am always available to help you or your student. Please feel free to call or e-mail at any time!

*Connie Rice*

School Counselor



Thank you for your continuous support of Antioch Elementary School. Your generosity is a great help for our students.

*Are you a business owner who would like to invest in our school?*

*The value of your donation will be tax deductible to the full extent allowed by the law*

*Crosspoint South*

*Kim Carpenter with Energizing Health TEA Living.*

*Heather Vaughn with Coldwell Banker Realty*

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*Glamp & Glitz Party Rooms LLC*

*Fade House Barbershop*

**Freedom Week**

*September 11 is Patriots Day  
September 17 is Constitution Day and  
Citizenship Day-students to wear red,  
white, and blue*

*September 20-24 Freedom Week –  
students to wear red, white, and blue  
Students are invited to bring photos of  
family members that have served in the  
armed forces to preserve our freedom  
during this special week. These photos  
will be displayed on our “Freedom  
Wall” in our main hallway.*

Antioch Elementary has a Facebook page! For up to date information please follow us on Facebook at Antioch Elementary School.



**Phone List**

Parents, if you have not been receiving our automated phone calls you may have opted out of receiving them. To opt back in, please call Blackboard Connect at 855-502-7867. The phone you use to call them will be the phone receiving the messages. We are not able to make changes once you have opted out.



Any transportation changes need to be in writing and given to your child's teacher. For the safety of our students, the deadline for early checkouts is 2:00pm.

Antioch Elementary also has a webpage. Follow us at [www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch](http://www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch). You can find links to Food Services, transportation, volunteering, and much more!

**Transportation**

The District has a helpful tool called the Bus Bulletin that sends notifications to parents if there are unexpected delays or schedule changes involving a student's bus. If you would like to receive these notifications, please register at [www.okaloosaschools.com/parents](http://www.okaloosaschools.com/parents), or on our website @ [www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch](http://www.okaloosaschools.com/antioch).



**Federal Impact Cards**

Federal Impact Aid was designed to assist local school districts that have **lost property tax revenue** due to the presence of tax- exempt Federal property, or that have experienced increased expenditures due to the enrollment of federally connected children, including children living on Indian lands. FIC cards will be sent home on September 8th. Please take the time to fill them out and return by September 22nd. Thank you.

Parents, please have your child on campus by 8:25am if you would like them to eat breakfast so they will be in their classroom ready to learn by 8:45am.