

# Marlin Messenger

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Dear Marlin Parents and Families,

What a terrific start to the school year!

It's exciting again to walk in each morning seeing the enthusiasm of every Marlin.

As you know, we are so blessed to work and live in a community filled with families that support each other through difficult times. I am proud to be your principal and it is an honor to work with such a dedicated staff, wonderful students, supportive families, and an amazing community.

This upcoming school year will undoubtedly look different but, together we can insure that your child receives the quality education they deserve. I encourage you to be an active part of your child's education. As parents, you have the greatest impact on your child's success.

Go Marlins!

Mr. Meyer

Principal

# CAR SAFETY



In an effort to maintain the safest possible environment for our students, please follow the expectations for drop off and pick up of students in the car line:

- Car-riders will wait in the front of the school for their car to pull up to the loading zone.
- It is courteous and efficient to pull up as far as you can to allow the most amount of cars to line up along the sidewalk.
- Be patient and wait in line and follow traffic flow.
- Staff members will supervise the loading/unloading of students.
- Cars may not be left unattended in the loading zone.

Side Parking Lot (Adjacent Legendary)

- Students will wait under the large tree.
- For safety reasons, we do not want students walking out on to HWY 293 or Legendary Marina Drive.

Thank you for helping us keep our students safe! GO MARLINS!

**Out of Field Teachers:** The following teachers are out of field in the area of ESOL, but are working on requirements:

Mrs. Julie Campbell

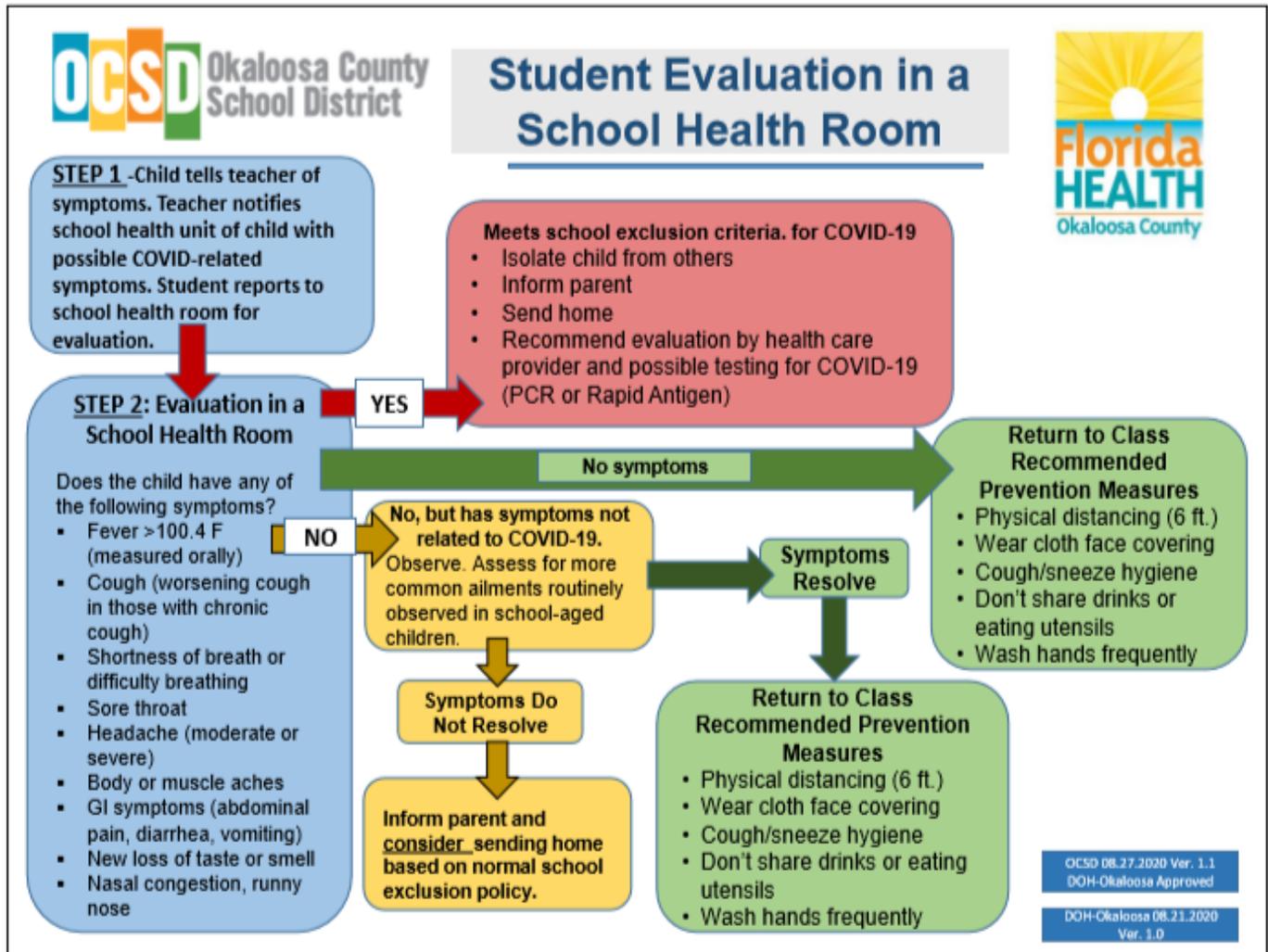
Mrs. Megan Tollett

**We are a paperless report card school:**

You can access your child's grades online via the Parent Portal. Their student number is the user ID and the last 4 digits are the PIN.



Please refer to the below flow chart for when your student experiences COVID related symptoms in school:



**ATTENTION:** Although we value our volunteers and visitors, with the new COVID-19 guidelines, to minimize risk, they will not be allowed on campus. Please make sure that your student brings all necessary items to school (lunch, sports gear, homework, water bottle, etc.). We greatly appreciate your understanding during this time.

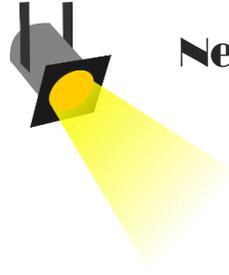


ESPAÑOL

CORNER

...With Sra. Ortiz

This week's word is:  
**¡Bienvenidos!**  
"Welcome"



## New Teacher Spotlight



**Miss Taylor Destito**

This is my 6<sup>th</sup> year teaching. I've taught for 2 years in the county, and before that I taught in Washington state. My undergraduate degree was Elementary with a middle school math endorsement. My master's degree was in secondary mathematics education. I love the beach down here, but definitely miss skiing and the mountains! I'm excited to be at DMS and get to know everyone.



SUPPORT DESTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
ADOPT-A-CLASSROOM

If you would like to be involved in the education of our future leaders, please support Destin Middle School by adopting a Classroom. An application is attached to this email, or your student can get one from their teacher or the front office. We appreciate your support!



OKALOOSA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Okaloosa County, Florida  
2020-2021 School Year Calendar



<b>Pre-School Planning</b>	<b>Monday - Friday</b>	<b>August 17-19, 2020</b>
First Day of School for Students	Monday	August 31, 2020
<b>Labor Day Holiday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 7, 2020</b>
End: 1 <sup>st</sup> Grading Period	Friday	October 30, 2020
<b>Teacher Work Day/ Student Holiday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 2, 2020</b>
Veterans Day Holiday	Wednesday	November 11, 2020
<b>Thanksgiving Holidays</b>	<b>Wednesday-Friday</b>	<b>November 25 - 27, 2020</b>
Winter Break Holidays	Monday-Friday	December 21, 2020- January 1, 2021
<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 18, 2021</b>
End: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grading Period	Friday	January 22, 2021
<b>Teacher Work Day/ Student Holiday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 25, 2021</b>
President's Day Holiday	Monday	February 15, 2021
<b>End: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grading Period</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 26, 2021</b>
Teacher Work Day/Student Holiday	Monday	March 29, 2021
<b>Spring Break Holiday</b>	<b>Monday - Friday</b>	<b>April 19-23, 2021</b>
Memorial Day Holiday	Monday	May 31, 2021
<b>End of Semester/Last Day for Students</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 9, 2021</b>
Last Day for Teachers	Tuesday	June 14, 2021



# DESTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL 2020-2021 FALL SPORTS



## FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	HOME	VISITOR	PLACE	TIME
Sept.24 – Thurs	Shoal River MS	Destin MS	Shoal River MS	6:30 p.m.
Oct.1- Thurs	Destin MS	Bruner MS	Destin MS	6:30 p.m.
Oct.8– Thurs	Destin MS	Baker	Destin MS	6:30 p.m.
Oct.15 – Thurs	Destin MS	Davidson MS	Destin MS	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 22- Thurs	Destin MS	Open		6:30 p.m.
Oct.29- Thurs	Meigs MS	Destin MS	Meigs MS	6:30 p.m.
Nov.5- Thurs	Destin MS	Pryor MS	Destin MS	6:30 p.m.
Nov.12- Thurs	Ruckel MS	Destin MS	Niceville HS	6:30 p.m.

## CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

DATE	HOME	VISITOR	TIME	PLACE
Sept.16-Wed	Pryor MS	Destin MS, Ruckel MS	4:30 p.m.	Pryor MS
Sept.23-Wed	Destin MS	Pryor MS, Davidson MS	4:30 p.m.	Destin MS
Sept.30-Wed	Davidson MS	Pryor MS, Destin MS	4:30 p.m.	Davidson MS
Oct.14-Wed	Bruner MS	Destin MS, Shoal River MS	4:30 p.m.	Bruner MS
Oct.21-Thurs	TBA	Conference Championship Meet	TBA	TBA
Oct.22-Fri Rain Date	TBA	Conference Championship Meet	TBA	TBA

## VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	HOME	VISITOR	TIME
Sept.16-Wed	Davidson MS	Destin MS	5:00 p.m./ 6:00 p.m.
Sept.21-Mon	Destin MS	Shoal River MS	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Sept.23-Wed	St. Mary	Destin MS	4:30 p.m./ 5:30 p.m.
Sept.28-Mon	Destin MS	Ruckel MS	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Sept.30-Wed	Pryor MS	Destin MS	4:30 p.m./ 5:30 p.m.
Oct.5-Mon	Destin MS	Bruner MS	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Oct.12-Mon	Ruckel MS	Destin MS	4:30 p.m./ 5:30 p.m.
Oct.14-Wed	Destin MS	Liza Jackson	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Oct.19-Mon	Destin MS	Davidson MS	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Oct.21-Wed	Shoal River MS	Destin MS	5:00 p.m./ 6:00 p.m.
Oct.26-Mon	Destin MS	St. Mary	4:00 p.m./ 5:00 p.m.
Oct.28-Wed	Meigs MS	Destin MS	4:30 p.m./ 5:30 p.m.