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**Family Engagement**

Families can partner with Gulfside by attending virtual and on campus school events, supporting classroom activities, becoming a Pelican Partner, joining PTO, SAC and Volunteering

***Mark Your Calendar***

***November***

11/3 Dental Services in our Community Hub

11/6 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

11/9-11/20 Virtual School Book Fair

11/11 Veterans Day Virtual Celebration

11/12 Student Picture Make-Up Day

11/12 Cafeteria Turkey Dinner Day for Students/Staff

11/13 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

11/13 Progress Reports

11/13 Traditional/MSOL Parent Decision Survey Due

[(Please](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aaJT4khSVE6bZ7duOoYiIPeWPhu5zUhOtqqaVyaSBIhUNTdOOVhLQjhHMVlEME9VUUc1QjhMR0pYWS4u) see link on our school web page: [gses@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:gses@pasco.k12.fl.us) )

11/16 District Pasco Pathways Virtual Event

11/18 Great American Teach In-Virtual

11/18 Dental Services in our Community Hub

11/20 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

11/23-27 Thanksgiving Break

11/30 Students and Staff Return to School

***December***

12/2 Dental Services in our Community Hub

12/4 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

12/11 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

12/18 Breakfast and Lunch Pick-up 8-8:30am

12/18 End of 2nd Quarter/1st Marking Period

12/21-1/4 Winter Break

1/5 Teacher Planning Day

1/6 Students Return

**Every Monday and Wednesday**

**Hot Dinner pickup in the car loop (registration required- see link on GSES Hub Facebook page)**

**Food Box pick-up from 5:00 pm-5:30 pm at GSES, contact Mary Peralta at 727-774-6050.**

**Principal’s Message**

Dear Gulfside Families,

As you know this year looks very different and our staff and I truly appreciate your support! As we continue our work for school safety and student achievement, we are planning ahead for Semester 2. We need all families to complete the parent survey for student learning preferences for Semester 2. The Survey will be posted on our school website with the following choices for Semester 2: Traditional Classroom, mySchool Online or Pasco eSchool. With the increasing number of students returning to campus, we are working to add or bring teachers back into classrooms to ensure continued student safety and learning, while still supporting our online learners. Please complete the survey by 11/13, and call me if you have any questions.

All students have the opportunity to excel at their own pace with their individual IRLA Reading Goals. Please ask your child what IRLA level they are reading at and what is their current reading goal. All students are also encouraged to take reading response quizzes online from school or at home. Please reach out to your child’s teacher for more information. Each month we will host a Reading Celebration for students who are actively reading and demonstrating good comprehension skills at their independent reading level. Please look for our Thanksgiving Break Student Reading Challenge soon!

We will have our Great American Teach In on 11/18, and we need guest speakers who will share with students about their job or a hobby. This year, due to COVID, all presentations need to be pre-recorded. Please contact Laura McClellan at 727-774-6000 for more information!

I am very thankful for all of our Gulfside families as we work together to make a positive difference in our community and for every child, every day!

Sincerely, Ms. Craig

**Thank You to All of Our Veterans!**

**PBIS Corner: (Positive Behavior Intervention System)**

**Staff Shout Out**

Has a staff member at Gulfside Elementary gone above and beyond for you, your child, or family? If so, please take a moment and tell us so we can recognize them for their dedication. You can send an email to Dawn Ballister @ [dballist@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:dballist@pasco.k12.fl.us). We will share your moment with students, family and staff in the next newsletter.

**FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION**

Please keep your Free and Reduced Lunch status up to date as all approvals are for one school year only. All families must apply now to guarantee continued benefits. Please visit <https://connectplus.pasco.k12.fl.us/do/fns/?features=free-or-reduced-price-meal-application>

and click on the Free and Reduced Lunch link.

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**Calling All Veterans!**

We want to honor you! Please complete the Veterans Day Form located below or submit the electronic form on our school web page along with a photograph so we can honor our Veterans virtually this year. Photographs will be returned.

Thank you for your service to maintain safety and freedom for our country and community!

Student’s name:

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Military family/community member’s name:

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Branch of Military:

Rank:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Total number of years of Service:

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Please return this form along with a photograph to Ms. Craig at Gulfside Elementary School.

Gulfside Pelicans have three school-wide expectations that we adhere to on a daily basis. They are: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. Each day, our students are reminded of these expectations by their teachers as well as by our visuals around campus. With these three expectations, our goal is for ALL students to be successful in their learning, as well as socially and emotionally safe. Along with our three big school-wide expectations, we also strive for Pelican Pride!

**P**- Pelicans are safe

**R**- Respectful and Responsible

**I**-Inspired to Learn

**D**- Driven to Succeed

**E**- Empowered to Lead

Please help us by reviewing these with your child(ren) and encouraging them to have Pelican ‘Pride’ at school every day!

**October Citizens of the Month** Congratulations: Chase Foltz, Raelyn Jimenez, Dylan Stephens, Sarahi Garcia Cruz, Michael Butler, Nicholas Major, Serenity Holbrook, Christopher Pacheco Lopez, David Vasquez, Sophia Johnston, Royce Martin, Joshua Peralta, Jordynn Burns, Azalea Turner, Aniya Farr, Kaden Cadrecha, Dashawn Booker, Jaydon Jose, Evan Inga, Zakari Joyner, Joshua Schneider, Joxiel Caballero, Aubree Meddaugh, Ziana Higgins, Andrew Garcia, Eduardo Caballero, Sophie Mechlinski, Kumony Howard, Marianna Earnest, Janiah White, Matthew Capabianco and Nayann Deen.

***Great Job Pelicans!***

**FREE Breakfast and Lunch for All**

Pasco school district is providing free breakfast and lunch for all on-campus students. Additionally, Pasco school district is serving a week’s worth of meals (breakfast and lunch) curbside to mySchool Online students, quarantined students, and children in the community 18 years and under. Meals are free and Gulfside pick up is each Friday morning from 8am to 8:30am in the bus loop. Please use this link <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/fns/mform/view.php?id=269401>, so we can be best prepared for pick up.