



Broward County School Board Security Hotline: 754-321-0911
 Web Site Address: <http://deerfieldbeachelem.browardschools.com/>

Welcome Back Students, Parents, and Deerfield Beach Community,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful summer vacation with your families and loved ones. Our staff is beyond ecstatic to kick off an amazing 2019-2020 school year with our educational partners, our families! Prior to sharing our 19-20 plans, I want to reflect on what was a truly phenomenal 18-19 school year. First, our school is officially a "C" barely missing a school grade of a "B" by 16 points. We gained 88 total points from the previous year and we are on the right track to continue to improve! It was a collective effort between all our staff members; from teachers to paraprofessionals to even our custodians! Our team truly bought into our school vision, to "Inspire, Connect, & Challenge" our students daily!

Looking forward to the 2019-2020 school year, our goal is to continue to develop our positive relationships with our students, families, and community. Our theme for the year is "To Infinity and Beyond". We are planning wonderful, engaging and enriching activities and events for our whole community that will supplement a top-notch education. Over the next few weeks, please keep your eyes peeled on our website, take home folder, agenda, @DBESPrincipal Twitter account, the SBBC App, and parent links for important updates and exciting happenings.

First off, to better meet the needs of our community, we are revamping some of our parent nights. This year, our first event will be an FSA and Technology night to assist parents with information on promotion criteria and logging in to our online materials. Secondly, we plan to host conference nights once a quarter. Communications will come out shortly with more information. You will also see a Math, Literacy, and Science night through-out the school year.

After receiving great feedback from our families, we have rescheduled our after-school activities to best meet your schedules. First off, our DBES CLUBS, where students can stay after school and participate in clubs geared to expose our students to real-life jobs and interests beyond the daily math, literacy, social studies, and science, will last all year. DBES CLUBS will meet on Mondays and the schedule is already set and is posted on our DBES website calendar.

Our Extended Learning Opportunity camps will be hosted on Wednesdays and Thursdays with permission forms coming home in late September. Our plan is to host three ELO camps again to provide enrichment and extra assistance in Literacy and Math.

Our DBES Chorus will be back on the attack and will be competing against other SBBC elementary school choruses this year in the spring. Mrs. Del Sol, our amazing music teacher, will be sending home information shortly. Our DBES Percussion club will be on Tuesday afternoons and directed by Mr. Eddie for a 5th consecutive school year! Once again, look for communications coming out shortly!

Finally, and most importantly, as we work towards continued student growth and learning, our core value will be to engage or students' young minds through interactive and innovative teaching techniques with a Balanced Literacy approach, Thinking Maps, hands-on math and science, and tons of small group instruction! We can't wait to show you what DBES has in store for you!

Sincerely,

Drew Gerlach

Proud Principal of Deerfield Beach Elementary

8:00 is late!

8:00 is considered late! The instructional school day begins at promptly 8:00 am. Your child will be marked tardy if they are not in their classroom by 8:00. Please refer to the student's first day packets and online for further information regarding attendance and early dismissal procedures.

Early Dismissal

**PER
SCHOOL
POLICY 5.5
STUDENTS
MAY NOT
BE
DISMISSED
AFTER 1:30
PM.**

Reporting an Absence....

Please be sure to call the Absentee Hotline at 754-322-6102 on the day your child is absent from school. Please speak slowly and clearly. Leave child's name, teacher's name, date of absence, and reason for absence.

Parents interested in providing input into the performance evaluations of Deerfield Beach Elementary instructional and/or administrative evaluations many contact our office at (754)322-6100 by April 10, 2020.

Volunteers Needed

To volunteer or chaperone a field trip in a Broward County Public School, you must be cleared first. Please fill out the application on the link provided and make sure you do it within enough time for the application to be processed, which may take several days.

<https://www.browardschools.com/Page/32043>

Meet the parent requirements of SBBC Anti-Bullying Policy 5.9 by making this training module available via multiple methods to all parents with students in grades K-12. Some suggested methods of delivery are to post the link on the school's website, play it at a parent association meetings, or send home an email. To access the training, go to:

- [Canvas Course #660230, The 2019-20 PARENT ANTI-BULLYING TRAINING MODULE](#)

Mark Your Calendars



8/21/2019
6:30
Open House Grades 3-5

8/28/2019
6:30
Open House Grades K-2

9/18/2019
Picture Day

9/18/19
PTA – Time TBA

9/20/19
Pinwheels for Peace

Have a question, need an answer? Who's who at DBES:

Drew Gerlach, Principal

LaTonya Cooper, Assistant Principal

Jessica Panchoo, Guidance Counselor

Julie Gull, ESE Specialist

Allison Keenan, Autism Coach

Debra Rothberger, Reading Coach

Mary Dixon, Reading Coach

Vicki Stadelman, Office Manager

Chelsea Reeves, IMT

Rachel Maguire, General Clerk

Amanda Muir, Micro-tech

Deputy Bennett, SRO

No late Items

Because it is essential that we teach children to become responsible at an early age and in order to help them grow into productive citizens, please make sure that your child has all necessary school items before they come to school. With approximately 700 students at Deerfield Beach Elementary School, it is unfortunately not possible to ensure delivery of items to students once the school day has started. Furthermore, calling into classrooms so that children can pick up belongings from the front office has proven to be disruptive to the educational environment.

As a result, we will not accept any late items in the front office such as backpacks/lunch boxes, snack, etc



Save the Date

Our First PTA Meeting of the Year will be on September 18th
We will be setting up our committees and volunteers to execute the following annual events:

- Fall Festival
- Book Fairs
- Holiday Shop

First Book Fair of the Year

We would love help from volunteers with running our first book fair of the year September 16-20. Find us on Sign-Up Genius using our email address DBES.PTA.Update@gmail.com to sign up shifts.



NOTE: Student and staff safety is a priority for Broward County Public Schools. All volunteers must complete this annual application for authorization from Broward County Public Schools in order to volunteer at any school, PTA, field trip events.
<https://www.browardschools.com/volunteerapplication>

DBES PTA proudly presents the 2019-2020 School Spirit Shirts ***To Infinity and Beyond***

Please show your school spirit by wearing your Deerfield Beach Elementary School attire every **Friday!**

Order Forms in the Front Office and Sent Home with Students

#	Item Description	Price
1	Youth Spirit Tee Shirt	\$10.00
2	Adult Tee Shirt	\$10.00
3	Youth Long Sleeve CORAL	\$15.00
4	Youth Long Sleeve SEAFOAM	\$15.00
5	Adult Long Sleeve Coral	\$15.00
6	Adult Long Sleeve SEAFOAM	\$15.00

Payments Accepted via Cash (exact amount only please), Check, or Venmo.

Find us on Venmo @DBES-PTA-2019

(Venmo payments will require full order details – Student Name, Grade, Teacher Name, Shirt Style, Size, Color)

Please make checks payable to **Deerfield Beach Elementary School PTA.**

With any questions please contact Danielle Dunfee at 954-654-9161 or DBES.PTA.Update@gmail.com

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