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Collier County Public Schools An "A" District

The Florida Department of Education has released school grades for all levels and overall district grades.

In 2018 Collier County Public Schools (CCPS):

- CCPS tied for the third highest percentage points earned up from 33rd in 2011
- Two districts tied for first earning 69 percentage points
- Two districts tied for second earning 67 percentage points; and
- CCPS and one other district tied for third earning 66 percentage points
- Only 30 percent of the districts in Florida earned a district grade of an "A"
- CCPS has 27 of 54 (50 percent) schools earning an A
- 22 schools maintained an A, 5 improved to an A, 10 other schools improved their grade including two high schools, two middle schools, and six elementary schools

• First time in CCPS history to have all A, B, and C schools since the inception of school grading in 1999, with no D or F schools. The state accountability system focuses on the following school and district performance outcomes: student achievement, learning gains, graduation, acceleration success, and maintaining a focus on students who need the most support.

Incredible growth in CCPS can be attributed to the hard work and commitment of students, parents, teachers, administrators, District staff, and strong community support. A focus on progress monitoring and ongoing adjustments to instruction are integral to overall student achievement.

Village Oaks Elementary's school grade improved to a C and the school is no longer designated as a "Turnaround School" by the state of Florida, a significant accomplishment among the many school gains.

"The District has earned an 'A' based on the state accountability system and shown growth in a challenging year. We are proud of the achievements of individual students, families, teachers, school administrators and the collective District performance. Earning an 'A' is a significant accomplishment for our schools and the community," Dr. Kamela Patton, Superintendent of CCPS said.



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Clerk of Courts opens Satellite Office

Pictured -left to right: Don Holder, Clerk's Accounting Supervisor; Lori Castillo, Clerk's Satellite; Stephanie Sauser, Director Motor Vehicle Department; District 4 Commissioner Penny Taylor; Larry Ray, Tax Collector; Crystal Kinzel, Clerk of Courts; Rob Stoneburner, Chief Deputy Tax Collector; Lynne Batson, Clerk's Satellites; Raymond Milum, Clerk's Accounting Manager; (not pictured Jackie Torres, Eagle Creek Tax Collector Manager) Crystal K. Kinzel, Clerk of Courts and Comptroller, is pleased to announce the official re-opening of the Clerk's Satellite Office at Eagle Creek. This office provides a multitude of services to Southeastern Collier and Marco Island communities. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday but closed for lunch from 1:00-2:00 p.m. daily.

Immokalee CRA provides funding for the creation of housing for residents with disabilities

NAPLES - The Immokalee Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) has awarded a \$30,000 grant to Residential Options of Florida (ROOF) for the development of Independence Place, a project which will provide housing that is affordable for adults with developmental disabilities who want to live independently in the Immokalee community.

Other funding for this project comes from Florida Housing Finance Corporation, which administers a grant program to produce housing for people with developmental disabilities in communities across Florida, and from Immokalee Housing and Family Services, a local nonprofit housing corporation with a 30 plus year history of serving the Immokalee community.

The grant from Immokalee CRA will be used for renovations that will make the

home accessible for people with disabilities. The architectural plans for the home have been redesigned by MHK Architecture and Planning, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible Design. The renovations include installation of new doors and frames, plumbing fixtures and grab bars, creation of a ramp at the home's entry, and redesign of the bathrooms and the kitchen to allow individuals who use wheelchairs to more easily maneuver throughout the living spaces.

Independence Place is the first home of its kind in Immokalee specifically designed to help individuals with development disabilities live in the community with supports that help maximize their independence. "The CRA is proud to partner with ROOF to facilitate the development of Independence

Place, Immokalee's first home specifically designed for supported living for individuals with development disabilities," said Debrah Forester, Community Redevelopment Agency Director.

ROOF's Executive Director, Sheryl Soukup, commented on the choice of Immokalee as the site of its first supported living home, "We selected Immokalee because there is no other home like this in Immokalee - there truly is a need. We were encouraged by the immediate support that we received from community members. If there is any community in Florida that can set a shining example of how to support people with disabilities to live independently in the community, it's Immokalee."

ROOF's vision is for every community in

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FSW Names Giaimo Director of Public Safety

Anthony "Tony" Giaimo has been named the Director of Public Safety for Florida SouthWestern State College.

"Tony brings a wealth of experience to FSW," said Dr. Gina Doeble, vice president, administrative services. "He has demonstrated a strong belief in community service and has an extensive career in law enforcement, and safety and emergency management."

His career in law enforcement spans 27 years, and he has been a college instructor for 10 years. He most recently was the superintendent of police for the Tredyffrin Township Police Department in Pennsylvania for 27 years. He has also taught criminal

justice/sociology and emergency medical techniques for police officers. He graduated from Temple University with a bachelor's degree in accounting/law; Mountain State University with a master's degree in strategic leadership; and the FBI National Academy with a diploma and certifications in behavioral science, terrorism, management and criminal justice.

He has been honored with numerous awards in his career, including Police Officer of the Year, the Safe Cities Award in 2016, the Board of Supervisors Award and the Life Saving Program Award. He is also a member of numerous professional organizations.

Supervisor of Elections Office announces polling location changes

The Collier County Supervisor of Elections office will begin mailing new voter information cards today to approximately 11,000 Collier County voters who will see changes to their Election Day polling location.

- Precinct 418 will move from the First Church of the Nazarene to Freedom Park located at 1515 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples FL 34105
- Precinct 591 will move from the Collier County University Extension to Peace Lutheran Church located at 9850 Immokalee

Road, Naples FL 34120

All voters affected by the above changes will receive a new voter information card. Voters are also encouraged to review their information by visiting www.CollierVotes.com or by calling (239) 252-VOTE (8683).

"We encourage voters to review their new voter information cards before they vote on Election Day or visit our website where they can look up their assigned precinct." – Jennifer J. Edwards, Collier County Supervisor of Elections.

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Florida to have an abundance of housing choices that meet the needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. ROOF is currently working to create new housing opportunities for people with developmental disabilities in Brevard, Collier, Charlotte, Orange, and Palm Beach counties.

The median gross rent in Florida is \$972, but individuals with developmental disabilities can typically afford \$225-\$600 rent, making it very difficult and often impossible to find an affordable place to live. ROOF is creating housing that is affordable even to people with disabilities whose only source of income is Supplemental Security Income (SSI), a monthly payment provided to individuals who cannot work due to the nature and severity of their disability.

Says Soukup, "We want to remove barriers that prevent people with disabilities from living independently in the community. Affordability and accessibility are two factors that can make the dream of living independently a reality for people with disabilities."

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About Residential Options of Florida (ROOF)

The mission of Residential Options of Florida (ROOF) is to empower individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to successfully obtain and maintain affordable and inclusive housing of their choice. ROOF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation created in 2014 by a statewide group of stakeholders with support from Florida Developmental Disabilities Council and the U.S. Department of Human Services. You can join ROOF in promoting the creation of housing opportunities for people with developmental disabilities across Florida. To learn more, visit www.froof.org.

About Immokalee Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

The Collier County Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was established in March of 2000 to alleviate slum and blight in two separate Redevelopment Areas within Collier County: The Bayshore Gateway Triangle Redevelopment area and the Immokalee Redevelopment Area. The improvement efforts in the Immokalee Redevelopment Area are led by the Immokalee CRA Advisory Board, which is comprised of community leaders, and governed by the Collier County Community Redevelopment Agency which is comprised of County Commissioners. To learn more, visit <http://www.immokaleetoday.com/>.

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Free Autism Screening

Ft Myers - Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, in partnership with Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Southwest Florida, offers a free monthly autism spectrum disorder screening for toddlers 18 months to five years of age.

The next screening on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile will be held on July 13, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the IMAG History & Science Center, 2000 Cranford Ave., Fort Myers.

It is estimated that one in every 68 children is diagnosed with some form of Autism Spectrum Disorder, making it more common than childhood cancer, juvenile diabetes and pediatric AIDS combined.

Medical consultants for the project

stress that an early diagnosis can make a vast difference for toddlers and their families. They say early intensive behavioral intervention can make an immense difference not just in the development of the child, but in their families as well.

The ASD screening is conducted by the Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The screenings are administered by an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, who has extensive training and experience in typical child development and developmental disorders.

A physician referral is not required. To schedule a screening, please call 239-343-6838.

FSW Faculty and Students Host Critical Thinking Lecture Series

The Critical Thinking Lecture Series at Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) returns this July with two lectures presented by FSW faculty and students. The Critical Thinking Lecture Series is free and open to the public. Presentations can be viewed live on the Thomas Edison Campus or digitally at other FSW locations.

"Identifying and Acknowledging Subconscious Biases" with Dr. Mary Ellen Schultz, professor, School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, FSW will be on Tuesday, July 10, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. at the Thomas Edison Campus: Building U-102; Charlotte Campus: Building O-117; Collier Campus: Building M-201

Dr. Schultz earned her bachelor's degree in liberal studies from California Polytechnic State University, and her master's degree in education with a focus on bilingual education from Columbia University. She earned her Doctorate of Philosophy in Education with an emphasis on English as a second language from North Central University.

Dr. Schultz has a passion for people and spent several years volunteering with the Peace Core in Costa Rica. Currently, Dr.

Schultz serves as a full-time professor for the Division of Academic Success in the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Science at FSW. This year, Dr. Schultz presented at the national conference on First-Year Experience and the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development.

"Gaining a New Perspective: Italy Through Our Eyes" with FSW study abroad students will be on Wednesday, July 18, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the following FSW Campus Locations - Thomas Edison Campus: Building U-102, Collier Campus: M-201, Charlotte Campus: O-117

Learn about the experiences of 10 FSW students who studied abroad in Florence, Italy in June. FSW students took classes focused on the Italian language, art history, the ancient roots of Florence, architecture, marketing, and Italian cuisine at Istituto Lorenzo de' Medici.

For more information on the FSW Critical Thinking Lecture Series, contact Whitney Rhyme, director, Strategic Initiatives, at (239) 433-6943 or Whitney.Rhyme@fsw.edu.

Did you know?

• In 1895, UK prime minister William Gladstone founded a public library. Aged 85, he wheelbarrowed his personal collection of 32,000 books the ¾ mile between his home and the library. His desire, his daughter said, was to "bring together books who had no readers with readers who had no books."

• After losing automatic control of his Mercury capsule, astronaut Gordon Cooper was forced to use his knowledge of constellations, wristwatch, and his eyeballs to manually land his spacecraft. He ended up splashing just four miles from his recovery ship, the most accurate landing up to that

point.

• In 2015, doctors in Germany reported the extraordinary case of a woman who suffered from what has traditionally been called "multiple personality disorder." The woman exhibited a variety of dissociated personalities ("alters"), some of which claimed to be blind. Using EEGs, the doctors were able to ascertain that the brain activity normally associated with sight wasn't present while a blind alter was in control of the woman's body, even though her eyes were open. Remarkably, when a sighted alter assumed control, the usual brain activity returned.

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This event is also in collaboration with the NCH Safe & Healthy Children's coalition of Collier County, the Florida State University College of Medicine, Collier County Parks and Recreation and with Collier County Public Schools.

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Kayla Cramer, Talent Acquisition Manager, Enterprise Holdings, presented a \$5,000 scholarship grant to Joe Kramp, Senior Development Director, FSW Foundation. This is the third year Enterprise Holdings has presented this grant to assist FSW veteran students.

Enterprise Holdings Grants \$5K for FSW Veteran Scholarships

Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) Foundation received a \$5,000 grant from Enterprise Holdings Foundation. The grant is directed for scholarships for the college's student veterans. This is the third year that Enterprise has donated to FSW for this purpose.

"These students sacrificed to serve our country, and we want to show our appreciation for that when they return home and continue their education. A deep part of our culture centers on our special affinity for our military veterans," said Kayla Cramer, Talent Acquisition Manager, Enterprise Holdings.

From day one, members of the military have played an important role in the history and culture of Enterprise. After all, founder Jack Taylor was a decorated fighter pilot in WWII. He started his business with a big dream and the military values that would

become the foundation of Enterprise—both then and now. The Taylor family has continued to honor the leadership and vision that Jack instilled over half a century ago by playing a very active role in offering veterans and their families the support and training they need to be successful.

Florida SouthWestern State College is Southwest Florida's largest and one of the most affordable institutions of higher education. Annually serving nearly 22,000 students globally, FSW offers a variety of nationally-ranked, career-focused academic programs with two- and four-year degrees, and professional certifications. Students are also active in clubs and programs catered to their interests. FSW debuted its intercollegiate athletics program in the fall 2015. Visit www.FSW.edu for more information.

Did you wake up on the wrong side of the bed?

You know that old question "did you wake up on the wrong side of bed this morning?" A question used to ask someone why they are in such a bad mood can actually carry with it a valuable way of looking at life.

Let's call waking up on 'the wrong side of bed'; waking up in a negative mindset. There are a lot of things that contribute to the mindset that we adopt in the first moments that we wake up. If we didn't sleep well, if we were woken frequently throughout the night, and we didn't get sufficient and restful sleep then we may wake up with diminished energy and a negative mindset.

You've noticed, I'm sure, that when you wake up in this way things don't tend to get



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any better until we consciously choose to shift our mindset or shift the vibration of our energy!

If we continue on, in the 'wrong side of the bed' mindset, we will find that we begin to experience more and more 'wrong side of the bed' experiences throughout our day. Maybe you stub your toe on the way to the bathroom, experience a lot of traffic and run late on the way to work, spill mustard on your shirt during your lunch break.

But if we notice that we are in that negative mindset before we leave the house and we take the time to shift our mindset, you will observe that you can take control on your outlook back and set yourself up for a great day, despite the fact that you 'woke up on the wrong side of bed'.

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Area Agency on Aging for SWFL reveals New Mission Statement

NORTH FORT MYERS — The Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida announced today that its board of directors has approved a change to its official mission statement.

The new mission statement is now “Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida connects older adults and adults with disabilities to resources and assistance for living safely with independence and dignity.” The statement was crafted by AAASWFL staff after several months of assessment and review.

“Our agency is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year, so it’s a great time to reexamine our focus,” explains Marianne Lorini,

President and CEO for AAASWFL. “Our previous mission statement was more task-oriented. The new mission statement reveals a client-centered focus. It reflects not only what we do but our vision for the clients we serve.”

In 2017, AAASWFL assisted more than 33,000 older adults, caregivers and others in Southwest Florida through its programs and services, including the Elder Helpline, SHINE Medicare counseling, and health and wellness workshops. The agency received more than 65,000 calls to its toll-free helpline last year from individuals seeking services for older adults.

“Every member of our staff participated in crafting the new mission statement,” adds Lorini. “We had company-wide workshops and a committee that worked on the new statement. Everyone’s input was valued—from the folks who work with clients every day to our office and administrative staff. Our board of directors was impressed by the entire team’s commitment to the organization and our clients.”

The mission statement is one of a number of new initiatives for AAASWFL in recent months. The agency restructured its organizational chart in February. AAASWFL also

launched a redesigned website in April and e-newsletter in May.

The Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida is a nonprofit organization serving Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Lee, and Sarasota Counties. AAASWFL is the state’s designated Aging and Disability Resource Center for Southwest Florida.

More information about the Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida is available at www.aaswfl.org or by calling the toll-free Helpline at 866-413-5337 (866-41-ELDER).



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This is the agency’s 7-county headquarters in North Fort Myers.

Collier Road Watch

I-75 from Alligator Alley (mile marker 61) to mile marker 146 (just north of SR 78, exit 143): Construction project: Work is underway to replace 24 Dynamic Message Signs. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures between mile markers 142 through 146 and between mile markers 61 through 66 during nighttime/overnight hours from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather permitting. Estimated project completion is fall 2018. The contractor is Horsepower Electric, Inc.

I-75/Alligator Alley Rest Area (mile marker 63): Construction project: Work is under-

way to build a new rest area and water treatment plant on the north side of the roadway. Estimated project completion is summer 2018. The contractor is West Construction, Inc.

SR 29 from South 7th Street to South 2nd Street: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent east-bound lane closures during daytime hours, while crews make water main connections, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.



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Community Briefs

Tent Revival at Haitian Nazarene Church

Immokalee Haitian Nazarene Church will be conducting their annual Tent Revival at their Church on Carson Road from **July 8 through July 15 from 7-10 p.m.** each evening. Dynamic preaching and inspiring music will be provided. All in Immokalee are invited to be guests of Pastor Jean Paul Casnel.

Training and support group

This support group is for families of children with special needs of any kind. It provides the ability for parent training and for families to connect and establish supportive relationships. When: The last Wednesday of every month from 9 a. m.-11 a.m. Where: Florida State University College of Medicine, Immokalee Health Education Site, 1441 Heritage Boulevard, Immokalee. Cost: Free to

families. Snacks and beverages will be provided for free. For more information or to register to attend, call Tara Tallaksen at (239) 254-4279 or Rosa Martinez (239) 658-3129.

Looking for volunteers

One of the best investments we can make in the life of a child is in their early education experiences. We are looking for volunteers. The goal of the Literacy Buddy Program is to put books into the hands of 3, 4 and 5-year

old children. Once you volunteer, you are matched with a child in a preschool contracted by the coalition. Your child writes to you and tells you what they are interested in and then you write back and include a book about those interests. These exchanges happen three times during the school year. It's a great way to start a young child on the path to literacy and the love of learning. For more information visit www.ELCofSWFL.org and click on the Big Buddy Button.

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Chamber of Commerce Events

The Immokalee Chamber of Commerce President Danny Gonzalez has worked very diligently this year to be very visible in the community and to be where the Chamber was most needed.

The True Mission of the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce is:

- To assist business in retaining existing business.
- Attract new business into the area.
- Assist in the expansion of business.

1. The Immokalee Chamber of Commerce (ICOC) is lending a hand to a Non Profit Organization called Jacob's Safe House with this up coming 4th of July Celebration at the Zocalo Plaza located at 1st & Main Street to help the entire community of Immokalee to Celebrate the 4th of July, with lots of food, entertainment and family fun and its all FREE!

2. Opening of the 2018' Collier County Public School Year for Immokalee on Wednesday, August 15.

3. The Immokalee Chamber of Commerce will get a Community Sports Calendar for the up-coming school year football games: Look for the schedule in the July 5 editon of the Immokalee Bulletin.

4. Lipman's Backpack Giveaway in Immokalee is Saturday, August 4, at the Immokalee High School's football field starting at 9am. You don't want to miss this event!!!

5. There Will Be NO Immokalee Chamber Breakfast Meeting in July. ICOC's meeting will resume in August. The first August Meeting for the Chamber Breakfast will be n August 1, at 8:30 a.m. at Lozano's Mexican Restaurant.

6. The Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be on Friday, December 7 at 6 p.m.

7. Christmas Around the World Parade and Snow Gala will be on Saturday, December 8 at 5:30 p.m.

8. "Networking After 5 Affair" at the Seminole Casino Hotel Immokalee on Wednesday, August 22 at 5:30 p.m.

9. Another "Christmas Networking After 5 Affair" will take place in December, ICOC will email everyone the details when they are final.(TBA)

The Immokalee Chamber of Commerce had a very "trying" year with Hurricane Irma in September 2017 and ICOC is still dealing

with the aftermath of that storm.

The Chamber made its presence known in the community by handing out donations of food and water immediately after the storm.

ICOC met with Governor Scott to ask for help with availability of getting Federal and State Grants for the Immokalee area.

- Asked for Initiatives for small business.
- Got contacts for improved housing for our work force community of Immokalee.
- Transportation assistance information for better roads into and out of Immokalee.
- Job Creation and update information on the future with Immigration laws for our residents of Immokalee.

ICOC meet with Cissy Proctor and her staff from our State Economic Development Department for suggestions on how to start with making changes with some of" Immokalees' Visions & Needs' immediately.

ICOC partnered with The Roberts Ranch Museum for a very successful "Immokalee Cattle Drive and Jamboree."

The ICOC is still Donating funds and time to the community wherever needed because of Hurricane Irma.

Gave six \$500 Scholarships to Immokalee High School graduating students.

Assisted, Immokalee High School Beta Club with transportation to their National Convention.

Partnered with CRA & MSTU to make Immokalee BEAUTIFUL!

Donated Funds to One by One Leadership program with their Earth Day Event at Roberts Ranch

Completed Ribbon Cutting and Ground Breaking for businesses in Immokalee, Results Care ,The Immokalee Culinary Day and the Ground Breaking and Grand Opening of First1Bank in Immokalee.



Summer is Here – Protect Your Pets from Overheating

Summer is here, and along with high temperatures outside come even higher temperatures in your car. It is time to consider if your pet should stay at home while you run errands. Many people think a dog is safe in a car with the windows cracked, but that is not the case. When temperatures reach 85 degrees outside, the temperature inside

a car can soar up to 102 degrees within 10 minutes. Within 30 minutes temperatures may rise to 120 degrees.

Even if you are making a quick trip to the grocery store, it still may be too long for your dog to endure the heat. Dogs do not sweat like humans. They must rely on panting to cool down and therefore their body

temperatures tend to rise rapidly. A dog's normal temperature is between 101 to 102.5 degrees; a dog can only endure a high temperature for a short amount of time before damage from overheating becomes irreversible. Health problems caused by overheating include nerve damage, heart problems, liver damage, brain damage and even death - sometimes in a matter of minutes.

These are some signs a dog may be overheating:

- Excessive panting
- Excessive drooling
- Increased heart rate
- Trouble breathing
- Disorientation, stumbling or poor coordination

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- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Collapse or loss of consciousness
- Seizure
- Respiratory arrest

For your pet's sake, leave them at home. It's better to have your dog in a safe, cool place than to risk your pet's health and well-being in an overheated car. If you see a dog in a hot car, please call Collier County Domestic Animal Services at (239) 252-7387, or the Collier County Sheriff's Office at (239) 252-9300 immediately.

For more information, call Daniel Christenbury, Public Information Coordinator, at (239) 252-6956.



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