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**PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

**Dear Treeline Friends and Families:**

Tragedy struck right at home when one of our own students, Brandon Castillo, was struck by a car while waiting for his bus and died from the injuries a day later. Our thoughts are with the family during this devastating time.

Accidents can happen even in the situations where we have planned and prepared. However, we can never stress to our children enough to be aware of their surroundings. Caution must always be exercised. As a tribute to Brandon, I encourage each of you to talk to you child about being safe in the neighborhood.

At a later date, our school will be planting a tree in Brandon's honor. We continue to take collections for the family to help with expenses. If you wish to donate, you can contact the school office.

Our School Advisory Committee (SAC) met in September and will meet again in October. This group is responsible for monitoring the School Improvement Plan efforts and also serves as a liaison group for communicating with each other.

One of the areas of emphasis for the year will be parental awareness and involvement. Our SAC chair, Mr. Lawrence Price, has some ideas about forming communities within the classroom parent groups to provide support and information to each other as the family, in turn, supports the education of their children.

We encourage you to become involved with SAC to share your ideas on what families would find helpful in order to facilitate you supporting your child's learning. Another key contact for this effort is our Parent Involvement Specialist, Jeannette Santiago, who is also planning some parent training sessions for this school year.

Thank you for all you do to make Treeline such a great place! As always, please contact me should you want to talk.

Sincerely,  
 Joe Vetter, Principal

**UPCOMING DATES**

Fri, Oct 16 - Oct 30 Fall Fundraiser  
 Thurs, Oct 22 SAC/PTO Mtg.  
 6:00 PM  
 Wed, Oct 28 End of 1st quarter  
 Thurs, Oct 29 SCHOOL CLOSED  
 Professional Duty Day  
 Fri, Oct 30 Hurricane Make Up  
 Day (if needed) . . .  
 Otherwise: SCHOOL CLOSED



**Breakfast Menu**

Breakfast is served each day from 8:45—9:05 AM.

Mon: French Toast Sticks  
 Tues: Pop Tarts  
 Wed: Cheese Sticks  
 Thurs: Proball  
 Fri: Cereal Bar

**Word on the Street....**

Is a new program that will introduce our students to new words to enrich their vocabulary. Here are our recent and upcoming Words on the Street:

10/1	leisurely	10/5	autumn
10/7	convince	10/12	clever
10/14	timid	10/19	gloomy
10/21	wearry	10/26	persistent
10/27	beckoned		

Please ask your child what they mean and if they can use them in a sentence.

**The School Board of Lee County, Florida**

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**PARENT INVOLVEMENT NEWS**

Everyone says, "Parents need to get involved in their children's education." But what does "being involved" really mean?

Much of what teachers are hoping for has to do with communication, such as:

- ⇒ Introduce yourself to your child's teacher(s).
- ⇒ Ask your child questions about schoolwork and homework.
- ⇒ Contact the teacher if you see your child having problems.
- ⇒ Attend school events and help out if possible.
- ⇒ Talk with your child about school everyday and look at their books.
- ⇒ READ to or with your child everyday.

Teachers want you to get involved this school year!

**GOLDEN APPLE  
 TEACHER RECOGNITION**



**Update:**  
 Nomination forms can be turned in at the front office on or before Monday, October 12, 2009.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

***On behalf of Dr. Eric J. Smith, Commissioner of Education***

The School District of Lee County has been identified as a district in need of corrective action based on the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. This means that the district did not meet all state student achievement criteria, or Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), in reading, mathematics, and/or writing for four or more consecutive years. The district has met 72% of the AYP criteria. AYP measures the performance of all students and specific student groups based on race/ethnicity, free and reduced price lunch status, disability, and English proficiency.

To make AYP, a certain percentage of students in each group must score at grade level, or be proficient, on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) in reading, writing, and mathematics. If one student group is not proficient, the entire district does not make the AYP requirements. This does not mean that Lee County Schools are failing; it means that certain areas need improvement.

The table below shows the percentage of proficient students in Lee County compared to other students in the state.

<b>2008-09 Percent of Students Scoring Proficient</b>			
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Goal</b>	<b>Lee County</b>	<b>State</b>
Reading	65%	64%	60%
Mathematics	68%	67%	66%
Writing	Increase 1% or 90% or higher	Goal Met	Goal Met
Graduation Rate	Increase 1% or 90% or higher	Goal Met	Goal Met

As a result, the district has developed a plan to improve the achievement of its schools. This District Improvement, Assistance, and Intervention Plan can be accessed on the DOE's (Department of Education) website: [http://www.flbsi.org/0910\\_SIP/Login.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1](http://www.flbsi.org/0910_SIP/Login.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1). In addition, the district must move some of the funds to the schools to support activities that improve student achievement.

Parents play an important role in their child's education and are invited to become involved in their child's school. There are many ways of participating, such as:

- Attending parent conferences with teachers
- Participating in activities at the school
- Becoming a member of the SAC (School Advisory Council)
- Volunteering at the school

For additional information, visit DOE's Bureau of Student Assistance website: <http://www.fldoe.org/bsa>. If you have questions regarding the academic progress of your child's school, Lee County Schools, or how to become more involved, contact your school principal.

### STAR STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Weekly, we will recognize "Star Students" from each class for being responsible, respectful and safe. The students are congratulated, get a certificate, and a group photo is taken to hang in the front office and put on our school web page.

Week of September 14: Ty Headley, Ezekiel Mendez, Madisyn Blanchard, Rachel Jamieson, Anubhav Anubhav, Anthony Franco, Aviad Churaman, Anna Mobley, Jack Weber, Bianca Julien, Lorena Sol-Isse, Gemiyah Taylor, Jaden Miller, Isabella Capellan, Gelsey Panega, Bruno Roldao, Carolina Calvo, Jasmine Avila, Alondra Delgado, Mario Corrales, Adwens Surin, Sharlon Kang, Joshua Santiago, Gavin Conzalez, Kenijah Brown, Luis Hernandez, Gracie Criswell, Layla Ramos, Aegla Souza, Sharese Exius, Tara Bode, Hailey Gonzalez, Jordyn Blanchard, Samantha Rideout, Jaden Jones, Ivan Abad, Ciara Bailey, Anastasia Ayala, Luis Vasquez, Adriana Sarabia, Vincent Hernandez, Armando Diaz-Casiano, Nick Eusanio, Lauri Oriental, Howard Drummond, Reyna Martinez, Michaela Wilson, & Miles Hall

Week of September 21: Makenna Jenkins, Madison Allen, Yovanny Vasquez, Keaton Brown, Alan Hernandez, Gisela Avila, Ethan Avendano, Kaitlyn Fisher, Ricardo Vazquez, Justin Sully-Alexander, Fernando Espinoza, Alan Mafra, Ariana Domingo, Ngog Truong, Jade Rodriguez, Michael Remington, Tyler Brown, Darian Ortiz, Marysleslie Montoya, Miguel Frias, Alex Harris, Armando Alcantar, Berline Louis, Alex Nees, Janelle Rivera, Sebastian Carpio, Manuel Melendez, Mykenzie Blanchard, Miranda Edmonds, Jacob Spry, Kyle Kemmerdiener, Alison Mafra, Hailey Borchers-Upchurch, Har'Terria Dennard, Noah Gutierrez, Peter Surin, Emilia Mejia, Brady Thurneau, Lilie Munoz, Nathan Garcia, Anthony Presley, Adamaris Rodriguez, Anthony Wright, Melanie Walden, Justin Ponce DeLeon & Julio Martinez