Dear Lions,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!! We are thrilled and excited to have our students and families back at Pride Elementary School!! Our staff is both ready and eager to begin building relationships with every student. We are committed to providing a fun, safe, high quality, positive educational experience, where each student will be empowered to reach their highest potential academically, behaviorally, and socially.

The key to success is parent involvement and a strong home/school partnership. We ask that you support your child's learning at home in the following manner:

- Ensure your child attends school daily and arrives on time. This year school begins promptly at 7:50 am.
- Review homework/assignments/classwork daily and read with your children nightly.
- Encourage your children to do their personal best each day. Extremely important!! Set academic and behavior expectations for your children.
- Communicate with your child’s teacher as needed to stay current on their progress.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic additional safety measures are required to ensure the health and wellbeing of our entire Pride family:

- Face coverings are required prior to entering campus, and all visitors will be temperature checked.
- Social distancing will be enforced.
- Only essential staff will be permitted in our classrooms and cafeteria.
- All teacher conferences, guidance meetings, IEP meetings, PST meetings, 504 meetings, etc. will be by appointment only, and virtually when possible.
- Parents/Guardians will not be permitted beyond the front office and will be unable, at this time, to eat with their child or volunteer in the classrooms.
- We encourage you to visit our Volusia County Schools’ website for specific information regarding all COVID-19 requirements and guidelines.

Here are some very important reminders:

- Breakfast is free for all students. It will be served each morning from 7:20 am -7:45 am.
- Our school hours are 7:50 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Monday, Tuesday, most Wednesdays, Thursday & Friday).
- Select Wednesdays are early release days. Students are dismissed one hour early. The hours for early release are 7:50 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Please arrange to have your child picked-up on time. (Please visit our Volusia County Schools website for our specific early release day calendar.)
- There is only one parent pick-up and drop-off location, which is the curbside loop. Remember to pull your vehicles all the way forward in the loop and wait for an adult to load your child/children.
- Children are to exit vehicles on the passenger side nearest to the curb ONLY. This is for your child’s safety.
- Curbside tags MUST be visible and on display. Curbside tags help us locate and board your child quickly. Vehicles without a visible curbside tag hold up the line and cause a traffic back-up. No student will be loaded into a car without the required curbside tag.
- When checking out your child early from school, you will need to report to our front office where we will ask you to provide the proper I.D. to be scanned through our Raptor system, to ensure you are authorized for pick-up. Additionally, you will be required to wear a face covering and practice social distancing. Please work with us to ensure the safety of everyone.