

# Words of Wisdom



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## Spring Book Fair

Loretto's Spring Book Fair will be here next week. The entire book fair will be BOGO, so it is a great opportunity to get books at a great price for summer reading. On Thursday, May 22 we will have a special Family night from 3:00 until 6:45 p.m. There is also a PTA meeting that night and the Safety Patrols will be selling dinner.

We are need of several volunteers to help with this book fair. If you are able to work two or more hours you will receive a free book of your choice. Please visit <http://vols.pt/jvSLN2> to sign up if you can help us out.



**SPIRIT DAY** next Friday, April 23th. Wear **Blue or Yellow** or your Loretto shirt!! This will be the last Spirit Day of the school year.

## AR Store Coming Soon!

The AR store will be open May 27<sup>th</sup> through June 2<sup>nd</sup> (make-ups). Students can earn points to spend at the store AND toward their teacher's iPad mini raffle tickets until May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The AR store needs volunteers!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EABA62BA64-loretto1>

## Stay Connected with the Loretto PTA

<http://lorettopta.weebly.com/index.html>

You can also find us on [Facebook!](#)

### Parking Lot Safety

Please observe all traffic signs and rules when driving on and around campus. Children are NEVER to be dropped off anywhere other than the designated drop off circles. Please remember that the driveway that encircles the school is a "No Cell Phone" zone and that the speed limit on campus is an extra slow 5 mph. Thanks for helping keep our children safe!

CHRISTOPHER BEGLEY  
PRINCIPAL

THERESA ROGERS  
PTA PRESIDENT

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**Loretto Families: School is in the home stretch! Recommit yourself to not talk or text when you drop off or pick up at Loretto! Our children are too important.**



## PTA Board

Are you interested in being a part of the PTA board? If you would like to be considered for any of the open positions, please contact Theresa Rogers at [t\\_c\\_rogers@msn.com](mailto:t_c_rogers@msn.com).

**PARENTS:** We want your feedback! Please take a few minutes to take our survey about fundraising and let your voices be heard. Please take the following link to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JSVPB3D>



## Mark your Calendars

- **May 16, Friday**  
Library Books Due
- **May 16, Friday**  
Skate Station Spirit Night
- **May 16-23**  
Spring Book Fair
- **May 18, Sunday**  
Triathlon at JU
- **May 20, Tuesday**  
DCCPTA Annual Vendors' Fair
- **May 21, Wednesday**  
Early Dismissal
- **May 22, Thursday 3:00-6:45pm**  
Book Fair Family Night
- **May 26, Monday**  
No School
- **May 27-29**  
Play Days
- **May 27-June 2**  
AR Store
- **June 6, Friday**  
12:00pm Dismissal  
Last Day of School

## Media Center

All student library books are due by May 16th.



## Sales Tax Holiday

- Dates: August 1 – 3, 2014
- Covers: Items of clothing under \$100
- School supplies under \$15
- The first \$750 spent on a personal computer

## AR Top Points Earners

### First Grade

THREE WAY TIE FOR FIRST PLACE!!!

Mitchell C.	1st place - Kim
Emily B.	1st place - Herrman
Colin M.	1st place - Kim
Kaitlin W.	2nd place - Herrman
Mattea C.	3rd place - Herrman

### Second Grade

Nicholas P.	1st place - Pulliam
Zoe M.	2nd place - Pulliam
Owen J.	3rd place - Mckelvey

### Third Grade

Gabriel D.	1st place - Freeman
Mathew C.	2nd place - Grieb
Mya G.	3rd place - Bacon

### Fourth Grade

Carolyn P.	1st place - Manning
Morgan M.	2nd place - Beltz
Charlotte R.	3rd place - Riley

### Fifth Grade

Clarice C.	1st place - Holley
Joshua K.	2nd place - Tarabishi
Wade M.	3rd place - Holley

Remember, students can still earn points to spend in the store and towards their teachers raffle tickets for the iPad mini until March 22nd!

Congrats to all these awesome readers and teachers.

# Loretto Elementary School Spirit Night

★ Friday ★  
May 16th  
5:30-7:30pm  
Adm. \$6.00



One FREE Glow Stick  
To The 1st 25 Paid Admissions

Bring The Whole Family



Skate Station Funworks  
3461 Kori Road  
880-7703  
www.funworks.com

Playground Or Swamp Golf  
Available For Only \$3.00 More.  
Inlines \$4.00 Extra.

**Presented By**  
**Loretto Elementary PTA**



## DCCPTA Annual Vendors' Fair

Prior to the Duval County Council of PTAs and PTSAs Presidents' and Principals' Luncheon on May 20, DCCPTA will host our annual Vendors' Fair, from **9:00 am - 11:30 am.** at UNF's University Center.

**This fair is open to ANY organization**  
**Patrols, Scouts, booster clubs,**  
**Sports teams, clubs, etc.**

**ANYONE** looking for program and/or fundraising ideas is welcome to attend. There is **NO ADMISSION FEE** and you do not have to be attending the Luncheon to visit the Vendors Fair.

**Arrive by 9:45 am and be entered**  
**into the Door Prize drawing!**

**Here are just some of the Vendors that will be present:**

First Place Fundraising  
Cady Fundraising Services  
School Aids  
Bricks 4 Kidz  
Adventure Landing  
TransAmerica Financial Services  
Space Walk of Jacksonville  
RPM Automotive  
Shipping & Business Services  
Sweet Frog Frozen Yogurt  
PRS Racing  
Educational Products  
Shuffle and Dine  
Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough  
Rethink Local  
Office Depot  
Junior Achievement  
Comedy Club of Jacksonville  
Great Atlantic Outfitters  
Great American Fundraising  
Soccer Shots  
Artlife  
Playmore Recreational Products & Services  
GatorBowl Association  
Lego League of Jacksonville  
Domino's Pizza

**See you there!!**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Success by Design" Family Conference

For Middle School Students and Their Families

### "Aspire, Explore, Achieve"

**Students**, is planning for your future important?

**Parents**, is planning for your child's future a priority?

*"What is high school going to be like?"*

*"How do we choose a program in high school?"*

*"What is college all about?"*

*"How do we pay for college?"*

*"How do I choose a career?"*

Join a remarkable group of presenters, students, and parents as we address these and many other burning topics at this year's event. This is certain to be an exciting interactive experience for all!

**Date:** Friday, May 23, 2014  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
**Location:** Florida State College at Jacksonville  
Downtown Campus  
101 West State Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

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May

Success By Design  
2nd Annual Family Conference

#### Parent Track information sessions include:

The College Choice Process  
S@Y WH@T? A Parent's Guide to Internet Safety  
How to Advocate for Your Child  
Healthy Families: Physically, Emotionally, Socially and Financially

#### Student Track sessions will include:

Hot Jobs in the 21st Century  
Straight From the Source - (college student Q&A panel)  
"ESPY" - Emotionally, Socially and Physically YOU  
"Generation Selfie" - Internet Safety  
Steps to Success in Middle School  
Keeping Your Act Together  
Many DCPS Middle Schools will be busing their students to this event as a field trip (check with your school), but individual students and their parents are encouraged to attend and register via the link below.

Register online NOW at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)  
or Call (904) 390-2307 for more information.



### Success By Design Family Conference

"Striving to provide opportunities for each and every student."

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Jacksonville Downtown Campus  
101 West State Street  
Jacksonville FL 32202

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## Parent Survey - Exceptional Student Education

The Florida Department of Education is working with school districts to gather information on how well parents think their child's school is partnering with parents of students with disabilities, and would like to include your input. Your responses will help guide efforts to improve services and results for children and families. This survey is for parents of students with individual educational plans (IEP) receiving special education services during the 2013-14 school year. All information provided will remain confidential. You may submit one online survey for each child receiving services.

Here is the link to the survey:

<http://www.esesurvey.com/Login.php>

## 16th Annual Café Conference for Parents of children with Disabilities

The "Sweet Sixteen" 16th Annual Family Cafe is set for June 6-8, 2014 at the [Hilton Orlando in Orlando, Florida](#). This three-day event provides a venue for people with disabilities and their families to learn about available services, connect with policy makers and network with each other. It features dozens of breakout sessions, a full Exhibit Hall, a series of Keynotes and multiple opportunities to interact with other families informally.

The "Sweet Sixteen" 16th Annual Family Café will once again include The Annual Summit on Disabilities, with three special guests. The first will be long-time Family Café supporter State **Senator Bill Galvano**, Chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education. Joining him will be **Governor Rick Scott**, who will once again be on hand to hear from families and share his vision for Floridians with disabilities. Finally, The Family Café is very excited to announce that NFL legend and disability advocate **Dan Marino** will also take part in the Summit! He will discuss his advocacy through the Dan Marino Foundation and the opening of the Marino Campus for students with disabilities in Fort Lauderdale.

There is **no registration fee for individuals with disabilities** and their family members or caregivers. **Professionals are required to pay a \$100 registration fee.**



## Florida's 2013-2014 ESE Parent Survey February 1 - May 31

Parents!

We need your help to make Florida's 2013-2014  
ESE Parent Survey a record success

Each year, the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) surveys parents of children with an individual educational plan (IEP) to determine how well your child's school is partnering with you and promoting your involvement in your child's education. All states must collect this data as part of their State Performance Plan, as required under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Make your voice heard!

- ✓ The web-based survey will open **February 1, 2014**.
- ✓ You can complete the survey online at <http://www.esesurvey.com> or request a paper survey from your child's school.

**Your feedback is important** in helping the state and local school systems continue improving educational programs for children with special needs. **Thank you!**



For questions about the survey,  
please contact Aimee Mallini at FDOE  
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Florida Department of Education  
Bureau of Exceptional Education  
and Student Services



## Encuesta ESE a Padres de Familia de la Florida 2013-2014 1 de febrero - 31 de mayo

Sres. Padres!

Necesitamos la ayuda de ustedes para que la Encuesta ESE a Padres de  
Familia de la Florida 2013-2014 sea un gran éxito

Cada año, el Departamento de Educación de la Florida (FDOE) encuesta a los padres de niños con un plan educativo individualizado (IEP) a fin de determinar la relación de la escuela con usted y la promoción de su participación en la educación de su hijo(a). Todos los estados deberán recabar dichos datos como parte de su Plan Estatal de Desempeño, según exige la Ley de Educación de Personas con Discapacidades (IDEA).

¡Que se oiga su voz!

- ✓ La encuesta con base en Internet se abrirá el día 1 de febrero de 2014.
- ✓ Puede usted contestar la encuesta en línea en <http://www.esesurvey.com> o solicitar la encuesta en papel en la escuela de su hijo.

**Su opinión es importante**, pues ayuda a los sistemas escolares estatales y locales a seguir mejorando programas educativos para niños con necesidades especiales. **¡Gracias!**



Para consultas sobre la encuesta,  
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