

LONGLEAF ELEMENTARY BOBCAT NEWSLETTER

September 2023 Issue



HOME OF
THE BOBCATS

D A T E S T O S A V E

Jeremiah's Night	9-6	PTO & SAC	9-13	Domino's & 321 Night	9-13
Trivia Night	9-14	Coin Wars	9-25	Bobcat Bash	9-28



September

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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4 LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 4TH	5	6 Jeremiah's Ice Night!! 	7 Pep Rally! 	8 SchoolStore The Easiest Fundraiser Ever! START
11 	12 SCHOOL PICTURE DAY!	13 PTO Meeting 3:00 SAC Meeting 4:15 Domino's & 321 Ice Cream Spirit Night!!	14 Family TRIVIA NIGHT 5-7 PM	15 SchoolStore The Easiest Fundraiser Ever! FINISH
18 	19 	20	21	22 Volunteer breakfast
25 COIN WARS 	26 	27 TEXAS Spirit Night!!	28 BOBCAT BASH 	29

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

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PTO WEBSITE



4290 N. Wickham Road.
Melbourne, FL 32935

Principal: Mr. Jason Sherburne



321-242-4700

Assistant Principal: Mr. Rick Dillon



SAC NEWS

Our School Improvement Council has openings for new members. Two Longleaf parents would like your vote of approval. Please click the link to vote for one or both parents to represent you on SAC for a 2-year term. Voting ends September 6.

Click the link to vote:



<https://forms.gle/qFtTD2kVLoUGMXydA>



Upcoming Meeting: September 13 @ 4:15

The School Improvement Plan will be presented, new library book purchases displayed, and we will hear about the BPS Parent Leadership Team.



TESTING ***This Month!***



IMPORTANT

FAST for Grades K-2:
● ELA on 9/12 and
● Mathematics on 9/13

FAST for Grades 3-6:
● ELA on 9/6 and Mathematics
on 9/7

Please click below
to read the FAST
Parent Notification
Letter.

LEARN MORE





BECOME A MENTOR TODAY!

Mentoring is one of the most rewarding experiences you can have with Brevard Public Schools. Schools across the district are looking for people who want to mentor students, so there is a great chance that you will find a good fit for your schedule.

The first step to become a Mentor for Brevard Public Schools is to sign up as a volunteer and complete fingerprinting/background check.

Volunteer Application Website

<https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/NjE6ZW4tVVM=>

After you complete your application AND fingerprinting, please email your name and date you were fingerprinted by Brevard Public Schools in District Security to:
speir.chana@brevardschools.org

Fingerprints/background checks can take up to 4 weeks.

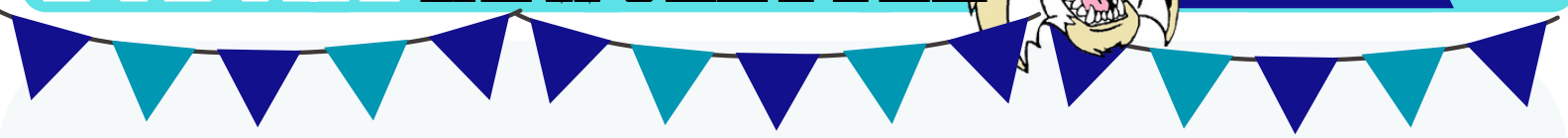
****Fingerprinting fees have been waived at this time, so there is no cost to you****

After your volunteer application is approved, you will want to find a school. You may choose to volunteer at the Leaf or perhaps a school near your work/home would be more convenient.

1. VOLUNTEERS MUST MAINTAIN STRICT CONFIDENTIALITY concerning information they see and hear concerning students and staff, including students' grades, records, and abilities.
2. Volunteers **DO NOT** discipline students. Please report discipline problems to the teacher.
3. Volunteers agree to abide by School Board Policy: ADC, Tobacco-Free Schools & Facilities.
4. Volunteers agree to report Child Abuse or Suspected Abuse to site administrator and the Department of Children and Families at 1.800.96ABUSE (1.800.962.2873). Volunteers may not give any medication to students.
5. Volunteers do not diagnose student weaknesses and strengths, prescribe activities for students, or evaluate student progress.
6. Volunteers' discussions with teachers should not interrupt class time.
7. Volunteers should set a good example for students by their manner, appearance, and behavior.
8. Comparing and criticizing teachers and students are not acceptable volunteer behaviors.
9. Volunteers may not hold informal parent/teacher conferences. Volunteers may not conduct personal business at school.
10. Volunteers should never touch students in any way that is aggressive, disciplinary or sexual in nature.
11. Volunteers must guard against private communications with students; (i.e. such as social media, texting, email...).
12. All volunteers must Sign In and Out through our volunteer management system during and after schools hours.
13. All volunteers or visitors **MUST WEAR AN IDENTIFYING NAMETAG** approved by the office of district and Schools security.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE MENTORING WEBPAGE:

<https://sites.google.com/share/brevardschools.org/navigation/home>



ARE YOU A VOLUNTEER?

ONLY BPS APPROVED VOLUNTEERS MAY PARTICIPATE AND ATTEND EVENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

Volunteers help with:

- Field Trips
- Field Day
- Book Fair
- Holiday Shop
- Class Parties
- Library Checkout
- Morning Mile
- Teacher Requests
- Volunteer Room
- Lunch Bunch
- and so much more!

Becoming a Volunteer:

- Step 1:
Fill out an application online:
<https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104>
- Step 2:
Get Fingerprinted at
BPS School Board
Office of District Security
2700 JUDGE FRAN
JAMIESON WAY
VIERA, FL 32940
Monday - Friday 8:00-4:00
No appointment necessary

Once you are a BPS Approved Volunteer, to be placed on the volunteer email list and receive our Sign-Up Genius link, please reach out to our volunteer coordinator, EddyLynn Kledzik (kledzik.eddy@brevardschools.org)





READ-A-THON EXTENDED!

We are extending Read-a-thon through Tuesday, September 5th! Due to the recent website maintenance, we want to give everyone time to make sure all reading sessions are entered and donations collected! We're over half way to our goal of \$15,000!!

Winners will be announced on Wednesday, Sept. 6th!





Trivia Night

**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 14**

**JOIN US AT
LONGLEAF FROM
5:00 - 7:00!!**

**A FAMILY-FRIENDLY
EVENT WITH FREE SNACKS
TO EAT, PRIZES TO WIN,
AND FOOD AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE!**

RSVP:





**VOLUNTEERS
ARE INVITED!**



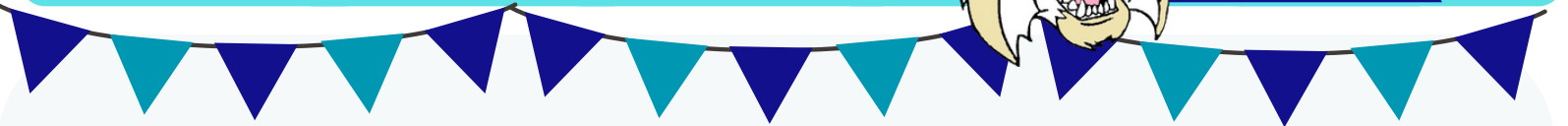
***Volunteer
Breakfast Social***

***September 22
9 AM***

***Please RSVP using
the Volunteer Sign
Up Genius***



**For more information or the Sign Up Genius link, contact
Eddy Lynn Kledzik (kledzik.eddy@brevardschools.org)**



LONGLEAF ELEMENTARY'S
FALL
FESTIVAL

WE NEED YOUR HELP! WILL YOU SIGN UP
TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME TO RUN OUR
FALL FESTIVAL? OPTIONS INCLUDE:
GAMES, TICKETS, SILENT AUCTION, BAKE
SALE, PUMPKIN PATCH, MAZE, WATER
STATION, AND BOUNCE HOUSES!

October 21, 2023!
Multiple time slots
available! You do
not have to be an
approved volunteer;
all are welcome!

SIGN
UP
HERE!





COIN WARS

NEHS is Sponsoring "Coin Wars" September 25-29!



- ? Do you have coins laying around the house?
- ? Do you want to show how much school spirit YOUR Class has?

Coin Wars are coming.....

You and your classmates will compete against other classes in your grade level to show who has the most school spirit.



Collecting Money: All coins/paper money you can find can be added to your class jar. The class with the highest money count at the end of the week will win.

Disruption Days: If you want to challenge the other classes in your grade, and make it more difficult for them to win, you can put **QUARTERS** and paper money in jars for the **OTHER CLASSES** in your grade level. This will count **AGAINST** the money that their class collects. This will only happen on **TUESDAY** September 26 and **THURSDAY** September 28 in the café during lunch.



Fund Our School Projects!

All the proceeds from Coin Wars will go to fund Improving our School Grounds, NEHS selected Charity, and keep the Science Lab stocked this year.

Get Ready!

So go home and look in the couch cushions. Look on the floor of the car! Find those coins and get some school spirit going in your class! Donations greatly appreciated!



1...2...3...4.....

We Declare A Coin War!





NEHS

SEPTEMBER

9/6 2:30-3:30

Committee Meeting: CoinWars (Mrs. Guyer's Room 607)

9/12 2:30-3:30

Committee Meeting: Paw Pals (Mrs. Kaiser's Room 611)

9/20 2:30-3:30

Committee Meeting: Coin Wars (Mrs. Guyer's Room 607)

9/25-9/29 2:30-3:30

Coin Wars Event: NEHS Coin Wars Fundraiser (meet every day after school in Mrs. G's room to count money.)

9/26 5:30-6:15pm

Induction Ceremony in Longleaf Cafe





COACH'S CORNER!

SEPTEMBER'S GAME PLAN

THIS MONTH WE WILL BE COMPLETING OUR LOCOMOTOR SKILLS UNIT! STUDENTS IN K-2 WILL BE RECEIVING THEIR LOCOMOTOR LICENSE! LATER INTO THE MONTH WE WILL BE DISCUSSING PHYSICAL AND HEALTH RELATED FITNESS.

DON'T FORGET! STUDENTS HAVE PE ONCE A WEEK, BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TO EXERCISE EVERYDAY!



ON PE DAYS PLEASE REMEMBER...

- Water Bottle
- Sneakers Every Day!!!!!!!
- Comfortable school appropriate clothing
- Wear sunscreen
- Positive attitude!



WALK TO SCHOOL DAY IS COMING!

Start planning now! Walk to School Day will be the morning of Wednesday October 4th. Keep an eye out for an informational flyer to be sent out later this month!



HEALTHY SNACK IDEA! FRUIT PIZZA!!!

Turn eating healthy snacks into a fun experience by making a colorful mosaic of fruit. Your child will likely want to overload their pizza with fruit when they realize they can create their own masterpiece. Use a mini whole-wheat tortilla for the crust (small tortillas will make eating the finished product easier). Then, let your child spread cream cheese on the shell. Provide fruit toppings, such as strawberries, raspberries, banana slices, and kiwi.





The Media Center hosts two fundraisers each year, Book Fair and the School Store.com.

Purchasing fresh new books is our goal this year, and we appreciate all the support from our Longleaf community.

Longleaf hosts many events, spirit nights, and fundraisers. Families can pick and choose which ones serve them best!



Thank you for shopping our Book Fair!



SchoolStore

The Easiest Fundraiser Ever!

We raised \$3,100!

September 8-15



ORDER YOUR 2023-2024 LONGLEAF YEARBOOK NOW AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!

PAY ONLY \$26 NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST FOR A BEAUTIFUL 96 PAGE HARDCOVER BOOK OF MEMORIES!

ORDER ONLINE AT www.buytheyearbook.com

ALSO AVAILABLE NOW:

1/4 PAGE STUDENT ADS FOR \$40

1/8 PAGE STUDENT ADS FOR \$20

THESE ADS ARE **LIMITED** AND ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE

QUESTIONS? Email longleafads@gmail.com



LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch is an opportunity for families to have lunch in school with their students. This program is available on Thursdays and supervised by our approved BPS volunteers or school designees. The families of our Bobcats are asked to limit sign up to once a month to provide opportunities to all our families. The following procedures are followed to maintain safety on campus.

1. Come at your student's designated time. We will not call students out of class early.
2. Sign-in at the front office with proper ID and get a badge.
3. Visitors will be escorted to our designated "Bobcat Lunch Bunch" area located in the Commons.
4. Students will be brought to/from the lunch area by our volunteer staff.
5. Visitors will check out in the front office when their student is picked up by the teacher. If you have multiple students, you will need to check out and check back in at their designated time as we do not have a waiting area.

Safety Reminders:

Parents/guests may not enter the cafeteria or go through the lunch line. Contacts on the student registration form are allowed to eat with the students. The contact may bring an additional guest with them. Other classmates will not be allowed to join your student for lunch.

Outside food will remain with the parents as well as any leftovers. Parents also have the option of checking their students out and taking them off campus for lunch.

To sign up for lunch bunch, click the link and select an open date. Fill in the appropriate information.

[Lunch Bunch Sign-Up Link](#)

You will receive a confirmation email following your sign-up. Please mark your calendar. For further information, please contact our Front Office Clerk, Jessica Hoppins
Hoppins.Jessica@BrevardSchools.org.



LONGLEAF ELEMENTARY PTO MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please support the Longleaf Elementary by joining the PTO! The cost is only \$5 which goes toward raising money to fund special events and operating expenses.

Keep in mind that anyone in the Longleaf community can join the PTO: parents, grandparents, and guardians. We need your unique talents, whether its volunteering a few hours a month or a few hours a year, attending meetings , or sharing your ideas.

visit <https://longleaf.ptboard.com>, enter code **6H9AVA** to join and for more information!

LONGLEAF ELEMENTARY PTO
MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

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PHONE#: _____

CHILD'S NAME: _____ GRADE _____

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ALL VOLUNTEERS NEED TO BE APPROVED THROUGH THE DISTRICT. YOU CAN APPLY ONLINE AT THE BPS WEBPAGE.

<https://www.brevardschools.org/page/11104>

PTO members do not need to be volunteers.

Please contact the Longleaf Elementary PTO if you have any questions:

Bobcatpto4290@gmail.com



SCHOOL

Spirit Nights!

2023-24 LONGLEAF SPIRIT NIGHTS



1st Wednesday of every month - Jeremiah's Ice Night 3-9 pm
 2nd Wednesday of every month - 321 Ice Cream Bar 5-9 pm



9/13	Domino's	4-9 pm
9/27	Texas Roadhouse (Viera)	5-8 pm
10/10	Walk-On's	4-9 pm
10/25	Bubbakoo's Burritos	4-9 pm
11/8	Domino's	4-8 pm
12/6	Beef 'O'Brady's	4-9 pm
12/19	Gator's Dockside	4-9 pm
1/17	Domino's	4-8 pm
1/31	Long Doggers	5-8 pm
2/13	Texas Roadhouse (Viera)	5-8 pm
2/27	Walk-On's	4-9 pm
3/13	Genna Pizza Co	4-9 pm
4/3	Bubbakoo's Burritos	4-9 pm
4/17	Domino's	4-8 pm
5/1	Gator's Dockside	4-9 pm
5/15	Long Doggers	5-8 pm



LONGLEAF'S MVPS

We love our PIE Teammates!

