



**Escambia County School District and
Naval Air Station Pensacola
Joint Military Council for Education Excellence**

**March 4, 2021
Meeting Agenda**

Broadcast via Facebook Live
School Board Room, J. E. Hall Center, Room 160
30 E. Texar Dr., Pensacola, FL 32503

4:00-4:10	<p>Business Meeting Opening Remarks</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introductions by XO, Commander Godbehere and Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Steve Marcanio 2. Introduction of council members and guests
4:10-4:12	<p>Old Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Closed Action Items (from October 22, 2020 meeting) 2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
4:12-4:25	<p>Discussion of Progress on Open Action Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruitment of additional Military Council representatives from TRAWING 6 and NETC--Gloria Nettles 2. Periodic updates on DoDEA grant programs in our schools 3. Guest invitation for MFLC as a Subject Matter Expert--Carissa Bergosh 4. Request for Child Development Center update 5. Career Academy spotlight during each Council Meeting--Chris McFarland 6. Purple Star Schools Program--Carissa Bergosh 7. Request for One-Pager for transitioning military families--Jason Bortz
4:25-4:45	<p>Highlight Current Initiatives, Programs, and Resources</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Veterans' Memorial Park Story (See Appendix 3 regarding email from Nov 17, 2020)--Steve Marcanio 2. Purple Star Program--Carissa Bergosh 3. CDC services/info--Carissa Bergosh 4. Upcoming "Month of the Military Child" in April--Carissa Bergosh 5. School Choice update--Mr. McFarland 6. Kindergarten registration information--Dr. Patti Thomas 7. Spring 2021 Education Plan and Assurances--Steve Marcanio 8. In the Appendices of each published agenda, we will include a link to the military families site AND the School Choice site. Provide links to Navy command.--Joel Hollon 9. Development of a "What to bring" document on the military families site (Appendix 4)--Joel Hollon 10. Career Academy Spotlight: Aviation and Flight Academies video from Workforce Education site--Chris McFarland 11. Bailey Middle School Flight Academy update--Joel Hollon 12. Guests from MacDill AFB Council for Education Excellence

4:45-4:50	<p>Wrap-up</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirm upcoming Council meeting date, time, location, and format. (April 22, 2021, 4:00-6:00 pm at the J.E. Hall Center, Rm. 160.). 2. Comments.
4:50-5:00	<p>Brief Break</p>
5:00-5:05	<p>Public Forum Opening Remarks</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greetings and opening remarks from CDR Godbehere & Mr. Marcanio. 2. Mission Statement: <i>Improving educational services and communication between the Escambia County School District and military families.</i>
5:05-5:40	<p>Topics of Interest</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HPCON Update--John Godbehere 2. Military Family Life Counselor (MFLC) program--Carissa Bergosh and Guest MFLC (pre-recorded video) 3. Purple Star Schools Program--Carissa Bergosh <p>Future Topics of Interest</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guests from MacDill AFB Council for Education Excellence will share at our next council meeting about their work in Hillsborough County, FL.--Joel Hollon 2. Solicitation for future topics of interest
5:40-5:55	<p>Q&A and Public Forum, moderated by CDR Godbehere</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purpose and Etiquette of the Public Forum: CDR Godbehere <u>Read statement:</u> <i>"The Joint Military Council for Education Excellence was established as a partnership between the Escambia County School District and Naval Air Station Pensacola in the Spring of 2020. This council exists to facilitate necessary changes in policies and procedures that directly impact educational services for the children of our service members.</i> <i>To that end, I want to remind our public forum participants to...</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - engage all parties with great regard for one another, - use language that is universally appropriate for public record, - and, when possible, comment and question with the greater good in mind. <i>Please note that questions or comments that pertain to specific students, individuals, or schools may not be addressed in great detail by the council during the Public Forum. The council's responses to such items may be provided privately to individuals on a case by case basis."</i> 2. Inform participants that they are welcome to submit questions and

	<p>comments <i>during the forum</i>, via Facebook. As appropriate, Mr. Bortz and Mrs. Stefansson will read questions submitted during the forums.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Display the email address where families can send questions and comments at any time, even after the live forum. (pensacolapao@gmail.com) 4. CDR Godbehere will read the pre-submitted questions from military families and community members, to be addressed by appropriate Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) (See Appendix 1).
5:55-6:00	<p>Upcoming Meeting Details and Closing</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Display April 22, 2021 meeting details for Facebook Live. (April 22, 2021, 4:00-6:00 pm at the J.E. Hall Center, Rm. 160.) 2. Display pensacolapao@gmail.com, where families can submit their questions and comments to the Council at any time. The Council will address submitted items at future meetings and forums. For matters requiring immediate assistance, please reach out to your student's school administrators. 3. Closing remarks from Council members, and final remarks from CDR Godbehere and Mr. Marcanio. 4. Dismissal (end Facebook feed).

Appendix 1: Questions from Military Families for the March 4, 2021 Public Forum

Submitted Questions

1. Can you share about upcoming PCS plans, facts, and figures?
 - a) How many service members will receive outgoing PCS orders, how many are PCSing into the area?
 - b) Not sure how to ask, but what is the date when the bulk of incoming transitions will be complete?
 - c) What kinds of DoD travel restrictions might impact the arrival of families?

2. We are PCSing in June. How do I find out about schooling options for my children?

How to submit questions:

- Email your questions to pensacolapao@gmail.com

- Submit them via Facebook Live!
Search for and go to the Escambia Schools Public Relations page on Facebook.
Click on Videos.
View the Live Stream of the Military Council Meeting, and post your question there. (Note: You may need to Like and Follow the page to allow your question to be visible.)

Appendix 2: Relevant Links

Escambia County School District's Military Families Website Link:

www.escambiaschools.org/military

Escambia Schools Public Relations Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/ecsd.public/?ref=page_internal

NAS Pensacola Public Affairs Office Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/NASPCOLA>

Appendix 3: Excerpts from the Veterans Memorial Park email thread

On Fri, Nov 13, 2020 at 4:13 PM Patrick W. OLeary <poleary@twc.com> wrote:

Friday November 13, 2020

Ms. Holder,

I serve on the board of the **Hershel “Woody” Williams Medal of Honor Foundation**. Woody is a WW II Marine Corps veteran who earned the Medal of Honor for his bravery during the battle for Iwo Jima. He was presented the medal by President Truman on October 5, 1945, three days after his 22nd birthday. Woody is 97 years old, he lives near Huntington, West Virginia.

In 2013, Woody launched his foundation with a mission to place monuments in communities to honor, recognize and increase awareness of Gold Star Families. He was in Pensacola this week to dedicate the 75th monument at the Veterans Memorial Park.

While at the park on Thursday morning he discovered the notes and drawings your students left at the park’s newest monument, the *Gold Star Families Memorial Monument*, that Woody dedicated on Wednesday November 11th. I found your name and the name of the school on one of the notes.

He was impressed with your student’s artwork and messages for veterans. He was pleased to read that many of the students thanked veterans for their freedom. When Woody enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1943, it was because he wanted to help preserve our freedom.

During WW II there were 472 Medal of Honors awarded, there are only two living recipients - Woody and Charles Colidge who lives in Tennessee. Charles served in the U.S. Army in Europe and Woody served in the Pacific. He is the last U.S. Marine Corps Medal of Honor recipient from WW II.

He did read all the notes and even signed a couple. He asked me to return them and to express his gratitude to the students.

The U.S. Navy uses a term to express a job well done – *Bravo Zulu*. The students of Bellview Middle School have certainly earned a “*Bravo Zulu*” from a special Marine.

Please share an address that I can use to return the notes to the students.

Thank you

Pat

Below is a link to this year's Commandant of the Marine Corps birthday message, Woody is featured in the video because this is the 75th anniversary of the battle for Iwo Jima.

Commandant's 245th Marine Corps Birthday Message – (8:01)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAjz7U7uZPw&t=83s>

Below is a link to a website that list Woody's Medal of Honor citation

The Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation website

<https://www.cmohs.org/recipients/hershel-woodrow-woody-williams>

I have attached a PDF file with a few pictures of Woody from his time in Pensacola.

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From: Holder, Stephanie <Sholder@ecsdf.us>

Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 22:07

To: Patrick W. OLeary <poleary@twc.com>; Adams, Melia <madams@ecsdf.us>; Tara Palasciano <tpalasciano@ecsdf.us>; Heather Vandervort <hvandervort@ecsdf.us>; Tammie Davis <tdavis@ecsdf.us>; Lisa McMillian <LMcmillian@ecsdf.us>; Laura Ivie <LIVie@ecsdf.us>; Lynn Robinson <writeone50@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: Veterans Memorial Park notes

Oh WOW! What an honor! He may be touched to know that my students are ESOL Students. I am their reading teacher. They are learning to read and speak English. They are from all over the world! All of them are truly grateful to be in America. They have never experienced our kind of freedom. It is my privilege to teach them about the meaning of our pledge to our flag and what Veterans Day means. My dear friend Lyn Robinson, a retired teacher from Bellview Middle has been putting these cards out for many years and continued it after she retired. Her father served and she has always been passionate about continuing this small gesture of thanks to all of those that serve. Our students are very excited every year to make these cards and are even more touched when it is recognized. We are very honored to have a small part in thanking our Veterans! Thank you so very much for reaching out to me. I hope you don't mind that I will be sharing this email with our Principal, Assistant Principal, Mrs. Robinson, and the other teachers at BMS that had students make cards (Heather Vandervort, Tammie Davis, Laura Ivie, Lisa McMillian). Our school address is Bellview Middle School, 6201 Mobile Hwy., Pensacola, FL 32526 . Many blessings!

Stephanie Holder—ESOL Reading Grades 6,7 & 8
Bellview Middle School
941-6080 ext. 410303

From: **Patrick W. OLeary** <poleary@twc.com>
Date: Sun, Nov 15, 2020 at 9:58 PM
Subject: RE: Veterans Memorial Park notes
To: Holder, Stephanie <Sholder@ecsdfl.us>, Adams, Melia <madams@ecsdfl.us>, Tara Palasciano <tpalasciano@ecsdfl.us>, Heather Vandervort <hvandervort@ecsdfl.us>, Tammie Davis <tdavis@ecsdfl.us>, Lisa McMillian <LMcmillian@ecsdfl.us>, Laura Ivie <LIvie@ecsdfl.us>, Lynn Robinson <writeone50@gmail.com>

Ms. Holder,

Thank you for the reply. I will ship the documents back to you Monday.

I will share with Woody the background of your students. One of his daughters is an ASL teacher in Huntington, West Virginia so he knows that teachers are special. I have known Woody for over ten years and have heard him give credit for his patriotism to one of this teachers that taught him about how freedom is precious. He grew up in a very rural part of West Virginia in the 1920's, he

attended a one room school house and had the same teacher for the first eight years of his education.

Please share my email with others at the school, it is a great story that is worth sharing.

Again, thank you for the reply and for your efforts to support veterans. We live in a great country but it will only remain that way if young men and women volunteer to protect and defend her. We can never totally thank veterans for what they have done for us but we should take every opportunity to thank and honor them for their service. The cards your students are leaving at the Veterans Memorial Park are a wonderful example of thanking and honoring veterans.

Woody is 97 years old and became a Marine in 1943. He is still helping protect and defend America with his work with Gold Star Families.

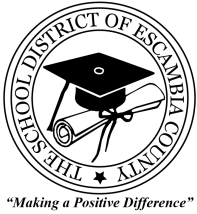
I have attached a picture of Woody in front of the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument at Veterans Memorial Park.

Pat

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THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY

ENROLLMENT CHECKLIST

Student Name: _____

Incoming Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Enrollment Start Date: _____

Today's Date: _____

REQUIRED FOR ALL *INCOMING* NEW STUDENTS

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

(Most commonly a current water, energy, or gas bill in your name. For a list of other acceptable forms of proof of residence, see [page 6](#) of the [School Choice](#) General Information document. If the school you are attempting to enroll is NOT your residentially zoned school, you must also have School Choice approval prior to enrolling at the school. Foster Care and Homeless Students have additional rights; for more information call Title I at (850) 595-6915 or see [page 8](#) of the School Choice document.)

PHYSICAL

(Health examinations performed by licensed health professionals outside of Florida are acceptable as long as the documented exam meets minimum requirements and was completed within 1 year of the first day the student will attend school. The school nurse will review all out of state physicals to determine if they meet District requirements.)

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

VERIFICATION OF AGE

(If the first prescribed evidence is not available, the next evidence obtainable in the order set forth below shall be accepted:

- a duly attested transcript of the child's birth record filed according to law with a public officer charged with the duty of recording births; or
- a duly attested transcript of a certificate of baptism showing the date of birth and place of baptism of the child accompanied by an affidavit sworn to by the parent(s); or
- an insurance policy on the child's life which has been in force for at least two (2) years; or
- a bona fide contemporary Bible record of the child's birth accompanied by an affidavit sworn to by the parent(s); or
- a passport, a certificate of arrival in the United States, or a naturalization certificate showing the age of the child; or
- a transcript record of age shown in the child's school record of at least four (4) years prior to application, stating date of birth; or
- an affidavit of age sworn to by the parent and accompanied by a certificate of age, signed by a public health officer or by a licensed practicing physician designated by the School Board, stating that the health officer or physician has examined the child and believes that the age as stated in the affidavit is substantially correct (only if other evidence cannot be produced).
- Children who are experiencing homelessness as defined in 39.0016, F.S., shall be given temporary exemption from this section for thirty (30) school days.)

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (optional)

(The Social Security Number is **NOT** required to register a student. You are only required to ask if they have one. The person enrolling does not have to provide it. If it is provided, do **NOT** make a copy of it, you are only verifying the number.)

COMPLETED ONLINE ENROLLMENT FORM

(Ensure you have a signed [DATA VERIFICATION FORM](#) and [STUDENT HEALTH VERIFICATION FORM](#) during registration.)

ADDITIONAL FORM FOR *VPK* STUDENTS

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (COE) WITH PARENT SIGNATURE

(Approval from the Title I Office is Required. Visit www.escambiaschools.org/title1vpk for more info.)

REQUIRED FOR ALL *TRANSFERS WITHIN DISTRICT* OR STUDENTS *RETURNING TO DISTRICT*

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

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WITHDRAWAL FORM FROM PRIOR SCHOOL (High School Only)

COMPLETED [DATA VERIFICATION FORM](#) AND [STUDENT HEALTH VERIFICATION FORM](#) (Completed at the school.)