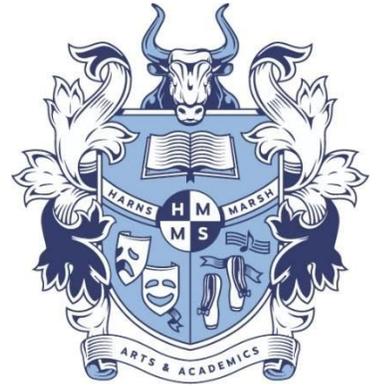


# Harns Marsh Middle School

A Title I School  
*Home of the Bulls*



Alex Dworzanski – Principal

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August 17, 2020

Dear HMMS Parents:

As you make these decisions we wanted you to know that the Arts Programs at HMMS will look different this year due to the precautions that we need to take to keep your students and their teachers safe. In each model we will be teaching things differently.

First, in Lee Virtual School, your students will have their seat at our school held at HMMS, but will not receive arts instruction from any of the HMMS staff.

Secondly, in Lee Home Connect, your student will receive instruction from their arts teacher in a virtual setting. Following their schedule, a student will log into their classroom, their teacher will provide guided instruction during their class time via webcam, and they will receive tasks to complete. This will be guided instruction from their teacher and not independent study. Students will record their assignments and turn them in virtually for feedback.

Third, face-to-face instruction, your student will be sitting in our classrooms socially distanced as best as possible, and wearing a face cover when necessary. They will receive instruction in person, but will play and sing at home. Assignments will be recorded at home and turned in for feedback. This will be similar to the instruction for Lee Home Connect. Currently, it is not safe to collectively play instruments or sing in class.

Unprecedented collaboration and research in the area of Arts instruction and transmission shows that it is not manageable or wise to play instruments, or sing, in a group setting. If you are interested in learning more, please let me know and I can share some of what we've learned.

We wanted to reach out and share how things will feel different as it may ease a decision that is right for you and your family. Whether your family chooses Lee Home Connect or face-to-face instruction we will continue to connect with your students through our love of the Arts.

Thank you for your continued support of the arts as we go through this transition from normal ensemble performances to pre-ensemble preparation and individual skill building. We know when we can safely make music again, your students will be prepared for amazing performances.

# *Student Art Packs*

Based on CDC guidelines and student safety recommendations from the state and the district, best practice for this school year will be for students to have individual art supply packs as opposed to shared supplies.

We are asking students to bring their own sets of additional art materials. Please use this link to find the complete list (you will be redirected to a site which also provides shopping links if you need to purchase any of the items on the list):

[Teacherlists- Art Supply Pack](#)

Please consider sending in a “buddy pack”! Cypress Lake Middle School will gladly accept donations of the supplies on this list to distribute to students in need. Supplies donations can be sent to:

Harns Marsh Middle School  
**Attn: Kirston Bero**  
1820 Unice Ave N  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your visual arts teacher- Kirston Bero

[KirstonB@LeeSchools.net](mailto:KirstonB@LeeSchools.net)

\*Please bring an initial set of paints in re-fillable containers.

Ms. Bero's Art Supply List

Colored Pencils, 36 count or greater

Watercolor Paint tray, 16 count or greater

Standard Ruler

Assorted set of paint brushes- round and flat

Small plastic containers to hold paint

1 roll of painter's tape

Bottle of school or craft glue

Student pointed-end scissors

A reusable storage container or bag specifically for art supplies

Fine tip sharpie and/or illustration pens

Graphite drawing pencils (a basic #2 pencil would do)

Crayons

Pencil Sharpener (Handheld is fine!)

Pink Pearl Eraser, and or Kneaded Eraser