

Dear Bulldog Family:

I am in awe of the commitment to academic excellence and strong athletic tradition that resonates throughout the supportive and proud DeLand community. This was especially evident last May as the 100th graduating class marched across the stage at the Ocean Center! As I transition into the esteemed role held by Mitch Moyer for 20 years, I am filled with deep respect for his legacy. I am also bubbling over with excitement for what is yet to be as we build upon the strengths of our community school to empower students to change the world!

I am bringing 27 years of experience with Volusia County Schools to my new position as Principal. Along the way, I've earned my experiences as teacher, coach and assistant principal at the high school level. Six years at the district office has taught me what "big picture" truly means and how I can utilize those experiences to deliver targeted support in Bulldog country. I am thrilled to be back on a high school campus—the place where I feel most at home!

Check our website frequently for updates and watch the mail for flyers with summer dates for preliminary schedule pick-up and opportunities to get a jumpstart on reserving student IDs, lockers, parking spaces, etc. Additionally, we are announcing school colors of dark green and blue (as voted on by student body) for student uniform shirts. This brings student color choice to five. For details on the complete Board-approved student dress code/uniform policy, click on this link:

http://myvolusiaschools.org/parents-portal/Documents/DressCodeFlyer_March2017.pdf

A new school year begins for our **Bulldogs Rising** Freshman (class of 2021) on **Monday, August 14**. All other classes are welcome back on **Tuesday, August 15**. I look forward to working alongside members of the DeLand community, our parents, students, and staff to do the good and honest work of preparing our young leaders for a world that is ever changing. Great things are yet to come!

With Bulldog pride,
Dr. Melissa Carr
Principal



Keep up with Bulldog happenings!

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