



# Superintendent's Update

January 7, 2021



# Presentation Objectives

- ◆ Graduation Rates for 2019-2020
- ◆ Tools 4 Clay Schools Ribbon Cutting Event
- ◆ Upcoming Events to Celebrate in January
- ◆ COVID-19 Safety Reminders
- ◆ Second Semester



# Graduation Rates for 2019- 2020



This afternoon, the Florida Department of Education released high school graduation rates for the state.

Clay County continues to make positive growth in our high school graduation rates!



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## Highlights

- ❖ District graduation rate **highest ever at 93.4%**
- ❖ Increase of 8.7 percentage points since 2015-2016
- ❖ Clay is in the top ten of Florida for highest grad rate (tied for 6th highest- up from 8th last year)
- ❖ The District rate outpaced the State by 3.4 percentage points





# Tools 4 Clay Schools Ribbon Cutting



## The Tools 4 Clay Schools Store is officially open!

Teachers can now shop for **FREE** supplies year-round to stock their classrooms. Thanks to the Clay Education Foundation, The Bailey Group, and many more donors who contributed to make the permanent location at Orange Park Junior High a reality!





# Upcoming Events to Celebrate in January





# Teacher of the Year and Support Related Employee of the Year The Apple Awards will be live streamed on Thursday, January 28th.

## Congratulations to each of our Top Five Finalists!

*Congratulations Finalists!*  
CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL-RELATED EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR 2020-2021

 <b>Pam Batten</b> CLAY HIGH	 <b>Kelly Morrison</b> DOCTORS INLET ELEMENTARY	 <b>Rhannon Weiskopf</b> MIDDLEBURG HIGH
 <b>Karlene Houston</b> OAKLEAF JR HIGH	 <b>Tracey Hulet</b> OAKLEAF HIGH	

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*Congratulations Finalists!*  
CLAY COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2020-2021

 <b>Megan Ervin</b> FLEMING ISLAND ELEMENTARY	 <b>Christina Chiosone-Hirach</b> GREEN COVE JR HIGH	 <b> Meghan Grybb</b> LAKE SIDE ELEMENTARY
 <b> Meghan Brooks</b> OAKLEAF VILLAGE ELEMENTARY	 <b>Cecilia Morgan</b> WILKINSON ELEMENTARY	

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## What is Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida?

Each year, the Florida Department of Education designates a week in the winter to celebrate literacy with a different theme. The dates for 2021 are January 25 - 29 and the theme is *Humanity tells a story: What's YOUR chapter?*

## How is Clay County Celebrating?

- Feature suggested texts in the library as book displays
- Week-long “Book Challenge” at each school to encourage library use
- Video and Published Student Book Reviews
- School and District Administrators as “Celebrity Readers” in classrooms, reading a chapter from their favorite book or a picture book
- New “Celebrity Readers” and Books in Broskie’s Book Nook in the OneClay Portal





During National School Choice Week, CCDS will partner with families to raise awareness about the different K-12 education options available to children in our district.

Throughout the week, OneClay's Social Media pages will showcase the various school choice options in CCDS:

- Accelerated Learning
- Montessori
- Arts
- Academies/CTE
- Controlled Open Enrollment
- Virtual





# COVID-19 Reminders



Help us continue to keep our school communities healthy!

- As we continue with cold and flu season as well, if you are sick, please stay home!
- If anyone in your home is showing signs of COVID-19 and awaiting test results, please do not come to work or send children to school.
- As we begin the second semester on January 20th, please know that all of our health and safety protocols and policies from the Smart Restart Plan are still in place.

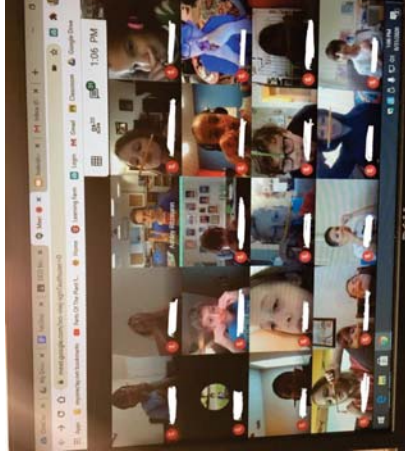


# Second Semester



## Second Semester Enrollment Data:

- Approximately 3,950 students will return to a Brick and Mortar setting from OCO or CVA on January 20th.
- Approximately 4,066 students will be fully online through OCO or CVA for the spring semester.
  - That is 10% of our current student enrollment





## Important Second Semester Dates:

- Friday, January 15, 2021: End Second Grading Period
- Monday, January 18, 2021: MLK Jr. Day, Student/Teacher Holiday
- Tuesday, January 19, 2021: Planning Day/Student Holiday
- Wednesday, January 20, 2021: Start of Second Semester
- Monday, January 25, 2021: Second Nine Week Report Cards



# Mark Your Calendar!

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Thank you!