



## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY

Planning, Growth, & Capacity

Dear Pine Island Elementary community,

I trust this message finds you in good spirits. On behalf of the School District of Lee County, I am reaching out to offer a clear update regarding recently adopted changes to student assignment for the upcoming 2024-25 school year. As many of you are aware, the Middle School Proximity Plan received board approval on January 9th, 2024. Consequently, the following adjustments will be implemented:

- All 5th graders from Pine Island Elementary will be automatically assigned to Trafalgar Middle School. This arrangement establishes a direct feeder pattern to Trafalgar Middle, with district transportation provided beyond the 2-mile safe walk zone.
- Parents who prefer an alternative to Trafalgar Middle have the option to submit a choice application during the open enrollment period. It's important to note that within Zone BB, which encompasses Gulf Middle and Trafalgar Middle, district transportation will only be available to Trafalgar Middle on the barrier island.
- As part of the Proximity Plan, the six district arts schools and their allocated seats are now accessible district-wide. Transportation will be provided exclusively to those schools located within students' designated middle school zones.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation. While we acknowledge that this redesign is not a standalone solution, it represents a significant step forward in our ongoing efforts to enhance the school district's ability to ensure punctual arrivals and departures for our students.

Warm regards,

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