

Question & Answers

Q	What is the suggested route for high school 2016-17 incoming freshmen? Will credits transfer from other high schools or will the students be penalized upon transfer?
A	Credits are always transferable within the District and outside the State. Students are never penalized academically. Course progression from freshmen to senior will always be designed by the principal and guidance counselor.
Q	If portables won't be used until 2017, where will next year's 9 th graders go?
A	In 2016-17, Bonita Springs (freshman) 9 th graders will attend one of the schools that are currently open. South For Myers High School and Estero High School or Cypress Lake High School for the Arts Program and Fort Myers High for the IB program. In 2017-18, freshman can elect to attend the staging school at Estero High School and in 2018-19, (as sophomores) they will be attending the newly opened high school campus.
Q	Will there be portable classrooms by the time current 7 th graders graduate from middle school?
A	Yes. If current 7 th graders select "LLL" as their first choice for 2017-18, they will attend the staging school at Estero High School as a freshman. In 2018-19, they will attend the new "LLL" high school campus.
Q	What facilities will be available at the staging school at Estero? (i.e.) Sports, arts, music, cafeteria. Will they be shared with Estero high school?
A	The portables will have their own facilities, regular classrooms, cafeteria, clinic and art rooms; including music. Athletics will share fields and the gymnasium with Estero High School.
Q	Is there any planning in place in regards to SAT and ACT prep and testing?
A	Yes. All high schools offer SAT/ACT support, either during or after school.
Q	Parents want their children to move from the Cambridge Program at Bonita Springs Middle School of the Arts to the Cambridge Program at Estero High school. How does the AP International Diploma Program compare to Cambridge and will our children be prepared for it?
A	Both programs give a global international perspective and are rigorous programs. International Diploma Program requires a student to pass at least five (5) of the college board AP exams to earn the diploma. Cambridge Program requires a student to take and pass three (3) classes from a very distinct track.
Q	Art was not mentioned in the presentation. Why not?
A	Cypress Lake High School is the Center for the Arts School for the entire South Zone. "LLL" will have a full complement of arts offerings including but not limited to band, orchestra and choir.
Q	What kind of diplomas will be offered by "LLL"?

A	Regular high school diploma and College Board International Diploma.
Q	What time would tutoring be offered?
A	Tutoring for all high schools are before and after classes depending on the teacher or department which is advertised over the course of the school day. Very intense multi-week and weekend study sessions are offered prior to the College Board AP exams,
Q	Is the District offering indoor or outdoor soccer?
A	There will be an outdoor soccer field and both boys/girls volleyball will be offered.
Q	Is the District considering indoor tennis due to lightning strikes?
A	No. There will be outside tennis courts. The District has a Weather Bug System for lightning detection.
Q	What facilities will accompany the school?
A	There will be an athletic field/stadium for football, soccer, maybe Lacrosse-if decided upon, and track. There will also be tennis courts, softball and baseball fields, along with practice fields. The gym will accommodate volleyball and basketball. There will be no pool, however, all high schools offer a swimming program and local community pools are utilized.
Q	When will details and plans of the interior of "LLL" be released for feedback from the community?
A	Construction documents will be ready prepared by the end of the summer 2016.
Q	Regarding technology, will "LLL" compete with Dunbar or will a similar program be offered?
A	A state-of-the-art, 21st century technology program will be offered.
Q	Will a Cambridge program be offered?
A	No. There is only one Cambridge program offered in each zone and it will remain at Estero High School.
Q	How is the AP Cambridge International Diploma Program different from the IB Program?
A	Both programs are similar. Both programs are global, rigorous and with the same amount of weighted GPA.
Q	Advanced Placement Program. What can be expected at "LLL"?
A	In addition to the College Board AP International Diploma, there will be other opportunities. Those students, who are not interested in the international diploma

	track, can take college AP classes to begin as freshmen to senior year. College dual enrollment courses are also available.
Q	Will "LLL" offer a Life Skills Program for special needs students?
A	Programs will be developed when the needs of the students and potential enrollees have been determined.
Q	Will "LLL" offer a JROTC Program?
A	Yes. Lee County has the 2 nd largest JROTC in the entire nation.
Q	Is there going to be a problem finding enough teachers for "LLL"?
A	Yes. The District is finding it very difficult to find qualified teachers for the whole District. There are two new academies being developed to attract home-grown teachers.
Q	Are teachers going to be offered more money to attract them?
A	Teachers working at "LLL" will get the same salary as other teachers. However, there are incentives given to teachers who work at a "hard to staff" school, difficult subjects, and being a lead teacher.
Q	What types of incentives are offered to "LLL" teachers?
A	All teachers are given the opportunity to apply for extra-curricular duties. Mentoring, coaching, department chair, etc., all have supplemental monetary value.
Q	Is the decision on location for "LLL" going to affect the construction and opening date?
A	Yes it could, however, there is a strong commitment from the Superintendent and Board Members to keep on track.
Q	Will current freshmen students be able to transfer to "LLL" as a senior?
A	As 2018-19 approaches, there might be an opportunity for "LLL" seniors to transfer, but do not have the data right now. Currently, the rules do not allow students in their junior/senior year to transfer.
Q	For a junior to transfer to "LLL" in 2018-19, is there a minimum number to offer a junior class?
A	No. High Schools will always offer courses no matter what the number of students.
Q	Will "LLL" offer a 2 nd language class at different levels?
A	Advanced courses are offered at all high schools.
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