

WELCOME BACK!

THE VPREP HIGH SCHOOL TEAM NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM:

Welcome to a brand-new school year! As your high school teaching team, we're thrilled to dive into another year of learning and connection—online and on purpose. Whether your student is returning or joining us for the first time, we're excited to have your family as part of our Shark community.

While we may be learning from different locations, we're all swimming in the same direction—toward growth, achievement, graduation, and confidence in every class.

Thank you for your partnership, your encouragement, and your commitment to your student's success. Let's make it a fintastic year together!

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:

- ✓ **Be Present** – Log in on time and be ready to learn each day. Attendance and participation matter!
- ✓ **Be Prepared** – Come to class with the right materials, charged devices, and a focused mindset.
- ✓ **Be Respectful** – Treat teachers, classmates, and yourself with kindness. Use appropriate language and behavior in all virtual spaces.
- ✓ **Be Responsible** – Turn in assignments on time, check messages regularly, and ask for help when needed.

HELPFUL TIPS FOR STUDENTS:

- 💡 Create a dedicated learning space that's quiet, organized, and free from distractions.
- 💡 Keep a planner or digital calendar to track assignments, due dates, and class times.
- 💡 Take short movement breaks between classes to stay energized and focused.
- 💡 Speak up! Participation and communication help us all stay connected.
- 💡 Don't hesitate to reach out to teachers—we're here to help and want every student to thrive!

MEET THE TEAM

RANDI ALBRITTON HIGH SCHOOL MATH

This is my second year at VPrep and my thirteenth-year teaching. I strive to provide students with the tools and support to take ownership and pride in their educational journey. Outside of teaching, I enjoy spending time with my family, hunting, and helping my husband ranch our cattle.

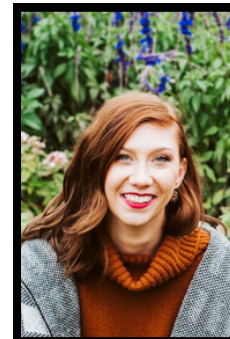
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GRACE BACON CHEMISTRY & ENVIRONMENTAL

I have been working in education since 2017 and this will be my third year with VPrep. I am passionate about teaching science and my driving motivation is helping all students develop confidence and see their potential in STEM. I am so excited to develop a community of exploration and discovery with our students this year!

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EVELYN BENNETT MATHEMATICS

This is my first year teaching at VPrep and I am excited to bring a positive burst of life to the world of Mathematics. I have 13 years of teaching in Duval County where I live with my husband, our 3 children, and our dog Coco. I enjoy watch my children play sports, Football is my favorite and serving in my church.

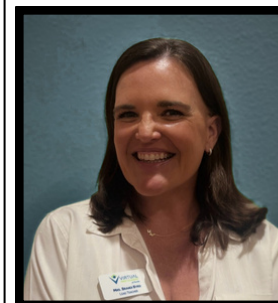
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BRANDI BYRD STATISTICS LEAD TEACHER

The 2025-2026 school year will be my **23rd** year teaching Mathematics! I taught twenty years in Vero Beach where I live with my family. My experience is in teaching Algebra, Geometry, Statistics and Calculus. I also serve as an instructional coach for teachers.

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APRIL CARTER ESE TEACHER

This year will be my 6th year as an ESE teacher, and my third year with VPrep. My focus this year is to help each student feel supported and make meaningful progress. I live in New Smyrna Beach, FL with my husband and our 5 daughters. In addition to teaching, I enjoy spending time with my family at the beach, camping, and Disney.

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LOREE COX BIOLOGY & ANATOMY

I'm Loree Cox, a biology teacher with 14 years of experience teaching chemistry and AP Biology. I love all things science and the outdoors, and I try to bring that same curiosity and energy into my classroom. Outside of school, my two teenage boys keep me busy and constantly on my toes!

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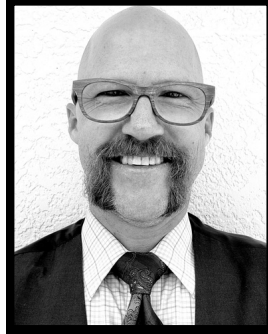


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CHRIS FLETCHER WORLD HISTORY & GOVERNMENT/ECON

This is my third year at VPrep, my sixth year teaching virtually, and my fifteenth year as an educator. I'm passionate about helping students reach their full academic potential while expanding their intellectual worldviews. My goal is to inspire learners to think critically, engage meaningfully, and grow as informed global citizens. When not teaching I enjoy organic gardening, painting, gourmet cooking and spending time with family.

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LISA GNAPP PE & HEALTH

This is my 21st year teaching, and my 11th in virtual education. In addition to teaching PE, I am a cheerleading judge. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, vacationing to new places with my family, and attending my kids' sporting events.

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KHADY HARMON PHYSICAL SCIENCE

I'm excited to start my second year at VPrep! With a background in chemistry and almost 15 years in education, I focus on making math and science practical and relevant. I love to travel, and spend time with my husband and children. I look forward to guiding you on this learning journey!

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JULIANNE LAVORATA ELA 11 & 12, THEATRE/FILM

This is my 2nd year at VPrep and my 6th year teaching English Language Arts. I'm passionate about helping students grow as readers, writers, and critical thinkers through creative lessons and thoughtful conversations. Outside of the virtual classroom, you'll usually find me playing video games or getting hooked on a new TV series.

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JUDITH LOPEZ SOCIAL STUDIES, LAW STUDIES & PSYCHOLOGY

Hi Sharks! This is my 2nd year here at V Prep and my 6th year teaching social studies. I am so excited to get to know all of my 6th grade students! When I'm not teaching, I love to play video games or plan my next trip.

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BETH MILLER ESE LEAD TEACHER

Welcome back to a new school year! This is my 25th year in education. I'm excited to continue supporting our students, families, and staff as we work together to create inclusive, engaging learning environments for every learner. When I'm not in the classroom, I enjoy paddle boarding, snorkeling, and off-roading—activities that keep me refreshed and ready to tackle each day. I look forward to a year full of growth, collaboration, and success for all!

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DANIELA NUNEZ STUDENT SUCCESS COACH (HS)

Hello Sharks! I am excited to enter my 3rd year here at VPA of FL and my 8th year in education! I am looking forward to continue serving as your success coach for all things engagement and extra support. On my free time I enjoy spending time with my 1-year-old daughter, husband, and family, as well as reading and rollerblading. I can't wait for a great year ahead! [GO SHARKS!](#)

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SAMANTHA PERINI ENGLISH 8 & 10, JOURNALISM I

Hello, Shark families! This is my 3rd year at VPrep and my 12th year teaching English Language Arts. My primary goal is to activate my students' interest in literature and writing through engaging lessons and discussions. When I am not teaching, I am likely at the t-ball field or at Disney with my family. I also proudly run our school's social media accounts - make sure to follow us!

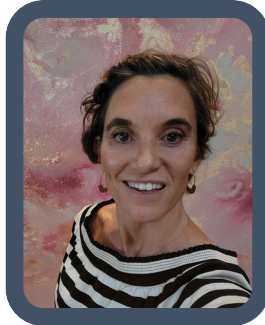
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ILINKE ROYSE SPANISH/ INTENSIVE READING/GIFTED EDUCATION

¡Hola! This is my third year at Vprep and my 23rd year teaching. I am just as excited about this school year as I was back in 2002. Each year, I strive to create an environment where students are challenged AND supported. If I'm not teaching, I'm likely playing with my two Yorkies, training for a marathon, or reading.

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CODY SWOBODA ENGLISH 7 & 9, MS JOURNALISM

Greetings, Sharks! This is my 2nd year at VPrep and my 6th year as an ELA teacher. This year, I hope to help students think critically about the world through literature, discussion, and writing. When I am not teaching, I spend time with my family, visit theme parks, play hockey, cook, or read. I am excited to see how we will grow this year!

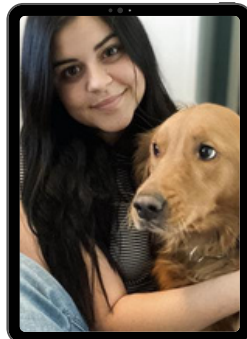
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JOCELYN STYLES US HISTORY & LEARNING STRATEGIES

Hello shark families! This will be my 3rd year with V-Prep and my 7th year teaching Social Studies. My goal this year to cultivate a classroom where your student feels seen, valued, and capable of growth! I plan to celebrate all of our successes this year, no matter how small. My pup Sadie will also be there to support us!

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SUSAN THOMAS ART (DIGITAL MEDIA)

I began teaching in 2005 after graduating from UF--Go Gators! This will be my fourth year at VPA (but I started teaching virtually in 2009). I love the growth opportunity that virtual school can provide for students both in and out of the classroom. As an art teacher, I hope to show you that art is all around us and help you develop as an artist. Outside of the classroom, I love being with my family whether it's together on a church pew, at a ballpark, on an adventure, or simply at home on the farm. Books, plants, and an occasional coffee also make me smile.

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HAVING TECH ISSUES?



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KELLIE BOLE SCHOOL COUNSELOR

My name is Kellie Bole. I am a wife and mother of 3 boys. I have been in education for nearly 20 years and a School Counselor for over 13 years. I am enthusiastic about education and believe with knowledge comes opportunity. Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns at kbole@vprepfla.org or (689) 204-2136.



KIMBERLY GOOLSBY SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Hello, I am Kimberly Goolsby. My background includes a BA in Social Studies from Florida State University, MA in School Counseling from Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University, and Educational Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership from Nova Southeastern University. I have 33 years of work experience in public education. I have a passion for assisting students/families to problem-solve academic and social challenges to achieve their goals. I look forward to working with all the students and families attending VPrep this school year. Contact me at kgoolsby@vprepfla.org or (904) 302-5079.

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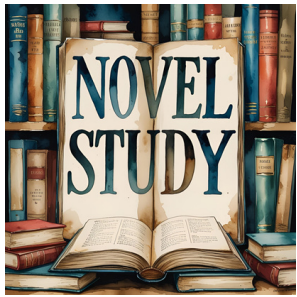
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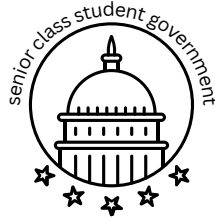
FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL:
AUGUST 11TH - 15TH

<p>MON 8/11</p>	<p>8:00AM- SCHOOL ASSEMBLY 8:30AM- HOMEROOM 9:00AM- NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT ORIENTATION 11:00AM- NEW HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ORIENTATION ATTEND SCIENCE AS LISTED ON YOUR SCHEDULE</p> 
<p>TUES 8/12</p>	<p>8:30AM- HOMEROOM ATTEND MATH AS LISTED ON YOUR SCHEDULE</p> 
<p>WED 8/13</p>	<p>8:30AM- HOMEROOM ATTEND ELECTIVES AS LISTED ON YOUR SCHEDULE</p> 
<p>THURS 8/14</p>	<p>8:30AM- HOMEROOM ATTEND ELA AS LISTED ON YOUR SCHEDULE</p> 
<p>FRI 8/15</p>	<p>8:30AM- HOMEROOM ATTEND SOCIAL STUDIES AS LISTED ON YOUR SCHEDULE</p> 
<p>NOTES</p>	<p>PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU EAT A HEALTHY BREAKFAST EVERY MORNING, HAVE YOUR COMPUTER CHARGED, AND TURN YOUR CAMERAS ON! GO SHARKS!</p> 

THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:



PROJECTS



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LET'S HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR! GO SHARKS!

