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Sunrise Elementary School

Student Character Building Important Program



Sunrise Elementary School, on Marion Oaks Course, has been a part of the Marion County Public School System since 1990. This year classes begin August 8 and run through May 24, 2003. All classes, from Kindergarten to 5th Grade, will have a change in their hours, according to

Principal Marlene Bjork. The 861 registered students will begin classes daily at 8:00 a.m. and classes will end at 1:50 p.m. Students are provided with breakfast and lunch.

"I think the change to an earlier starting time this year will really benefit the children," Mrs. Bjork said. "I believe we will find that the children will be more alert, and interested in their classwork when they are fresh from home."

As Sunrise's new principal, Mrs. Bjork believes that one of the reasons that Sunrise Elementary is so special is the school's emphasis on character education for all the students.

"We focus on building character traits that are important in our children's lives, like honesty, dependability, trustworthiness. Each teacher emphasizes character building traits in all the curriculum, reinforcing the message every day. We want to help each child to do his or her very best." The curriculum offered is based upon the Sunshine State Standards as provided by the State of Florida.

Sunrise Elementary also reaches out to special students. They have instituted a "Gifted Student Program" which is available as early as first grade. The class meets one

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It's Time to Celebrate our Fortieth!

Yes, that's right, it will be 40 years this September that we've been building a beautiful Florida lifestyle to accompany your dream of a home. See page four for the interesting history of The Deltona Corporation.

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day a week. With a teacher's recommendation and after completing tests, students may be accepted in the class. The program currently has eight students.

Sunrise Elementary also offers a number of unique programs such as an extended day care program with hours from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parents may arrange for the extended day program by registering at orientation or at the first day of classes. An ESE (exceptional student education) program, under the direction of three teachers, presently has approximately 60 students involved. This program is available to all students from Kindergarten to 5th grade. Also, this year there are 20 students registered for Sunrise's Pre-K class.

School staff includes 50 instructional and 41 non-instructional staff members for a total of 91. The student to teacher ratio at Sunrise varies from class to class. For Kindergarten it is one teacher to 22 students. First grade is one teacher to 20 students; 2nd and 3rd grade is one to 26; and 4th and 5th grade is one to 30. In addition to the faculty and staff are a number of volunteers



who are considered a very important part of the Sunrise Elementary family.

"We are always looking for additional volunteers," Mrs. Bjork said. "If people are interested in learning more about being a school volunteer, they are invited to contact our school secretary.

We have all types of wonderful opportunities for volunteers who enjoy working with children. They can even work from home if they'd like to help us, for example making games and special projects."

The varied programs at Sunrise Elementary School are recognized as an excellent way to meet the diversified special needs of local children and their families.

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HOSPITAL EXPANSIONS ON SCHEDULE — Growing Need for Medical Staff

As the Ocala Star Banner recently said in an editorial, "The opening of a new hospital is a life event for any community."

Reports from both Munroe Regional Medical Center and Ocala Regional Medical Center have shown that the area is well on its way to much needed expansion of medical services. Construction of Munroe's new 200,000 square foot patient tower is on schedule and expected to be completed in 2004. The 78 million dollar project consists of Stage I, the construction of a seven level tower which will expand Munroe's bed capacity from 323 to 421 beds. Administration expects the tower's first two levels to be occupied by February with all levels open by May 2003. Munroe first broke ground in August 2001 in an effort to keep up

with the tremendous growth and need for health care services. Stage II

focuses on renovating existing space and will begin in March 2003.

Ocala Regional Medical Center's new hospital is on schedule west of Interstate 75 on State Road 200. Called West Marion Community Hospital, three story building is scheduled to open early in September. The 52 million dollar facility will provide 70 beds.

Over the past few years the variety and number of medical and health services in the area have grown quickly. In addition to offering a wide variety of medical specialties, the booming medical field also offers a number of employment opportunities, including a growing need



ORMC's West Marion Community Hospital

for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, medical office staff, and for physical and occupational therapists, as well as radiologic and medical technologists. Both Munroe Regional Medical Center and Ocala Regional Medical Center have an increasing need for additional staff as they expand their hospital services.

FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions by New Marion Oaks Home Owners

1. *How do my children get to school?*

If you reside within two miles of the assigned school campus, your children can walk or ride a bike. More than two miles, a Marion County school bus will transport your children to school.

2. *What is the drive time to the beach from Ocala?*

Daytona Beach and Ormond Beach are one hour and 20 minutes to the East, approximately 88 miles. The Gulf beaches at Crystal River are only 45 minutes from Marion Oaks to the West.

3. *Will I be able to get a job in Ocala?*

The answer is dependent upon individual job skills. If an individual was reasonably skilled at their occupation in the north, then we have similar job opportunities in Ocala. Our employment base includes heavy manufacturing in trucks, ambulances, horse trailers and the mobile home industry. High tech jobs in aerospace (Lockheed-Martin), software design and satellite communications. Factory production occupations in C.N.C. Technologies, (Flair Inc.), state-of-the-art cabinet manufacturing at Merillat Corp, and A.B.B. Meter Co. The medical field is facing a shortage of people to staff two new hospitals and two large existing hospitals. Entry level jobs abound in Ocala at Sam's Club and

soon the WalMart Regional Distribution Center. Truck driving jobs are endless in Marion County. Our county has one of the most diverse job markets of any area in Florida.

4. *How close is the airport to Ocala?*

Orlando International is 77 miles from Marion Oaks. Tampa Airport is 89 miles and Gainesville is 53 miles away. Limousine service is available to the airports.

5. *What public transportation is available in Ocala?*

Amtrac train service is available daily to Union Station in Ocala from most Northern Cities. Greyhound Bus Service, Metro-Ocala SunTran city bus service and private Taxi service county wide.

6. *What types of shopping are available in Ocala?*

Shopping is available at our regional Paddock Mall which has four large department stores: Belk, Burdines, J.C. Penney and Sears. The WalMart Corp. has three large Super Centers in Marion County. Our downtown city complex contains numerous speciality shops. Also, throughout the county are smaller shopping plazas: KMart, Winn Dixie, Bealls Department Stores, etc.

Inquiry for Information on Deltona's Showcase Homes:

If you wish to receive Deltona Showcase Homes information please complete the questionnaire below and we will send a complementary informational package.

Name

Street Address

City

State and Zip code

Telephone Number

How soon are you in the market for a new home?

- Immediately
- 1-3 years
- 3-5 years

Preferred rooms:

- 3 Bed/2 Bath
- 2 Bed/2 Bath

Preferred approximate square footage: _____

Additional comments:

To receive Deltona housing information please detach and mail to:

The Deltona Corporation
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We ♥ MARION OAKS & You Will Too!

Shown here is the latest addition to our Deltona family.

Tazir, Rasoolan and daughter, taking possession of their new Royal Palm home in the residential community of Timberwalk.



DELTONA



Aug 31
Labor Day
Weekend Festival
Silver Springs

Sept 7 - 8
Greek Festival
Blessed Trinity
Catholic Church

Sept 20 - 21
Star Banner
Health Fair
CFCC Gymnasium

Sept 21
Fort King Festival
Marion Cty Museum
of History

Oct 5 - 6
Octoberfest
Silver Springs

Oct 12 - 13
Nine Mile Pond
Folk Festival
Lake Lillian, Belleview

Oct 19
Chili Cook-Off
Ocala Equestrian
Complex

Oct 26-27
FAFO Art Festival
Marion County Complex

Celebrating 40 Years of Building a Beautiful Florida

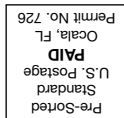
In September of 1962, the renowned Mackle Brother's...Elliott, Frank and Robert...founded *The Deltona Corporation* and opened their first master-planned community named after the company, Deltona Lakes. Their vision was to provide a community that was controlled in size, yet big enough to provide its residents with all their wants and needs, but small enough to allow residents to feel the friendliness and warmth of *hometown* living.

Each project was selected based on its accessibility to major highways, a major metropolitan area, and proximity to a large body of water—a river, a lake, a bay, or the ocean. The master plan of each community was designed by the Company to provide for amenities such as golf courses, greenbelt areas, parks and recreational areas. Land was also set aside for shopping centers, schools, houses of worship, medical centers, and public facilities such as libraries and fire stations.

With the success of Deltona Lakes, the Company went on to develop eight other Florida communities: Marco Island, Spring Hill, Citrus Springs, St. Augustine Shores, Sunny Hills, Pine Ridge, Seminole Woods, Marion Oaks; and also participated in a joint venture developing Tierra Verde. Since the company's inception, our communities boast a total current population in excess of 233,996 residents.

The Company went on to build hotels, golf courses and county clubs, yacht clubs and marinas, more than 3,300 condominium units, and a vacation ownership complex, in addition to owning and operating its own airline.

Though the Mackle's are no longer with us, their visions and inspirations live on in each of our communities. Next time you visit any of Deltona's Florida Communities, you will surely come across a street called "Elkcam Boulevard." That's Mackle, spelled backward.



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SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Not only do our communities give the feeling of "hometown living," our employees continue to prove that they are proud to be a part of The Deltona Family. From our recent hires to our "old timers" your loyalty, dedication and expertise are heartfelt, and invaluable to our operation. As part of our Forty Year celebrations, we salute all of you. Congratulations are extended to the following employees who have devoted many years of continued service and unselfish dedication to The Deltona Corporation:

Stephen Diamond, M.I.S. Director - 35 years

Diana Manduley-Marquez, Customer Accts - 30 years

Beth Fisher, Director of Admin. - 29 years

Hulan Carter, Mgr. Sunny Hills - 29 years

Donna Verrilli, Customer Accounts - 29 years

Marta Costa, Mgr. Adm. Svcs. - 28 years

Kenneth Zimbro, AVP, Land Dev. - 28 years

Dwight Worthington, Sunny Hills Maint. - 28 years

Sharon Hummerhielm, Exec. V.P. - 27 years

Nancy Roche, President-Five Points Title - 24 years