

04 The Deputy's Spotlight

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Who am I at a glance?

My name is Deputy Noel Sevilla but I want all my students and faculty to call me "Deputy Noel." I've been with Santa Rosa Sheriff's Office since 2018 and the WBMS school resource officer since the 2018-19 school year.

My law enforcement career started in 1993. Before moving to Santa Rosa County in 2018, I retired as a sergeant from a police agency in the mid-Atlantic region.

I'm able to build a great rapport with the students because I've coached for 13 years in several sports including baseball, softball, basketball, soccer and martial arts. Coaches are mentors and it's important to me to make those kind of connections with my students. In my free time, I still coach with the Miracle League, umpire baseball and referee basketball.

"Making Connections & Building Relationships"



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Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week is set for Oct. 23 to 29. The theme will be Keep our Space a Drug-Free Place.

Red Ribbon Week is designed to be an awareness campaign that gets information to the general public about the dangers of drug use. Red Ribbon Week is designed to get people talking to other people and working on activities that will help rebuild a sense of community and common purpose.

This weeks activities:

Monday: Put a Cap on Drugs (hat day)

Tuesday: Drugs are a thing of the past (dress in your favorite decade)

Wednesday: Don't get mixed up in drugs (teachers dress as students, students dress as teachers)

Thursday: Team up against drugs (wear your favorite sports shirt/jersey)

Friday: You have the power to make good decisions (Super Hero shirt or Super Hero costume)



Paw Prints for Woodlawn

This is "old" news but still good news. I wanted to feature an activity I sponsored with our art department. The last two years, I worked with Mrs. McDonald our art teacher. She's a wonderful teacher and we both had the idea about doing something to make Woodlawn more presentable from the students. The last two years we created, "Paws Prints for Woodlawn."

The front walkway (parent pick-up) use to be a plain sidewalk. We had a contest for any student who wanted to participate. They were given a blank paw print on a sheet a paper. They were to submit their design to Mrs. McDonald and I. Winners of the contest were given the opportunity to make their artwork come alive.

The next time you visit WBMS, please take a moment to enjoy the artwork as you enter our school.



FEATURED STORY

Be smart on the internet



One of the topics that frequently experience at middle schools is internet safety. With such a broad topic, there are several sub-categories to focus on. In the next upcoming issues, I will try to cover several of them. Today topic is "Sexting."

Sexting-the act of sending sexually explicit messages containing photo or videos between electronic devices. Sexual pictures and videos can be widely distributed. Once the image is sent, the sender no longer has control and can spread like a virus, hence we get the word, "viral."

Often sexting is a result of peer pressure or is a result of an exchange for a commodity. For example, one student request sexual pictures of another, if this doesn't occur they will spread rumors about the victim. Or often occurs for an exchange agreement, such as a both students agree to send pictures of themselves. Lastly, the agreement can be made pictures for a commodity such as vaping, alcohol or drugs.

Please talk to your student and monitor their internet use. Here are some points to cover:

- Discuss the consequences of taking, sending, or forwarding a sexual picture. You can get kicked off of sports teams, face humiliation, lose educational opportunities, or face an investigation—possibly being charged with pornography.
- Never take photos of yourself that you wouldn't want everyone – your classmates, teachers, family, friends, and employer – to see.
- Before hitting send, remember that you can't control where this image may travel.
- If you forward a sexual image of someone without their consent, you are violating trust and exposing them to harm, and could possibly be facing legal consequences if an investigation occurs.
- If anyone pressures you to send a sexual photo, don't give in and talk to an adult you trust. Anyone who tries to get you to do something you're not comfortable with is not trustworthy.

This Month's Q&A Tips from Deputy Noel

Q: There is this one student who keeps talking and bothering me. What should I do?

A: Great question, sometimes there are people who just want attention. First be polite. Ask nicely, to please stop talking if you are trying to get your work done. If it continues after that, bring it to your teachers attention. It maybe as simple as the teaching talking to him or moving your seat. If it continues, come to the Front Office and fill out a green slip to see the Dean or Guidance so they can address it.

Santa Rosa SpeakOut

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Reasons to call SpeakOut:

WEAPONS AT SCHOOL
DRUGS
GANG ACTIVITY
BOMB THREATS
GRAFFITI
FIGHTING
BULLYING
DAMAGE TO SCHOOL PROPERTY
THEFT
STATEMENTS TO HARM SELF OR OTHERS

REMAIN ANONYMOUS - YOUR NAME IS NEVER ASKED

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WBMS TEAM Who are we?

Victor Lowrimore-
Principal

Kimberly Rankin-
Asst/Principal

Tyler Stokes-Dean of
Students

Annette Edwins-
Guidance Counselor

Retha Paugh-
Guidance Counselor

Dale Perkins-Military
Life Counselor

Noel Sevilla-School
Resource Officer

Robin Prinzel-
Attendance

Linda McClelland-
Guidance Reception

Mari Hebert-Dean
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Kathy Adams-
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