# Who We Are

We are a group of Lee County residents from all walks of life. We aren't affiliated with any political party.

### Blue + Red = Purple



We dress in purple at public meetings to signal what we stand for.

We believe public schools, welcoming to <u>all</u> students and their families, are the bedrock of our multi-cultural, multiethnic democracy.

## Join us.

make friends and make a difference

# There's a role for everyone.

Let's work together to support our public schools, students, parents, and educators. How?

- Show up at School Board and other community meetings
- Educate yourself & others
- Write articles and letters
- Post and share on social media
- Have an impact in public and behind the scenes

Join our Facebook page to learn more and become a volunteer, *The Purple Group Lee County Florida* 

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Non-Partisan Advocates for Public Schools, Students, Parents, and Educators in Lee County, Florida

# THE PURPLE Group

Non-partisan Advocates for Public Schools, Students, Parents, and Educators

We stand for high quality, tax payer supported public schools for <u>all</u> students in Lee County.

#### We believe in:

#### **LEARNING**

Every student has the right to:

- become an informed, criticalthinking, productive, accepted member of our democracy
- read a wide variety of educational materials that reflect the rich diversity of our nation and its history
- learn about the world without restriction and censorship

#### PARENTS' RIGHTS

Every parent has the right to:

 make decisions for their <u>own</u> students, such as which books to read, but NOT for other parents' students



#### **Respect for EDUCATORS**

Classroom teachers, librarians, along with other educators are:

- highly qualified to make decisions for student learning in partnership with parents
- trained to select developmentally appropriate curriculum resources, materials and books that reflect diverse people and ideas

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

State laws, District policies and procedures that directly affect students and their families should be:

- clearly explained by staff and school board members
- available in a number of userfriendly ways

#### And we are dedicated to protecting public schools from political interference

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