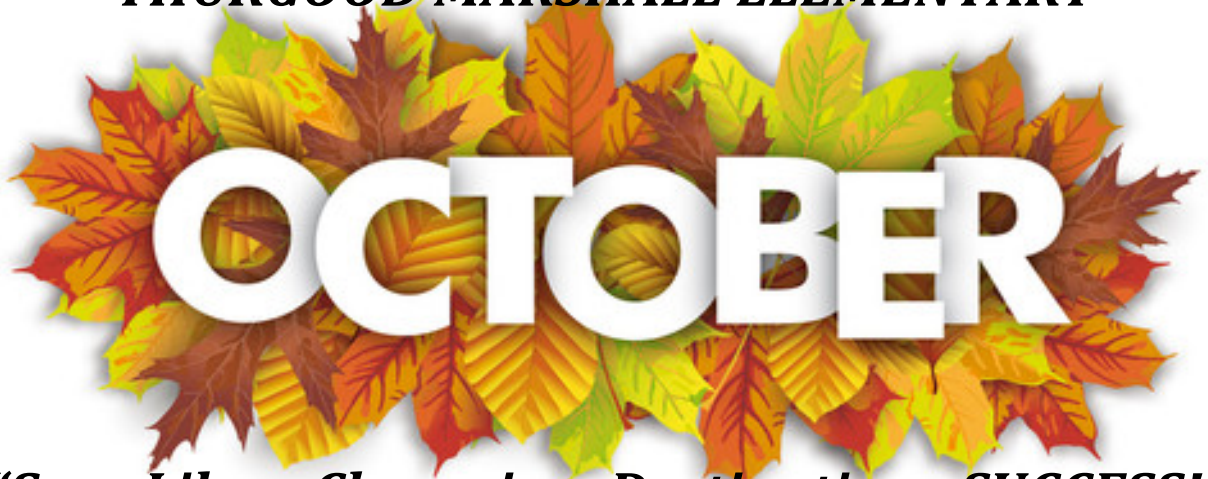


# THURGOOD MARSHALL ELEMENTARY



***“Soar Like a Champion: Destination...SUCCESS!”***

## Message from the Eagle’s Nest

Dear Thurgood Family,

To all of our returning families and students, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for a wonderful start to the school year! Please know our teachers and staff are committed to working collaboratively with our families to best meet the needs of all of our students to ensure that each child can ***“Soar Like a Champion: Destination...SUCCESS!”*** Please assist us with our desire to make sure TME Champion scholars are prepared, focused, and most importantly learning.

One way you can help at home is by establishing consistent routines for your child. Have an established time and place for students to complete homework. Build time into your evenings for students to read at least 30 minutes nightly. Have a process to review and sign agendas, and make sure your child packs up his/her backpack before bedtime. Building these routines will help your child to be successful all year long.

I look forward to seeing everyone around campus this year and working in collaboration with each of you to make this year a SUCCESS!

Educationally yours,  
Michael V. Billins  
Principal

## School Advisory Committee

The School Advisory Council is a group composed of the administrators, teachers, community members, business partners and other staff members. The committee reviews overall school operations and monitors student achievement. Each year the SAC team generates several school-wide objectives for the following year. These objectives are the cornerstone of our school improvement plan. The school improvement plan outlines our objectives along with the actions steps implemented throughout the school year. The SAC committee meets monthly in the Media Center. The meeting is open to the public and all are welcome. If you are interested in being involved in the SAC meetings please contact Ms. Kaigler at (754) 322-7000.



### WE NEED YOU!

Join the PTO. The parent teacher organization works for the betterment of the school and students. Stop by the school and ask how you can become a part of the awesome team of parent volunteers.

# Kindergarten!

Greetings Parents,

We look forward to our continued partnership with ensuring our scholars Soar Like Champions!!!! The information below can help us achieve our goal.

**Expectations:** Be on time for school. Come prepared to learn. Bring green folder.

**Homework:** Check green communicator folder daily. Please work with your child daily to complete their homework. Review sight words. Read for 10 to 15 minutes.

**Conferences:** Please sign up parent teacher conferences Tuesday or Thursday starting at 2:30 p.m. Parents become a volunteer by applying online to support field trips and help with KG class donations.

## Upcoming Events

Fall Book Fair- October 4<sup>th</sup> to October 11<sup>th</sup>

Swim Central- October 14<sup>th</sup> to October 25<sup>th</sup> (Permission Slips due on Monday, October 7, 2019)

Storybook Character Parade – October 31, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

## Grade Level Expectations

Students should be able to identify letter names and sounds, count and write numbers zero to nine. Also write their first and last name independently.

Thank you,  
The Kindergarten Team

# 1st Grade

First grade is off to a running start! The children are settling into our routine nicely and we are working on building our classroom communities. The students are working on the following activities:

## Language Arts:

\*Define Characters, setting, and events in a story using key details.

\*Short a and -ck endings (bat; sack)

\*Nouns (people, places, things, & animals)

## Math:

\* Represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction.

\*Strategies for “counting on”, includes using pictures, fingers, or doing it in their head.

\*Strategies for “taking away”. Using manipulatives (such as counters and cubes)

## Reminders:

Please have your child read nightly for 20 minutes and practice sight words to build automaticity in their reading. Homework is given out daily except for Friday. Please assist your child in completing his/her homework nightly.

Thank you,  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Team

# 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE

## What's Happening in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade!!!

**Expectations:** Students are expected to come prepared to school and ready to learn.

**Homework:** Reading and Math homework is given Monday-Thursday. Students may receive projects to complete on the weekend depending on the teacher.

**Conference:** Teachers have either called to request parent conferences or sent home conference requests forms. Please contact your child's teacher to set up a conference.

**Event:** Each month your child will be required to complete a book report. Please make sure that the book report is completed by the given due date.

Please make sure that you check your child's planner/agenda every day regarding homework and classroom behavior.

Thank you,  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Team



Hello Awesome Parents!!!!

Third grade is the grade where the stakes are raised to higher level. Students must pass the FSA or their 3rd grade portfolio in order to be promoted to the next grade level.

No worries though because our scholars are moving full steam ahead towards meeting their proficiency goal! Our entire team is focused on providing the rigorous standards-based instruction students will need to be successful this year. With your help, we will Soar Like A CHAMPION!!!

Hello TME Families,

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade team is extremely pleased with our fantastic scholars!!! They continue to make gains and work hard.

Our expectation is that students will come prepared to succeed each day; stay focused on academics, and always strive for excellence.

Your cooperation is definitely needed and appreciated!

The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

WELCOME TO  
5<sup>th</sup> GRADE!

Greetings Parents,

Our Champions are ready to exceed the challenges that await them this school year. They have demonstrated great progress towards reaching academic goals and we are working hard to make sure they increase to the next level.

Parents, you can help us reach the next level by making sure your scholar completes homework assignments, arrives to school on time each day, and reads for at least 30 minutes each night. If you haven't already done so, please schedule a conference with your scholar's teacher.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 4 – 11, 2019: Fall Book Fair
- October 10, 2019: Book Fair Family Night 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- October 14– 25 2019: Swim Central- (Permission Slips due on Monday, October 7, 2019)
- October 16, 2019: Fall Pictures
- October 17, 2019: Early Release Day (School Dismissal 12:15 p.m.)
- October 18, 2019: Teacher Planning Day (NO SCHOOL)
- October 24, 2019: SAC/SAF/PTO 2:45 p.m.
- October 25, 2019: Fall Festival (3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Grades)
- October 31, 2019: Storybook Character Parade 8:30 a.m.
- October 31, 2019: Trunk-o-Treat

## Title1 UPDATES

School-Parent Compact Parents, in your child's FIRST DAY PACKET, the Title I School-Parent Compact was sent home for you to review, please sign and return to your child's teacher. The School-Parent Compact outlines how parents, schools, and students agree to share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents develop a partnership that helps the students to achieve the state's high standards. We are making phone calls and requesting parent/teacher conferences in an attempt to further explain the need to review, sign and return the School-Parent Compact. Please review all sections of the attached Title I School-Parent Compact and return to your child's teacher. Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kaigler at 754-322-7000.

### **Title One Updates:**

1. School Improvement Plan: School staff and parents jointly develop the plan. It includes yearly objectives and activities that will be implemented at the school level. You can access this plan at <https://www.browardschools.com/thurgood>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Ms. Kaigler at 754-322-7000.

2. School Parent and Family Engagement Plan: School staff and parents jointly develop the plan as part of the School Improvement Plan. The plan includes the parent activities to be implemented through the school year and an evaluation of last year's parent engagement program. You can access this plan at <https://www.browardschools.com/thurgood>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Ms. Kaigler at 754-322-7000.

3. District Parent and Family Engagement Plan: District staff and parents jointly develop the plan. The plan includes the parent activities to be implemented through the school year and an evaluation of last year's district parent engagement program. You can access this plan at <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/titleone/parent-involvement.asp>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Linda Howard, Title I Program Specialist at 754-321-1410.

4. School Public Accountability Report (SPAR), school grades, state assessment reports: The School Public Accountability Report contains several types of data (indicators) designed to inform parents and the general public about the progress of Florida's public schools. This report meets the public reporting requirements of the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act and certain additional information of interest on the status of Florida's schools. In addition, the Florida Department of Education publishes school grades, the results of the state assessment of Florida schools. You can access these reports at <http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm>. If you would like to review a hard copy or if translation is needed, please contact Ms. Kaigler at 754-322-7000.







***Thurgood Marshall Elementary School***  
***Celebrates***  
**Red Ribbon Week**

Dear Parents,

Thurgood Marshall Eagles will be taking part in the district wide program called Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated during the week of October 23rd - October 31<sup>st</sup>. This is a time that schools, community and businesses commit to creating a healthy and drug free future for America. During this week, all students are encouraged to participate in the activities listed below.

<b>Wednesday, October 23</b>	<b>Theme:</b> Just "Say No and Take the Pledge"	<b>Activity:</b> Kick off the week by taking a <b>Pledge to Stay Drug Free</b>
<b>Thursday, October 24</b>	<b>Theme:</b> "Team Up Against Drugs"	<b>Activity:</b> Staff and Students will wear <b>TEAM JERSEYS</b>
<b>Friday, October 25</b>	<b>Theme:</b> "Brighten Up my Day and Go RED"	<b>Activity:</b> Staff and Students wear a <b>RED</b> shirt
<b>Monday, October 28</b>	<b>Theme:</b> "Bright Futures"	<b>Activity:</b> Staff and Students represent your favorite <b>College / University T-SHIRTS</b>
<b>Tuesday, October 29</b>	<b>Theme:</b> Let's Throw some "Shade" We are too cool for drugs	<b>Activity:</b> Staff and Students will wear their favorite <b>SUNGLASSES</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 30</b>	<b>Theme:</b> I am a "JEAN-IUS"	<b>Activity:</b> Wear your favorite <b>jeans and school shirts</b>
<b>Thursday, October 31</b>	<b>Theme:</b> "Drugs are Scary"	<b>Activity:</b> Come dressed in your <b>Halloween Costumes</b> for the Character Parade

