



LAUDERDALE LAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME

Linda L. Lopez, Principal

SCHOOL OPENING NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year!

As we gear up for the start of another exciting school year, I want to extend a warm welcome to all our returning students and families, as well as extend a heartfelt greeting to those joining our school community for the first time.

The new school year holds opportunities for growth, learning, and memorable experiences. From enhancing our instructional practices to creating a unified vision of excellence, we are committed to providing each student with the tools they need to excel. We are committed to setting **SAIL** into the new school year...

S – Students first **A** – Academic focus **I** – Inspiring growth **L** – Love for learning.

Our **STUDENTS** are our priority, first and foremost. Maintaining an **ACADEMIC** focus ensures we are concentrated on what's most important, while **INSPIRING** growth academically and personally. We will continue to foster a **LOVE** for learning, as we model a life-long learning mindset.

Students: Middle school is a time of exploration, discovery, and development. It's a time to forge new friendships, embrace challenges, and cultivate talents. I encourage each of you to take full advantage of the opportunities available to you, both inside and outside the classroom.

Parents and guardians: Your involvement and support are invaluable to the success of our students. Please join us at our monthly SAC meetings, Title I nights, and other school events. We look forward to partnering with you throughout the year to ensure that our students have the encouragement and resources they need to thrive. I am confident that together, we will make this a year filled with achievement and success.

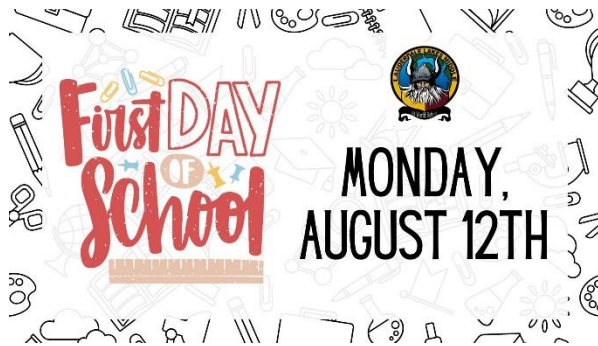
As we embark on this new journey together, let us approach it with enthusiasm, determination, and a commitment to excellence. Together, we will set SAIL into a school year one of growth, achievement, and fond memories.

Sincerely,

Linda L Lopez

Proud Principal, Lauderdale Lakes Middle School

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We look forward to welcoming students on the first day of school – **Monday, August 12th, 2024.**

School hours are from 7:40am – 2:40pm.

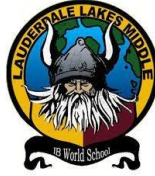
Please review the **new** bell schedule below. All students are expected to be on campus by 7:40am and in class by 7:45am. We appreciate your support and assistance in ensuring your child is ON TIME every day because **EVERY minute counts!**

Regular Bell Schedule 2024-2025

| | Start Time | End Time |
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| Period 1 | 7:45 AM | 8:45 AM |
| Period 2 | 8:49 AM | 9:49 AM |
| Period 3 | 9:54 AM | 10:54 AM |
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| 6 th Grade A LUNCH | 10:58 AM | 11:28 AM* |
| Period 4a | 11:32 AM | 12:32 PM* |
| Period 5a | 12:36 PM | 1:36 PM |
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| Period 4b | 10:58 AM | 11:58 AM* |
| 7 th Grade B LUNCH | 12:02 PM | 12:32 PM* |
| Period 5b | 12:36 PM | 1:36 PM |
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| Period 4c | 10:58 AM | 11:58 AM* |
| Period 5c | 12:02 PM | 1:02PM* |
| 8 th Grade C LUNCH | 1:06 PM | 1:36 PM |
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| Period 6 | 1:40 PM | 2:40 PM |

** Bells will not ring at the times marked with an asterisk.*

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2024/25 SCHOOL CALENDAR

For an ADA accessible version of this calendar, visit browardschools.com/accessiblecalendar.

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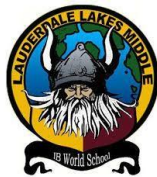
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- Employee Planning (no school for students)
- Schools and Administrative Offices Closed
- Schools Closed
- Report Cards Issued
- Interim Reports Issued
- Early Release Day
- First and Last Day of School

Severe Weather Make-up Days: TBD

Updated Thanksgiving and Winter Break dates as of 4/23/24.

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DRESS CODE

All students **MUST** abide by our school's unified dress code every day. Parents and students will receive communication regarding any Spirit Days and/or dates when students are allowed to dress down. Please help us ensure our **school safety** by following this expectation. Please note, **any student who does not arrive in dress code, will be subject to a consequence.**



Tops: White, navy, gold, or burgundy collar shirt

Bottoms: Navy or Khaki pants or shorts (**must** reach below the fingertips)

Shoes: Sneakers or closed toe shoes.

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS



Be Respectful

Students will treat others how they want to be treated, listen to reasonable directives, and care for our school.

Be Responsible

Students will take ownership of their actions, be ready to learn and do the right thing, even if no one is looking.

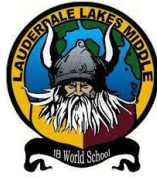
Be Safe

Students will keep hands & feet to self, and report any concerns to school staff.

Be a Viking!

Students will be positive role models and show school pride!

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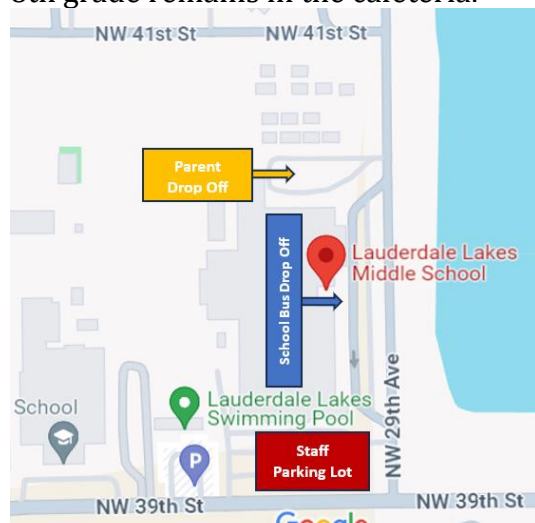
Need Transportation?



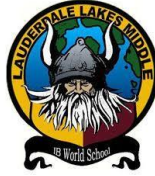
All eligible students needing bus transportation for the upcoming school year must register by visiting www.browardschools.com/register2ride as soon as possible.

Drop-off Procedures:

- School gates will open at 7:10am. There is NO supervision before this time.
- Parent drop-off zone is located in the North Parking Lot (entrance on NW 29th Avenue, adjacent to the portables).
- School buses will drop off in the front loop of the school. After all buses have dropped off, parent drop-off will proceed to the front loop.
- Students are welcome to enjoy FREE breakfast served daily. Thereafter, they will transition to their assigned locations:
 - 6th grade transitions to the Kiva.
 - 7th grade reports to the gym.
 - 8th grade remains in the cafeteria.



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FREE Breakfast & Lunch

Lauderdale Lakes Middle School participates in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), which means students are eligible for breakfast and lunch at no cost! Parents do not need to complete an application to qualify for meals.



August 1st – 3pm

6th Grade and New Student Orientation

August 6th – 5pm

Info Expo (School Resources & Schedule Pick Up)

August 12th – 7:40am

First Day of School

September 5th – 5:30pm

Open House/Title 1 Parent Night

September 18th – 5:00pm

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Register Now
Get Focus(ed)!
Student Information System



NEW Student Information System for 2024-2025 – FOCUS

FOCUS provides easy access to school information, student schedules, attendance, and grades. Parents are encouraged to register for the Parent Portal to gain access to essential information. You may visit: <https://www.browardschools.com/focus> for Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and video guidance.

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Back to School Forms:

We are kindly requesting families to complete all Back-to School Forms online at:
<https://www.browardschools.com/backtoschool-onlineforms>

SAFETY is EVERYONE'S responsibility!

See Something, Say Something!

In an emergency, call 911 immediately. To submit a safety or security concern that is not an emergency, please use one of the tip reporting methods provided below. Please remember you can choose to remain anonymous.

Call Us Anytime (Even on Holidays)

Call our District Security Operations Center (DSOC) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (including holidays). One of our friendly DSOC Specialists will take your tip over the phone and submit it immediately to our investigators. Please let the DSOC Specialist know if you wish to remain anonymous.

754-321-3500

Anonymous Tip Submission Box

Submit a tip easily via our Anonymous Tip Submission Box (**no download required**). Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc.

BrowardSchools.com/SecurityTips

FortifyFL

Submit a tip via FortifyFL online (**no download required**) or download the app for easier use. Visit FortifyFL using the link below. Your tip will immediately reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.

GetFortifyFL.com

Send Us an Email

Submit a tip using the email address below. Although your email address is displayed using this tip reporting method, you can choose to remain anonymous by simply requesting it in your message.

SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com

Get Involved!

SAVE THE DATE

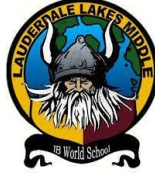
School Advisory Council (SAC)
ALL STUDENTS, STAFF, PARENTS, GUARDIANS,
& COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!



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| SEPTEMBER 18 | JANUARY 15 | APRIL 16 |
| OCTOBER 16 | FEBRUARY 19 | MAY 21 |
| NOVEMBER 20 | MARCH 19 | |

Join us!

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Become a School Volunteer!

<https://www.browardschools.com/Page/32044>

More information coming soon!



Your Feedback is Valuable!

Please share your voice: <https://forms.office.com/r/tLVSDWa42m>

Need Assistance? Contact Us!

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| Linda L. Lopez, Principal | Marcia Lubin, 6 th Grade School Counselor | Lakesha Mitchell, Office Manager |
| Kristie Ford, 6 th Grade Assistant Principal | Alexandria Wnuk, 7 th Grade School Counselor | Jahniya Davis, Registrar |
| Althea Gibbons, 7 th Grade Assistant Principal | Carmen Coste, 8 th Grade School Counselor, Director | Gerald Jones, Information Management Tech & Attendance Manager |
| Markis Facyson, 8 th Grade Assistant Principal | Karlene Fraser, Interim Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Specialist | James Green & Shakila Mckissie, Security Specialists |

Stay Connected!

Visit our School Website: www.browardschools.com/lauderdalelakes

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