



Hawks Newsletter

November & December
2022

From the Principal's Desk

Calendar of Events

November/ December

- 11/08- Report Cards Issued
- 11/11- No School
- 11/21-11/25- Thanksgiving Break
- 12/7-8- 6th Gr FAST Test
- 12/13-14- 7th & 8th FAST Test
- 12/15- Literacy Night
- 12/ 22- Winter Showcase
- 12/26-1/6- Winter Break

KINDNESS

begins with me



This is the favorite time of the year for many people, as the months of November and December represent a season of joy, love and kindness. In true McNicol style, we continue to spread this positive feeling with the support of our partners. Thanksgiving would not be the same for 25 families, if not for their generosity.

A big THANK YOU to

- Pastor White of Emmanuel Temple
- The Hollywood Police Department.
- Broward County's PTA
- McNicol's Families and Staff

Savor these precious moments with your families and please be safe. Season's Greetings to all.

REMINDERS:

1. Students are not to be dropped off on campus until 7:15 AM, as there is no adult supervision before this time.
2. Per District policy, students are not to be picked up for early release after 1:45 PM.
3. Avoid picking up your students outside the school gates. We have no jurisdiction off campus; therefore, they are unsupervised. This is unsafe.
4. Please consistently discuss "See/Hear Something Say Something" with your child.
5. Encourage your children to use social media in a positive manner. It is not to be used to defame or embarrass their fellow students. These actions are far reaching and can cause emotional scars that never heal.



Always
Remember

THE 5 BS



- Use a respectful tone of voice
- Respect the ideas, beliefs and opinions of others
- Never make excuses for your behavior



- Set goals
- Plan your time wisely
- Prepare nightly for the next day



- Know and follow the school's safety policies
- Practice healthy habits
- If you see something, say something



- Pay attention in class and take notes
- Get all assignments done in a timely manner
- Ask for help when needed



- Treat others the way you like to be treated
- Doing the right thing as often as possible
- Acts of being courteous, helpful, and understanding of others

5 Bs

SETTING

HAWKS		CLASSROOMS	HALLWAYS	CAFETERIA	BATHROOMS	BUS LOOP
EXPECTATION	BE RESPECTFUL	Teacher Created	Use appropriate language when addressing adults and peers.	Clean your entire area including the floor before leaving your table.	Clean up after yourself and give each other privacy	Maintain Level 3 voice to hear your bus number over P.A. system
	BE RESPONSIBLE	Teacher Created	Proceed directly to your assigned class on time	Adhere to Level 3 announcements for dismissal procedures	Clean up after yourself. No playing and hanging out in the bathroom	Proceed to bus loop only after your bus number is called
	BE SAFE	Teacher Created	Walk on the right side of the hallway and keep hands and objects to yourself.	Remain seated at your assigned tables. Sit up straight with both feet on the floor under the table.	No fighting, playing, or hanging out in the bathroom	Stay seated while the bus is moving
	Be A LEARNER	Teacher Created	Walk on the right side of the hallway and keep hands and objects to yourself.	Adhere to Level 3 (total silence, eyes on speaker and technology put away) during dismissal procedures.	Follow directions that are posted in the bathroom for cleanliness	Learn and follow all bus rules continuously
	BE KIND	Teacher Created	Be mindful of personal space when transitioning between classes.	Pick up items on your table, even it is not yours.	If someone needs assistance reach out to a staff member immediately	Allow room for fellow students to sit when seats are limited.

SCHOOLWIDE PBIS AT MCNICOL MIDDLE MAGNET & STEM SCHOOL

Positive Behavior Intervention & Support (PBIS) is the science behind building effective environments that teach and encourage appropriate behaviors to replace the use of inappropriate behaviors. As you know, here at McNicol, we pride ourselves on the "5 B" Model: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe, Be a Learner, and Be Kind. Our students worked hard in the 1st quarter to ensure they earned Hawk Bucks to shop in our Snack Shack, and earned entry into our 1st Quarter PBIS Incentive: The Student vs. Staff Basketball Game!! We had a lot of fun and the staff won: 18-13.

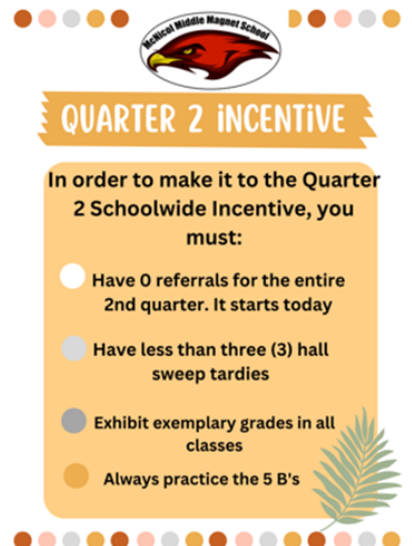
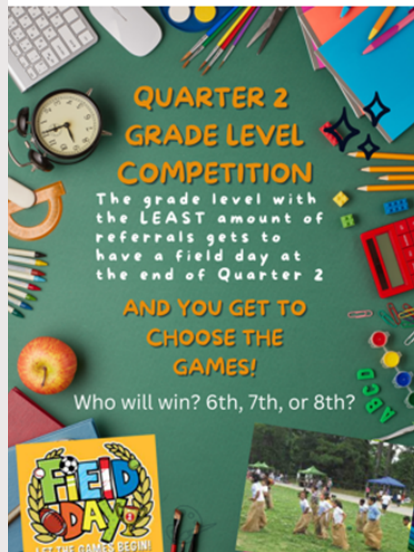
Check out some pictures from the event below:



Student vs. Staff Basketball Game



The 2nd quarter is underway and we're excited to introduce four incentives to our students this quarter. Students will have the opportunity to shop weekly in the Snack Shack, be selected as Student of the Week biweekly and attend two end-of-quarter incentives for showing positive behavior. Check out what we have in store for this quarter:



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL



Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 6:00PM in the
Media Center

The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a governing body made up of parents, community members, teachers, staff members, and students. The primary objective of the School Advisory Council is to develop and implement the school improvement plan. Through monthly SAC meetings, the SAC members monitor the implementation of the School Improvement Plan (SIP) and discuss other important topics relevant to school budget, school needs, and student achievement.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

***All meetings will be held at 6:00pm in the Media Center**



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Counselor Corner

This 2022/23 school year is off to a great start. The Guidance Counselor team is continuously encouraging the 5 B's (Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be a Learner, Be Kind), supporting academic success, nurturing social-emotional learning, and guiding our students towards career readiness.



The guidance team helps students navigate through **Naviance**, a resource to help guide students for career and college readiness. Students were able to explore about themselves, career, and college of interest.



Student success will be highlighted during our Honor Roll assembly. Students have worked hard during 1st Quarter to maintain and achieve the desired grades.



Each month the school has a Social Emotional Learning focus. November's SEL focus is Responsible Decision Making.

5 steps to Responsible Decision Making:

1. Identify the problem.
2. Analyze the situation.
3. Brainstorm possible solutions.
4. Consider if the solution is the right or wrong thing to do.
5. Evaluate and reflect.



"May you see sunshine where others see shadows, and opportunities where others see obstacles."



ESE SPECIALIST

Ms. Almeda



The Exceptional Student Education department not only assists students who are struggling, but looks to accelerate and enrich the curriculum of those who are exceptionally advanced. If you think your student is advanced and academics are currently not challenging them, please reach out to me! We offer many courses for those students who qualify for gifted enrollment, such as GEARS in science and GEM in math. We are grateful for the teachers of the gifted who are creative and think outside the box to keep these students engaged and challenged to their level of thinking.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

This quarter the math department will be focused on Problem Based Learning (PBL) and how it relates to the Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards (MTRs). We look forward to increasing our students learning by implementing this research-based strategy in our classrooms.

We are thrilled to announce that we are currently using IXL for math enrichment and intervention. This program will help our students build on their math knowledge and remediate gaps in understanding.



IXL
Math

KINDNESS BEGINS WITH ME!

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ELA DEPARTMENT

Hello Families and Friends, Ms. Nieves here as Language Arts Department Chair. I am here to inform you of all the exciting things occurring in the Literacy Department for the upcoming months. The curriculum that we are utilizing is the Into Literature Textbook- Grades 6 to 8. We have taken our first Progress Monitoring and our first CFA which allows us to gather data to better service our students. As a team we are working on ways in which we can continue to assist our students to better succeed in our classrooms. Our teachers have also been working hard to incorporate small-group instruction in their classrooms, and it has been a success!



READING DEPARTMENT

Our FOCUS this Month...

- Analyze the data to drive instruction
- Remediate skills based on the student's needs
- Spiral teach standards to achieve academic success
- Attend District Trainings to master our skills and utilize all resources
- Collaborate in PLCs to learn from each other
- Understand that practice makes perfect ♥

Have student log into Clever. Student username is their 06# and the password is their birthday: (Pmm/dd/yyyy)



In Clever look for the app called HMH. It should be in their favorites but if not then you can also search for it on the top search bar.

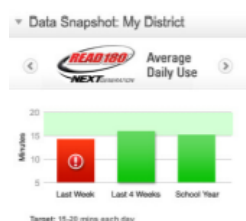


HMH
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Once you click on it you will see the System44 app click on it and have the student work on their skills. Students should be completing 20 minutes a day. This will help her/him improve phonics knowledge and fluency.



NEXT GENERATION

McNicol Middle School

BOOK FAIR

DECEMBER 14TH - 21ST

Students will have the opportunity to shop during the school day!



Find the perfect gift for yourself or a family member.

Don't miss out!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
M.S. PERDOMO @ 754 416 3070

Seaside Holiday

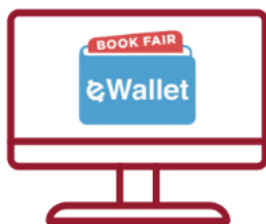
Payment options:
Cash, Credit Card
or E-Wallet
**No Personal
Checks!!**

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIRS

CONVENIENT, CASH-FREE SHOPPING WITH eWALLET!

It's Book Fair Time! This year, say hello to **eWALLET!** Empower students to choose their own books and check out with their very own digital payment account. Book Fair eWallet can be used at the Fair or online. And any leftover funds can be saved for future Fairs! Win-Win!



CREATE ACCOUNT



ADD FUNDS

and/or



SHARE WITH
FAMILY & FRIENDS



SHOP

Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started.



Hello Hawk family!

We are speeding by this school year as it is already December. It is now Quarter 2, and our ESE team is working closely with our special education students to ensure learning gains academically and socially. We are also working diligently on preparing our students to be ready for high school! With our inclusion/push-in style we have here a McNicol, we make sure the students are getting the support they need with one-on-one remediation, all while they are still with their peers, building those imperative social skills and friendships. We are looking forward to an awesome and productive year!



This month the ESE department is excited to have Mr. Bankston in our December spotlight! Mr. Bankston is wearing many hats this school year, and he makes it look easy! Mr. Bankston is currently our ESE support facilitator, a learning strategies teacher, AND our 5000 role model leader! Wow! We are so lucky to have you Mr. Bankston. Thank you for being a genuine team player. We love you!



VILS Newsletter

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Inside IPAD ROLLOUT

- We have currently rolled out about 90% of iPads to students
- If you have not submitted the VILS forms, please submit as soon as possible

"Technology is best when it brings people together"
~Matt Mullenweg

Digital Citizenship lessons are taking place in SS/History classes!

Students are learning about chatting safely online, factors of fair use, and digital footprints.



iPad Reminders

Charge iPad nightly and bring to school fully charged.



iPad Reminders

Report loss or damage immediately to Ms. Moore or Ms. Ronis!



iPad Reminders

Be sure to handle your iPad with care! No eating or drinking while using the iPad.

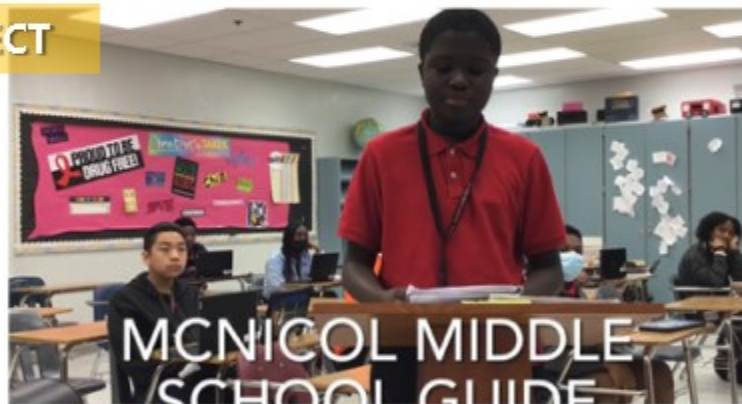
MCNICOL MAGNET MINUTE

A GLIMPSE INTO OUR GREATNESS

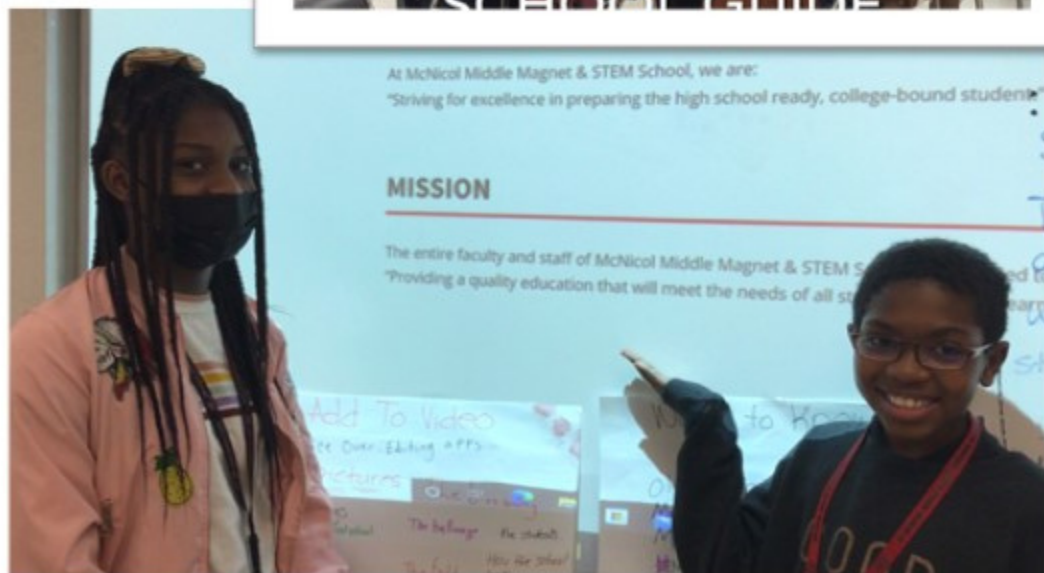


MAKING CONNECTIONS WITH HEXAGONAL THINKING

GLOBAL SCHOLAR VIDEOPROJECT



MCNICOL MIDDLE SCHOOL GUIDE



At McNicol Middle Magnet & STEM School, we are:
"Striving for excellence in preparing the high school ready, college-bound students"

MISSION

The entire faculty and staff of McNicol Middle Magnet & STEM School are committed to:
"Providing a quality education that will meet the needs of all students"



McNICOL MIDDLE **ATHLETICS NEWS**



Hello McNicol Family! It is with great honor that I serve this year as the Athletic Director here at McNicol Middle School. We are looking forward to an exciting year as we produce scholar athletes. Our focus this year is on academics while promoting athletics. It is our expectation that our athletes maintain high scholarship and follow the 5Bs while exhibiting excellent sportsmanship.

Our students are excited about the numerous opportunities to showcase their talents in the many different sports that we offer at McNicol. We offer students the opportunity to play soccer, basketball, volleyball, flag football, track, and floorball. Each opportunity is open for boys and girls to play and have fun. Students must have a 2.0 GPA at the start of the season in the previous grading period. We encourage all students to try out for the teams regardless of ability. Everyone has an opportunity to play for our teams and should take advantage of these awesome opportunity. Remember Hawks, We are #HawksStrong!

Jonathan Wilson, EdS (Jonathan.wilson@browardschools.com)

Athletic Director --> 754-323-3400

ITS BASKETBALL season...

Our boys' and girls' teams are doing a phenomenal job this season. Both teams have a 5-1 record in their division placing them both in the top spot in Division 8.

We have some exciting players that are shining this season. For our boys' team,

Giuliani Blaise and Derrick Jones are showing excellent skills on and off the court. For our girls, Pillar Thomas and Jerkayla Thomas are stepping up to lead the team greatness. However, all our

players are showing great sportsmanship and teamwork. If you have not been to a game, please come our and show support to our scholar athletes. You won't be disappointed!



UP NEXT VOLLEYBALL

Our next season is volleyball so all the players interested in playing volleyball should have a permission form and physical on file. If there are any students interested in playing volleyball, please have them stop by Room 242 and get a form.



CLUBS

First meeting
November 30th

FFEA Club

Meetings will be held on Wednesdays
With Ms. Perdomo's in Room 135A
@ 3:15 pm



The program provides a forum for students to become aware of career opportunities in education and nurtures their interest in teaching as a career.

- ❖ You will report to the MEDIA Center after dismissal (2:15)
- ❖ Make sure there is a parent ready to pick you up at 4:00 pm

Be ready to share ideas and collaborate in many fun ways!



Meet our McNicol NJHS leadership team.

The National Junior Honor Society recognizes and encourages academic achievement while developing other characteristics essential to citizenship in a democracy. These ideals are character, citizenship, leadership, service, and scholarship.

Our McNicol NJHS team helped with food collection for Thanksgiving. The team is planning a holiday fundraising initiative at a local restaurant benefiting Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital. Watch for more information about this event and plan to be there.

FAMILY NIGHT

family,
food,
science
& math.



November 17, 2022

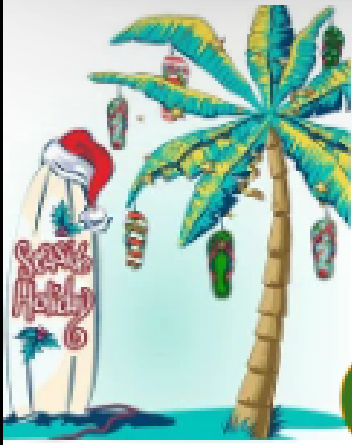
McNicol Middle Auditorium

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

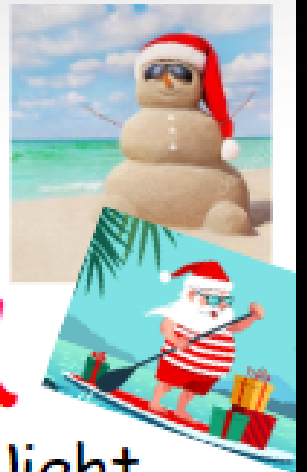
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The Math Learning Center

FAMILY NIGHT



Grab a beach
towel and a
GOOD BOOK



Join us for our Literacy Family Night
December 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm
in the **MEDIA CENTER**



Come to see many fun ways to chillax in the tropics with a good book while learning how to enhance your reading skills!

We will have activities, games, prizes, and even a special guest appearance.

We are so excited to share our warmest wishes with all of our McNicol families.

Students who attend will receive a wristband to be out of uniform on Friday December 16th





6 PM

12/22/2022

1602 S. 27TH AVE

HOLLYWOOD, FL 33020



MCNICOL MIDDLE SCHOOL

DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW!



'Tis' the season to celebrate the joys of the holidays with our talented Performing Arts students. Make plans to attend this free event!



6:00 p.m. - Art Exhibit Gallery

6:30 p.m. - Winter Showcase

Performances

REFRESHMENTS, DANCING, PHOTO STATION, AND MORE



TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Mrs. Kirkland-Joseph

We asked Mrs. Robyn Kirkland-Joseph what inspires her daily to be an amazing educator?

This is what she had to say...

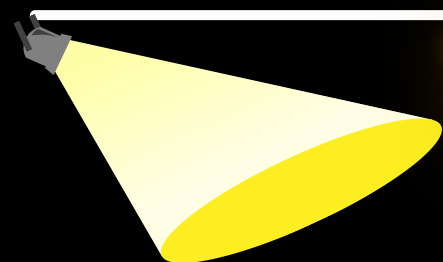


What inspires me the most are my children, my husband, and the students I teach. My boys are my daily reminders that aside from loving them, giving up isn't an option. My husband is my biggest cheerleader. He constantly reminds me that there is no obstacle too big for me to overcome, to never hesitate on something that's needed, and continue keeping my faith strong in God. My students are looked at as my own babies. With them, I develop a nurturing bond that allows for wonderful teachable moments to occur as well as them learning in class. They are the reasons why I still come to school on my worst days to teach. My energy and willingness to keep teaching comes from them.

Congrats!



It is a pleasure to highlight Mr. Williams who is our Security Specialist and employee of the year. Mr. Williams has been part of the McNicol family for 18 years. His priority each day is to ensure our students and staff are safe and secure at all times. Mr. Williams welcoming "good morning" everyday assures all of us that this is a safe campus. He also creates bonds with students and provides mentoring while redirecting them on making better decisions. To create the healthiest system for our school community, Mr. Williams must consider and incorporate all parts of that system; because a change in one part can positively or negatively affect other parts, and ultimately, the whole. McNicol's Safety and Security system plays a prominent role in our students' success; therefore, we are so thankful to have Mr. Williams.



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Get to know Ms. Llera who is a new member to the McNicol Hawk family.

Ms. Llera has over 10 years of experience in education, in the Philippines. In her previous school she was awarded by Scholastic Philippines for getting students to read 10,200 books for an entire school year, an average of 40 books per student. Her purpose for teaching is to help students reach their full potential and to help students become more than better students, better persons who are ready to be catalyst of positive change. Ms. Llera is the only child to an American dad and a Filipino mom. Her dad served the US Army for 20 years! She grew up in the Philippines but spent her summers and Christmas in the USA with relatives. She loves traveling; therefore has been to 5 different States (California, Hawaii, Georgia, Florida, and Nevada) and 7 countries (Hong Kong, Singapore, Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, and Taiwan). She loves listening to music of any genre and also enjoys baking.



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Sonny's Triangle Restaurant

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4.6 ★★★★★ 569 Google reviews
\$American restaurant

Long-standing fast-food chain specializing in meats slow smoked over oak, plus

Service options: Dine-in · Takeout · No delivery
Address: 888 Foster Rd, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009
Hours: Open · Closes 12PM
Menu: [places.singleplatform.com](#)
Phone: (954) 454-5248

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4.4 ★★★★★ 547 Google reviews
Tire shop in Hollywood, Florida

Service options: In-store shopping · In-store pickup · Delivery
Address: 2817 Pembroke Rd, Hollywood, FL 33020
Hours: Open · Closes 5:30PM
Products and Services: [familytiredistributors.com](#)
Phone: (954) 922-8473

LongHorn Steakhouse

Website Directions Save
4.3 ★★★★★ 2,642 Google reviews
\$\$Steak house

Casual steakhouse chain known for grilled beef & other American dishes

Service options: Dine-in · Curbside pickup · No delivery
Located in: [Sheridan Plaza](#)
Address: 4899 Sheridan St, Hollywood, FL 33021
Hours: Closed · Opens 11AM
Menu: [longhornsteakhouse.com](#)
Phone: (954) 965-1030

Partytime

Directions Save
4.3 ★★★★★ 55 Google reviews
Banquet hall in Miramar, Florida

Address: 6230 Miramar Pkwy, Miramar, FL 33023
Hours: Closed · Opens 11AM
Phone: (954) 985-6886

Upper Deck Ale and Sports Grille

Website Directions Save
4.2 ★★★★★ 2,944 Google reviews
\$\$Sports bar

Classic sports bar with over 50 flat-screen TVs, pool tables & a varied pub-grub menu.

Service options: Dine-in · Curbside pickup · No-contact delivery
Address: 906 E Hallandale Beach Blvd, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009
Hours: Closed · Opens 11AM
Menu: [upperdeckhallandalebeach.com](#)

Eric S George Funeral Home Crt Unisex Salon

Website Directions Save
4.8 ★★★★★ 25 Google reviews
Funeral home in Miramar, Florida

Address: 6107 Miramar Pkwy, Miramar, FL 33023
Hours: Open 24 hours
Phone: (954) 965-2722

Directions Save
4.1 ★★★★★ 14 Google reviews
Barber shop in Hallandale Beach, Florida

Located in: [Faith shopping plaza](#)
Address: The Shoppes of Hallandale, 600 W Hallandale Beach Blvd #8, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009
Hours: Open · Closes 7PM
Phone: (954) 456-6271

Discipline Corner

“Cyberbullying”

According to the Broward County Public School Discipline Code, bullying is defined as:

Systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students or employees that is severe or pervasive enough to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment; or unreasonably interferes with the individual's school performance or participation. Bullying includes instances of cyberbullying. Note: Bullying must meet the RIP criteria – (Repeated, Imbalance of Power and Purposeful).

Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place over digital devices like cell phones, computers, and tablets. Cyberbullying can occur through SMS, Text, and apps, or online in social media, forums, or gaming where people can view, participate in, or share content. Cyberbullying includes sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about someone else. It can include sharing personal or private information about someone else causing embarrassment or humiliation.

The most common places where cyberbullying occurs are:

- Social Media, such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and Tik Tok
- Text messaging and messaging apps on mobile or tablet devices
- Instant messaging, direct messaging, and online chatting over the internet
- Online forums, chat rooms, and message boards, such as Reddit
- Email
- Online gaming communities



Please report ANY instance of cyberbullying to your grade level Assistant Principal or your teacher immediately.

CITIZENSHIP

Family Newsletter

Dear Parent:

All of us live together in a society in which each has various rights and responsibilities. Often we can focus on our "rights" while neglecting our responsibilities. These responsibilities include being concerned not with what we can get but rather with what we can give to help others. Enclosed are simple ways to integrate the character skill of citizenship in your home.

Citizenship Defined:

(1) Being involved in trying to make the world a better place, engaged in big and small ways in helping others. (2) Actions and attitudes which reflect pride in being part of a community; showing good citizenship means being law-abiding and involved in service to school, community and country.

Service Ideas to Do as a Family

- **Working** on a Current Issue: Find a current issue or problem you are personally concerned about. Discuss this concern with your family and together come up with actions you can do as a family to address the issue.
- **Organize** a used-book sale and donate the money to a group that promotes literacy in your community.
- **Adopt** a section of a highway to clean up litter.
- **Create** a survey asking neighbors about problems they see in their community. Have a meeting to discuss their responses. Circulate a petition to work with local government to address the biggest issues.
- **Volunteer!** Visit <http://volunteermatch.org/> for more information.



Character Education: Middle

November



Diversity, Prevention & Intervention
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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311
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Fax: (754) 321-1691
www.browardprevention.org
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Kimberly.Young@browardschools.co

Character Check

- In what ways do you feel that you show the qualities of good citizenship?
- Which quality of citizenship is the most difficult for you? Why?
- How have you helped make your community a better place?
- How can you encourage your child to demonstrate the qualities of a good citizenship?

Dinner Discussions

As you eat meals together discuss and share:

- What makes people a good citizen?
- What is sometimes difficult about being a good citizen?
- The names of political leaders in your community, state and nation. Discuss positive choices they have made that reflect citizenship.

You must give some time to your fellow men. Even if it's a little thing, do something for others – something, for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.
~ Albert Schweitzer



KINDNESS



Family Newsletter

Dear Parent:

A caring person is considerate, kind, compassionate and generous. A caring person takes into account how decisions, words and actions are likely to affect other people. Remind your child that they have the power to brighten another person's day through a simple act of kindness.

Ideas to Do as a Family

- Participate in a community service project with your child, which allows the family to show kindness towards others.
- As a family, discuss what you could do to show that you care about the environment, such as cleaning up a street, picking up trash, or starting a recycling program.
- As a family, identify things that you can do together to make a difference in someone else's life.
- Catch your child being kind and acknowledge how important that behavior is. This is a simple opportunity to reinforce how important being kind is in your family.
- Watch a television program together and talk about the various ways in which the characters acted uncaring or caring towards one another.
- Remember that the best teaching tool is to always model the behavior you want your child to learn. You are powerful role model for your child. If you are kind and helpful to other people that is what your child will learn from you.



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Character Check

- Who in your life has taken care of you when you needed help? How did you feel as a result?
- Have you ever helped take care of someone or something?
- In what ways have you helped someone feel better?
- How do you feel when caring for others, showing kindness and being generous can improve your relationships with others?

Have family members talk about times they experienced their friends demonstrate kindness, generosity and/or caring.



What Wisdom Can you Find that is Greater than Kindness.