



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

I am honored to serve as principal at Whiddon-Rogers Education Center. It is truly a privilege to be part of a learning community where parents, teachers, and students work in unison to build positive relationships that support academic and social-emotional growth. It is our mission at Whiddon-Rogers to Inspire, Empower, and Transform all our students into positive and productive members of society. Our faculty and staff members embrace the philosophy that all students do not learn the same way or at the same pace. We take pride in responding to the individual needs of each student, and we utilize authentic methods and strategies to ensure positive student outcomes.

Please contact me at 754-321-7550 or email me with any questions.

Educationally Yours,
Wylie L. Howard Jr., Principal

WHAT'S IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:

- March Campus Events & Highlights
- Upcoming Events
- Monthly Observances & Hot Topics
- Celebrating WREC Graduates
- Women of Elegance Feature

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Whiddon-Rogers Education Center's mission is to provide appropriate alternative educational strategies and resources that support social-emotional growth and instill a desire to become lifelong learners.

VISION STATEMENT:

Our vision is to become a nationally recognized school of excellence in innovative educational alternatives designed to prepare students for college and careers.

MEET THE ADMINISTRATORS

Wylie L. Howard, Jr., Principal
Marc Larose, Intern Principal
Sharnett Morris, Assistant Principal
Esther McKee-Savage, Assistant Principal
Sabrina Smith, Assistant Principal



COMPLETING STUDENTS:

2025 Post-Secondary Information Form

2024-2025 BRACE Post-Secondary Information Form: Have you?.....



BRACE Pop-Up

The Pop-Up Event on Wednesday, March 19th, provided completing students with valuable resources, including college and financial aid application support, scholarship opportunities, military recruitment, and resume assistance. The event helped students take important steps toward their future.



Debate Tournament March 13, 2025



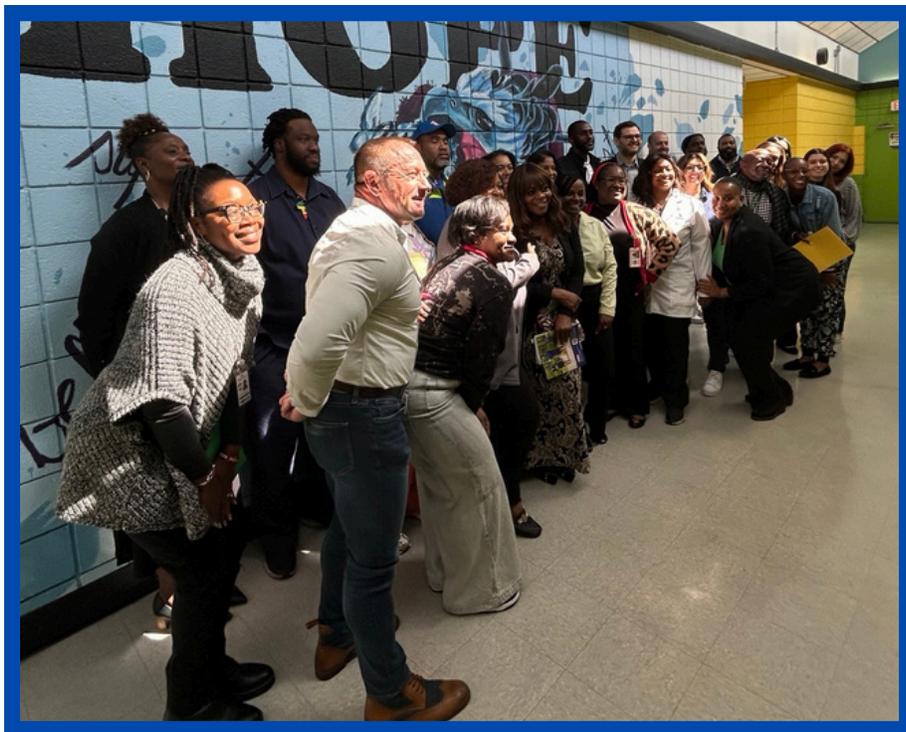
**Congratulations to our
Speech & Debate team for
their outstanding
performance!
A special SHOUTOUT to
Kelvin Matute for bringing
home a medal in the
Impromptu Speech category-
way to represent!
GO EAGLES!**



DJJ Professional Development Experience



Detention Center Career Fair



National School Social Work Week

March 2nd-8th, we celebrated National School Social Work Week, and there's no better time to show some love to the heart of our school, **Ms. Latrice Thomas!** As our one and only social worker, she wears so many hats, juggles so many needs, and still manages to uplift our students with kindness and care.

THANK YOU, MS. THOMAS!



**Social work is a
work of heart.**

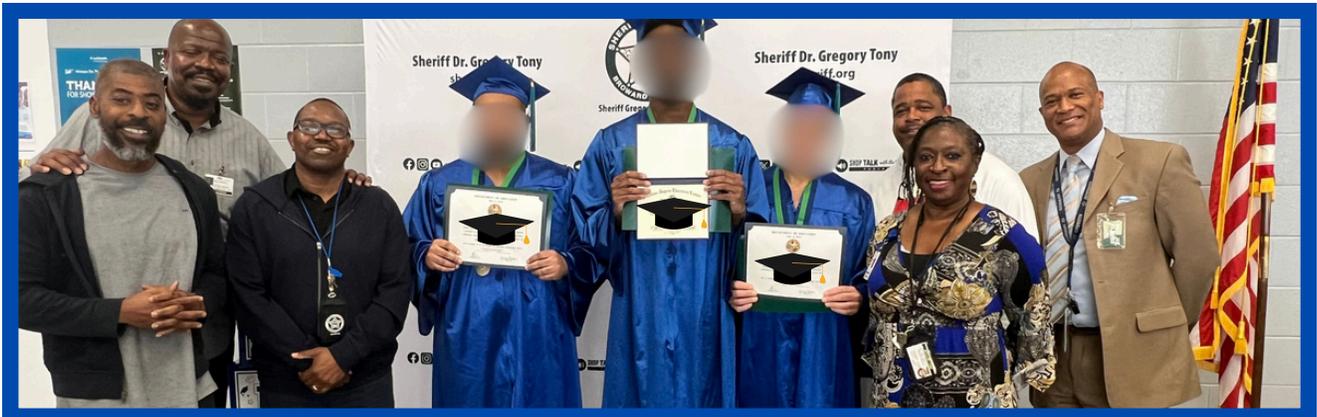
And you have the biggest heart of all!



Congratulations Graduates!

On March 11th, WREC celebrated a milestone at the Main Jail (BSO). Three of our students received their high school diplomas.

A special shout out to our BSO Teachers who work diligently in a challenging environment.



Ain't No Stoppin' Us Now ... We're on the Move

WREC Celebrates more graduates! On March 14th a graduation ceremony was conducted at Paul Rein Facility.

Three students successfully earned their high school diploma (GED).

A special "shout out" to **Ms. Angela Corbin** who is the teacher of record at this facility! Kudos!

A special thanks to **Ms. Alison Brooks**, guidance counselor, for exceeding all expectations.



Women of Elegance on the Move

March was an inspiring and action-packed month for the Women of Elegance mentoring group as they celebrated Women's History Month with purpose and ambition. The students took meaningful steps toward personal and professional growth, engaging in activities that empowered them to embrace their potential.

On March 18th, the students had the opportunity to shop for professional attire at Ross and DD's, preparing them for future success. A heartfelt thank you to Ross for their generous sponsorship, which made this experience possible.

The momentum continued as the students participated in the 8th Annual Women in Action Seminar, themed "Now is the Time". This transformative event provided them with valuable insights from keynote speakers and interactive breakout sessions. A special thank you to all the speakers, guests, and organizers who made this experience impactful.

The journey of empowerment didn't stop there. On March 19th, the students attended the Women in Action Summit at Broward College, further immersing themselves in discussions and networking opportunities that reinforced their aspirations. Throughout it all, the dedication and leadership of Women of Elegance President, Ms. Marsha Chamberlain, shone brightly. Her commitment to guiding and uplifting these young women is truly commendable.

March was a month of growth, learning, and empowerment, and the Women of Elegance are just getting started. Here's to many more opportunities for these young women to shine!



Women in Action Seminar



Women in Action Seminar (continued)



Women in Action Seminar (continued)



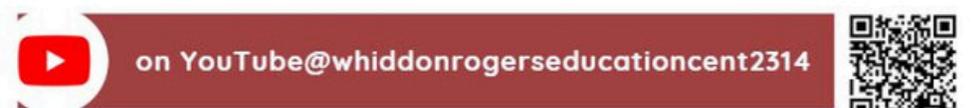
Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Ms. Zuwania Smith!**
Broward Education Foundation's Board of Directors
and Innovative Teaching Network members are
pleased to announce Whiddon-Rogers has been
selected to receive a 2025-26 Adapter Grant for the
Brain Boost project.



SAVE THE DATE-

WREC will host a High School
Voter's Registration Drive on
April 16th



WREC Sunshine Club Celebrates St. Patrick's Day





- BPCS Monthly Character Trait - Self Control
- Women’s History Month
- Irish American Heritage Month
- 8th- International Women’s Day
- 10th- Women/Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
- 13th-20th- Above the Influence Rally
- 21st- International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination



Reading Skill of the Month



ARGUMENT/UNDERSTANDING RHETORIC

TRACK THE DEVELOPMENT OF ARGUMENTS BY IDENTIFYING, ANALYZING OR COMPARING THE EFFECTIVENESS AND VALIDITY OF CLAIMS.



EARLY GRADUATES

AS OF 3/19/2025, WE HAVE 33 GRADUATES!!!
CONGRATULATIONS !!!!

Congratulations!



Greetings, Whiddon Family!

You voted and your voice was heard. Thank you to all who voted for our Main Campus Staff Members!

The Instructional Employee of the month for February is

Ms. Beverly Croslin

The non-instructional employee of the month is

Ms. Amber Moore



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Introduction

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Design and Program Highlights

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Certification Training
Job Placement
Mentorship
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Benefits

Gain valuable skills and qualifications
Receive support from knowledgeable staff
Increase your employability and earning potential
Connect with a community of learners
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Eligibility

Open to adults 18 years and older (16-17 yrs old with Waiver)
No prior educational qualifications required
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Registration NOW

Start Date: **Continuous Open Enrollment**
Location: **700 SW 26th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315**
How to Register: Call us at (754) 777-8465 or visit our website at (<https://www.browardschools.com/whiddonrogers>)

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English Classes

More Info Call Us
754-321-7550

<https://www.browardschools.com/whiddonrogers>

CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Scan Here for More Information:



Whiddon-Rogers Education Center
Mr. Wylie L. Howard, Jr., Principal
700 SW 26th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315



Important Update For K-12 Students

WIRELESS DEVICE POLICY

Disconnect To Reconnect

POWER OFF AIRPLANE MODE

WIRELESS DEVICE USE NOT ALLOWED DURING SCHOOL DAY

Effective in the 2024/25 School Year

- All wireless devices must be powered off or in airplane mode during the school day, from bell to bell, including passing periods and lunch unless authorized for instructional purposes.
- Wireless devices include cellphones, laptops, smartwatches, tablets, headphones, airpods, and other two-way communication equipment.
- Students violating policy are subject to disciplinary action.

Devices Include:

- Cellphone
- Smart Watches
- Earbuds
- Headphones
- Tablets
- Laptops

For more information and FAQs, visit [browardschools.com/wirelessdevices](https://www.browardschools.com/wirelessdevices)



SUNSHINE SPOTLIGHT



MARCH BIRTHDAYS-

- Dr. Sherrie Poitier
- Horace Parker
- Maria Claudio
- Jamare Clarington
- Freddie Nelson
- Marc Larose
- Felix Jackson



The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure which results in discrimination on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Big Schools and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & Student's Equity Coordinator/Tyler B. Conditore at 754-321-2500 or email eeo@browardschools.com. Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department at 754-321-2500 or email eeo@browardschools.com.

2024-2025 BCPS Parent Survey

In an effort to improve system practices, Broward County Public Schools is conducting a Parent Survey. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time to complete this survey. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. The surveys will be available online in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.

To complete the survey, copy and paste the link or scan the QR Code below.



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The survey will be available Monday, March 3, 2025 - Friday, May 2, 2025.

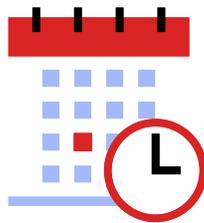
12/7/24

Reporting Safety & Security Tips



- Visit our school's website.
- Fortify FL
- Safer watch app

2024-25 School Hours of Operation



Warning Bell: 6:55 a.m.
Start Time: 7:00 a.m.
Dismissal Bell: 2:00 p.m.

Important Dates & Information



- 4/1/25- Classes Resume
- 4/3/25- Professional Study Day
- 4/8/25- Report Cards Issued
- 4/10/25- OneBlood Blood Drive
- 4/16/25- Voter's Registration Drive
- 4/18/25- Good Friday, No School
- 4/24/25- Debate Tournament
- 4/25-4/26- GradBash (Orlando)
- 4/25-4/27- SAVE Promise Club Youth Summit (Philadelphia)

FOR MORE VISIT: <https://www.browardschools.com/whiddonrogers>