



Dear Parents and Community Members, welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. Broward County Public Schools, including Atlantic West Elementary will begin our school year remotely.

It is an honor to be chosen to serve as the Principal of Atlantic West. As we plan for an unprecedented opening, our focus will be on providing our scholars with a stellar academic experience. In addition to academics, we will focus on the social and emotional wellbeing of our students.

It goes without saying that many in our community have experienced disruption to their normal routines, trauma and loss of a loved one. Our teachers will take the time to engage the boys and girls in mindfulness activities at the beginning of each day. Unlike the last nine weeks of the 2019-2020 school year, students will be engaged with their assigned teacher for at least four hours per day. Atlantic West is an extended day school and learning will continue for an additional thirty minutes beyond the typical school day. Scholars will engage in all subject areas, including Music/Art, Physical Education, Guidance, Science and Media. Each class will follow an individualized schedule carefully created to maximize the learning experience.

Students are expected to report to online class each day by 8:00 a.m., with an on time return after the meal break and recess, our school day will conclude at 2:30 p.m. each day for Grades 3-5. Our Primary learners in Grades Pre K to Grade 2, will conclude their live lessons at 12:30 p.m. and continue the day with independent assignments or with one on one instruction from their teacher. Online engagement will be tracked and factored into final performance grades. Students are

expected to follow the Student Code of Conduct located at <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/38107>.

The AWE-some Atlantic West faculty has participated in professional development during the summer break and is prepared to meet the needs of their students in the virtual environment. Parents are encouraged to stay connected to their child's

teacher utilizing the electronic communication tools available. All meetings and conferences will be conducted virtually until further notice.

Thank you for choosing Atlantic West and for trusting us with your child. We look forward to participating in an extraordinary school year. Should you need assistance, kindly call the Main Office at 754 322 5300 or contact us by email at AtlanticWestES@browardschools.com.

Warm Regards,

Shereen R. Reynolds

Principal