AWESOME OLSEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

330 SE 11TH TERRACE DANIA, FL 33004 TEL: 754-323-3800 OLSEN.BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM

VALERIE Y HARRIS, PRINCIPAL



May 23— SAC/SAF meeting/
May 23 -Band Concert
May 24 — 8th Grade Picnic
May 24— Summer Learning
Packets Issued
May 24th — 7th Grade Science
EOC
May 28— Spring Dance

May 29- 6th & 7th Grade Awards Ceremony May 30 - 8th Grade Dance

May 30 - 8th Grade Dance
June 3—Year Book Signing
June 4—8th Grade Promotion
Ceremony

June 4—Early Release Day June 7—August 13-Sunmmer Break

June 8– Welcome Home 6th Graders

August 14th—First quarter begins (First day of school)

In this Issue

Welcome Home Vikings	2
Tips for Success	2
SAC Information	2
Summer Learning Academy	2
Summer Learning Information	3
Gradventure/Awesome Olsen Band	4 4
Sports Assistant Principal's message	4

EXCELLENCE FOR EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY!



Volume I Issue 4

May 2019

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Dear Awesome Olsen Middle School Family,

Our children walked through the front door almost 180 days ago and embraced every single thing middle school has to offer.

They stretched themselves to meet the demands of academic requirements and the daily struggle and splendor of simply being a middle school student. Whether it was through the classroom, afterschool activities, through service, or through the courageous Awesome Olsen spirit to try, try, and try again...THANK YOU!

Our teachers, staff, city officials, community members, clergy, and business members have worked collaboratively to support Awesome Olsen Middle School students all year long, THANK YOU!

Our parents have worked tirelessly to ensure their child meets or exceeds every expectation required. For every smile on the car line, every parent conference, every selfless act to support our school, THANK YOU!

CONGRATULATIONS to our Awesome Olsen Middle School Students. Whether they are returning for the next grade or whether

they are matriculating to high school, we wish them continued success along the beautiful journey of learning.

Our unyielding quest:

Excellence for Every Student, Every Day!



Ms. Harris, Principal valerie.harris@browardschools.com Awesome Olsen Middle School





Yearbooks are on sale now!



Pay online at https://estore.browardschools.com Or pay <u>cash</u> to Ms. Thompson in the Front Office. Page 2 VIKING TIMES

OMS...Keeping you informed



Saturday, June 8th, 2019 @ 9:00 am
330 SE 11th Terrace, Dania Beach, FL. 33004

Come tour our campus and meet our

Awesome faculty!

Advice to Current and Incoming Students

- Awesome Olsen Middle School provides Agendas for all students. Write in your Agenda's daily. You don't want to forget submission dates for assignments!
- Be your own advocate. Email teachers with questions about assignments.
- Know our "Big Five Rules".

Respect: Respect yourself and others Dress Code: Dress appropriately Hallway: Walk to the right Tardiness: Be in class on time

Electronics: No cell phones or electronic devices from 6:45 am - 2:00 pm

- ID badges must be visible at all times.
- Get to know your school counselors. He or she is your partner for success. Request an appointment.

Tuesday, June 4th is Early Release Day.

School's out at 11:45a.m!

Join us for the 8th Grade PROMOTION CEREMONY

on Tuesday, June 4th @ 8:00 am

School Advisory Committee (SAC)

Parent Positions for 2019-2020 School Year

*Parents representatives

*SAF Chairperson

- *Innovation Zone representative
- *ESOL representative (must be a parent of an ELL student)
- *ESE representative (must be a parent of an ESE student)
- *Gifted representative (must be a parent of a Gifted student)

Please call 754-323-3865 if you would like to be considered for any of these positions. Thank you...

MARKYOUR

School reopens on Wednesday, August 14th, 2019

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School Year School starts at 7:15 a.m sharp and ends at 1:45 pm.

You must be seated and ready to learn at 7:15am.

AWESOME OLSEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

"Starting Right in the Middle" Summer Learning Academy

Who: Incoming 6th Graders
Date: June 10 - 27, 2019
Monday-Thursday
8:00 am— 12:30 pm

For more information, call 754-323-3800

Volume I Issue 4 Page 3

Core Curriculum Insights



6th Grade Novel (Counting by 7's)



Losing one's parents is never easy, and for 12-year-old Willow Chance losing her adoptive parents in a car wreck is devastating. The book "Counting by 7s" charts Willow's journey through her grief to the realization that her life will go on. Although she had no relatives or close

family friends, an unusual group of people steps forward to become a surrogate family to this unusual but highly intelligent girl. As they bond, those helping Willow realize their lives are enriched by her as much as her life is bettered by them.



7th Grade Novel (The Bully)

Darrell Mercer, a 9th grader at Bluford High, is at the center of this story. Darrell and his mother move to the Bluford area in the middle of the school year. Physically smaller than his peers, Darrell quickly becomes a target

for Tyray Hobbs, the freshman class bully.



8th Grade Novel (The Giver)

The Giver is a story of a brilliant boy named Jonas who happens to live in a society that is being controlled by the rules and tradition of The Elders. Through his wisdom and mannerism, Jonas is selected as the Receiver of Memory, a post that distinguishes him from others and gives him authority.

Students are required to read the novel and complete the accompanying summer learning package. Happy Reading!



The Summer Slide Solution

Summer Learning

To avoid the summer slide and equip our students with tools for academic success next school year, we require that all students complete Summer Learning provided.

This is continuous practice of targeted academic skills for your child: English Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Current 7th and 8th Grade students will receive Summer Learning on Friday, May 24th. This is also posted on our school's website olsen.browardschools.com If your child is new to Awesome Olsen, please download Summer Learning appropriate for your child's incoming grade level. Additionally, Summer Learning is available at the Awesome Olsen MS Single Point Office. Feel free to stop by and pick one up!

Each student is required to read one novel. An additional summer reading list is also provided in the Summer Learning to encourage students to Read, Read! One of the novels will be selected as Most AWESOME Book of the Month. If your child has read the novel and documented it in his/her reading log, he/she will receive a \$20 gift certificate! Wow! Start reading now.

We look forward to an amazing and AWESOME 2019-2020 school

<u>'We are committed to create an environment where students love learning'</u>



wesome Olsen Middle School 21st CCLC



Summer Enrichment Program

June 10-July 18, 2019 Monday –Thursday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Academic Enrichment in English Language Arts, Math & Science

Personal Enrichment: College and Career Readiness, Music, & Art, Character Education, Team Sports, and much, much more!!!

Free Field Trips:

Transportation will be provided.



Breakfast and Lunch will be provided for students.

Space is limited. Complete and return the registration form (Forms are at Single Point). Call 754-323-3800 if you would like





Free Summer Program for Students Attending Awesome Olsen Middle School June 17th through July 25th 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday

Unity 4Teens offers:

Academic Enrichment Activities Cooking, Nutrition and Fitness One-on-One Support Services

Showcase Projects Weekly Field Trips

Community Service Projects Swimming, Etiquette, and Dance

Registration by appointment only. Call 954-342-0293

Space is limited!

EXCELLENCE FOR EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY!

We are a Magnet School!

Awesome Olsen Middle &
South Broward High

iCAN Academy
Magnet Program
2019-2020 School Year

Call Awesome Olsen's Principal, Ms. Valerie Harris @ (754) 3233865



Save The Last Dance...
Attention all Students
Our final dance for the
2018-2019
school year is on
Tuesday, May 28th
@2:00 pm.
Tickets cost
\$5
and includes
pizza and soda
Tickets will be on sale during
all lunches.





We're on the web! Visit us at olsen.browardschools.com

Awesome Olsen Track Team....on

TRACK! By Jason Alford



Awesome Olsen Middle School Track Team competed at the South Area Regional Track Meet on Thursday, May 9th. Our team did an outstanding job!

6th Graders **Corey Donning a**nd Jason Edwards ran their hearts out

Izzy Hunter. took first place in the HIGH JUMP, and first place in the 800 m.

Sydney Robinson. took first place in the huddles and 3rd in the 200 m

And last but not least **Damani Goldston** absolutely destroyed everybody at this track meet running the fastest time in the county in the 100 and the 200 m races.



Alex Tribute Trombone Ceremony

By Ms. Luechauer (Band teacher)



On Saturday, May 11, 6th-grade band student Ronilsen Delcisse was presented with his very own Alex Schachter Tribute Trombone, courtesy of the Schachter family, Conn Selmer and All County Music.

Alex Schachter was a trombone student in the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Band who tragically lost his life last year. All County Music and Conn Selmer (a trombone manufacturer company) teamed up to create 50 limited edition "Alex" trombones and gifted them to 50 students from select schools in South Florida. Olsen Middle School was chosen to receive one. Ronilsen Delcisse was the perfect student to help Alex's voice live on. Congratulations Ronilsen. Enjoy!

HAPPY SUMMER VACATION!

Gradventure 2019



On May 10, 2019, Awesome Olsen Middle school grads celebrated with all their friends as they enjoyed complete, private access to Universal Studios Florida and Universal's Islands of Adventure all night long.

Students departed from school at 11:00 am on Friday and returned at 4:30 am on Saturday. For many students, this trip was simply fantastic. They enjoyed the drive to Orlando, the exciting rides and attractions at the theme parks, street entertainment in the park, live DJs, and most of all, spending quality time with their friends.

Congratulations 8th Graders. As your middle school years come to an end, we wish you a smooth transition to high school, college and beyond!

A Message for My 8th Graders

~ Dr. Norris, 8th Grade Assistant Principal

Congratulations 8th graders on a successful year!!

I am very proud of you. I wish you all the best as you transition to high school. Remember to stay focused on your goals and dreams and you can achieve anything. You are awesome. Continue to be awesome in all you do.

High school can be challenging. Be open to the new opportunities which will be presented to you. The bar will be raised in high school, so do your best all day, every day. Your actions in 9th grade will impact you for your four high school years. GPA and test scores are important and will impact your high school experience. Do your best. Be the best!

Class of 2023—we will miss you, but remember, **Once a Viking, Always a Viking!**