



The Game Changers Guide

From the Principal's Desk

Happy New Year Hawk Family!

I hope this year finds you reflecting on your growth and development, reimagining what will come, and also recharged to go and get everything your heart desires!



As we jump into a new calendar year, I encourage you to review our county's new and revised calendar. [Click here to see our updated calendar.](#)

Quarter 3 began on January 13th. If your child has not been successful in at-home learning, I encourage you to send them back to our building. Let us help!

All Hawks should be logging on to I-Ready daily for additional support in Literacy and Math. Keep in mind parents, that FSA testing time is not far away. Let us give our students every opportunity to grow and be successful.

Let's see who would you like to win a gift card this month! Send an email to Mrs. Gurreonero @ melissa.gurreonero@browardschools.com and tell me how your family is doing this new year! The first responder will win a prize. Let's stay connected Hawk Family ♥

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**Your dedicated Principal,
Mrs. G**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1/20: 6TH GRADE HEALTH SCREENINGS
- 1/20,1/27,2/3,2/10: COURSE RECOVERY 6-8 PM
- 1/21: GRADE LEVEL 3RD QTR EXPECTATIONS PRESENTATIONS
- 1/21: VIRTUAL CLUB MEETINGS
- 1/21: PTSA/SAC MEETING 6 PM
- 1/21: VIRTUAL MAGNET OPEN HOUSE 6:30 PM
- 1/25-1/29: CELEBRATE LITERACY WEEK!
- 2/3: 3RD QTR REPORT CARDS
- 2/3: FLAG FOOTBALL GAME
- 2/1-2/3: ALGEBRA AND GEOMETRY BSA
- 2/4: TORNADO DRILL
- 2/4,2/9,2/11: LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT CAMP 3-4:30PM
- 2/12: A DAY OF SERVICE AND LOVE IN HONOR OF MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS
- 2/12: HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLY 8 AM

HAPPY NEW YEAR



MCNICOL MAGNET & STEM MIDDLE SCHOOL

VIRTUAL MAGNET OPEN HOUSE

McNicol Middle Magnet and STEM School's purpose is to integrate science, technology, engineering and mathematics school-wide. Our students are challenged to develop 21st century skills through project based and experimental learning.

JANUARY 21, 2021 6:30 PM

MICROSOFT TEAMS PRESENTATION

LET'S CHANGE THE GAME TOGETHER

Questions? Contact 754-323-3431



- SCAN THE QR CODE
 - *or access the link on our schools' website*
- MEET OUR TEAM
- LEARN ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

MAGNET APPLICATION 12/1-2/8

www.browardschools.com/schoolchoice

INTERNATIONAL
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REMEMBRANCE DAY

January 27

ATTENTION PARENTS

Research shows that engaging students in the learning process increases their attention and focus, motivates them to practice higher-level critical thinking skills, and promotes meaningful learning experiences. Here are two awesome resources for you and your child to explore together!

A BETTER CHANCE

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Available Mondays-Thursday on School Days!
See details by Grade Level below:

[Click here to access the Ask BRIA Canvas Course](#)

ATTENTION PARENTS

Parents,

Please see flyer below for more information about the Annual Parent Seminar. There will be lots of sessions designed to help you engage in your child's education.



ANNUAL PARENT SEMINAR
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021
8AM-3PM



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Broward County Public Schools Honors and Celebrates

the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 18, 2021

Martin Luther King Day is a federal holiday held on the third Monday of January, although his actual birthday is January 15th. Martin Luther King Day celebrates the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., an influential civil rights leader, scholar and minister. He is most well-known for his campaigns to end racial segregation on public transport and for racial equality in the United States. His most famous address was the "I Have A Dream" speech. He was an advocate of non-violent protest and became the youngest man to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Martin Luther King Day was first observed in 1986, although it was not observed in all states until the year 2000. He continues to be remembered as one of the most influential and inspirational African American leaders in history.

[Click here to join a special virtual tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King on Monday, January 18, 2021 from 10am-2pm](#)



If you can't fly, then **run**.
If you can't run, then **walk**.
If you can't walk, then **crawl**,
but by all means, **keep moving**.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

I HAVE A DREAM

-MARTIN LUTHER KING JR



IDEA EXPO

ALL ONLINE!
January 23, 2021
9am-2pm

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Our McNicol teachers are working hard to jumpstart their classrooms with effective teaching strategies!

Our very own Ms. Ferreira will be presenting to hundreds of Broward County teachers! Congrats Ms. Ferreira!



OUTCOME

In this project, students will be able to recreate origami figures using STEAM technique while learning about people, places, geography, vocabulary, measurement and SEL world issues. Lessons will involve higher order thinking skills, recycling, and observational historical processing. The outcome should allow students to develop a broad-spectrum skill while creating special masterpiece origami figures.



OPPORTUNITIES WITH ORIGAMI

QUOTE

"Oh, the places you'll go!"
- Dr. Seuss

THE PROJECT

The goal of this project is to create origami shapes corresponding to the lessons being

taught. Students will first study a topic, and then create a paper folding activity aligned with the lesson by folding patterns with the paper to create a masterpiece. Students will be able to understand directions, patiently fold and manipulate paper folds, and complete an origami model. Each carefully handcrafted origami figure will tell its own story in a unique way, giving a historical perspective though lesson content that is then added to the origami. Through various processing skills, each student will be able to visualize, express and recreate an origami figure with the use of storytelling and written historical work. This project will allow students to make connections between the past, the present, and the future in class by adding handwritten information onto the origami. By adding these facts and details to each figure, students will be able to retain information and participate in a unique hands-on lesson in a fun and creative way.

THE STUDENTS

"Opportunities with Origami" can be adapted for any student at any grade level. The project may require step-by-step guidance for lower grades via videos, teacher guidance or online instructions. As students progress through the years, they may design and create origami figures with detailed designs, text or questions for any topic.

THE DISSEMINATOR

Lauren Kilmer Ferreira was born and raised in Miami, Florida. She graduated from St. Thomas University with her Bachelor of Arts in elementary education and started teaching over 22 years ago. She has worked for MDCPS, Charter, and currently teaches in Broward County Public Schools at McNicol Middle School. Lauren has a passion for educating students using hands-on learning integration with the curriculum. She believes that all students can learn and that students must be active participants. For this reason, her lessons are all focused project-based learning. She currently serves on many educational committees. She also has won numerous grants and awards over the years and her class has been featured in the Sun-Sentinel, Hollywood Gazette and BEF workshops.

MATERIALS AND FACILITIES

In-person class or video instruction can be adapted for this project as materials are easily available. Paper (cut to size)

- Origami paper
- Scissors
- Markers, crayons
- Videos: YouTube, Microsoft Teams, Zoom, Flipgrid teacher template samples and lessons

RESOURCES

Teacher-guided lesson in person. Students that have access to the internet may use various websites pertaining to historical museum websites, along with worksheets provided by the disseminator. Magazines and newspapers are highly recommended in print form.



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Ms. Barnett

Ms. Barnett teaches Grade 6 Science here at McNicol. This is Ms. Barnett's first year teaching in a K-12 setting, but she is an experienced college professor.

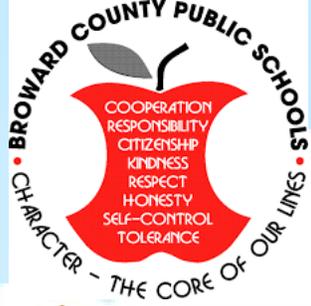
Ms. Barnett has spent 32 years at Broward College running the Buehler Planetarium where she designed and ran field trips and SPACE Camps for all ages. She also taught Geology and Astronomy to college students. She still teaches an Astronomy course there.



Ms. Barnett enjoys sharing her love and knowledge of the sky and conducts a public planetarium presentation each week on Facebook Live! Check it out @ Homestead Astronomy.

Interesting Fact: Ms. Barnett worked on Mars helping create geological maps of the surface!

We are so happy to have her on our team! ♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥



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RESPECTFUL

Respect is the character trait for January. Respect is showing consideration, understanding, and regard for people, places and things.

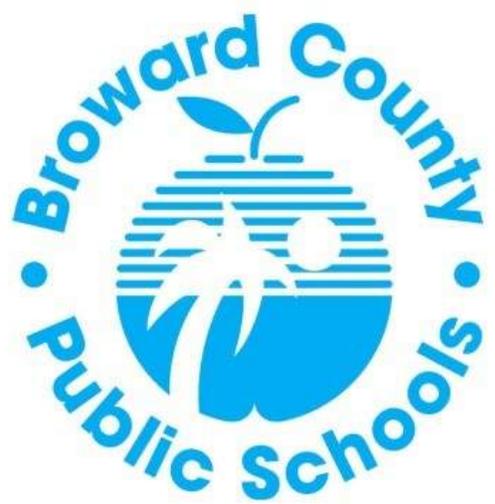
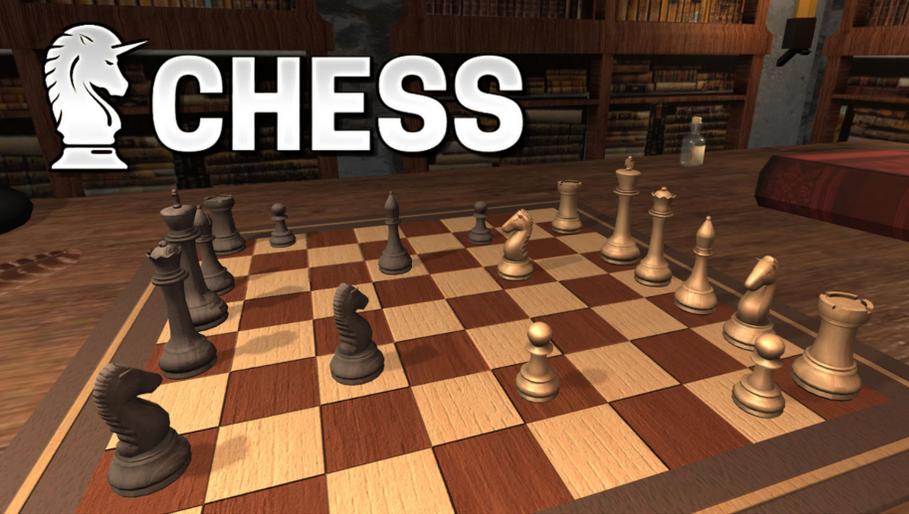
Respect is essential for becoming a healthy, happy, and productive person, and it is the basis for a free and civil society where each person does what he or she is expected to do. Following the Golden Rule of treating others with respect, it is also important to be tolerant and accepting of differences. Respect is finding ways to deal with anger, insults, and disagreements 'peacefully', and not being threatening or hurtful to others.

Reach Across the Stars: Meet Your Female Space & Science Heroes (virtually!)

On Wednesday, January 27, 2021 from 2:00pm - 3:00pm virtually "meet" women who have blazed trails in space and related science fields in an upcoming webinar to celebrate National Mentoring Month, highlighting the achievements of women in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

The project, "Reach Across the Stars: A Universe of Explorers," was created through a collaboration between the Smithsonian's Because of Her Story Initiative and NASA. During the webinar, and in further exploration in the app, you'll get to hear about the challenges, motivations and even the hobbies of these scientists and STEM professionals, while getting a behind the scenes glimpse at their work.

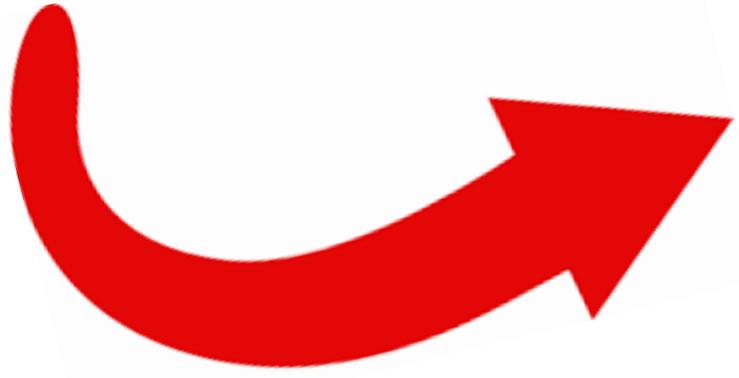
CHESS



Students! Are you interested in competing in the January 23rd Broward County Public Schools ONLINE Chess Tournament where you can win cool prizes? If so, [click here to register.](#)

Always remember, every chess master was once a beginner.

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