



The Game Changers

Guide

From the Principal's Desk

Happy November!

Welcome to another amazing month here at McNicol. We are well into our second quarter and we are ready to begin our Student Data Chats. This month McNicol teachers will be meeting individually with each student in their first period class to discuss each students' academic history and to plan their goals for this year. Parents, students will be encouraged to share their goals with you so that you can help support their progress.



During October's SAC Meeting we were able to approve some beautification plans for our school. We are working to enhance our cafeteria with some eye appeal! We can't wait to reveal this to our Hawks as the artwork is now in progress. We are continually looking for ways to make our Hawks proud of their learning environment and thanks to an active community, we are able to continually make this happen.

Keep in mind that parent conferences are held every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and we encourage you to schedule one to discuss your child's progress. Remember parents, virtual classes are for our students and our teachers.... Class time is not the time to meet with your child's teachers. Although you know we love your support and collaboration, class time is sacred to our students working with their instructors. I can't wait to see you on Thursday, November 19th for our Math Fall Family Night! Although this event will be held virtually after our SAC/PTSA/SAF meeting, it will feel like we are all together again! We have some great math resources planned for you to better assist with math at home, so join us at 6 P.M. through the link which will be posted on the homepage of our website.

See you soon!

Melissa Gurreonero
Principal
McNicol Middle School

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 11/17: INTERIMS POSTED
- 11/19: VIRTUAL CLUB MEETINGS @ 3:00 P.M.
- 11/19: SPEECH AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT @ 4:30 P.M.
- 11/19: PTSA/SAC MEETING @ 6:00 P.M.
- 11/19: MATH FAMILY NIGHT @ 6:30 P.M.
- 11/20: VIRTUAL HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLY @ 9:00 A.M.
- 11/23-11/27: NO SCHOOL: THANKSGIVING BREAK
- 12/15: SPEECH AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT @ 4:30 P.M.
- 12/16: FIRE DRILL
- 12/17: VIRTUAL CLUB MEETINGS @ 3:00 P.M.
- 12/21-1/1: HOLIDAY BREAK/NO SCHOOL



Parent Conference Info @ McNicol

McNicol Middle School holds parent conferences on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:25-2:55 p.m. Please call the front office at 754-323-3400 to make an appointment. All conferences are held virtually via MS Teams links. Please visit the website below to download MS Teams.

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/download-app>



Join us for our **SAC MEETING**

Our School Advisory Council and School Advisory Forum meeting will take place on Thursday, November 19th, 2020 at 6:00pm virtually. [CLICK HERE TO JOIN ON 11/19 @ 6:00 PM.](#)

SAC

School Advisory Council

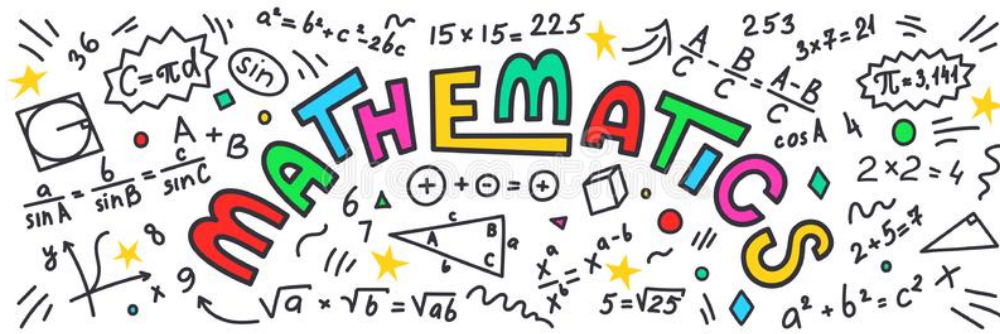
The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a governing body made up of parents, community members, teachers, staff members, and students. The primary objective of the School Advisory Council is to develop and implement the school improvement plan. Through monthly SAC meetings, the SAC members monitor the implementation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



SAF

School Advisory Forum

Every school has an advisory forum which acts as a proactive group which addresses various educational issues. The ideas and concerns are forwarded to both area and district advisories which meet regularly with key staff and the Superintendent. The SAF provides an opportunity for stakeholders to discuss and recommend actions on school issues.



Families, please join our Math Department as we host our Family Engagement Math Night on Thursday, November 19th @ 6:30p.m. Click on the flyer below to learn about many of the cool resources your child's teacher incorporates into daily learning!

The Math Team wants to send an *Exponential* Invite to our:

Family Engagement Math Night!

Click Here

Thursday, November 19th promptly at 6:30pm

Kahoot! Socrative Nearpod i-Ready

STUDENT DATA CHATS



Teachers here at McNicol will be hosting virtual student-led conferences from November 17th-20th. These conferences will allow students to share their progress and express their strengths and weaknesses associated with eLearning with their teachers.

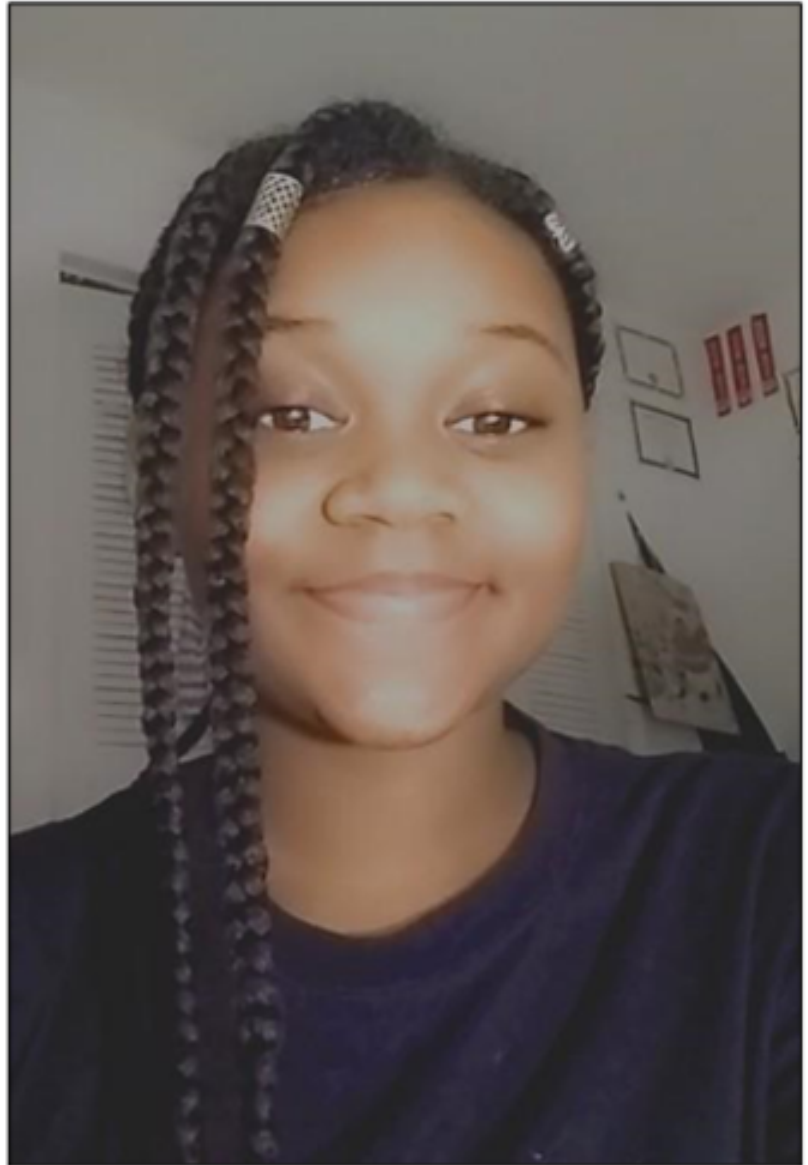
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



We would like to proudly highlight one of our magnificent McNicol Hawks, Thavassa Milfort. She is a 7th grade young lady who has great promise and will undoubtedly be a rising star here at McNicol Middle School.

Thavassa was one of around twenty students who initially wanted to take advantage of the National Hispanic Heritage Month essay contest, which had a top prize of a four-year scholarship. She remained vigilant in perfecting her essay and submitting it for the Hispanic Heritage Competition.

Her teachers have expressed their enthusiasm for having her in their classes, stating how she is a peer leader and helps to keep everyone engaged in class discussions continuously. She consistently seeks out constructive feedback so she can improve her writing skills, which is a rare and impressive quality in a middle school student.





Coach Denune

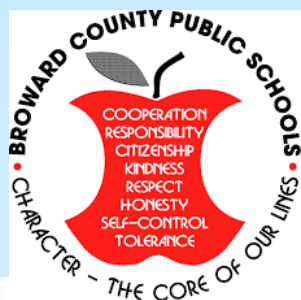
Coach Denune is our brand-new PE Teacher! Although he is new to McNicol he is not new to this role. Coach has been teaching Physical Education throughout all school levels for the past 26 years! He has taught in Ohio and Jacksonville before moving to sunny South Florida! Coach is on campus teaching virtually daily and teaches from our gymnasium! This month Coach is busy teaching his students about the sport of baseball as he works through lessons on the history and major facts about each sport! His lessons are engaging and funny as he throws in some Friday Riddles that his kids enjoy. Coach's hobbies include working out, bike riding, and singing. Coach is happily married for the past 20 years and has one son who is currently serving in the United States Coast Guard. Get to know Coach!



Ms. Campbell

Ms. Campbell teaches Grade 8 Language Arts here at McNicol. She has been teaching ELA & Speech for 16 years, and she loves her students! She comes to us from Margate Middle School. Ms. Campbell loves teaching because it is a field of service. She focuses on teaching her students that the only competition in life that they are in is with themselves! She has a daughter and a son who are both busy in college. Her hobbies include reading and watching movies. We are so happy to have her here at McNicol Middle! Don't miss out on getting to know this amazing new Hawk!



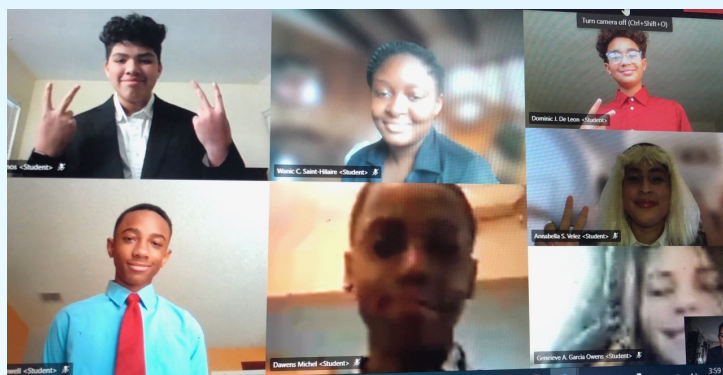


Citizenship is the character trait for the month of November. Demonstrating good citizenship is being a person who is involved in trying to make the community, nation, or world a better place. Good citizens are people who are engaged, in big or small ways, in considering the needs of others in their community. This can involve a variety of activities, from volunteering with a community organization to working with a group that addresses national or international issues. People of character take steps to address needs that are present around them to become good citizens. Showing good citizenship means being law-abiding and involved in service to school, community, and country.

CONGRATS!

The speech and debate team just completed their second virtual tournament on October 27, 2020. Help us congratulate the following students: Geneieve Garcia-Owens, Dawens Michel, Jayden Howell, Dominic De Leon, Axel Ramos, Wanic Saint-Hilaire, and AnnaBella Velez.

We are so proud of these magnificent McNicol Hawks! Kudos to our amazing Speech and Debate Club Advisor Ms. McLeod!



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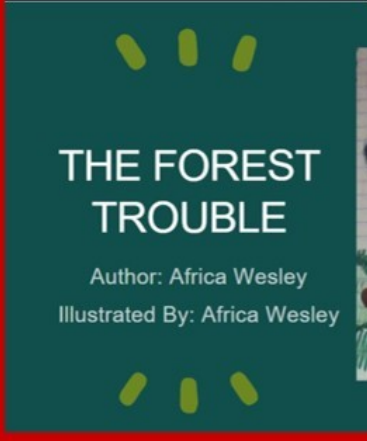
Science / Pre-engineering

STUDIO ART



OUR STUDENTS ARE AWESOME

McNicol Middle School Science/Pre-Engineering courses are designed as a complement to a rigorous academic program. Students in the McNicol Middle School Magnet programs engage in hands-on, project-based learning that incorporates creativity, teamwork, and activities in our 21st century classrooms. The image to the left showcases what Ms. Dukes' students did in creating a children's book using original art and creative writing skills. In the second quarter, our magnet and elective team have many new and exciting projects to help our students cultivate the skills they need for future success.



NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

November is a month to remember the contributions of Native Americans and Alaska Natives and to honor the unique heritage of our continent's first inhabitants.

In August 1990, the United States approved a joint resolution designating November 1990 as "National Native American Heritage Month". Each year we honor and celebrate rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories of Native American people.




MAGNET MILESTONE


Students! Now is the time to participate in Magnet Milestones! You can see step by step instructions below. You can potentially win monetary prizes based on successful completion, a McNicol Middle School prize based on completion, AND an exclusive invite to our virtual dance party via TEAMS (December 18th, 5-6:30pm) for all students that participated.

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MAGNET MILESTONE



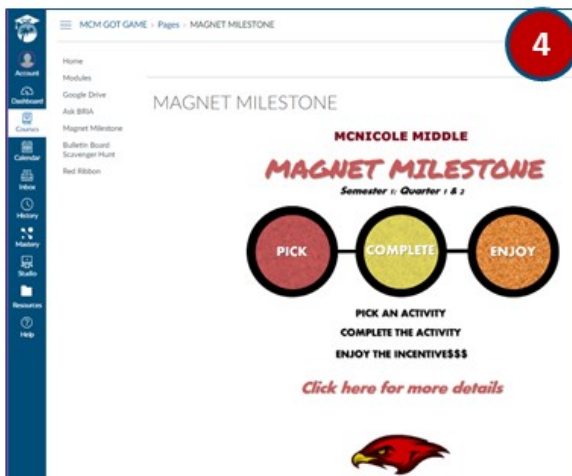
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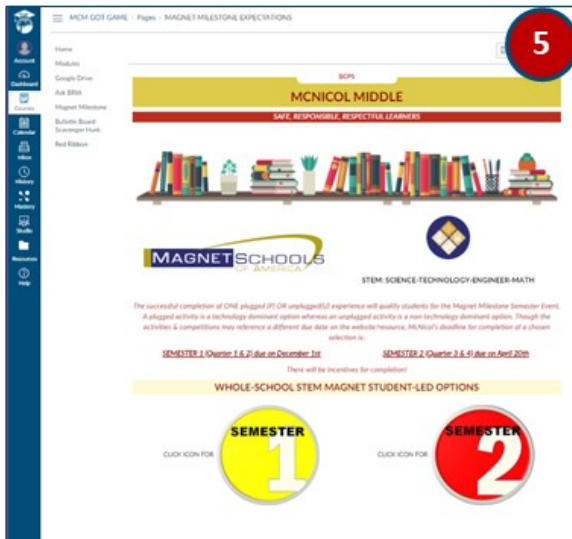
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1. **Click on Canvas**
2. **Click on MCM Got Game**
3. **Click on Magnet Milestone (left)**
4. **Click on 'click here for more details'**
5. **Click on Semester 1 icon (yellow circle)**
6. **Choose an activity/competition**

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our new members of the Ladies of Essence Club and the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project! We know they will represent our school well!

Ladies of Essence Club



JAYLYN ALLEN
GERHYAH ANDERSON
TRINITY BAILEY
CHELSEA CONSTANTINE
JAH'LEIGH EBANKS
ZARIYAH HARRELL
JENNIFER JACQUE
MCKENZIE JONES
AMARIANNA LAWSON
JAEIN LOUIS-PIERRE
MICHELLA MARTINEAU
SUMAYAH MCCREA
DWIVONI NEWELL
JASSIDY NEWTON
JADE ROBINSON
NYA ROBINSON
NAIMA SAINTILMA
MISCHAEEL SULLY
SANIYAH TAYLOR
SMYRNE THEOMY
ANIYAH TORRES
FAITH-ANN TUCKER
RIHANNA WILLIAMS

5000 Role Models of Excellence Project



DALLAS ANGEL
SHMAR AKANDE
CALEB HOWELL
DEVIN JAMES
JOLESE JOSEPH
ANTWAN LATIMORE
LUNDI-JIMENEZ
MARTINEZ MCGRADY
KHAYDN MOOKLAL
OSCAR OCHOA
HENRY RACHEL
RAHEEM RHODEN
COREY ROBINSON
JORDAN SOTO
TA'SHAUN WALKER