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SEPTEMBER 2020 EDITION

# Principal's Message

Dear Margate Friends and Family,



SURFING TO SUCCESS

"Excellence Through Caring"

Thomas J. Schroeder **Principal** 

Vicki B. Flournoy **Assistant Principal** 

Our mission at Margate Elementary School is to create a nurturing environment so that our students will become independent, successful, life-long learners by providing a high quality, differentiated, and innovative curriculum based on the Florida State Standards.

6300 NW 18th Street Margate, Florida 33063 Phone Number: 754-322-6900

PROUD TO BE A TITLE ONE SCHOOL



We really need to commend all of our families on the amazing job you have all been doing. Our panthers have been so engaged in

this virtual learning environment. We applaud all the efforts of our parents and community during this difficult time. We are so grateful to have the world's best teachers, who daily make the impossible, possible! Keep it up panthers and know that we are here to help in anyway possible! We ask for everyone's cooperation in completing the important Back to School Forms.

You can find the link on our website. Additionally, please make sure to complete our Annual Parent-School Title One Compact on our website. Finally, we are asking for everyone to join our amazing PTA. The membership is only \$6 and everything can be completed online with a link on our website.

Keep checking our website for the most up-to-date information.

With love and gratitude to the world's best community!

Thomas J. Schroeder, Proud Principal and Vicki B. Flournoy, Proud Assistant Principal



### School Website: https://margateelem.browardschools.com

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### **Calendar of Events**

**September 11, 2020:** Patriotic Assembly

**September 13, 2020:** Sunday Storytime with Mr. Schroeder and Guests @6:30 p.m.

September 18, 2020: ROAR Lunch Bunch @Noon

September 25, 2020: ROAR Lunch Bunch @Noon; August/September Birthday Party @12:45 p.m. on Zoom

September 27, 2020: Sunday Storytime with Mr. Schroeder and Guests @6:30 p.m.

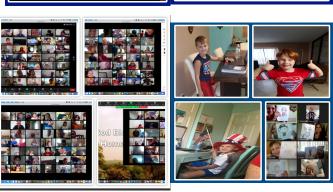
September 28, 2020: No School

October 2, 2020: ROAR Lunch Bunch @Noon; September Kids of Character Celebration @2:00 p.m.

# Margate Elementary Virtual Learning Expectations

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| Dress appropriately   |
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| Be an active participant.  Stay on topic when speaking.  Thumbs up = OK Thumbs down = No  Raised hand = Question or Comment   |
| Be on time.<br>ind a quiet learning place without distractions.<br>Have your materials ready.   |
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### **Grab and Go Meals**

We will be serving free food each Tuesday and Thursday from 11-1 pm and 3-5 pm in the back of the school in the bus loop. Each family will receive breakfast and lunch at no cost. Our Food and Nutrition Staff is happy to provide this service! Help us spread the word!

If you have Facebook, Instagram or Twitter, please make sure to like our school's Margate Elementary Facebook and our PTA Private Facebook Page. With our virtual school, this will be another venue to communicate information and share updates.











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# SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

THOMAS J. SCHROEDER, PRINCIPAL

VICKI B. FLOURNOY, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

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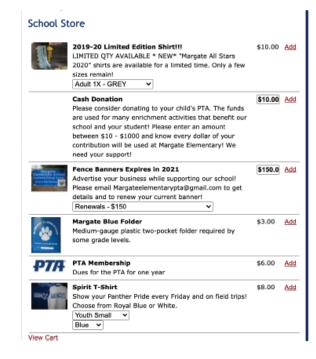


# Margate Elementary PTA PTA and Volunteer Website

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Join Our PTA by visiting our PTA Store & Fill Out Our School-Parent Compact at our website: margateelem.browardschools.com

Our PTA membership is only \$6.





highest level of participation will receive an Ice-Cream Drive By Celebration!!!

The class at each

grade with the

Main Number: 754-322-6900

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## Dear Families,

Your child's teachers need to know what our students already know and what they still need to learn so we can plan how to teach them best. The *i-Ready Diagnostic* can help us get this information for each child, but only if students give it their best effort without anyone else helping with the answers.

### Here's how you can help:

Our I-Ready Diagnostic Testing will take place through Friday, September 18th!



# Watch this video

to familiarize yourself with the Diagnostic and how to best support your child.



# Get organized

by finding a quiet space for your student to take the test and confirming your technology is working properly.



# Motivate your child

by explaining how doing their best will help their teachers know how to teach them better.



# Support, but DO NOT help

by encouraging your child to stay focused and try their best and NOT helping them with the answers.



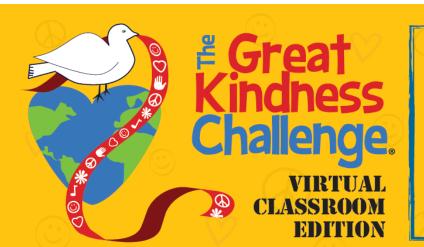
# Celebrate your child's effort

once you have confirmed they have completed the assessment.

For more information, tips, and tools, visit i-Ready.com/FamiliesAssessAtHome.

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## **Your Kindness Matters**

We challenge you to complete as many acts of kindness as you can.

Have fun and smile big knowing that you are changing the world for good!

# **Kind Acts**



## #GreatKindnessChallenge

GreatKindnessChallenge.org ♥ KidsforPeaceGlobal.org



### Margate Elementary A Title One School

Margate Elementary School was identified as a Title I School for the 2020-2021 school year, based on our number of eligible free and reduced lunch students. Schools with 50% or more of the student population receiving free or reduced priced meals meet Title I eligibility.

Title I is a federally funded program for economically disadvantaged children who reside in school attendance areas with a high concentration of children from low income families. Since a high incidence of poverty in a school has a direct correlation with low academic student achievement, Title I funds are used to provide supplementary instruction to raise the achievement of students who are failing to meet the challenging state standards. Title I funded personnel are instructional or support staff that directly contribute to the education of children and parents.

The purpose of Title I is to support school efforts to ensure that all children meet challenging academic standards and have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education. This purpose can be accomplished by

#### Title One Documents & Resources

Please check out our website for important information regarding Title I policies and procedures. You will find a link from the home page to Title One Resources. In addition, to having a link to the District's Title One Office along with the NCLB section 1118 and the Parent Involvement Policy 1165, you will find our Parental Involvement Plan for our school.

We also invite all of our parents to check out the following Parent Involvement Resource Center (PIRC):

Title 1 Parent Resource Center 701 N.W. 31st Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311 (754) 321-1400

https://www.browardschools.com/Page/34284

The Florida Parental Information and Resource Center http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7756/urlt/ 0082703-100tips.pdf

providing additional resources for high poverty schools to enhance educational opportunities for disadvantaged students. Title I funds must be used in addition to District and State Funds. All of the services students would receive in the absence of Title I must be in place before Title I funds are used.

Title I funds may be used to benefit all of the students in a school wide project. All Title I schools are required to spend no less than 1% of their Title I allocation on parental involvement training activities. The Title I program for parents is designed to: 1. Inform parents about Title I regulations. 2. Provide literacy training. 3. Offer parents training in schools and the community on ways. 4. Encourage active participation in their children's schools and education.

A Parent Compact (which is an agreement by staff, parents, and students to share the responsibility for improved student academics and then a means to build a partnership that will help student's achieve the State's high standards) was sent home with all of the students in their first day packet. We are asking that you please read over the document, sign, and return it back to school with your child to give to his/her teacher.

More information will be forthcoming regarding parent trainings we have scheduled.

#### School Public Accountability Report (SPAR) & School Improvement Plan (SIP)

Florida law and school board policy mandates that parents have the right to request information regarding overall school achievement.

If you would like a copy of the SPAR report, please visit the Broward School Improvement website following link: http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/ospa/initiatives.asp2initiative\_id=3

If you would like a copy of the SIP, please visit the school or our website at <a href="https://www.browardschoolsl.com/">www.browardschoolsl.com/</a> margateelem.

Please call 754-322-6900 with any questions or to request these documents



#### Dear Families,

During this challenging time, our teachers and students need more help than ever. No matter what school looks like, Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to help out from home.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 20 years, and it really works. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost a billion dollars to schools since 1996. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital so that you can earn for your school with just the touch of a button.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your e-receipts and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and help give more kids the opportunity to dream. Little by little, we can help make a big difference.

DON'T HAVE THE APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT TODAY!



#### Margate Elementary A Title One School

- School Parent and Family Engagement Plan: School staff and parents jointly develop the plan as part of the School Improvement Plan. The plan includes the parent activities to be implemented through the school year and an evaluation of last year's parent engagement program. You can access this plan at <a href="https://www.browardschools.com/margateelem">https://www.browardschools.com/margateelem</a>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Shannon Mills at 754-322-6900.
- 2. District Parent and Family Engagement Plan: District staff and parents jointly develop the plan. The plan includes the parent activities to be implemented through the school year and an evaluation of last year's district parent engagement program. You can access this plan at <a href="http://www.browardschools.com/Page/37523">http://www.browardschools.com/Page/37523</a>. If you would like to review a hard copy of this plan or translation is needed, please contact Linda Howard, Title I Program Specialist at 754-321-1410.
- 3. School Public Accountability Report (SPAR), school grades, state assessment reports: The School Public Accountability Report contains several types of data (indicators) designed to inform parents and the general public about the progress of Florida's public schools. This report meets the public reporting requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and certain additional information of interest on the status of Florida's schools. In addition, the Florida Department of Education publishes school grades, the results of the state assessment of Florida schools. You can access these reports at <a href="http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm">http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm</a>. If you would like to review a hard copy or if translation is needed, please contact Vicki Flournoy at 754-322-6900.



THE ALL-NEW BOX TOPS IS HERE!
DOWNLOAD THE APP:



CLIP: Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but you can still send unexpired clips to school. Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10c.



SCAN: If you see this label, do not send it to school. Use the new Box Tops app to scan your store receipt within 14 days of purchase. The app will find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

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## Eight Steps to Getting Ready for e-Learning Student Guide

#### How do I get to school?

Go to sso.browardschools.com

#### How do I enter school?

Sign in with your student number and password/PIN to get to your personalized Clever Single Sign-On Launchpad. Each student's dashboard is different depending on grade level. Below is a sample of one. For young and complex learners, parents/guardians should log in with the student information.

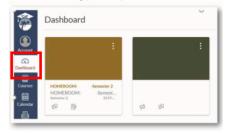


#### 3. How do I get to class?

Click on the Canvas image outlined in red above. Go to Virtual Counselor to get your class schedule and attend your classes in the proper order.

#### 4. How do I enter class?

Use the "Courses" button on the left blue navigation bar to access your courses. Or you can click on the Canvas Tile to bring you into your Canvas course.



#### 5. How do I find my Canvas work and my Teams web conference link?

Read any of your teacher's announcements at the top of the homepage of your Canvas course and then look for assignments below. If your teacher has designed your work in Modules, click on the Modules link on the left side of your course navigation to begin seeing your units of study.

Your teacher will be providing live web conferencing through Microsoft Teams. The link to these live meetings will be placed in the Announcements of Canvas or in other areas in Canvas such as Calendar Events, Pages, Assignments, Discussions, and Quizzes.



#### 6. How does a student learn how to use Canvas?

Students can learn how to use Canvas by participating in the  $\frac{Passport to Canvas}{Passport to Canvas}$  course found in the  $\frac{BCPS Digital Student Resources}{Passport to Canvas}$  Course.



Students can access the Digital Student Resources course directly from their <u>Single-Sign-On Clever Launch Pad</u> highlighted in red below or by clicking the Student Textbooks & Resources link located under Resources in the blue global navigation menu in Canvas.



#### 7. How do I use the Canvas Student App?

Canvas Student allows students to access their courses and groups using a mobile device. Students can submit assignments, participate in discussions, view grades and course materials. The app also provides access to course calendars, To Do items, notifications, and Conversations messages.

- What is the Canvas Student app?
- Canvas Student iOS Guides
- Canvas Student Android Guides



#### 8. How is attendance going to be taken?



- Teachers will record student attendance in Pinnacle.
- Students will be counted in attendance during their scheduled class time in Teams.
  Students and Parents should communicate with their teachers if they have any issues
- Students and Parents should communicate with their teachers if they have any issue with connecting to Teams and Canvas.

### eLearning Web Conferencing Protocols Student Expectations



### Live instruction will be conducted daily, and students are to connect each period on Teams and the following protocol should be followed:

- Students need to go to each class at the assigned times which will be different based on elementary and secondary grade levels.
- Students should inform their teachers when they cannot attend Teams web conferences.
- Students should use their cameras as directed by their teachers.
- Students need to dress appropriately.

Students also need to follow proper web conferencing etiquette and display a proper code of conduct and decorum in a virtual meeting. To help you participate well in your class web conference follow these simple virtual meeting etiquette rules and tips:

- 1. Leave the keyboard alone
- Dress appropriately
- 3. Be aware of your surroundings
- Mute your microphone when you are not talking
- 5. Speak up, but do not shout6. No food allowed
- 7. Stay seated and stay present
- 8. Find a quiet location with no or minimal background noise
- 9. Turn off all sounds on your phone
- Parents should not interrupt meetings

For more information on Digital Citizenship and Internet Safety go to <u>Digital</u> Citizenship Resources.

No student, parent, teacher, or other individual shall take an audio recording, nor photograph, nor make a video recording of eLearning interactions using software, cameras, cell phones, tablets, or other technologies of classroom interactions with the exception of a recording initiated within Microsoft Tearns during the class instruction by a BCPS employee shall be commenced for the sole purpose of providing instructional support to students enrolled in the course including being available for students to review the recording will remain within the secured BCPS digital environment, maintain credentialed access, and may be removed at the discretion of BCPS.