## MARGATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# SEPTEMBER 2024

# Panther Pawprints

### **Excellence Through Caring**



Thomas J. Schroeder **Principal** 

Donna Rucker **Assistant Principal** 

Christina Bloomfield **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 BEST Standards.

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PROUD TO BE A TITLE ONE SCHOOL



Greetings Margate Families,

We've been delighted to have our panthers back on campus, starting our 2024-25 school year off with a blast. Our students have participated in various beginning of the year activities to support their acclimation of a new grade level, class environment, and school year where our goal and focus has been student achievement, academic growth and individual success as we Dive into Learning.

As we progress through the school year, there will be various forms of communication from the school and your child's teacher as we keep you informed of the many exciting activities and events taking place to engage our families and community partners into our amazing school environment. You may have already signed up for ClassDojo or Remind, which is personalized and specific to your child's class. Please be on the lookout for this wonderful tool to help keep you updated on what is happening within our school community. If you haven't done so already, please visit <a href="https://browardschools.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/auth/">https://browardschools.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/auth/</a> for instructions on how to sign up for the Parent FOCUS Portal. There is also a very helpful handbook available to support you at <a href="https://www.browardschools.com/focus">www.browardschools.com/focus</a>. Within this portal you will have real time access to school updates, your child's grades, and various student reports. If you need assistance please feel free to reach out to our school, and we will be happy to assist.

During the month of September, we have various activities planned to engage our community and celebrate student academic and social success, remember our fallen heroes on Patriot Day, and enjoy a time of fellowship during our PTA Family Fun Night. We invite you to participate in each event, as we would love to see you and your family there.

We continue to encourage our students daily to remember that at Margate Elementary we R.O.A.R, which is an acronym that stands for Respect Others, Own My Behavior, Act Responsibly, and Ready to Learn. This month begins our School-wide Marty Challenge where students will be rewarded for following all R.O.A.R. expectations throughout the day. For more information on how your child can earn Marty credits to redeem monthly, please see your child's teacher.

During this school year, our students will participate in a beginning, middle, and end of the year Progress Monitoring Assessments, known as the F.A.S.T. and i-Ready Diagnostic to show their academic levels of achievement and growth. Currently, our students are partaking in the PM1 and all results will help us determine supports needed to ensure a successful school year with appropriate services.

Parents and families are invited to join our PTA. Membership is only \$6 and directly benefits our children. Stay informed and up-to-date by checking out our website, and attending our monthly School Advisory Council (SAC) and School Advisory Forum (SAF) meetings.

As a member of the Margate Elementary Panther family, please know that you and your family are truly appreciated!

With Appreciation and Best Regards, Thomas Schroeder, Donna Rucker, and Christina Bloomfield

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### **Upcoming Calendar Events**

### **September 2, 2024:**

No School, Labor Day

### **September 11, 2024:**

Patriotic Day

### **September 20, 2024:**

September Birthday Party @1:15pm PTA Family Fun Night

### **September 23, 2024:**

SAC Meeting @2:15 p.m.

### **September 23 - 27, 2024:**

Color Blast PTA Fundraiser

### **September 26, 2024:**

UFLI Family Night @6:30pm RSVP ONLY

### **September 27, 2024:**

Interim Reports Issued

### October 14, 2024:

Employee Planning, No School



Margate Elementary School is a Unified Dress School. All students are expected to adhere to the unified dress policy. Shirts may be burgundy, hunter green, navy blue, light blue, pink, or white and must have a collar. Shorts, slacks, or skirts may be navy, black, or khaki.



S.A.C School Advisory Council elp us develop, monitor and solicit feedback on our school's goal by joining SAC. Our SAC Chairperson is Shannon Mills, our math coach. You can email shannon.Mills@browardschools.com for

more information, to join the committee, and to share input in the happenings of our school. Our Upcoming SAC Meeting date is:

Monday, September 23, 2024 @2:15 p.m.

Safety and security are our top priorities. Please make sure to remember the following safety procedures:

- All visitors must report to the front office.
- All visitors must go through our Raptor Visitor System.
- All visitors must have an I.D. in order to gain access to the school.
- All visitors must have their I.D. present in the Main Office Camera and state their purpose in order to safely enter the campus.
- All parents must have a Dismissal Sign to pick-up their child in either by foot. A picture of the sign on your mobile device is acceptable as well.
- All parents must have a Dismissal Sign to pickup their child by car.
- Students will wear their I.D.s while on campus
- Parents must update their contact information with the front office.
- All students should be in uniforms. Our uniform policy is listed in this newsletter and our website.
- Consistency with dismissal is critical.
   Please alert the teacher and office
   ASAP with any changes.
- Early student sign-outs will cease at 1:30 p.m.

All parents/guardians must fill out the required back to school forms along with our Code of Conduct. You can access the forms protected and secure FOCUS Parent Portal. For Back to School Online Forms and more, visit our school website or see directions on the First Day Packet.

Additionally, we are asking for you to complete the following hard copies and return them by Friday, August 25th:

Emergency Contact Card
Title One Parent Compact

Student Code of Conduct



Safety

first

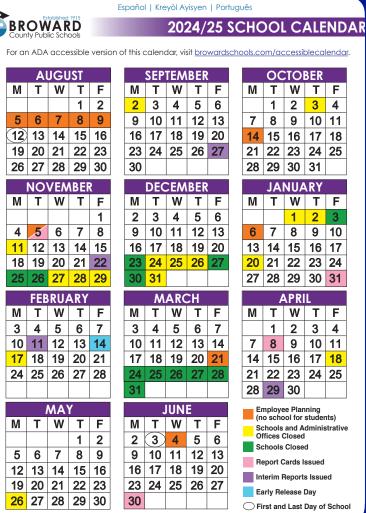
# Congratulations to our 2024-25 Teacher and Employee of the Year!

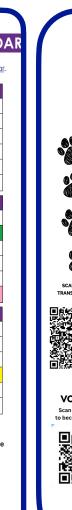


Mr. Nicholas Morrison - Teacher of the Year Mrs. Melinda Rivera - Employee of the Year















SEPTEMBER 27TH

FRIDAY,

SEPTEMBER 27TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT

**COLOR BLAST RUN EVENT** 

GRADE LEVEL

SCHEDULE TO COME

**INTERIM REPORTS** 

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SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM MARGATE ELEMENTARY!

# WHAT IS THE SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM?

THE SCHOOL BOARD POLICY REQUIRES THAT EACH SCHOOL HAS A SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM (SAF).

- WE ARE OPERATED BY PARENTS FOR PARENTS TO ADVOCATE WHAT'S BEST FOR OUR CHILDREN
- THE SAF PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENTS TO DISCUSS AND RECOMMEND ACTIONS ON A VARIETY OF SCHOOL ISSUES.
- WE AIM TO IMPROVE THE EDUCATION EXPERIENCE THROUGH COMMUNICATION, ADVOCACY, AND PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN PARENTS, SCHOOLS, SCHOOL DISTRICT,
- SCHOOL BOARD AND THE COMMUNITY
  SAF MEETS MONTHLY AND ALSO
  ADVOCATES FOR OUR SCHOOL AT
  NORTH AREA ADVISORY DISTRICT
  AND DISTRICT ADDISORY COUNCIL.

### **UPCOMING MEETING**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD AT 2:20PM IN THE LIBRARY

### NORTH AREA ADVISORY COUNCIL

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH AT 6:15PM THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH AT 6:15PM ALL MEETINGS HELD AT MONARCH HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MEDIA CENTER)

### JOIN US!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU WANT TO ASK PARENT TO PARENT OR NEED PEER SUPPORT, REACH OUT TO US.

CYNTHIA DOMINIQUE, SAF CHAIR (954) 461-7469 JESSICA BENNER, SAF VICE CHAIR ANNETTE BOWDEN, SAF SECRETARY

SAFMARGATEELEMENTARY@GMAIL.COM

### MARGATE ELEMENTARY

# NEWSLETTER





#### MESSAGE

A Warm Welcome to the Margate Panthers Families!

I am Lisa Gruver, the PTA President for the upcoming 2024-2025 academic year, and a proud mother of a 4th grader at Margate Elementary. I am thrilled to be part of this community and excited about the many events and projects that are in the works to strengthen it even further. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or are interested in participating!

Best Regards, Lisa Gruver - PTA President

#### JOIN US!

We are always looking for new members and volunteers. If you are interested or need more information please contact the following:

CYNTHIA DOMINIQUE, MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR
(954) 461-7469 - cynthiabcpsadvisory@gmail.com
MICHELLE CHOI, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
(954) 494-3669 - margateptavolunteercoordinator@gmail.com

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

09/20 - MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION 09/20 - FAMILY FUN NIGHT - BINGO/COLOR RUN KICKOFF

09/25 - WELCOME MEMBERSHIP MTG AT 6PM

#### **FUNDRAISERS**

COLOR RUN 9/27
LOOK OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION!

#### **PTA STORE**

CHECK OUT OUR STORE FOR ALL SPIRIT WEAR AND MEMBERSHIP.





#### CONTACT

PRESIDENT INFO
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FACEBOOK/MARGATEELEMENTARYPTA





Sofia G.

Andre E.

Peyton D.

Charlie G

Camila S.

Ava'chelsa S

De'Angelo F. Jr

9/20

9/22

Matthew R.

Liz E.

9/5

Zoeu H.

Javion G

Kaliyah S.

Amaiya T.

Kingsleigh P.

9/10

Ava J.

9/11

Adilser P.

liselle St F

Noah H.

Gordon St.C

9/14

9/15

Bernie C.

Michael J.

Samuel A.

Karlos V.

Skyler P.

Serenity N.

