

Rocket Newsletter



APOLLO MIDDLE

April 2018

Principal's Message

Spring is here! The month of April is all about putting our hard work and preparation for exams to the test. Our teachers have been working diligently to ensure students are prepared to do their very best on the FSAs, EOCs, and FCAT. The testing schedule has been updated. Exams start April 4th and extend until May 14th. Make sure your child arrives to school on time to take advantage of a free breakfast from 9-9:25 am. The goal is to ensure students test in the best conditions possible. Please review page 3 for test dates and times for each grade level.

We will have 4 Saturday Academy sessions this month. Parents please make sure your child has the opportunity to practice, get tutoring, and focused instruction that reinforces the skills they learn Monday – Friday in class by attending Saturday Academy. Additionally, we will recognize our literary stars during this year's English Language Arts Title I Family Night on Tuesday April 17th at 5:30. This event will be packed with student performances and awards.

Lastly, BCPS is going to great lengths to fortify our schools with safety measures. Two immediate safety measures require that all students display ID badges while on campus and 100% compliance to uphold our dress code policy. We also have two points of entry for both students and faculty in order to monitor our campus to ensure your child's safety. Please support our efforts to keep your child safe by making sure he/ she has a badge, is in dress code compliance and enters campus through the designated points of entry.

We are so proud of our students as they rise to higher heights. As always, thank you for allowing us the privilege of teaching your STEM-tastic children!

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Mr. Lloyd Manda,

8th Grade Assistant Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

SAC Meeting.....4/4

Report Cards Issued.....4/12

Saturday Academy 8am – 12noon

All Grades (Math, Reading, Science and Social Studies/ Civics)

Reading & Math

4/14

Science (8th Grade Only) &

Civics (7th Grade Only)

4/21 & 4/28

Title I ELA Family Night

Apollo Middle School
Title I ELA
Family Night

"N.A.S.A."
Night of
Acknowledging
Student
Achievement

Tuesday
April 17, 2018
@ 5:30 pm
in the
KIVA

Enjoy Student
Performances
Celebrate Student
Success

**A NIGHT WITH
OUR LITERARY**

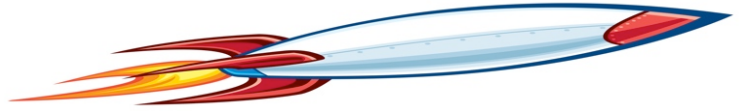
Also starring...

Special Parent
Information Session

Broward County Library Summer
Writing and Reading Resources
2018 Summer Reading List

**BROWARD
COUNTY**

April 2018



what's happening



Apollo Athletics

A message from Track Coach, Mr. Pigan, The 2017 Track season is now underway. Coach Compe, the athletes who qualified for the team, and myself are hard at work trying to put together another successful season. Below you will find the 2017 Track Schedule. The first three meets will be held at Apollo Middle School. Please come out and support the athletes and coaches at these meets.

Tuesday, April 18

Teams: Apollo, Gulfstream, and Perry

Wednesday, April 26

Teams: Apollo, Hollywood Academy, and Olsen

Thursday, May 10

South-Central Regional Meet @ South Plantation HS

Thursday, May 14

County Championship Meet @ Coral Springs HS

I hope to see you at the meets.

**STUDENT
ID CARD**
2017-2018

**Attention
Students & Parents**

Replacement

IDs = \$2

Lanyards = \$1

2018 BCPS PARENT & STUDENT SURVEYS

In an effort to improve System Practices, the Broward County Public Schools is conducting a Stakeholder Survey for all parents, students, and staff. We value your opinion and ask that you please take time to complete this survey. Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey.



Parent Survey Code: <https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action.60990/p568>

Student Survey Code for Middle and High (grades 6-12): <https://eprovesurveys.advance-ed.org/survey/#/action/6093/p568>



2018 AMS Testing Calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
April 2 nd	April 3 rd	April 4 th	April 5 th	April 6 th
		FSA Writing- 6 th /7 th PBT (120 min)	FSA Writing- 8 th CBT (120 min)	
April 16 th	April 17 th	April 18 th	April 19 th	April 20 th
	FSA ELA 6 th Session 1 CBT (85 min)	FSA ELA 6 th Session 2 CBT (85 min)	FSA MATH 6 th Session 1 CBT (60 min)	FSA MATH 6 th Session 2 & 3 CBT (120 min)
APRIL 23 RD	APRIL 24 th	APRIL 25 th	APRIL 26 th	APRIL 27 TH
	FSA ELA 7 th Session 1 CBT (85 min)	FSA ELA 7 th Session 2 CBT (85 min)	FSA MATH 7 th Session 1 CBT (60 min)	FSA MATH 7 th Session 2 & 3 CBT (120 min)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
APR 30	MAY 1 ST	MAY 2 ND	MAY 3 RD	MAY 4 TH
	FCAT SCIENCE 8 TH Session 1&2 (80 minutes each) PBT	FSA ELA 8 TH Session 1 CBT (85 min)	FSA ELA 8 TH Session 2 CBT (85 min)	BIOLOGY EOC (160 MINUTES)
MAY 7 TH	May 8 th	MAY 9 TH	MAY 10 TH	MAY 11 TH
Algebra/Geometry EOC (90 min)	Algebra/Geometry EOC (90 min)	8 TH MATH 8 TH Session 1 CBT (60 min)	FSA MATH 8 TH Session 2 & 3 CBT (120 min)	CIVICS EOC (160 MINUTES)
May 14 th	May 15 th	MAY 16 th	May 17 th	May 18 th

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JUNE 4 th	JUNE 5 TH	JUNE 6 th	JUNE 7 TH	JUNE 8 th
SPANISH FINALS	SPANISH FINALS	SPANISH FINALS		



On February 7th and March 7th, 2018 stakeholders were asked to provide any input to the 2018-2019 School Improvement Plan, 2018-2019 Parent-School Compact, 2018-2019 Parent and Family Engagement Plan and Title I Plan & Addendum.

In January stakeholders discussed how the school's Parent Involvement allocation is spent in the upcoming school year. Parents suggested reviewing Safety and Emergency Procedures during New Student Orientation and Open House events next year. Additionally SAC officials discussed the Parent-School compacts, Parent-Teacher conference schedules, and this year's annual Title I Parent Survey. Lastly, we have one last Title I event, the English Language Arts Family Night on April 17, 2018 at 5:30pm, which is dedicated to preparing parents and students for the long summer days. The ELA department will supply Broward County Library accounts that allow our students to log on, download and read books throughout the summer – free of charge. There will also be information on other resources and websites to support students' success throughout the summer. **We have also rescheduled our McArthur iZone Meeting for Wednesday, May 9th.** During this event, we will celebrate Cultural Diversity and the many Student Services offered by BCPS schools.

2018
FSA
PREP

Saturday Academy

“SAILING TOWARDS EXCELLENCE”

APOLLO MIDDLE ROCKET ACADEMY

DATES & TIMES
TIMES 8:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m.

- ✦ APRIL 7 (READING & MATH)
- ✦ APRIL 14 (READING, MATH, SCIENCE, CIVICS)
- ✦ APRIL 21 & 28 (8TH GRADE SCIENCE & 7TH CIVICS)

JUST 3 MORE SESSIONS LEFT

Direct questions to Ms. Hogan, Math Dept. Chair at 754-323-2900

- EARN EXTRA CREDIT & PRIZES
- EARN A TICKET TO THE END OF THE YEAR TRIP



Important Telephone Numbers

Main Office	754-323-2900
ESE	754-323-2923
Registrar	754-323-290
Media Center	754-323-2925
Title I	754-323-2939
Guidance	754-323-2931
6th Admin	754-323-2907
7th Admin	754-323-2908
8th Admin	754-323-2909
Magnet Coordinator	754-323-2921



The SAC Committee meetings

dates are: Our last meeting is (W) May 2nd. Parents and the SAC committee are tasked with completing the School Improvement Plan and implementing any and all changes that are voted on and approved by the committee. Going forward, the entire plan is accessible via the Broward County OSPA (Office of School Performance and Accountability). As always, a hardcopy of last year's SIP is located in the front office, and available for your review. Apollo Middle's Parental Involvement Plan is also located in the same binder with the School Improvement Plan in the front office. A copy is also posted on our website.

Please contact the District Title I Office Program Specialist, Linda Howard, for more information or if translation is needed, or go to the district website at,

<http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/titleone/Home.html>

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Apollo Announcements



Please help us congratulate Ms. Adams and her "That's Lit" Book Club for bringing home another 1st Place Championship Title for Apollo Middle School. On Monday, April 9th Apollo's, Book Club, was named Broward County Public School Champions at the "Battle of the Books" held at Falcon Cove Middle. See more pictures and posts on our website:

www.browardschoolsi.com.apollo

Follow us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/apollorockets/

and Twitter site: [@apollo_rockets](https://twitter.com/apollo_rockets)



Middle School Kindness Challenge

Apollo Middle School is proud to take part in the 2018 national *Kindness Challenge*. In today's world, one of the best things we can do for our school and students is to teach, foster, and celebrate kindness. Kindness has been proven to support student achievement, better school climate, and reduce discipline issues.

That's why our school is participating in the Middle School Kindness Challenge.

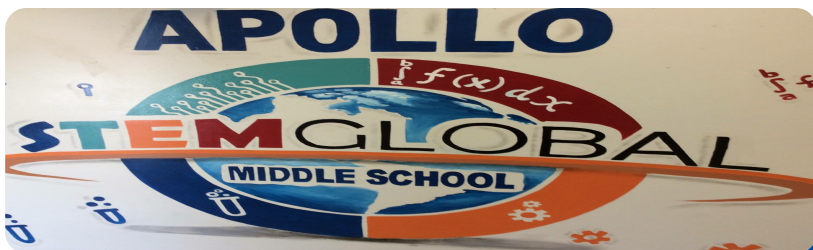
By accepting the Challenge, we will become part of a new and growing movement of educators, students, and concerned citizens everywhere who are making kindness commonplace for every student in America.

We're honored

This month, our Principal Ms. Aycock and Magnet Coordinator, Ms. Bernstein will have the honor of accepting recognition on behalf of Apollo Middle School, "THE ONLY NATIONALLY CERTIFIED MAGNET SCHOOL IN BROWARD COUNTY".

A special thanks to our magnificent teachers and Stem-tastic students for upholding the high-expectations and high-quality education that affords the honor of being named National Certified Magnet School of Distinction.





SECME CHAMPS

1st Place Winners

Water Rockets

Jada Dixon
Kenya Williams
Arfida Hossain

Generator

Roman Semichev
Maxim Semichev
Samuelle Cange

Mousetrap

Hailey Diaz
Yajaira Cruz
Kenya Williams

Essay

Melody Hines
Second Place Winners:

Water Rockets
Jadon Bredwood
Harel Shnader
Alec Zamudio

VEX Robotics

Alexander Dejesus
Matthew Cohen
Mateo Mejia

Third Place

Mousetrap Car
Shilei Richards
Samuelle Cange
Joseph Paez

Azmain Awsaf
Jack Walters

Third Place

Banner
Nathaniel Sybron
Rachel Bolivar
Victoria Oden
Haley Diaz
Yajaira Cruz
Hanna Bookman

Shout out to Ms. Dworzan &
SECME Team!
The 2017-2018 Apollo SECME
Winners



Apollo Rockets Rocked 2018 NFTE District Competitions



Marissa, Nicholas, Alyssa & Jayden
"Service Buddy" 3rd Place Winners

NFTE

Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship.

Our students competed and
won 1st Place a district
competition!

Are going to Regionals on
May 22nd!



Fabrizio, Nathaniel, Jermar & Alec
"Earth Science" 1st Place Winners

Nicholas, Julian, Jadon & Juan
"Profile" 2nd Place Winners



2017-2018 FSA STUDENT INCENTIVES

Learning Gains in Reading OR Math:
DANCE

Learning Gains in
Reading AND Math: DANCE
& FIELD DAY

READING, MATH, AND SCIENCE LEVEL 3 AND
ABOVE: FIELD DAY

LEVEL INCREASE:
DANCE AND
ENTERED IN DRAWING

Social Studies Level 3
AND above : Pizza Party

Score Level
6,7,8,9,10 In Writing:
Movie Day

*Students who meet more than one criteria are eligible for
more than one incentive*

Drawing Prizes: Kindles, Gift Cards (Movies
App Store & iTunes, Google Play, DQ, Panda
Express), Beats Headphones and more!

Great Debaters

Attention Rockets

On Wednesday, April 18, 2018 the Apollo Middle School Debate Team competed in their final regular competition of the year. The team took seven students to the tournament and some students had good success and two students tried new events for the first time

8th grader **Charly Elie** earned 2nd and 4th place in Impromptu “marking his best performance this year.” –
Coach Pigan

8th grader **Brianna St. Vil** earned 3rd place in Impromptu.

7th grader **Kailis Atkins** earned 3rd place in Impromptu.

6th grader **Janel Cime** earned 3rd place in Impromptu

8th grader **Christian Aviles** participated in Humorous Interpretation and

8th grader **Rosa Rios** participated in Original Oratory for the first time ever!

Congratulations our
Debatably Fantastic
Debaters!



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Student Registration

**IMPORTANT
NEWS**

**ATTENTION
ALL STUDENTS**

DO

YOU

HAVE

YOUR

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