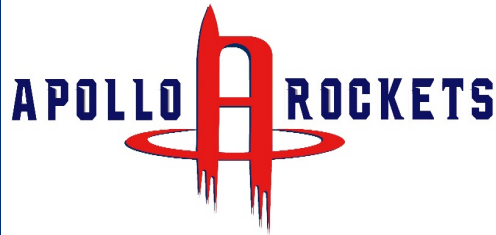


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2019 Rocket Newsletter

A message from the Principal,

I am the proudest principal of one of the finest schools in the nation. This newsletter is dedicated to all of the innovative and award winning students and teachers here at Apollo!

Since January 2019, our students and faculty have experienced wins all over the district, city, state, and nation in several competitive

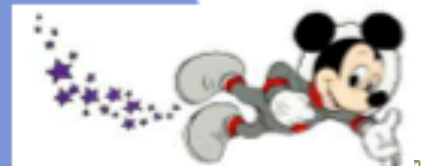
ventures. From Speech and Debate to Flag Football, our Rockets blasted off this year, placing us in the championship seat over, and over, and over again!

Let's not forget about recognizing our teachers, club sponsors, coaches, mentors, and supportive parents that have worked to help our students towards success. This edition would also like to honor Ms. Hogan as an outstanding supporter of our Social Emotional Learning initiative, Mr. McCall, our STAR teacher of the Month, Ms. Quiles-Rivera recognized as Univision Television's Una Maestra Especial.

As always, I want to thank you for the privilege of educating your child.

Shawn Aycocck, Principal

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Important Telephone Numbers

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7th Admin	754-323-2908
8th Admin	754-323-2909



**2019
FSA & FCAT
Testing this
month!**

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2019 TESTING CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
April 1st	April 2ND *FSA ELA Writing- 6 th /7 th /8th 120 Minutes	April 3RD *FSA ELA Writing 6 th /7 th /8th 120 minutes	April 4TH FSA ELA Writing- make-up	April 5TH FSA ELA Writing- make-up
April 8TH	April 9TH FSA ELA Writing- make-up	April 10TH FSA ELA Writing- make-up	April 11TH FSA ELA Writing- make-up	April 12TH

MAY 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
APRIL 29	APRIL 30	MAY 1ST *FSA ELA 6 th /7 th Session 1 (85 min)	MAY 2ND *FSA ELA 6 th /7 th Session 2 (85 min)	MAY 3RD Make-up Testing
MAY 6 TH Make-up Testing	May 7 th *FSA MATH 6 th Session 1 (60 MIN)	MAY 8TH *FSA MATH 6 th Session 2 & 3 (120 MIN) *FCAT SCIENCE 8 TH Session 1&2 (80 minutes each) PBT	Early Release	MAY 10 TH Make-up Testing
May 13 th Make-up Testing	May 14 th FSA Math 7 TH Session 1 (60 min) FSA ELA 8 th Session 1 (85 min)	MAY 15 th FSA Math 7 TH Session 2 & 3 (120 min) FSA/ELA 8TH Session 2 (85 Min)	May 14 th FSA MATH 8 TH Session 1 (60 min) Algebra/Geometry EOC (90 min)	MAY 15 th FSA MATH 8 TH Session 2 & 3 (120 min) Algebra/Geometry EOC (90 min)
MAY 20	MAY 21 Civics EOC (160 min)	MAY 22 Biology EOC (160 min)	MAY 23 FSA/FCAT MAKE-UP	MAY 24 FSA/FCAT MAKE-UP

KOC ~ MARCH: SELF-CONTROL & APRIL: TOLERANCE

APOLLO'S FACULTY AND STAFF HONORS STUDENTS FOR DEMONSTRATING MARCH & APRIL CHARACTER TRAITS OF THE MONTH: SELF-CONTROL & TOLERANCE.

SANDEEP
HANOOMAN

GISELLA
KLAVENS

DENZEL
RAMOS

David
Laroque



Cassandra
Amir

Amaia
Ramirez

Andre
Jackson

Skky
Burney

Brianna
Jimenez

Denzel
Ramos

Gisella
Klavens

Ariful
Islam

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2019 Rocket Academy

**DATES & TIMES
8:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM**

**APRIL 6, 2019 (READING, WRITING, MATH & SCIENCE)
APRIL 13 & 27, 2019 (READING, MATH, SCIENCE & CIVICS)
MAY 4, 2019 (SCIENCE & CIVICS)
*MAY 11, 2019 (7TH CIVICS only) 8:00 am ~ 11:00 am**

This week is the first of 4 sessions that our Science Department will join reading, math and English teachers to prepare you for the upcoming FSAs and FCAT. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Hogan, Math Department Chair at 754-323-2900 or email her at lachandra.hogan@browardschools.com

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End of Year Field Trips

6th Grade: Animal Kingdom
Final Payment Due by April 5
Final Amount Due: \$66.00



7th Grade: Universal Studios
Payment due by April 15, 2019
Amount Due: \$69.00



8th Grade: Islands of Adventure
Payment due by April 15, 2019
Amount Due: \$ 69.00

Title I & SAC News

The Title I department presents information in regards to the 2018-2019 School Improvement Plan (SIP) to provide an opportunity for Stakeholders to provide any input to the SIP and Title I Plan & Addendum. The 2019-2020 SIP and Parent-School Compact are currently under development for evaluation and review by stakeholders. In addition to other compliance items such as the District LEA & Parent Engagement Plans, stakeholders will discuss how the school's 2019-2020 Parent Involvement Allocation will be used for parental engagement activities.

This February and March are dedicated to test preparation. In addition to daily remediation and enrichment options, our annual Saturday Academy is underway. Please refer to page 4 of this newsletter to see dates and times for this extended learning opportunity.

On February 28, 2019 at 6pm we celebrated Black History in the Kiva. Additionally, the Title I College and Career Family Night took place on March 12, 2019 and the Cultural Awareness Festival and Fashion Show took place on March under the direction of our own Ms. Brown.

Apollo Middle School is proud to be a Title I school. We aim to provide all of our students with a high-quality education that will prepare them to thrive in the 21st Century and beyond! For more information on Title I funding, activities, and compliance documents, please contact Title I Liaison Ms. Whitworth-Barner, Title I Liaison or 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>.

School
Advisory
Council
at
Apollo
Middle
School
WHEN
1st Wednesday
of each month
at 6pm
WHERE
Media Center
At Apollo Middle School
Website:
www.browardschools1.com/apollo



WE NEED YOUR INPUT:

ONLY THREE MEETINGS
LEFT TO GIVE YOUR VOTE
ON HOW TO PREPARE FOR
THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL
YEAR!

JOIN US NOW!

MARCH 6, 2019

APRIL 3, 2019

MAY 1, 2019

Apollo's SAC committee convenes the first Wednesday of every month. In January through March, stakeholders will give input on next year's School Improvement Plan and Title I Addendum. During these meetings, the committee decided on changes and updates to both documents. The current plans are 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.

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APOLLO ROCKETS



2019 Summer Programs & Camps

Attention Parents:

Apollo Middle will host several summer programs for current students:
Hispanic Unity
21st Century



Information Night April 30th @ 6pm



Transitions Summer Camp

Allign Summer Camp

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THIS EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER IS DEDICATED TO OUR
COMPETITIVE ROCKETS.



And the winners Are...



★★★★

Each month, students from all over the district compete in debate tournaments. As always, our Rockets rocked the competition at Glades Middle
7th Grader Jonatae Davis earned a 3rd place in her first round and a 2nd place in her second round of Impromptu Speaking.
8th Grader Nyael Jones earned a 2nd place in her first round and a 3rd place in her second round of Impromptu Speaking.

SHAWN
ROSE-
GREEN

JOVAN
BELLAMY

NATHAN
ITZKOWITZ

ALEXANDER
PEREDES
HOLLEN

Congratulations goes out to the to the VEX IQ Robotics team that competed in February. They placed 3rd in the alliance portion, and out of the 11 points that put them in 3rd our team scored 10! They scored 2nd highest points for programming and 6th out of 17, overall. Big shout out to them for winning for the Judges Award! This award is to recognize their special attributes, exemplary effort and perseverance at the event. They represented Apollo Middle School with character and class - they made Ms. Hicks and the Apollo family proud!

Apollo Rockets Specialize in Greatness

Ms. McCauley's students shine as they work on several hands-on projects that demonstrate knowledge and comprehension. Special thanks goes out to our entire ESE department for the work they do to ensure all of our students receive a high-quality education that includes access to electives, standards-driven project based learning and social emotional supports. As the students prepare for their visit to Butterfly world, students learn about the Butterfly cycle.



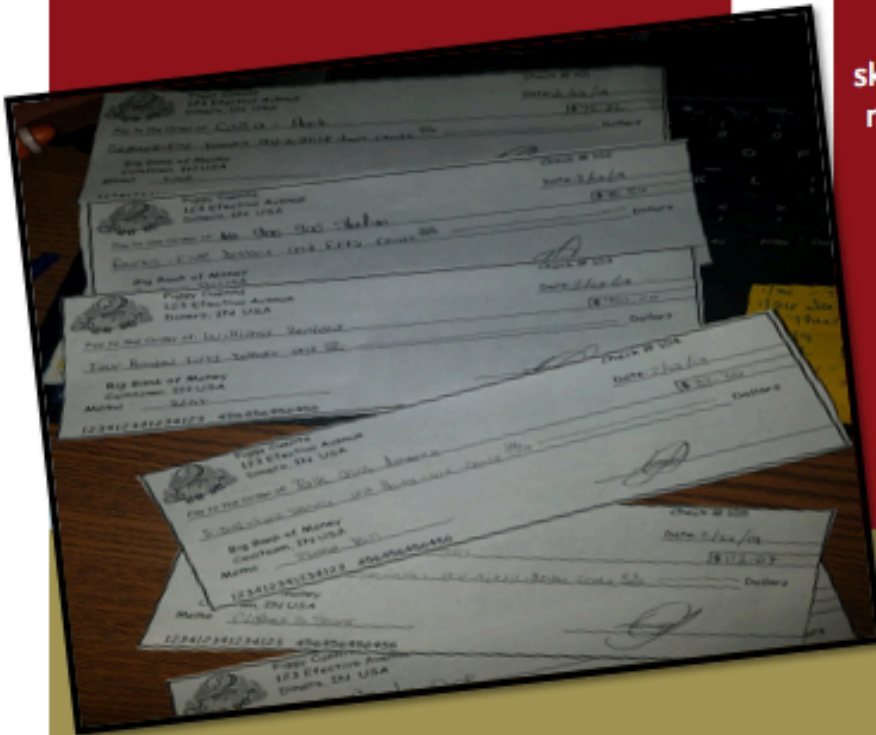
Apollo would like to thank the entire ESE department for supporting students who face extraordinary challenges! You Rock ESE Department,

April is Autism month! Apollo recognizes and supports the time and efforts that go into raising awareness about people with Autism Spectrum Disorder. April 2nd is World Autism Awareness Day. Join us as we help to raise awareness about the challenges of Autism Spectrum Disorder and work towards creating more programs to support those with Autism.



Life Skills for our Rockets

Ms. Solomon's Finance class provides our students with life skills and practical activities. This month, an activity titled "Where is my money? (Donde esta mi dinero?) This assignment required students to write checks and balance check registers.



As always, Ms. Bruno is making Food and Nutrition fun as students prepare for Spring Break with the colorful projects using dried fruits.



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The innovative underwater robotics program challenges students to build an underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV). With these hands on projects, students learn engineering concepts, problem solving, teamwork, and technical applications.

Ms. Dworzan and her team of bright and brainy Sea Rockets competed this February at the FAU SeaPerch Competition. With this win, the Apollo SeaPerch team earned a spot at Internationals in Washington DC. We have our fingers crossed for you!



2019 Broward County Public Schools SECME Results

Mousetrap Car - Apollo Middle

1st Fast & Furious: Hailey Diaz
Yajaira Cruz
Alyssa Mohamed

2nd The Speed Racers: Alec Zamudio
Nicholas Heeralal
Juan Rincon

Water Rocket - Apollo Middle

1st High Flyers: Kenya Williams
Jada-A Dixon
Yajaira Cruz

2nd Angels of Flight: Poovini Illankovan
Nandita Arjune
Samantha Brown

FPL - Generator - Apollo Middle

1st Gen- Z: Brant Meloun
Isabelle Proenca
Emilia Leon

3rd The Ionizers: Eli Gafanovich
Marcus Secu
Robin Sec

Bionic/ Robotic Hand - Apollo Middle

2nd Reaching Out: Anglelika Gonzalez
Emilia Leon
Arfida Hossain
Nandita Arjune

Vex Robotics:
3rd Apollo Robotics: Alexander DeJesus
Matthew Cohen
Azmain Awsaf
Mateo Mejia
Harel Shadner

3rd Banner





1st
Tiffany
Trento

2nd
Natalie
Gill

Lela
Memon

Shanna
Mangroo

Meaghan
Rigal

Janitza
Mendes

Natallia
Thompson

Kassandra
Liburd

Kayla
Thomas

Shadaya
Hazel

Joehan
Aller

Giama
Inirio

2019 Drop Savers

Apollo's Art Teacher, Mr. Small proudly announced this year's Drop Savers Poster Contest winners. He states, "I cant emphasize enough how difficult your students made it for the judges to select winners from the many fantastic submissions. All first to third place winners will be recognized at a special Commission Meeting at City Hall in May. Two Apollo students placed in the competition, and nine were displayed in March at the ArtsPark at Young Circle Gallery

2019 Cultural Awareness Festival & Fashion Show

On Tuesday, March 20th at Apollo Middle, guests enjoyed live music by Mike Kennedy, Ms. Constantine and Express the Arts (ETA) students featured dance, step, poetry and vocal performances. Ms. Brown and a host of helpers including Ms. Perkins, Ms. Suarez, Mr. Thompson, Ms. Seely, Ms. Smith, Ms. Job, Ms. Kennedy, and Global Scholars students put on a flawless fashion show. Below, are images shot by our yearbook expert, Mr. Stachowiak and his team of journalistic geniuses!



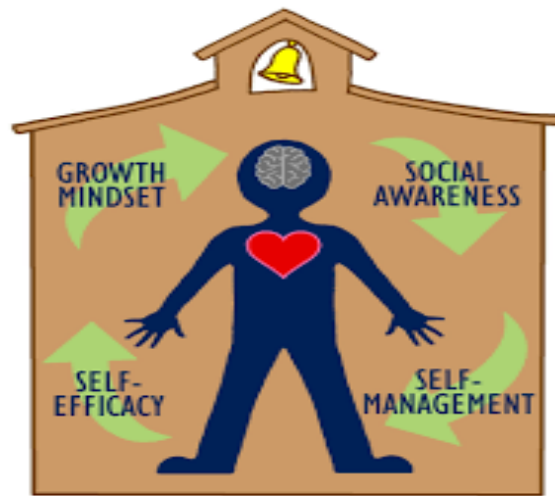
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Special shout out to Express the Arts, who also won 1st place in all categories on March 20th at the "Louder Than the Bomb" competition sponsored by the Jason Taylor Foundation





Social Awareness:
Black History
Display



Apollo Middle proudly supports BCPS's Reimagining Middle Schools' Social Emotional Learning (SEL) initiative. The program believes in the development of the whole child. SEL combines self and social awareness, a growth mindset, responsible decision-making, and self-management as integral components to students' educational experience. Apollo would like to highlight the efforts of one of our veteran teachers, Ms. Hogan, for dedicating her instructional time to helping students understand the

importance of SEL with hands on projects and displays of self and social awareness. You rock Ms. Hogan!

Growth
Mindset & SEL

