IMPORTANT MARCH DATES:

3/3: SAC/SAF Meeting, 8:15am, Media Center

3/9: Band/Orchestra Concert

3/10: Book Fair Begins

3/16: Early Release Day, Dismissal 1:45pm

3/17: Employee Planning Day

3/20: Spring Break Begins

3/27: Classes Resume

Dear Westglades Family,

It's hard to believe we are in March and the end of the third quarter (3/16) is near. As we approach the end of the year, please note that course cards will begin to go home in April, and standardized testing is will happen in May. Additional information concerning testing is now available on our school website. Save the Dates!

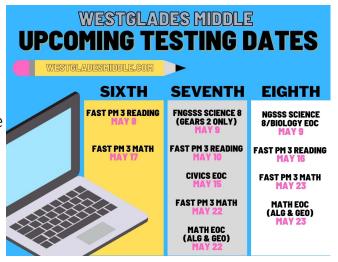
IMPORTANT APRIL DATES:

4/7: No School

4/14: Report Cards Available via Virtual Counselor

4/21: No School

4/28: SAC/SAF Meeting, 8:15am, Media Center



On February 14th, WMS students participated in the SBBC's five-year commemoration of the lives lost and impacted by the Marjory Stoneman Douglas tragedy, by participating in Westglades L.O.V.E.S. Throughout the day, students participated in service projects or social and emotional

learning activities.

Our girls and boys flag football teams had successful seasons with both teams winning their division. This year our girls have won their divisions in all of their team sports which is an amazing accomplishment.





Be sure to join us for our next SAC/SAF meeting beginning at 8:15am on Friday, March 3rd in the Media Center. The monthly PTO meeting will follow. On Monday, March 6th, you are invited to learn about some of the wonderful things happening in our area by attending the March MSD Innovation Zone Meeting. It will be held at County Hills Elementary School at 9am.

Thursday, March 16th is an Early Release Day (dismissal at 1:45pm), we will mark the end of the third guarter and there is no school on Friday, March 17th which is an Employee Planning Day. Additionally, schools are closed the week of March 20th for Spring Break. Classes will resume on Monday, March 27th.

Wishing the entire Westglades family a restful Spring Break with family and friends.

-Matthew Bianchi







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IMPORTANT MESSAGE Social Media Threats





Parents, please take a moment to watch, this less than two minute video, from School Board Chair Lori Alhadeff. She is sharing an important message about making false threats against schools. In addition, please share the video/information with your child.

View at this LINK.



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MSD INNOVATION ZONE MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023 9AM COUNTRY HILLS ELEMENTARY



















Please mark your calendars! We will have District Staff to discuss the new Math series and discuss matriculation from elementary to middle and middle to high school.

We hope to see you there!

All WMS Parents and Guardians are invited to attend. Hope to see you there!

FIRST RESPONDERS



With the help of Mr. Bremner and Mr. Morales' classes, Westglades honored First Responders last month. Students and staff wore blue ribbons and large blue ribbons were used to decorate the courtyard. Thank you to all our on-campus First Responders!

Sgt. Rizza
Deputy Delio
Deputy Michalowsky
Nurse Susie
Nurse Julianna





Children's Book

1st Julianne Murphey (Lawicki) 2nd Lindsey Blum (Azzarelli) 3rd Landon Safra (Azzarelli)

Fable

1st Mary Devney (Azzarelli)2nd Gabriel Cardona (Combs)3rd Andrew Davis (Azzarelli)

Formal Essay

1st Sanvi Pandya (Combs)
2nd Crystal Goes (Hugh)
3rd Sanvi Shankar (Azzarelli)

Informal Essay

1st Laasya Pagadala (Combs)
2nd Sophia Rodriguez (Combs)
3rd Alexa Gomez (Combs)

Literary Comic Strip

1st Samantha Mahmood (Combs)
2nd Alexandra Palekar (Azzarelli)
3rd Maria Carvalho (Lawicki)

Myth

1st Gaven Graham (Lawicki) 2nd Lily Wiener (Lawicki) 3rd Gianna Sachs (Hugh)

Personal Narrative

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1st Angel Jiang (Lawicki) 2nd Vic Hirsch (Crisan) 3rd Liliana Kocoglu (Amenta)

Satirical/Political Cartoon

1st Allison Ofstein (Azzarelli)
2nd Madison Delamadrid (Azzarelli)
3rd Laura Grubor (Combs)

Scene Writing

1st Ella Valente (Azzarelli)
2nd Ari Stollman (Crisan)
3rd Sam Herman (Azzarelli)

Short Story

1st Eva Damani (Combs)
2nd Waleeha Ghumman (Combs)
3rd Hailey Little (Amenta)

Novel/Short Story Movie Poster

1st Gianna Destafano (Combs)
2nd Morgan McClusky (Azzarelli)
3rd Luke Haynie (Combs)

Poetry Movie Poster

1st Jacquelyn Chen (Combs)
2nd Ana Luiza Maraccini (Combs)
3rd Lucas Strauss (Combs)

Poetry Interpretation Poster

1st Amberlyn Alvord (Combs)
2nd Addison Bordes (Crisan)
3rd Alyssa Pentolino (Davies)

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ABC Poetry

1st Michaela Gounakis (Amenta) 2nd Lincoln Miller (Combs) 3rd Eleni Andreadakis (Azzarelli)

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1st Penelope Boulton (Lawicki) 2nd Luke Malloy (Deibel) 3rd Kyla Arnold (Lawicki)

Copy Make Poetry

1st Eva Damani (Combs) 2nd Hadi Mohiuddin (Azzarelli) 3rd Gabriella Castellanos (Azzarelli) 3rd Laura Grubor (Combs)

Ekphrastic Poetry

1st Winnie Zhang (Azzarelli) 2nd Enrico Zangari (Combs) 3rd Pooja Persaud (Azzarelli)

Free Verse Poetry

1st Penelope Boulton (Lawicki) 2nd Sophia Cordova (Lawicki) 3rd Waleeha Ghumman (Combs)

Haiku

1st Sarina Hoffner (Hugh) 2nd Connie Chao (Combs) 3rd Nick Schneider (Lawicki)

Ode

1st Francesco D'Angelo (Gurr) 2nd Enrico Zangari (Combs) 3rd Dela Sadeghi (Amenta)

Two Voices

1st Bryce Kanov (Azzarelli) 2nd Sadie Titensor (Combs) 3rd Vincent Qui (Deibel)

Rhymed Verse

1st Joshua Anderson (Azzarelli) 2nd Liev Kilman (Azzarelli) 3rd Sophia Clifton (Combs)

Sestina

1st Solimar Rivera (Lawicki) 2nd Liam Mooney (Lawicki)

Shrinklet

1st Connie Chao (Combs) 2nd Sophia Clifton (Combs) 3rd Alexandra Palekar (Azzarelli)

Sonnet

1st Aiden Cadiz (Azzarelli) 2nd Dominga Abud (Azzarelli) 3rd Naina Gajula (Azzarelli)

Spoken Word

1st Amberlyn Alvord (Combs) 2nd Angelina Johnson (Combs)

Tritina

1st Nariah Sylvain (Lawicki) 2nd Logan Reiss (Combs) 3rd Ava Austad (Hugh)

SHARK TANK

Welcome to the tank! Ms. Lawicki and Ms. Hugh's 7th Grade Language Arts classes participated in "SHARK TANK" on Wednesday, February 22nd.

The students were asked to design a video game and a marketing campaign with a commercial to promote their video game. They formed a company which had two departments--a video game department and an advertising/marketing department.

The two departments had to work together for a common goal. They had to put together a pitch project to gain investors and present it to a panel of expert judges.

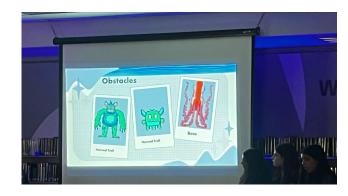
The parents that came in were experts in advertising and marketing, video game design, I.T., business investment, and graphic design. We also had Mrs. Pico's husband, Vizzie, who has a following as a YouTuber and a Twitch star; he streams video game play and is pretty popular among the students.











The feedback the experts gave was incredibly helpful as it was real world feedback with constructive critique that helped students to see what they are doing well and what steps they can take to continue to improve in their areas of expertise. Thank you to all who participated!



Congratulations to all the students that were awarded January Debate Tournament medals!

<u>January 16th</u> <u>MLK Symposium, St. Thomas University</u>

Gabriella Duman Laasya Pagadala

<u>January 24th</u> <u>Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School</u>

Evalyn Tonos
Sadie Titensor
Ananya Soni
Laasya Pagadala
Keira McHugh
Angelina Russo
Scott Miller
Maya Knapp
Gabriella Duman
Ivanshi Gadani
Neel Bharambe
Jax Subko

<u>January 28th, Invitational Tournament,</u> <u>Lauderdale Lakes Middle School</u>

Lauren Lee
Emma Wiener
Scott Miller
Neel Bharambe
Lily Wiener
Melanie Clifford
Melissa Escobar
Nylah Johnson
Rania Ismail
Sadie Titensor
Kyle Yau
Stepan Senyukhin
Evalyn Tonos
Amna Khwaja



Please congratulate the following students! They creativity "splashed" through and they are the winners of the Literacy Week Poster Contest. All of the students were invited to an ice cream sundae party that took place after lunch on Friday, February 10th.

6th graders

Oliva Zhang, Ms. Turner
Benjamin Ruytenbeck, Ms. Turner
Sonya Starukhina, Ms. Turner
Idan Gilad, Ms. Turner
Madeline Camp, Ms. Turner
Lilith Natar, Ms. Turner
Kashvi Amin, Ms. Crisan
Alexandria Iglesias, Ms. Crisan
Oliver Zanatta, Ms. Turner
Kalava Sanjana, Ms. Turner

7th Graders

Jenna Martin, Ms. Hugh Lily Fernandez, Ms. Hugh Ayan Anand, Ms. Hugh Leah Glauser, Ms. Hugh Patryk Dyvdol, Ms. Hugh Joeli Schapiro, Ms. Hugh Luke Smith, Ms. Coombs Nate Tio, Ms. Coombs Rylie Brown, Ms. Coombs

8th Grade

Ariel Goldstein, Ms. Combs Talia Segelnick, Ms. Combs Emma Wiener, Ms. Combs Hailey Acevedo, Ms. Milite Isabella Placide, Ms Milite Patrick Sirker, Ms. Milite Karina Colon ,Ms. Milite Austin Massaro, Ms. Milite Trey Williams, Ms. Milite Ryan Tam, Ms. Milite Katelyn Glaser, Ms. Milite

WMS PARENTS,





In an effort to improve System Practices, the Broward County School District is conducting a Parent Survey. 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. The surveys will be available online only in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese. Thank you for taking your time to complete the survey. To complete the survey, scan the QR Code above or **CLICK HERE.**

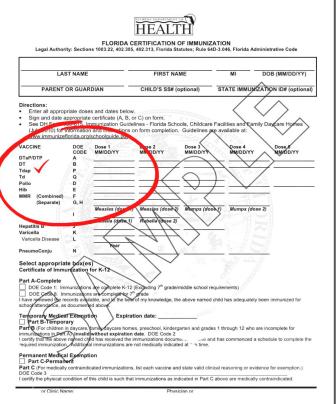
REMINDER TO CURRENT 6TH GRADE FAMILIES

Prior to entering the 7th grade, all students must provide a Florida Certificate of Immunization (DH 680) stating that their immunizations are complete for 7th grade entry. Please note that in addition to compliance with all other required immunizations, children entering the 7th grade in Florida schools must have received one dose of the tetanus-diphtheriapertussis (Tdap) vaccine.

Your child may need additional immunizations and/or you may just need to turn in the updated DH 680 form. You may request the form from your child's physician's office or visit a public health center.

Your child will not be issued an official schedule in August without having the form submitted.

Please email your child's updated immunization form to our Registrar at Chanda.James@browardschools.com.



Hello Wolfpack Families!



The PTO is gearing up for our Spring Book Fair - "Books Make Dreams Crumb True" - from March 10th to March 16th. The Media Center will be transformed into the Wolves Bakery and students who make purchases of \$35 or more will be entered into a raffle for a gift card and a sweet treat! We are so excited for our wolves to see what we have in store for them!

We will be kicking off our delectable week with a Give Back Day at Crumbl Cookie on Friday, March 10th. Enjoy a sweet treat while giving back to our school! Be sure to mention Westglades at checkout.

Our 2023 PTO Renovation Project Fundraiser is well underway. A HUGE THANK YOU to all of our families that have so generously contributed to this project! With Phase 1 being completed, we are very enthusiastic to begin Phase 2. In order to make this project come to fruition, we rely on the generous support of our wolfpack families and local business partners. If you wish to make a donation, please read the flyer included below. All donations are accepted via www.WestgladesPTO.com.

YEARBOOK

The 2022-2023 Yearbook is up for sale on our website. Secure your Yearbook today and cherish the memories your child has made at Westglades Middle School. Click here to purchase your copy.

WOLVES UNDER THE STARS

April14th from 6:30PM to 8:30PM
Don't miss a howling good time! More information to come. If you wish to volunteer for this event, please click here to email the PTO Volunteer Chair.

BUSINESS BANNERS

If you or someone you know owns a business in Parkland or the surrounding areas, then this opportunity is for you! Purchase a Business Banner which will hang proudly on our Outer or Inner Fence to be viewed by over 1,000 Westglades Middle School families, staff, and local community visitors. Research shows that parents support businesses that are sponsors of their local schools! You can find more information by clicking here.

NEXT MEETING

Please join us at our PTO General Meeting this Friday, March 3rd in the Media Center at 9:30AM. We will be sharing lots of information regarding upcoming events, updates on current projects, and volunteer opportunities. We hope to see all of you there!



Thank you for your support!

Deanna Russo

PTO President

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