



IMPORTANT JUNE DATES

- 6/1: Summer Spirit Week Begins
- 6/3: Band Drive-By, 5-7PM
- 6/7: Computer & Book Drop-off Begins, 4-6PM
- 6/8: Athletic Virtual Awards, 6PM
- 6/9: Early Release Day, Last Day of School
- 6/9: 8th Grade Promotion Parade, 3PM
- 6/10: 8th Grade Virtual Awards, 6PM

Dear Westglades Family,

This time is the busiest time of the year for schools. We are making final plans and preparations to wrap up this year. We will have many celebrations this month including a Band Drive-By Ceremony on June 3rd, Athletic Virtual Awards on June 8th, Eighth Grade Drive-By Ceremony on June 9th, and Eighth Grade Virtual Awards on June 10th. For information on all these events, please visit our website or follow us on social media where the information will be made available.

We have had a lot of success this month in Athletics and in our Academic Clubs. Our Girls' Basketball team won their division and made it to the district semi-finals. Our Debate Team has continued to outshine the competition earning many 1st and 2nd place awards in the most recent tournament. Our Track Team has performed very well and consistently had several athletes place at our track meets. They also had qualifiers for the district championship. In the Florida MathCounts competition, Westglades had a student place 1st and 4th in Florida which qualifies them for the national completion which is a major accomplishment.

I understand that this was not the middle school experience that any of us expected, but I believe that our teachers have done their very best to provide high-quality education for our children and despite the challenges, our school continued to provide extracurricular activities to give our children opportunities to grow. I wish our 8th Grade students and families the very best of luck as they head off to high school and beyond. -Matthew Bianchi, Principal

ATTENTION ALL RISING 7th GRADERS:

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-diphtheria-pertussis (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.

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

WESTGLADES MIDDLE SCHOOL
COMPUTER
RETURN-A-THON **& LIBRARY**
BOOK
CALLING ALL WMS FAMILIES!

COLLECTION DATES:

6/7 - 6/9

4-6PM

6/10, 6/11 & 6/14-6/17

8-10AM & 2-4PM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!



The BCPS Summer Experience is a free six-week experience that starts Monday, June 21, and runs through Thursday, July 29, 2021. Certified teachers will provide face-to-face instruction and CDC safety guidelines will be followed including mandatory mask-wearing, physical distancing, and other health and safety protocols.

Transportation and meals will be provided, and before and after school childcare services are available for participating students. Classes will be held on our very own campus, Monday through Thursday, for four hours a day, from 9:30-1:30. There are two different options for the Summer Experience. Students will be able to attend for credit recovery or acceleration.

Credit Recovery

Students needing the opportunity to retake courses required for graduation can take advantage of these summer course offerings. Eligible middle grades students will have the opportunity to enroll in one of several different courses. Eligible students can receive up to 1.0 credits successfully completing the course requirements and get back on track for a timely graduation. The in-person program will take place from Monday to Thursday and will run from June 21 to July 29.

Acceleration Program

This acceleration program will give students a head start in the study of grade-level accelerated courses and give participants an opportunity to continue in an accelerated pathway in years to come. Students can receive acceleration in math or language arts and will be placed in courses designed to give them skills needed to be successful in these subject areas for the next grade level.

For more information visit <https://www.browardschools.com/Summer2021>.
To register, call Jody Lerner at 754-322-4800. SPACE IS LIMITED.

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INCLUDES: FOR STUDENTS

Campus Tour
Meet Teachers
Meet Friends
Swag Bag
Sweet Treat
AND MORE!

FOR PARENTS

Principal Meeting
Meet the PTO
Shop WMS Gear

We will hold our annual incoming 6th Grade orientation, Camp Wolf Pack, on Tuesday, August 10th. There are two sessions, 8:30-11:30am or 12:30-3:30pm. The cost is \$25, and students will receive Westglades gear, a treat, meet the teachers, make new friends, and get to know the campus.

Parents can drop off their child and have a meeting with principal at the beginning of each session in the auditorium. Register on westgladesmiddle.com beginning July 1st. We look forward to you becoming part of our Wolf pack!



CONGRATULATIONS to our April Tournament Winners!

Congressional Debate

Madison Hamilton
Leo Dinh



Poetry

Rania Ismail
Analyse Armstrong

Public Forum Debate

Vikram Renganathan
Sidd Ojha



Prose

Michele Curtis

Informative Speaking

Ester Santos

Impromptu Speaking

Jake Lopatin
Christine Doolan
Ella Valente
Jayden Lang

CONGRATULATIONS to our May Debate Championship Tournament winners!

The students that took home 1sts Place are number one in the county out of twelve different competition events.

FIRST PLACE

Prose Interpretation:
Michele Curtis



RUNNERS UP:

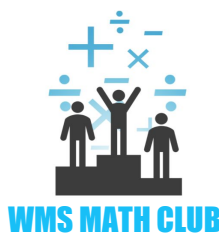
Poetry Interpretation
5th place:
Audrey Reavis

Public Forum:

Siddharta Ojha
Vikram Renganathan

Lincoln-Douglas:

2nd place:
Aesha Bhavsar



Our Math Club has been busy competing in competitions and we are so proud!

We had 34 students competing at the school level in the national AMC (American Mathematic Competition).

13 WMS students competed for the Broward Chapter of Mathcounts and 3 qualified for the state competition: Jayden Lang, Kevin Liu and Darsh Patel. Out of the 3 students going to state competition, 2 students won the state and qualified to the national competition: **Kevin Liu and Jayden Lang**. There were a total of 55,000 students that participated at the county level. 22,000 students at the state level and 240 students at the national level. Kevin and Jayden were among these students.

23 students participated in the Math Olympiad. **Darsh Patel** came in 1st Place. We participated in the FAU Math Day 2020 competition and got 3rd Place: **Kevin Liu, Jyden Lang, Darsh Patel and Derek Kehler**.

BCCTM is a Broward County competition for every level. Our Geometry Team won 3rd Place. The team was formed of: **Ishika Gadani, Preeti Kumar, Eashaan Murthy Juliana Webster, Ivan Yuk and Raz Kashuv. Sanvi Shankar** won 1st Place at EMF 6th grade level. **Kevin Liu** won 1st place at EMF 8th grade level. **Rajam Arunprakash** won 2nd place at EMF 8th grade level. **Darsh Patel** won 3rd place at EMF 8th grade level. Congratulations to all!



One of our students, Lincoln Miller, is a student correspondent for [Scholastic Kids Press](#).

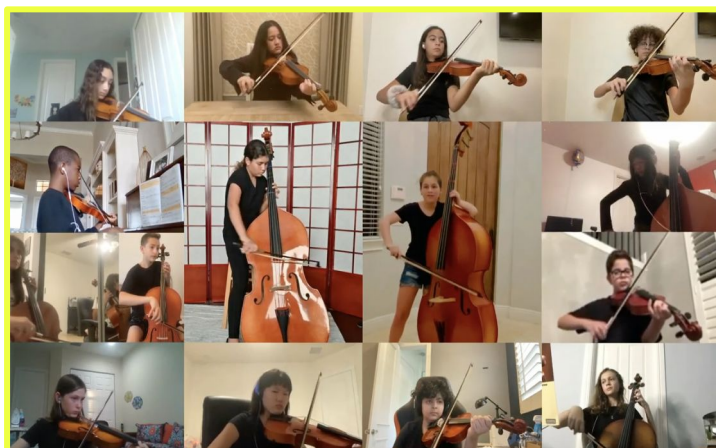
He recently interviewed Dr. Paul A. Offit, an internationally renowned vaccine expert and Director of the Vaccine Education Center and Professor of Pediatrics in the Division of Infectious Diseases at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia about whether children should receive the COVID vaccine when it becomes available.

[CHECK OUT THE INTERVIEW HERE.](#)

A Look at Life After the Pandemic, by [Lincoln Miller](#)



On Thursday, May 13th Westglades Bands and Orchestras ended this abnormal year with an amazing virtual concert!



Students in both groups prepared and rehearsed concert music in class for several months to prepare for this enormous undertaking. Even though most student musicians learned virtually for the 2020-2021 school year, daily class rehearsals and musical progress continued.

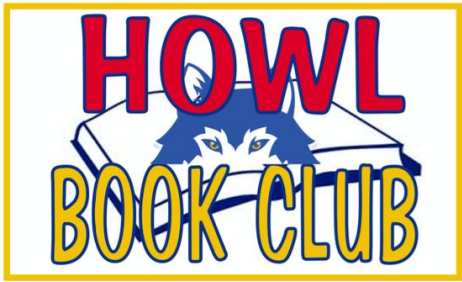
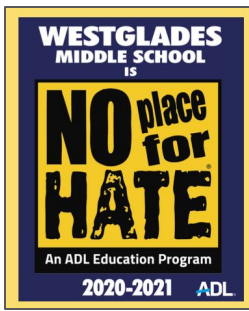
In addition to learning the music during class time, students played along with click tracks to ensure everyone practiced individually at the same tempo and matching the same tuning throughout the concert pieces. Students submitted several performance "check-in" recordings in the many weeks leading up to the final recording of the concert.

When the final recording deadline came around, students submitted individual videos performing all the concert music. Each individual video had to be edited into the full concert video, with audio aligned precisely. With almost 250 students, this process took over 80 hours of editing. Roy Fantel, from Fantel Music, edited all individual videos together to create the virtual concert. The virtual medium allowed students to share their music making with family and friends all over the world!

Congratulations to all who participated. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication! View the Spring Concert at this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ub1QYJ8Taos>





NJHS celebrated No Place For Hate (NPFH) and No One Eats Alone (NOEA) initiatives in April. The goal is to celebrate diversity and promote inclusion. NJHS school-wide activities...

- Distributed Life Savers to enjoy with friends during lunch on 4/16.
- "Wished Others Well" (WOW) by sharing fortunes from fortune cookies during lunch on 4/16.
- Decorated the school with symbols to emphasize Tolerance! (April's character trait)
- Decorated the courtyard with NPFH & NOEA yard stakes.
- Created a Padlet – [View HERE](#)

NJHS members took the NPFH pledge and committed to the NOEA initiative. It was posted by ELA teachers on their Canvas.



We Can't Mask Our Gratitude!

Teacher Appreciation Week was May 3rd-7th. The staff was spoiled all week with breakfasts, lunches, and special treats and surprises. Thank you to all of the organizations, volunteers, and families that made the week so special!



We have the most wonderful volunteers. On behalf of the students and staff, thank you for volunteering so generously during the past school year. We know your time is valuable, and your willingness to contribute some of that valuable time to Westglades shows your commitment to the well-being of all our students.

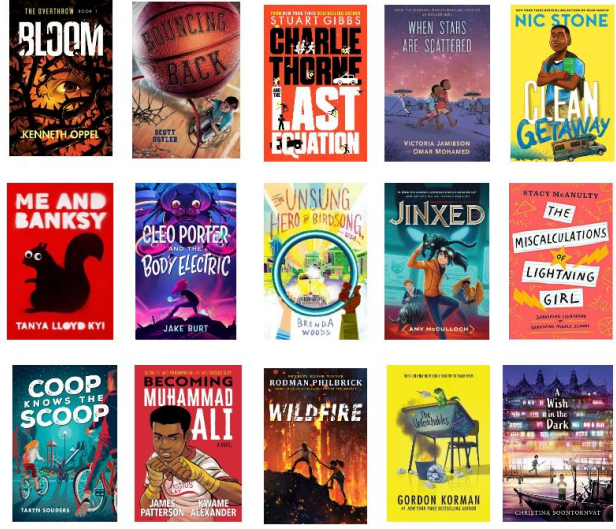
Thank you for sharing your energy, talents, and time.

Looking for a Good Summer Read? Westglades uses the SSYRA books as "Suggested Summer Reading." Resources for all 15 SSYRA books can be found on our HOWL Book Club Canvas page. Please join today at all the instructions are over on westgladesmiddle.com.

The HOWL page also includes instructions on how to check the books out digitally through AXIS 360.

Happy Summer Reading and HOWL On, Wolves!

SSYRA Books 2021-2022
Grades 6-8



How many will you read???

LIBRARY BOOK RETURN TIME!



How to Return Books:

If students are on campus, they can return books to the Media Center.

If students are at home, they can either return their books during the "[Computer and Library Book Drive-By Return-A-Thon](#)" scheduled for June 7-9 or any time before then by dropping them off in the Security Office.

6th Graders: Many of you have books out from their elementary schools. You can still return the book to WMS. We can check it in and remove the book from your record.

How to Pay for Lost Books:

Parents can log into the [Westglades e-Store](#) and pay for the lost book. It will be listed under "Obligations."

If you have any questions, please email our Media Specialist, Mrs. Stratos, at Jennifer.Stratos@browardschools.com.

Girls Flag Football

6 wins and 0 losses
Division 1 Champions

Boys Flag Football

6 wins and 0 losses
Division 1 Champions

Girls Basketball

6 wins and 0 losses
Division 1 Champions
Final Four appearance
Lost in semi-final

Boys Basketball

2 wins and 4 losses
Third Place in Division



We are proud to have had a very successful 2020-2021 Athletics Season!

Girls Soccer

6 wins and 0 losses
Division 1 Champions

Boys Soccer

5 wins and 1 loss
2nd Place in Division

Girls Golf

2 wins 0 losses
Championship

Boys Golf

2 wins 0 losses
Championship

Girls Track

2nd in North Regional Meet
Morgan Melchiorri
1st place in 1600m & 800m

Boys Track

3rd in North Regional Meet
Luke Bons
1st in Regional Long Jump
Guilherme Carvahlo
1st in Regional 200m
Cole Porter
2nd Regional

**GO
WOLVES!**

★ **ATHLETIC VIRTUAL
AWARDS** ★

★ **JUNE 8th at 6PM** ★
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MSAA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP



The Westglades Girls won the MSAA County Championship on May 24th!. The team score was an amazing 150.

The girls are Elisa Hernandez 6th grade, Ella Thompson 6th grade and Sophie Alcalá-Marks 7th grade. Elisa Hernandez was the Overall Individual Champion, shooting a 39.

The Westglades Boys won the MSAA County Championship for the fourth consecutive year and all four years golf has been an MSAA sport! The team score was 167. The next closest team had a 180.

The boys are 8th graders Carson Meredith and Noah Wilson. 7th graders Brody Kefford and Samkit Bothra. 6th grader Cristian Scradeneau. Carson Meredith finished 3rd overall shooting a 39. Great Job Teams!



MSAA COUNTY SOCCER SEMI-FINAL



Our Girls Soccer Team had an amazing season, but they were defeated on May 24th in the MSAA County Semifinal 1-0 by Falcon Cove. Westglades girls' soccer has been in the Final Four 9 of the last 10 seasons. The girls have won the division every year since the 11-12 school year, 10 straight and have not lost a regular season game since 10/10/10, which is more than 75 straight games. Congrats to Coach Azzarelli and Coach Brown for a masterful coaching job this year.

Our Boys Soccer Team also had a fantastic season. Their season ended on May 25th in the MSAA County Semifinal also against Falcon Cove. The game ended with a score of 4-0. Congratulations to Coach Patterson and everyone who played!



HOWLING WITH PRIDE!



Congratulations are in order!

Staci Stobinsky was selected as the BCPS District Middle School Social Studies Teacher of the Year! This is Ms. Stobinsky's 29th year teaching. She taught for 10 years at Ramblewood Middle School and the other 19 at Westglades. She started when the school opened, out at the portable site at the elementary school, before we were on this campus.

Besides her first year of teaching (when she taught Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts and had a floating classroom), she has taught 6th grade World History for her entire career. When asked how she feels about this honor, Mrs. Stobinsky replied, "I love what I do and credit my students for my achievements, as I work hard to encourage and inspire them to be the best version of themselves." Congratulations Ms. Stobinsky! What a great honor.



8th Grade Promotion Activities



HONK, BEEP! CHEER & WAVE!

JOIN US FOR THE WMS
8TH GRADE PROMOTION PARADE!

DJ! **CERTIFICATES!**



DECORATE & CELEBRATE!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9TH, 3PM-4PM
WESTGLADES MIDDLE EAST LOT

WESTGLADES MIDDLE SCHOOL

8TH GRADE VIRTUAL AWARDS



JOIN US!
THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 6PM

VIEW ONLINE AT:
WESTGLADESMIDDLE.COM

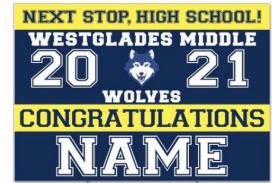
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CELEBRATE!

8TH GRADE PROMOTION
YARD SIGNS!

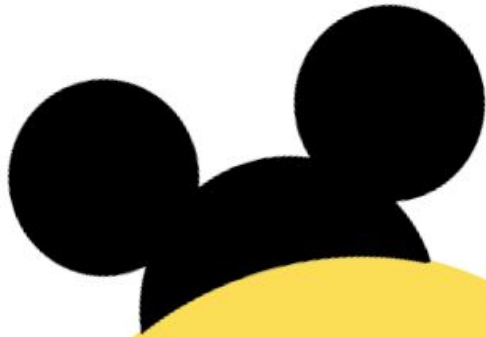
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SUMMER LOVIN'

WESTGLADES PTO SPIRIT WEEK



**DISNEY
DAY!**

TUES, JUNE 1
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE
DISNEY GEAR!



**OLYMPICS
DAY!
GO USA!**

WED, JUNE 2
WEAR RED, WHITE,
AND BLUE!

JUNE 1-4



**TROPICAL
TOURIST
THURSDAY!**

THURS, JUNE 3
DRESS LIKE A
TOURIST!



**MARVEL
MANIA!**

FRI, JUNE 4
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE
T-SHIRT!

