

WELCOME



Middle School

FUTURE WOLVES!

Westglades Middle School
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Twitter: [@wmswolves](https://twitter.com/wmswolves)

Instagram: [@wms_wolves](https://www.instagram.com/wms_wolves)



School Hours: 9:15 am - 3:45 pm
Before Care: 7:00 am - 8:45 am
After Care: 3:45 pm - 6:00 pm
Early Release Day Hours: 9:15 am - 1:45 pm



Hello Future Wolves,

Although a bit puzzling, the transformation to middle school can be a very exciting and wonderful experience. You are leaving the elementary years and approaching one of the most dramatic periods in your life. You will grow in many ways: socially, emotionally, physically, and even intellectually. You will face challenges in your ability to handle your feelings with peers and with adults.

At Westglades Middle School, you will find many people who will help you meet these challenges. We hope that after you meet and get to know us, you will feel comfortable about coming to middle school. We encourage you to get involved and ask lots of questions as you embark on this new adventure!



MAIN

754-322-4800
754-322-4835 (Fax)

ABSENCE/TARDY

754-322-4802

CAFETERIA

754-322-4800 ext. 2050

REGISTRAR

754-322-4830
754-322-4885 (Fax)



Incoming 6th Grade Parents, (*attending Westglades from Heron Heights, Park Trails, or Riverglades Elementary Schools*) please complete the BCPS registration form and email, along with 2 current proofs of residence, to the Registrar at Chanda.James@browardschools.com.

For all other new student registrations, click [HERE](#) for the [BCPS School Locator](#) and additional information on how to join the Westglades family.



WELCOME TO WESTGLADES

[VIDEO LINK](#)

By reviewing this interactive portfolio, parents and students will find important transition information that will help you to prepare for middle school. When you see the blue video recorder, there will be an interactive video for you to view. If you have further questions about the programs, you can email the school directly. Department emails are included throughout this presentation.



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-Westglades Middle School opened in August of 2002.

-Royal Blue and Gold are our school colors.

-The Wolf is our school mascot.

-We are an "A" School.

-Proud to be the Top Rated Middle School in Broward County.

-Recipients of The Five Star School and Golden School Awards.

-We are on Social Media: @WMSWolves & @WMS_WOLVES.

-Announcements, [Newsletters](#), and other important information can be found daily on our website, WestgladesMiddle.com.

-In 2018, we were featured on [NBC 4's "Brag About Your School."](#)

Anime
Band
Basketball
Best Buddies
Cheerleading
Chess
Creative Writing
Crime Watch
Crochet
Cross Country
Dance
Deca in the Middle
Drama/Jr. Thespians
Debate
E-Sports
FFEA
First Priority
Flag Football
Future Veterinarians



Gear Girls
Golf
Kindness Matters
Multicultural
Math
NJHS
Orchestra
Robotics
SADD
Samaritan 365
Science/SECME
Sign Language
Soccer
Student Government
Track and Field
Volleyball
Wolfington Post
Wolf Watch News



CHEERLEADING



TRACK & FIELD



GOLF



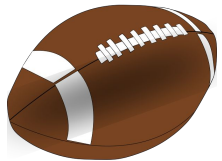
ATHLETICS

[VIDEO LINK](#)

Athletic Director PJ Battaglia

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FLAG FOOTBALL



SOCCER



VOLLEYBALL

CROSS COUNTRY



Although Westglades is bigger than most elementary schools, it will not take students long to get to know their way around and feel comfortable. Westglades Middle School strives to provide an environment that protects student's health, safety, and civil rights. For that reason, we have made, and continue to make, enhancements to security. Some of those enhancements include:

-ID badges required by students and staff

-Locking mechanisms added to strategic entrances

-Mirrored laminate added to strategic windows

-Security cameras added

-First aid stop the bleed kits in each classroom and training for faculty and community

-Additional security position hired and an additional law enforcement position (Total of 5 security positions and 2 law enforcement officers)

-Parking decals for staff

-Hero software program to track and reward positive behaviors

-Updated intercom system and speakers added to the inner and outer hallways.

-Added three school wide programs aimed at maintaining a school climate less susceptible to harassment, bullying and violence.





*Busing is provided by the Broward County Transportation Department for students living 2 or more miles from Westglades Middle School. Those that meet the requirements will be issued a bus card by the Department of Transportation that must be returned to the student's bus driver prior to riding the school bus. Please direct bus questions to North Area Transportation at 754-321-4000.

*Students riding bikes to school must cross at the designated crosswalk. A helmet is required by Florida State law. All bikes should be individually locked up in the bike corral.

*Students walking to school must remain on the sidewalks and cross at designated crosswalks.



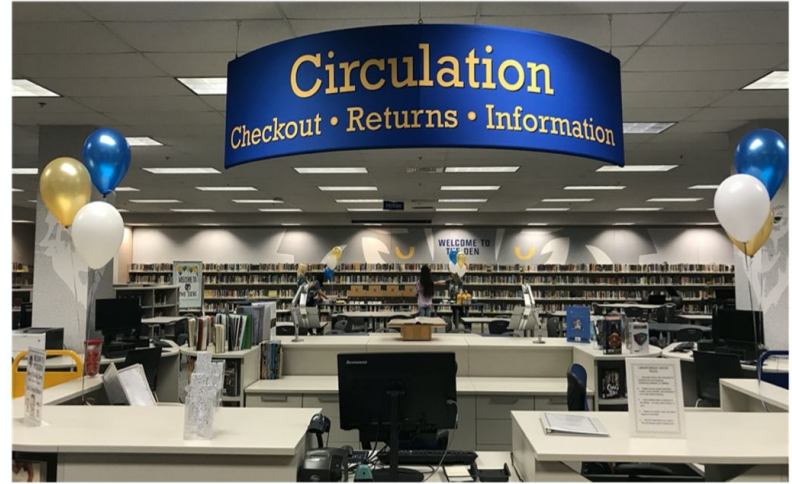
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- 1. What time does the building open?** The Main Office and phones open at 8:45am.
- 2. I need to make a telephone call, where is the telephone?** Visit the Main Office.
- 3. My child is absent, what do I do?** Call the Attendance Line at 754-322-4802 and/or send in written documentation.
- 4. I feel sick, where do I go?** The clinic, located in the Main Office.
- 5. I have a concern with one of my child's teachers, who can help me with my concern?** Your grade level Guidance Counselor or Administrator.
- 6. If my child has to take special medication, what do I need to do?** You must have an authorized Medication Form completed by a Physician and medication will be locked up in the clinic.
- 7. If I lose something, where do I look for it?** There is a Lost and Found in the cafeteria. Lost electronic items are kept in the Main Office.
- 8. How do I buy lunch?** Myschoolbucks.com is the Broward County Public Schools online payment portal designed to allow parents to easily manage and add funds to their child's lunch account. The system allows parents to view food selection.



In 2018, Westglades Middle School completed a remodel of the Media Center. The new Media Center is a hub for research and a great place for students to visit, collaborate, and work in different subjects using a variety of new media technology tools. The space also includes a mix of new and exciting furniture ranging from cafe tables to lounge furniture.

Our students love their visits to [The Den!](#)

The [Westglades Middle School Guidance Department](#) has a counselor for each grade level. The Guidance Department is responsible for scheduling and class changes, conflict resolution, progress reports, grade concerns and parent/teacher conferences. Counselors also handle special program placements and tutoring needs. While counselors used to handle testing, we now have a Testing Coordinator on staff and our Registrar handles student transcript requests.

If a student has a Guidance related concern, a Guidance Request Form should be completed by the student and submitted to the Guidance Office. The forms are available in the Main Office. Parents should monitor student progress and check grades regularly on Pinnacle. Pinnacle may be accessed on [WestgladesMiddle.com](#). Report Cards are issued four times a year, every nine weeks. The first three are sent home with the student and the last one is mailed home approximately two weeks after the last day of school.



MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADING SCALE:

A	90-100
B+	87-89
B	86-80
C+	77-79
C	70-76
D+	69-67
D	60-66
F	59-0



DAY IN THE LIFE

[VIDEO LINK](#)



CURRICULUM

[VIDEO LINK](#)

6th GRADE

Assistant Principal: Shaante Collie

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Guidance Counselor: Takeacea Mitchell

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PRINCIPAL

Matthew Bianchi

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7th GRADE

Assistant Principal: Shari Schwartz

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Guidance Counselor: Suzet Gibson

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8th GRADE

Assistant Principal: Jon LaRosa

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Guidance Counselor: Suzanne Desrosiers

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ESE

ESE Specialist: Dione Reed

Dione.Reed@browardschools.com

ESE Clerical: Ellen Gozansky

Ellen.Gozansky@browardschools.com

REGISTRAR

Chanda James

Chanda.James@browardschools.com

- *Show your child that you are interested.
- *Encourage your child to do their best.
- *Get to know your child's friends.
- *Know your child's teachers.

- *Have realistic goals and expectations for your child.
- *Encourage your child to ask for help when needed.
- *Help your child to accept and like themselves.
- *Check your child's homework and agenda book.

- *Provide your child with an appropriate place to study.
- *Ask to see returned papers and graded assignments.
- *Encourage your child to participate in a club or activity to meet new friends.
- *Make encouraging, not discouraging remarks and stay positive.



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See you soon Future Wolves!