



# COLLINS ELEMENTARY TIGER NEWS

Dr. Tracy Jackson, Principal

Mrs. Maureen Keenan, Assistant Principal

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Collins Family!!!!

I pray that your family is thriving and in good health. While we are making strides in student unit assessments, we must recognize that our FAST PM2 data indicates that we still have a long way to go. Parents, it is imperative that our students arrive to school on time, come to school daily, and remain in school for the entire day. In preparation for Statewide Testing, some of our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are now attending Tiger Camp on Tuesdays for ELA and Tiger Camp on Thursdays for Math from 2-4 pm. These lessons provide students with additional tips that they can use to select the appropriate answers on the test. Nevertheless, the instructional day begins promptly at 8:00 am. Please ensure that your child is in the classroom at 8 am for instruction.

As a reminder parents, safety is one of our highest priorities. We review our Tiger ROAR Characteristics with students so that we all share the responsibility of keeping each other safe. I encourage you to also review these characteristics with your child as they are a part of our School Improvement Plan. The more we work together on enhancing our school-home connection, the more success we can realize from our students as scholars and productive citizens. If you have concerns that need to be addressed, please do not hesitate to contact us at 754-323-5150.



Collins Tigers

- R**espectful of the world and its people
- O**nly speak with kindness
- A**ct with self-control
- R**esponsible for our words and actions



Finally, on Friday, March 14, Collins will be having its Black History Month Showcase. We are inviting all our parents to join us at 8:45 am for the event! Thank you again for your cooperation. Be well and stay healthy.

Sincerely,

*Tracy D. Jackson*

Tracy D. Jackson, Ed.D.  
Proud Principal of Collins Elementary

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MARCH

- Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>**  
4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Field Trip  
Invitation Only
- Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Black History Showcase  
8:45 am
- Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>**  
2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Field Trip
- Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>**  
SAC Meeting  
2:20 pm
- Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Mobile School Pantry  
3:00 – 5:00
- Mar. 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Employee Planning  
No School
- Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> – Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>**  
Spring Break  
Schools Closed
- Apr. 1<sup>st</sup>**  
1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Field Trip
- Apr. 1<sup>st</sup> – Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Scholastic Book Fair
- Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Muffins with Moms  
8:30 am
- Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
PTA Virtual Meeting  
3:00 pm
- Apr. 4<sup>th</sup>**  
F.A.S.T. Writing Test  
4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students



Ice Cream is available for \$1.00 every Wednesday during lunch periods!



**PLEASE REPORT ALL STUDENT ABSENCES  
ATTENDANCE PHONE NUMBER  
754-323-5152**

**FORTIFYFL**  
Suspicious Activity Reporting App

See suspicious activity  
at your school?  
Report it.

Visit [www.getfortifyfl.com](http://www.getfortifyfl.com) to  
submit a tip or download the app

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# CHARACTER BUILDING

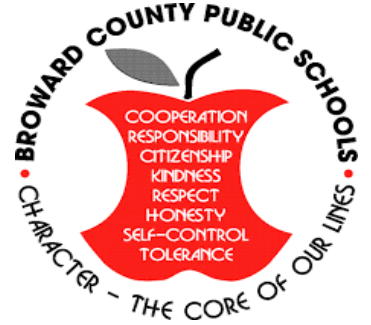


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## Kid of Character February HONESTY



Briley Joulette  
Ian Lara  
Alliyah Kocher  
Mar'kai Moltimore  
Karitza Caban-Correa  
Jose Perdomo

Malachi Hoag  
Aaliyah Smith  
Maxwell Maldanado  
Gabriel Damus  
Amaya Quilez

## SCHOOL AMBASSADOR: Taylor Fowler

HONESTY is being truthful in what we say and do



**SHHHHH!**  
We are  
testing!

## FLORIDA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT THINKING

### F.A.S.T. TESTING DATES

Please plan to have your student on time and prepared!



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**KG**

April 29<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 1<sup>st</sup> Math

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

May 14<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 21<sup>st</sup> Math

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

April 30<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> Math

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade**

May 7<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 9<sup>th</sup> Math

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

May 6<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 8<sup>th</sup> Math

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

May 13<sup>th</sup> Reading  
May 15<sup>th</sup> Math  
May 20<sup>th</sup> Science



# "PAWS"ITIVELY NEWSWORTHY



YOU'RE INVITED TO COLLINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S ANNUAL

## Muffins with MOM

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

Collins Elementary School Cafeteria  
at 8:30am



There will be a  
brief learning  
activity followed  
by light breakfast.

Please Visit the  
Scholastic Book  
Fair After the  
event!

We need your input! Please help us to improve by responding to our annual customer satisfaction survey.

### Parent Survey

Link: <https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/274711/p568>



Free monthly school pantry for your family  
through Mobile School Pantry (MSP)

Collins Elementary  
1050 NW 2nd St, Dania Beach, FL 33004

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

MSP is a free program that provides food items for students, and their families, in low-income households, on food stamps or anyone who needs food assistance. Families who register will be able to shop in our client choice pantry once a month. Food items typically offered include perishable and non-perishable food items with a focus on **fresh** fruits and vegetables.

Please carefully consider your family's economic situation to determine if this crucial program is something you need. If you can do without this assistance, **PLEASE** allow the program to be used by others. If assistance is needed, we strongly encourage you to take advantage of this program.

Once your family is signed up, you will receive monthly text messages to confirm your family's attendance to ensure we have enough food items for everyone. Be sure to bring a sturdy bag(s) or cart to transport food items from the pantry.

Please register with a phone that can receive text messages. Families who DO NOT respond to three consecutive text messages will be removed from our list.

Questions? Please contact a member of our team via email:  
[ryan@mobileschoolpantry.org](mailto:ryan@mobileschoolpantry.org) or your school counselor Nuria Casamitjana at [nuria.casamitjana@browardschools.com](mailto:nuria.casamitjana@browardschools.com).

Please scan the QR code below to register!

Sincerely,

*Zeina Zein-Wolland*

Founder | President



COLLINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

Come and Join us for our PTA Meeting

DATE: April 3, 2025

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: Virtually

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/VKClpPMjTnm6HUWLeekdpw> Passcode: 602571

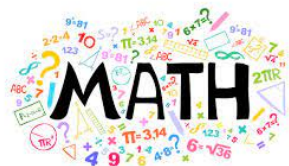
We will be discussing the follow:

- Vote on the nominating committee.
- Update on Proposed Events
- Upcoming Fundraisers
- Upcoming PTA updates
- Volunteer Opportunities to help OUR STUDENTS SOAR!!!!

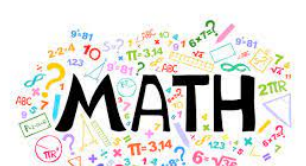
We look forward to seeing you!

Contact Information: Sharon Bures  
Phone Number: 954-540-4622  
Email: [collinsespta@gmail.com](mailto:collinsespta@gmail.com)





# ACADEMIC CORNER



## MATH AT HOME

Supporting your child in developing their math skills at home can feel overwhelming, especially if it's been a while since you relied on your own math skills. We're here to help.

### Computation

- Count orally by twos, fives, or tens
- Complete connect-the-dot pictures
- Have your child make a number book that contains a page for each numeral from one to ten. On each page, have your child glue clippings from newspapers and magazines illustrating that number concept (two dogs, three ducks, or four horses). As your child progresses with number recognition, they can add to the book and add numerical figures used in various ways
- Count and pair objects found around the house and determine whether there's an odd or even number of items
- Review math facts at home, in the car, waiting in line, or during other downtime
- Provide your child with verbal math problems. "Take the number five. Add six. Multiply by three. Subtract three. Divide by five. What's your answer?" Speak slowly at first until your child gets better at solving these mental problems
- Help your child identify percentages in signs, newspapers, and magazines
- Encourage your child to read nutrition labels, and have them calculate the percent of a specific nutrient in each item

### Geometry

- Fold a sheet of paper in half and have your child draw a shape along the fold; cut out the shape and unfold the paper to create a symmetrical shape
- Look around the house for different geometric shapes, such as triangles, squares, circles, and rectangles
- Use common household items, such as toothpicks, marshmallows, empty toilet paper rolls, twist ties, sticks, and paper, to construct shapes
- Help your child recognize and identify real-world examples of right angles (e.g., the corner of a book) and parallel lines (e.g., railroad tracks)
- While driving together, direct your child to look for objects with the same size and shape












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## READING AT HOME

**We are pleased to present engaging and effective activities to enhance reading comprehension at home.**

### **SUPPORT LEARNING AT HOME: COMPREHENSION OF LITERARY TEXT**

-  Ask your child to summarize the beginning, middle, and end of a story.
-  As you are reading, stop occasionally, to ask questions about a story's character, problem, and solution.
-  Have your child share their favorite part of the story and why it is their favorite.
-  Encourage deeper thinking by asking, "If you could rewrite the ending of the story, how would you change it?"
-  Ask your child's opinion about the events/characters in a story. Ask questions like "Do you think the character did the right thing?" "What would you have done differently if you were the character?"
-  Ask your child to make predictions about what will happen next based on the events that have taken place in the story.
-  Help your child connect the events or characters in a story to their personal experiences or other books they may have read.

### **SUPPORT LEARNING AT HOME: COMPREHENSION OF INFORMATIONAL TEXT**

-  Read material in short sections, making sure your child understands each step of the way.
-  Before reading, preview the title, and flip through the book. Ask your child, "What do you think you will learn about in this book?" or "What do you already know about (topic)?"
-  Practice looking at the text features (table of contents, captions, charts, diagrams) to learn about the topic.
-  After reading, ask your child, "What do you still want to know about this topic?"
-  Draw attention to captions, headings, sidebars, to gain more information about the topic.
-  Have your child refer to the text when answering questions.
-  Help your child take notes on the most important information in the text.






# KID'S CORNER



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**WORD SCRAMBLE**  
**DIRECTIONS:**  
 Unscramble each set of letters to discover a vocabulary word relating to the fun-filled month of March.

CNSTIE	_____	OLERYC	_____
TEYBUFLAT	_____	LOOMB	_____
TPCAIRK	_____	KULC	_____
REENG	_____	SRTAEE	_____
RDGENA	_____	ROWNABI	_____
REWOFL	_____	CICPNI	_____
IKET	_____	MHCROSKA	_____
RAMHC	_____	ESSOAN	_____
IGNSPR	_____	FDOFDIAL	_____
PAARDE	_____	QXUNOEI	_____
YDNWI	_____	SBAAKETBLL	_____
PCHRAUNIELE	_____	ODUDOTOS	_____

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Find the words listed. Words may appear forward, backward, up, down or diagonal. Words may overlap and cross each other. When you have found a word, be sure to circle it and cross it off the list.

**Word Search**

R	N	O	I	L	K	C	I	R	T	A	P	T	S	R	C
K	W	N	S	G	N	I	V	A	S	X	S	L	E	M	R
Y	B	U	T	T	E	R	F	L	Y	E	A	W	R	F	O
Q	D	T	K	G	N	R	X	T	N	M	O	T	H	G	C
N	J	N	G	R	E	E	N	E	B	L	H	N	N	D	U
N	O	N	I	N	X	R	L	K	F	N	G	I	A	X	S
B	Y	S	E	W	R	X	P	S	L	P	R	F	H	T	L
M	F	W	A	M	T	E	V	A	D	P	F	K	C	R	X
X	A	T	O	E	D	R	T	B	S	O	K	C	R	E	O
L	I	O	H	T	S	J	A	S	D	M	I	O	A	B	N
H	L	R	Y	K	K	W	N	I	A	K	T	R	M	I	I
B	L	C	I	K	P	H	L	X	N	E	E	M	Y	R	U
D	J	K	H	S	C	T	H	G	I	L	Y	A	D	T	Q
V	Z	D	F	I	H	U	C	M	Q	P	Z	H	V	H	E
P	D	G	W	M	C	H	L	E	N	I	H	S	N	U	S
X	T	U	L	I	P	K	B	H	A	T	C	H	I	N	G

BASKET  
BLOOM  
BUTTERFLY  
CHICK  
CROCUS  
DAFFODIL  
DAYLIGHT  
EASTER  
EQUINOX  
FLOWER  
GREEN  
HATCHING  
IRISH  
KITE  
LAMB  
LION  
LUCKY  
MARCH  
NEST  
RAIN  
REBIRTH  
RENEWAL



ST. PATRICK  
SUNSHINE  
TULIP  
WINDY  
SAVINGS  
SEASON  
SHAMROCK  
SPRING

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## COLLINS ELEMENTARY

### MISSION





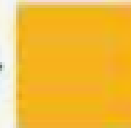




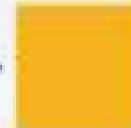

Our mission is to operate with high expectations that are met through rigorous instruction, personal growth, and effective collaboration with all stakeholders.

### VISION

Collins Elementary is a school of excellence that ensures a nurturing environment to meet the academic and social needs of children.



Can you solve this math puzzle?

	+		+		=	6
	+		+		=	10
			x		=	25
	+		x		=	?

In accordance with Florida Statute 1012.34, parents may provide input into the instructional and administrative employee performance evaluations. For input on instructional evaluations, please contact the school's principal. For input on the administrative evaluations, please contact the Regional/Associate Superintendent Office.