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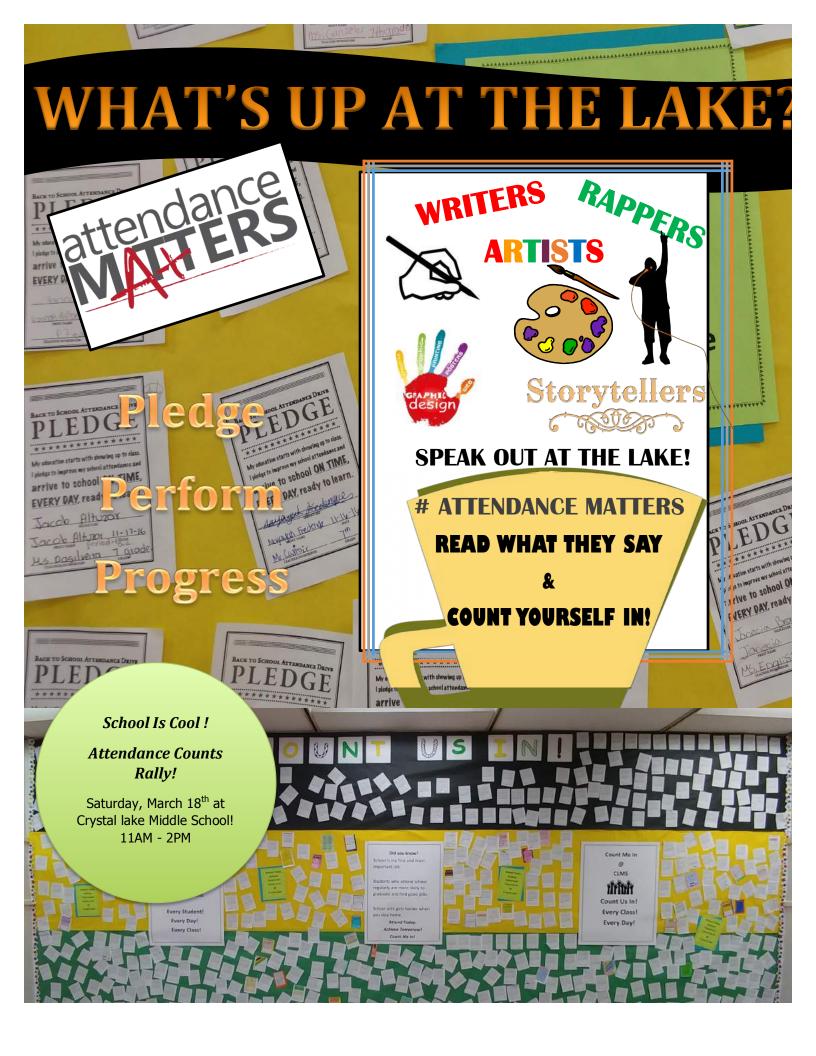


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"WE ARE CRYSTAL LAKE!
WE ARE smart, motivated,
And We ALWAYS do our best.
Preparing for College and
Careers,

we are ready for SUCCESS!!"



SUN SENTINEL ARTICLE

Grant leads to school-wide recycling program



If Cheyanne Robinson learned one thing from being a Recycling Ranger, it was that recycling is hard.

"It's hard to get people involved," said the Pompano Beach eighth grader. "It's hard to sort out all the trash and paper and just agreeing on a time to come. Some students ride the bus and if the bus is late they don't have time to come in early and collect before school starts."

Robinson is one of 10 Science Junior Honor Society students at Crystal Lake Middle School to organize and run a paper recycling program in conjunction with the middle school's science and engineering magnet program.

With \$1,200 of a \$5,000 Waste Management Think Green Grant awarded to the city, and shared with

Pompano Beach High School, the Recycling Rangers purchased T-shirts and rallied students to recycle. The group obtained 50 bins from Waste Management and and distributed them into classrooms throughout the school.

With the help of STEM Coordinator Joshua Weber, a life sciences teacher, they learned exactly what could go into the bins. And the school offered to underwrite a class pizza party to the winner.

On Thursday mornings, they visited each classroom and weighed the contents - with widely varying results. "Some fill the whole bin. Some just have one piece of paper in it," Robinson noted.

As of March 31, they had collected 1,300 pounds of paper - and a few things more.

"Soda bottles, straws, candy wrappers, chip bags, and a lollipop stick with gum on it," said Robinson. "I learned that not that many people listen. Even though it says not to put any trash in there? They are just lazy. They still put trash in there."

Still, the program likely will make the goal of 1,500 pounds by the end of the school year on June 8, and award the pledged pizza party to the class that recycles the most.

Pompano Beach Mayor Lamar Fisher said the program serves a larger purpose as well.

"The idea behind it at the city level is to encourage recycling and less waste," Fisher said. "If we get them in middle school and at the high school level we will make a difference."

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BCPS Magnet Schools Receive 2017 National Merit Awards From The Magnet Schools of America



Magnet Schools of America, a national organization of magnet and theme-based schools, has announced 2017 National Merit Awards for Broward County Public Schools (BCPS). Nine BCPS magnet schools received the Magnet Schools of Excellence Award, the top merit award given to a select group of magnet schools; and Magnet Schools of Distinction Award, the second highest award of recognition. These magnet schools and programs are recognized for their commitment to high academic standards, school diversity, specialized curricula and instruction, family engagement, and community partnerships that enhance the school's magnet theme.

"These achievements are testaments to the commitment and dedication of our school leaders and teachers to excellence in education," said BCPS Superintendent Robert W. Runcie. "This is a competitive process that awards only a small fraction of the magnet schools nationally. We are very proud that our magnet schools have been recognized for the outstanding work going on across our District."

Congratulations to the following National Merit Award winning magnet schools:

Plantation Middle School, International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program

Magnet Schools of Excellence

Sunrise Middle School, Montessori

Magnet Schools of Distinction

Apollo Middle School, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Atlantic West Elementary School, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Attucks Middle School, Cambridge Global Communications Academy Crystal Lake Middle School, Engineering and Environmental Science Program Fort Lauderdale High School, Cambridge Fort Lauderdale High School, Pre-Law & Public Affairs New River Middle School, Marine Science

The schools will be recognized and receive the National Merit Awards during an awards ceremony held at Magnet Schools of America's 35th National Conference, April 26-30, 2017, hosted by Los Angeles Unified School District in Los Angeles, CA.

To learn more about magnet schools and programs in Broward County Public Schools, contact the Innovative Programs Department, at 754-321-2070 or visit browardschools.com.

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Elizabeth "Belle" Johnson

Age: 12 Trait: Responsibility

School: Crystal Lake Middle School, Pompano Beach

Grade: Eighth Hometown: Pompano Beach

When it comes to taking responsibility, Elizabeth "Belle" Johnson has developed a reputation as a role model who can be counted on, from volunteering at a school event to leading her peers through complicated assignments. The younger students, especially, need someone to look up to, she says.

Matthew Hamilton, eighth-grade physical science teacher, and Michele Matlas, science department head: Elizabeth volunteered through the Civil Air Patrol at Crystal Lake Middle School's Community Connection Event. Approximately 1,000 people attended and Elizabeth showed responsibility and good character by being a leader with the rest of her CAP members. She showed responsibility by assisting parents and students around the school, as well as safeguarding restricted areas. Thanks to her due diligence, parents and students easily found their way around school and there were no incidences of people in unauthorized areas.

During robotics, she leads her robotic team by keeping them on task with complicated assignments, their team project and through teambuilding exercises. Elizabeth also came up with an innovative idea for her group's Animal Allies Project, which is a project that focuses on human interactions with animals. She was able to lead this project through leadership and responsibility. Elizabeth has proven to be a responsible student that teachers can count on and fellow peers know they can look up to.

Lorl and Robert Johnson, parents: Elizabeth demonstrates the responsibility trait by taking charge of things in and out of school. She likes to be a helper to everyone. She enjoys teaching others the things that she has learned. She takes pride in being able to participate in fundraising activities, cheer on others in their achievements and be supportive to her friends and her family. She tries to give solutions to problems she or her peers encounter. She is always ready to jump in and help anywhere she is needed. She is always one of the first ones to volunteer, whether it is at school or in the community. She has a good heart and always wants to help wherever needed. She is also concerned for others and wants the best for everyone. She has always been a child that does the right thing and tries to be a good example for others to follow. She tries to keep things moving along as they should. She will go to school and complete her day and then stay two to four hours over to be able to help with tours, clubs and other functions in school. She will be one of the first to a fundraiser whether it's the morning, evening or the weekend. You can count on her to be present and very active in all these settings.

Elizabeth "Belle" Johnson: Being responsible is just something that comes naturally to me. It is something that I love doing. If someone doesn't exhibit this trait then who will the younger students look up to? Who will tell them what they need to do or what happens when you get put in the magnet program, or what they need to know about the school in general? Who will tell them how they can navigate the school and where the classrooms are, and how they can figure out the school and how they can get to know other people if they are shy, and how they can get to know their teachers?I exhibit this trait in and outside of school. I do it to be kind and to help others. I feel good because I know that when there is ever a time that someone needs something they can come to me.



Employee of the Month Team Player of the Month

EUNGATULATIONS!





December Congratulations

Employee of the Month: Ms. Brown



Team Player: Mr. Walker



TEAM PLAYER

Mr. Casimir





November

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Ms. Plaza

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MARCH





April









Ms. Cooper's French Class

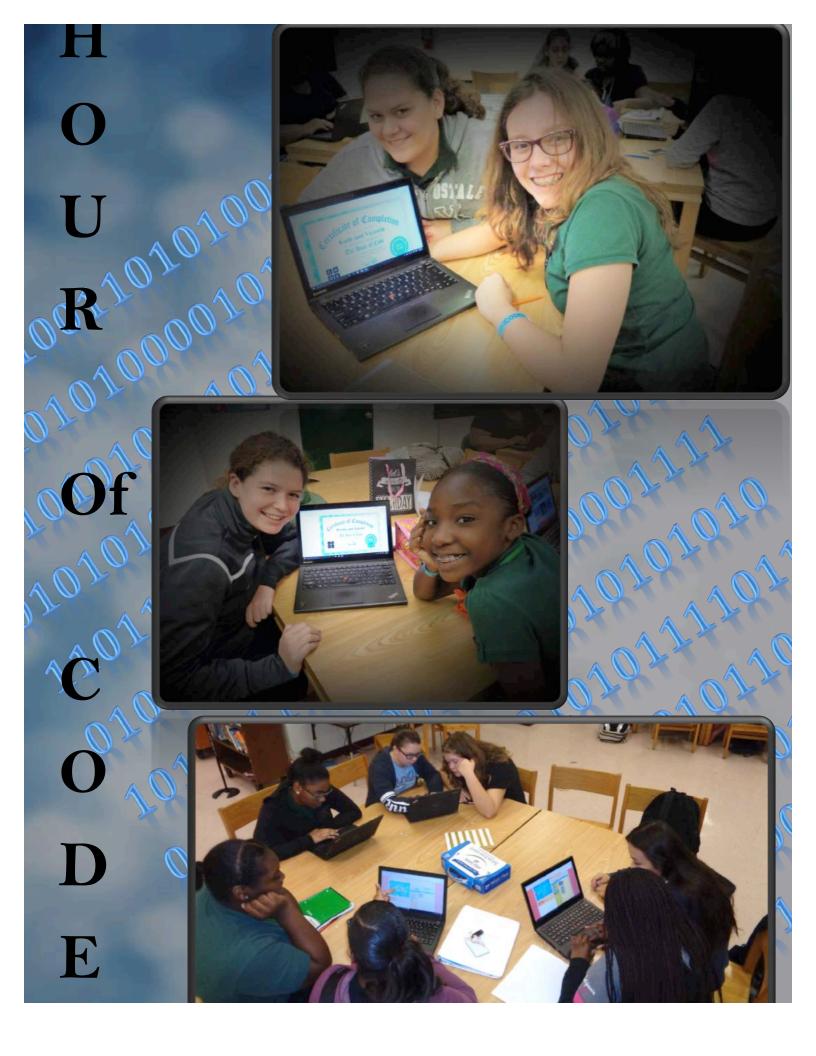






Dress for Success! Crystal Lake Middle School









World War II Visitors









Field Trip to the Federal Reserve Bank



Crystal Lake Students visited
The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta-Miami Branch
Wednesday March 1, 2017
Ms. Morgan's Class

Walk Out for Cancer!



Mentoring Tomorrows Leader's MTL





Students
representing
Crystal Lake
Middle
School at the
School Board
Meeting.

Principal's Honor Roll

Honor Roll





Crystal Lake was tied with the only other public middle school for the most winners with a total of 6!

4th Place

Maximino Delgado – Which herbicide is the safest on tomato plants? Christopher Campanella – How does liquid affect the speed of light?

3rd Place

Khushi Desai – Settle Battle: Does the angle of a gravity settler affect the settleability of solids in a liquid?

Ethan Del Campo - How does temperature affect an electric vehicle?

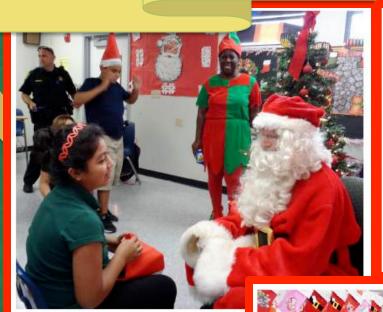
2nd Place

Gabrielle Lusskin - Will it Stretch? : How does temperature affect the elasticity of rubber?

Hannah Storrs Tiny but Mighty Magnets; Powerful Repelling Force Fields

Hannah's project also won a Special Award from SEO Enterprise for her investigation.

Remember the December Fun with the SVE Class







Sports at Crystal Lake

2017

2017 BOYS & GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE



Jan. 11	Coral Springs (H)
Jan. 18	Westglades (A)
Jan. 23	Pompano (A)
Jan. 25	Rickards (H)
Jan. 30	Lyons Creek (A)
Feb. 1	Deerfield (A)
Feb. 6	Renaissance University (H)
Feb. 8	Sawgrass Springs (H)

Girls play first 1/14 - 1/26 Boys play first 1/29 - 2/6

All game times are 4:00 pm, unless otherwise noted

Admission fee for all games is \$2 – Students, \$3 - Adults

2017 BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

2017 BOYS & GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



Coral Springs (A)*4:30

Feb. 21	Sawgrass (A)
Feb. 27	Millennium (A)
Mar. 1	Deerfield (A)
Mar. 3	Sunrise (A)
Mar. 7	Lyons Creek (A)*4:30

Mar. 13 Rickards (A)*4:30 Mar. 15 Pompano (A)

Boys play first 2/21 - 3/3 Girls play first 3/7 - 3/15

Mar. 9

April 5 Westglades (A)

*Meet at Stoneman Douglass High School

April 19 Sawgrass Springs (A)

*Meet at Coral Glades High School

April 26 Lauderdale Lakes (A)

All game times are 4:30 pm, unless otherwise noted
Admission fee for all games is \$2 – Students, \$3 - Adults

*Meet at Boyd Anderson High School



ROBOTICS AT CRYSTAL LAKE

Our Robotics Team did excellent this year!

I would like to thank Mr. Hamilton and Mrs. Ballou, who have tirelessly helped our students prepare this year.

At Glades Middle Qualifier:

- 1. Robopaws took home first place Robot Technical Award
- 2. Hazard Heroes took home first place Project Award

At Ramblewood Qualifier:

- 1. Cyberstorm took home First Place in Project
- 2. Seabreeze took home the Champions Award (First place overall)

Robopaws, Hazard Heroes and Seabreeze moved on to the Regional Tournament. This tournament was held at Boynton Beach High School. All of our teams made a great showing.

Robopaws is moving on to the Florida State Invitational Tournament at Polk State College in Winter Haven.

Robopaws was also invited to the Mountain State FIRST LEGO League Invitational in West Virginia. At this tournament the team will meet with astronauts and get to intern with the NASA Robotics Team.

Robopaws was also awarded the FIRST LEGO League Global Innovation Award. At this tournament the team will travel to Washington D.C. and learn how to write a patent. They will then get an opportunity to possibly apply for that invention patent.

Traci L. Cohen





Important Information!

As you are aware, our state legislators are currently in session. Included in this year's session are some proposed bills that will have major implications on us as a collective community if they are signed into law. Visit our website to learn more about these proposed bills through the district's webpage dedicated to educating our stakeholders on the actions taking place during the session, It is critically important that our parents and stakeholders stay informed about what's happening in Tallahassee@ as always, we thank you for supporting our efforts at Crystal Lake Middle!

District's Website:

http://www.browardschools.com/School-Board/Legislative-Information/Legislative-Comments



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