



THE TRADEWINDS EAGLE



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For your child's safety, ALL visitors MUST check in and receive a visitor's pass.

From the Principal's Desk:

Tradewinds continues to shine and I'd like to recognize the following "young authors" who presented their original writing last Wednesday evening to all who attended. Congratulations to Stefania Glantzis, Diego Ortega and Alexandra Romanski (Grade 1), Santino Carotenuto and Alexandra Kwiatkowski (Grade 2), Kamille Alfasi, Mikayla Perez, Gianna Scanzera and Broderick Sheaffer (Grade 3), Estefani Fioravante, Ayden Ortega, Gabriella Russo, Marcelo Saladrigas, Hailey Soto and Christian Zapata (Grade 4) and Victor Ferreira, Jayna Pearl and Rosie Kleine (Grade 5). Simultaneously, our debate team competed at Everglades High School and continues to be one of Broward's best. The following children received medals in their specific skill areas (original oratory, impromptu and dramatic interpretation): Aliyah Guerrenero, Dailynn McCray and Joshua Wenig and the following students impressed the judges: Caleb Achmad, Kayla Fioravante, Diego Flores, Alexander Nguyen, Zarya Petidos, Paityn Scott, Mihr Shah, Christan Tam, Mason Udell, Natalie Walker and Drew Weaver.

On Saturday at Coral Springs High School, our Grade 4 and 5 Math Teams also competed in both individual and group competition at the annual Broward County Council for Teachers of Mathematics (BCCTM). As always, we look forward to the results and traditionally excel as a collaborative team. Congratulations to Alexander Nguyen, Ysabella Posades, Haleigh Potter, Noah Tarry and Mason Udell (Grade 4) and Carter Craig, Diego Flores, Lee Matthews and Camilo Tovar (Grade 5).

Please join us at our upcoming Zone Family Night on Tuesday, **March 19th** (6:00 - 7:00 p.m.) at Tradewinds Elementary. Principals, Curriculum Coaches and Guidance Counselors from our zone of schools (Tradewinds, Quiet Waters, Winston Park, Lyons Creek and Monarch High School) will all be on hand to discuss test-taking strategies, promotion criteria and share essential information as the "testing season" begins. Enjoy coffee, refreshments, conversation and networking as we strive for learning gains for all students.

The Florida Standards Assessments and testing season will begin immediately after the spring recess. Please note the testing dates (listed on the back) and plan accordingly, as punctuality and attendance are essential for all students. We strive for 100% attendance on all testing days in order for students to test with their teacher, classmates and in a familiar testing environment. When reviewing the calendar, please also note that some sessions are on Mondays and others on Fridays.

Keeping students focused and attentive to classroom instruction is of utmost importance. We count on you to help us, as we will not interrupt instruction with the many late drop offs for water bottles, homework, lunch or lunch money, sweaters or jackets. Have your child accountable for having all the items they need for school prepared each evening.

Please join us this evening for our PTA/SAF and for this Wednesday's Spring Book Fair Family Night.

Calendar of Events:

Mar. 11 6 pm SAF/PTA General Meeting
Mar. 12 – 15 PTA Spring Book Fair
Mar. 13 6 pm PTA Family Night

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 19 6 pm Monarch Zone Event
Mar. 21 Multiplication Olympics Gr. 3
12 pm Early Release Day
Mar. 22 No School
Mar. 25 – 29 Spring Break – No School
Apr. 1 Reading Across Broward Due

Character Education • Self Control

You display self control when you are able to:

- walk the halls Tradewinds' style.
- use proper table manners, a quiet voice and raise your hand to make a request.
- pick healthy snacks (fruit or candy)

5th Grade Parents • Lyons Creek Middle School Matriculation Information

If your fifth grader will attend Lyons Creek Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year, you are invited to their Matriculation Meeting during their Saturday sessions on **March 16** or **April 13** from 8:30-9:30 a.m. or 10:00-11:00 a.m. You will have the opportunity to learn about the school, tour the campus, make course selections, and submit registration paperwork (registration and two proofs of address). Course selection cards and registration paperwork will be posted on the Lyons Creek Middle School website for your review.

Be Prepared for Weather Changes

Unexpectedly it can get cold, especially early in the morning. Please remind your child to dress for the weather. A jacket or sweater can be removed as the day warms up and worn around the waist.

Online Parent Survey

In an effort to improve System Practices, Broward County School District is conducting a parent survey. We value your opinion and ask that you please take a few minutes of your time to complete it. Please visit our website and find the link under "Parents" or go to:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/100874/p568>

Please be assured that your responses to this survey will be anonymous. Your honest opinion is appreciated.

Test Taking Tips for Parents

- ✓ Make sure your child attends school regularly. Tests reflect the overall achievement of your child. The more often the child is in a learning situation, the more likely he will do well on test.
- ✓ See that your child has a well-rounded diet and gets a good night's sleep. A healthy body leads to a healthy and active mind.
- ✓ See that your child completes homework assignments. Homework supports classroom instruction and can help your child increase comprehension of the classroom work.
- ✓ Give your child encouragement. Praise him for the things done well throughout the year. A child who is afraid of failing is more likely to make a mistake.
- ✓ Meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress. Parents and teachers should work together to benefit the child.
- ✓ Ask the teacher to suggest activities for you to do at home with your child. These can help your child improve his understanding of schoolwork.

Florida Standards Assessment (FSA)

Our Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) season will officially begin on Tuesday, April 2nd. All testing this year will be paper-based. Please add these important dates to your calendar as they are updated from earlier in the school year: April 2nd - Grades 4 and 5 English and Language Arts Writing Component, April 2nd and 3rd - Grade 3 Reading, May 1st and 2nd - Grades 4 and 5 Reading, May 3rd and 6th - Grade 5 Science, May 7th and 8th - Grades 3,4 and 5 Mathematics, May 14th - Grades 1 and 2 Primary Reading Assessment



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