



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:

It was a pleasure to open our doors to our students and families during last week's Open House events. Hopefully, you were able to observe your child(ren)'s learning environment, meet their teacher(s), understand the classroom procedures, the grade level standards and promotion criteria, etc. Parent involvement in student education is one of the highest indicators of success and is always encouraged at Tradewinds Elementary.

Please join us for tonight's School Advisory Form (SAF) and PTA meeting at 6:00 p.m. in our school's media center and our first Coffee and Comprehension/Café y Comprensión will take place next Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. hosted by our Guidance Counselor, Dr. Latasha Kendrick, and the topic is Guidance Resources and Services. All are welcome.

When visiting our school, please enjoy our Peace Wall outside the art classroom, which will be on display beginning the Week of September 20th. This activity is part of Peace Week, celebrated in our schools. Read all about it at <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/33779>.

PTA is hosting Fall's Scholastic Book Fair on the week of September 23rd. Students will have the opportunity to browse and/or purchase new titles, series, genres and select from a variety of award-winning books.

Other events include: 10/3 - Individual Picture Day, 10/10 - School Advisory Committee (SAC), 10/14 - School Lunch Week, 10/17 Early Release Day and End of 1st Quarter, 10/18 No School, 10/21 - Red Ribbon Week, Start 2nd Quarter and School Advisory Forum (SAF) and PTA Meeting, 10/23 - STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) K - 2 Night, 10/28 Team Sports Dress Up Day.

We are providing these Spring dates to help you plan accordingly as student attendance is imperative. Save The Dates: Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) Schedule:

- April 1st and 2nd - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Reading) - Grade 3
- April 2nd - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Writing Component) - Grades 4-5
- May 4th - May 15th (Window) - Primary Reading End-of-Year Assessment - Grades 1-2
- May 5th and 6th - English and Language Arts (FSA ELA Reading) - Grades 4-5
- May 12th and 13th - Mathematics (FSA Math) - Grades 3-5
- May 19th and May 20th - Statewide Science Assessment - Grade 5

We are asking our families who can donate non-perishable items to our neighbors in the Bahamas to do so. Our school effort can certainly make a difference. Each item contributed will result in a large shipment just from Tradewinds Elementary. Thank you to Ms. Colon and Mrs. Doda for leading this community service effort. More details forthcoming.

Calendar of Events:

Sept. 16 Swimming Session 1 Begins - K
6 pm SAF & PTA
Sept. 20 – 27 Choose Peace Week
Sept. 23 – 27 PTA's Book Fair
Sept. 27 Swimming Session 1 Ends - K

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 24 8:30 am Coffee & Comprehension
Sept. 30 No School
Oct. 1 Swimming Session 2 Begins- K

Free Family Counseling

The Family Counseling Center at Monarch High School (5050 Wiles Road, Coconut Creek) provides services for students and their families that are confidential and free of charge. To schedule an appointment call 754-321-1590. Appointments are available day and evening with a licensed therapist.

The Family Counselor can help your child overcome barriers to school success and happiness, addressing a variety of family and emotional issues. Topics include: anger management, anxiety/depression, attention deficit disorder, bereavement and loss, bullying, communication skills, conflict resolution, crisis intervention, domestic violence, eating disorders, hyperactivity, parenting skills, peer pressure, school phobia, self-esteem issues, separation/divorce, stress management, and study skills.

Morning Reminders

- Breakfast is served from 7:30-7:45 a.m. We are unable to serve students arriving late.
- Park only in the west side parking or the empty grassy area directly across from the car loop parking lot. Do NOT park in the bus loop, the Church, or Storage Facility.

Report Absences

Report your child's absence daily at 754-322-8700. Automated Attendance will call your home between 5:30 and 9 p.m. Teach your child that unless they are sick, they must go to school. Schedule appointments after school.

Helping Your Child Succeed in School

Get to know your most important ally – your child's teacher. Don't wait until a problem arises to get in touch with the teacher. Many problems can be solved through cooperation and open communication. Parent-teacher conferences are an important part of reporting student progress.

So that teachers may provide accurate, organized, and meaningful information to parents, "pop-in" conferences are discouraged. Parents may arrange a conference by using the student planner. Make sure the teacher has your contact information and knows when is the best time to reach you.

Dress Code Reminder

A better teaching, learning, health, and safety situation exists when students are dressed and groomed in a way that reflects pride in themselves and their school; therefore, students must dress appropriately.

Tradewinds has adopted a unified dress code. Students are expected to wear the school colors daily: khaki, hunter green, gold, and white. Parents are encouraged to model appropriate attire when visiting the school. Refer to the Code Book for Student Conduct on the district's website for further details.

The PTA Exchange Bank is ready to supply school clothing. Just submit your request with your child's name, size, and teacher's name to the office.

Health Screenings

Florida Statute requires that each district conduct health screenings for students new in the county, Kindergarten, 1st and 3rd grade through the School Health Services Program. These include hearing, vision, height and weight. Parents/guardians have the right to opt their child out of the screenings. If you do not want your child to participate, please notify the school in writing.

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