

# PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

## GROWING GREATNESS, ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

FEBRUARY 10, 2025

Greetings Griffin Families,



**School Vision: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow**

**School Mission: To ensure that all students receive a quality education, within a safe, secure and nurturing learning environment**

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WHO WILL BE THE CHAMPION TODAY??

Enjoy the game this evening! It should be exciting especially the half time show and the Ads.

Last Friday, Our Teacher of the Year – Ms. Alishe Hajaree and School Related Employee of the Year – Ms. Maria Dunakin were honored at the Caliber Awards at the Lauderhill Performing Center. So proud of them.

I am also happy with our mid-term results for the State just released this weekend.

Grades	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
ELA	70	63	60
MATH	52	44	54

Congratulations to the teachers and students for their hard work in the first half of the school year. Now for the home stretch for the PM 3 in April for Primary and May for Intermediate. There is still work to be done. Please continue to ensure students read daily and learn their math facts. Automaticity in Math Facts helps students to solve math

problems accurately. For iReady for you able to track your child’s progress under the My Report tab. Our focus on iReady is Lessons Passed. School goal is 80%.

Together we can achieve greatness!

**REMINDERS:**

Traffic Concern from residents:

Parents, please refrain from speeding on 116th Ave near Tamarind Park between 7:15 and 8:00am. This is very concerning to the residents for their safety while they are exercising or walking. It’s been reported parents dropping off their children at school constantly speed down the street. The speed limit for residential area is 25MPH. This concern has also been reported to BSO.

SRO Day: 02/15/2025 – Thank you Deputy Gordon for serving Griffin Elementary. You are doing an amazing job.

We will be celebrating our 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Faculty, Staff, Students and past employees. We are excited to celebrate 45 years of EXCELLENCE on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

Friday is an early release day. Students will be released at 12:00 pm.

The Kids Heart Challenge is in full swing. Thank you for your contributions. You are contributing to a good cause.

Have a Heart for Wildlife- Griffin Eco Patrol will be collecting the following items over the next two weeks for the South Florida Wildlife Care Center in Fort Lauderdale. See attached list.

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Days of the week	Events	Time
MONDAY	K-5 grade Book Buddies Meeting	8:30 am
	ELO Camp – for selected students Chorus	2:00 pm
TUESDAY	Interims Issued Faculty Meeting	2:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	KG Valentine Centers	8:30 am
	KG Round Up – evening event	6:00pm
	4 <sup>th</sup> Eco- Patrol	2:00 pm

THURSDAY	KG Round Up – Morning event Band 4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Bingo Night	9:00 am 2:00 pm 6:00 pm
FRIDAY	Early Release Day Student Council Sponsoring Rosie’s Icees for Students EBD Picnic in the environment center.	12:00pm

With Sincere Gratitude,

Principal Jones

# Have a heart for wildlife

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## SFWC Wish List

OUR LIFESAVING WORK REQUIRES A VARIETY OF ITEMS TO TREAT INJURED AND ORPHANED WILDLIFE. THE FOLLOWING IS OUR "WISH LIST" OF SUPPLIES NEEDED TO KEEP OUR WILDLIFE HOSPITAL OPERATING 7 DAYS A WEEK, 365 DAYS A YEAR. MANY OF THE SPECIFIC ITEMS LISTED BELOW CAN BE FOUND AND PURCHASED THROUGH OUR [AMAZON BABY REGISTRY](#) OR [CHEWY WISHLIST](#).

### Medical & Animal Care

- PLASTIC SHOE BOXES WITH COVERS THAT LOCK
- EYE WASH - SALINE
- PLASTIC 6x9 CLIPBOARDS
- NON SHUT-OFF HEATING PADS
- BOTTLES OF RUBBING ALCOHOL
- BOTTLE OF HYDROGEN PEROXIDE
- SURGICAL TOWELS
- CONCRETE BIRD BATHS/SMALL POOLS
- POOL SKIMMER
- 45 GALLON AIRTIGHT BINS
- DIGITAL GRAM SCALES
- HANGING BIRD FEEDERS
- NON-TOXIC BUG SPRAY
- DRI-DEK RUBBER MATS
- STERILE GAUZE (2x2 OR 4x4)
- 6" LONG COTTON-TIPPED APPLICATORS
- DAWN DISH DETERGENT
- BUNGEE CORDS
- 2" SCREWS FOR NEST BOXES
- BATTERIES — AAA, AA, D
- MASKING TAPE - 1", 2", OR 3
- DIGITAL INDOOR/OUTDOOR THERMOMETER
- DIGITAL HYGROMETERS
- ZIP TIES
- PET CARRIERS: MESH AND HARD PLASTIC
- CLEANING BRUSHES
- RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES AND CHARGER
- FLAT SHEETS, PILLOW CASES
- SPRAY BOTTLES (NEW)
- ZIPLOC BAGS: GALLON, QUART, SANDWICH
- CLOTHESPINS (WOODEN OR PLASTIC)
- TRASH BAGS (33 GAL)
- TRIANGLE LITTER TRAYS
- KID SAND BOXES
- FIRST-AID CARE (BAND-AIDS, ETC.)
- UNOPENED DISTILLED VINEGAR
- BLEACH
- NATURAL WOOD BIRD PERCHES
- FANS
- RUBBER BOOTS
- RAIN PONCHO / WOMEN RAIN JACKETS

### Gift Cards

- HOME DEPOT
- LOWE'S
- PUBLIX
- AMAZON
- CHEWY



### Office

- 8 X 10 PRINTER PAPER
- RETRACTABLE PENS
- POST-IT NOTES
- BLACK SHARPIES
- SCOTCH TAPE

Students can drop off their items in the donation box **outside the media center**. You can find more information on our school website. Thanks!

[Please recycle this paper](#)

# FEED YOUR CREATIVITY

## NOURISHING FUTURES THIS SUMMER

Summer is the hardest time for kids facing hunger, with schools closed and no access to free meals. Through the art of giving, students in grades K-12 are encouraged to create and submit artwork that raises awareness about summer hunger and inspires their peers. Use this guide to help your design stand out!

[feedingsouthflorida.org/fyc25](https://feedingsouthflorida.org/fyc25)

### Dates to Remember

**Feb 1 - Apr 30**

Artwork Submissions Online

**May 15**

Gallery Night - Winners are announced

**May 29**

Truck Unveiling At The Grand Prize Winner's School



### Grand Prize Winner

**Your art on a 36' truck**

Artwork is displayed as a truck wrap on a 36' tractor-trailer that travels throughout Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties.

**Your original art on display**

Artwork is prominently displayed at Feeding South Florida's main warehouse.

**Announced on social media**

Announcements on social media platforms including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

## More Chances to Win

### By Grade

Kindergarten - Second Grade  
Third Grade - Fifth Grade  
Sixth Grade - Eighth Grade  
Ninth Grade - Twelve Grade

### By County

Palm Beach County  
Broward County  
Miami-Dade County  
Monroe County

### By Category

Feeding South Florida Team Favorite  
Most Creative

## Creation Guidelines

**\*Please note: In order to scale art to fit the truck, the winning artwork and placement of the sponsor logo are subject to change.**

### Sizing

Two-dimensional 8.5"x11" sheet of paper.

### Accepted Mediums

Painting, drawing, mixed media, and graphic design.

### Each entry must be original

For more information on copyright laws, we recommend visiting the scholastic website:  
[www.artandwriting.org/awards/how-to-enter/copyright-plagiarism](http://www.artandwriting.org/awards/how-to-enter/copyright-plagiarism).

### Colors

We strongly encourage students to incorporate Feeding South Florida colors in their art.

#### ORANGE

Pantone: 158c  
Hex: F47820  
RGB: 255, 121, 0  
CMYK: 0, 65, 100, 0

#### GREEN

Pantone: 371c  
Hex: 53682B  
RGB: 83, 104, 43  
CMYK: 53, 14, 89, 56

#### YELLOW

Pantone: 012c  
Hex: FFD700  
RGB: 255, 213, 0  
CMYK: 1, 14, 100, 0

#### LIME

Pantone: 382c  
Hex: BFD730  
RGB: 191, 215, 48  
CMYK: 30, 0, 100, 0

#### FUSCHIA

Pantone: 241c  
Hex: C0F86  
RGB: 192, 47, 134  
CMYK: 12, 92, 0, 11

## Submission Guidelines

- 1 Scan your artwork as a PDF.**
- 2 Name the document as FirstNameLastName\_SchoolName.PDF**
- 3 Complete the online submission form, including uploading your art file.**
- 4 Feeding South Florida will accept online submissions from February 1 to April 30.**
- 5 Please drop off or mail original art to the locations below:**  
2501 SW 32 Terrace, Pembroke Park, FL 33023  
4925 Park Ridge Blvd, Boynton Beach, FL 33426

### Attention art teachers

We ask that entries are submitted online with the completed artwork. Students may need help with this.

### Winners

Will be announced at the Gallery Night Event on May 15.

# Get Inspired: Create Art That Nourishes

This year's Feed Your Creativity campaign focuses on "Nourishing Futures This Summer"—highlighting the importance of healthy meals in building a brighter future for kids.

## Drawing Examples for Students

### **A Giving Tree of Nourishment:**

Draw a tree where the branches are filled with fruits, vegetables, and books, symbolizing the gifts that nourish both the body and mind. The roots can show words like "Love," "Hope," and "Generosity."

### **Hands Sharing the Sun:**

Picture hands passing a bright sun to one another, with its rays turning into food, school supplies, and smiles. This symbolizes how giving spreads light and nourishment.

### **The Art of a Meal:**

Imagine a dinner table filled with colorful foods where each item turns into a symbol of hope—like bread turning into a heart or water transforming into a river of opportunity.

### **A Summer Scene of Sharing:**

Draw kids enjoying summer activities, like playing in a park or reading books, with a picnic in the center that showcases healthy meals being shared.

### **A Giving Bridge:**

Create a bridge labeled "The Art of Giving" connecting two sides—one side showing hunger and challenges, and the other showing nourishment and a bright future.

### **A Gift Box of Nourishment:**

Design a gift box bursting with healthy foods, art supplies, and sunshine. Add words like "Kindness," "Growth," and "Creativity" floating out of the box.

### **The Circle of Giving:**

Draw a circular design with hands passing food and gifts around, symbolizing how giving keeps the community connected and nourished.

### **A Summer Rainbow of Futures:**

Create a rainbow where each color represents something meaningful—like red for love, green for nourishment, blue for education, and yellow for creativity. Add kids reaching out to the rainbow to symbolize hope.

## Tips for Creating a Winning Design

- Keep the focus on the idea of nourishment and giving.
- Use bold colors to make your artwork stand out.
- Think about how your art can inspire others to care about summer hunger.
- Make sure your message is clear—what story is your art telling?