

Meadowbrook Elementary School Newsletter

“Soaring to New Heights”

August 2019

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Meadowbrook Elementary is Proud to Be a Title I School

School Website: meadowbrook.browardschools.com

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Important Dates:

August:

14-22 Parents may begin to complete online forms

September:

2 **No School/Labor Day**

4 Open House

Session 1 @ 5:30-6:15pm

Session 2 @ 6:15-7pm

9-20 PTA Domino's Pizza fundraiser

27 PTA Movie Night

Mark Your Calendar!



Meadowbrook is a

mandatory uniform school!

UNIFORMS COLORS:

Polo Shirts: White, Navy & Light Blue

Bottoms: Khaki and Navy Blue Pants,

Shorts, & Skirts/Dresses

Message from Administration:

Happy August! Welcome back students and Meadowbrook families! This is our monthly newsletter. Our newsletter is distributed the first Thursday of each month and contains important dates, highlights progress and programs, and recognizes student and staff achievements. We hope you had a wonderful summer and we know you're ready for a great school year. I am the new principal at the school and I am very excited to be here!

We're implementing several new safety measures this year including revised car loop dismissal, mandatory ID badges, locked perimeter gates and monthly lockdown drills. Please read below for details.

During the first days of school, all students were given a first day packet. Please take time to read all of this important information, fill out the requested forms, and complete online acknowledgements by August 22nd. We look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming Open House. Please support the PTA by becoming a member and supporting the upcoming PTA events. Together, we will have another fantastic school year where we'll "Soar To New Heights!"

Be sure to visit our website: meadowbrook.browardschools.com and follow us on Twitter at @MBE_Eagles & @MeadowbrookElem for announcements and photos.

-David J. Levine, Proud Principal

Open House

September 4, 2019

5:30 - 7:00 PM

Enrollment & Class Size and Student Placement

All initial class placements are tentative as class changes may take place throughout the first weeks of school. Our enrollment is currently changing every day. As a result, some class sizes are higher and lower than targets. Due to the State Class Size Reduction law, students may need to be moved between teachers or to new teachers **after the start of school** to ensure compliance with the required student limits. These limits are 18 students for Kindergarten to Grade 3; 22 students for grades 4 and 5. Please know that students' needs will continue to be met through proper instruction and services.

Parents will be contacted if their child is having a class change. Your patience and cooperation are appreciated!

Support the PTA Domino's Pizza Fundraiser September 9-20

Partners in Education

Needed: Business Partnerships

Questions? Call Mrs. Coleman @ 754-323-6500



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Input into Evaluations

Parents interested in providing input into the performance evaluation of Meadowbrook instructional or administrative evaluations may contact Principal Levine @ 754-323-6500 by April 10, 2020.

Apply online:

FREE or **REDUCED Lunch**

www.myschoolapps.com

Call 754-321-0250 for assistance.

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. This year, the Emergency Contact and Code of Student Conduct forms for your child must be completed online. Online forms are easy to complete and all data is protected and secure. Visit browardschools.com/bts to access the Back to School wizard, which walks you through the process of completing the forms. Please note, you will need your child's student identification number to complete the forms, which are provided in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole and Portuguese. Questions? Call 754-323-6500

Important Safety Measures for the 2019-2020 School Year:

School Resource Officer & Campus Monitor:

Meadowbrook will continue to have Deputy Hibbert from Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) at our school. We have also hired a full time Campus Monitor to provide additional safety measures.

Parent and Visitor Access to Meadowbrook Elementary School:

Maintaining a safe campus is our priority. New guidelines and policies are being implemented districtwide in an effort to better secure our campuses. The District has mandated that once the school day begins, all perimeter gates must be locked except for one gate to allow for parent and visitor access to the school. This gate will be secured and monitored at all times by our campus monitor and school personnel. Please help us to keep our campus safe by adhering to the following expectations for arrival, dismissal, and access to the campus. The parking lot that accesses the carloop will be open for drop off beginning at 7:15am and all students should be escorted to the gate near the cafeteria. **DO NOT** drop off your child prior to this time. There is no supervision! All gates will be locked and secured at 8:00am. If you need to access the campus, you will need to come to the front gate and speak to the campus monitor for access. The gate to the front parking lot will be reopened at 2pm to 6:00pm and will be monitored by ASP After School staff to allow for dismissal and pick up from the aftercare program. When entering the campus, please be prepared to share your purpose for entry to the campus with staff members. At times, due to inclement weather or staff breaks, there may have to wait at the front gate. We kindly appreciate your cooperation and patience as we work together to keep our children safe.

Emergency Preparedness:

Teaching children what to do in the event of different types of emergencies has always been embedded in your child's instruction. We conduct fire drills monthly and tornado drills two times per year. This year, the District has mandated that lockdown drills be held monthly. In the event of an actual emergency, we will communicate with the school community as soon as possible using parentlink. To ensure that you can receive this timely communication, be sure that you keep your contact information up to date with the front office.

Unified Dress Code:

Meadowbrook has a mandatory dress code. Students' adherence to our dress code is important in helping us identify those that belong on campus. For more information on approved colors and types of clothing, please refer to the information in your first day packet and on our website. If your child has outgrown their uniforms and you would like to donate them to our uniform closet, we would love to have them. Please bring washed and folded clothes bagged to the front office.

Student ID Badges:

This school year, all students in Broward County Schools are required to wear identification badges. Meadowbrook will provide your child with an ID badge and lanyard. The ID badge will remain in school. All staff are also required to wear ID badges.

Late Arrival & Early Dismissal:

All parents arriving after 8am must speak to the campus monitor, drive into the front parking lot and escort your child to the front office. Tardy minutes are closely tracked as part of the BTIP program so arrival prior to 8am is vital. Also note that breakfast is FREE for all student every day but only served from 7:30-7:55am. Early Dismissal must take place prior to 1:30pm. Parents seeking early dismissal must speak to the campus monitor, park in the front parking lot and enter the office.