

Meadowbrook Elementary School Newsletter

“Soaring to New Heights”

September 2019

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Meadowbrook Elementary is Proud to Be a Title I School

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Important Dates:

September:

- 9-20 PTA Domino’s Pizza fundraiser
- 16 Student Picture Day
- 24 SAC Meeting @ 2:20pm
- 27 PTA Movie Night
- 30 **No School/Holiday**

October:

- 2 PTA Ice Cream Social & Volunteer Orientation @ 5pm (Cafeteria)
- 9 **No School/Holiday**
- 17 **Early Release Day/Dismissal @ 12pm**
- 18 **No School/Teacher Planning Day**
- 23-31 Red Ribbon Week
- 25 PTA Fall Dance @ 5:30-7:30pm

Mark Your Calendar!



No School

September 30,

October 9

&

October 18

Message from Administration:

Happy September! Our first weeks of school are going great! Enrollment is strong and our school is expected to meet schoolwide class size reduction (CSR) average of 18 students in Grade K-3 and 22 in Grade 4-5. Additional teachers and class support is being finalized and class changes will be completed during the next few weeks of school.

Our Open House was very successful. A Volunteer Orientation/PTA Ice Cream Social is set for October 2 @ 5-6pm. The fire, tornado and lockdown drills completed so far in collaboration with our BSO School Resource Officers have been done in perfect manner. Fire and lockdown drills are required and will be held monthly. Interim Reports went home on September 13th. The PTA Dominos Pizza fundraiser has been extended to Sept. 23rd. Mark your calendar: PTA Fall Dance is scheduled for October 25th at 5:30-7:30pm. Parents interested in volunteering or joining our School Advisory Council (SAC) should contact Mrs. Liberatore at 754-323-6500 as our next meeting is scheduled for September 24th at 2:20pm.

Meadowbrook is a mandatory uniform school. Exemption from policy requires waiver approved by Principal within first 10 days of school. 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

PTA Ice Cream Social &



Volunteer Orientation

October 2 @ 5-6pm

Cafeteria

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 9-23

Partners in Education

Needed: Business Partnerships

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



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School Advisory Council (SAC) Community Members & Parents:

Our next SAC Meeting
will be

September 24 @ 2:20pm
Media Center

Apply online:

FREE or **REDUCED** Lunch

www.myschoolapps.com

Call 754-321-0250 for assistance.



PTA Movie Night showing "Aladdin"

September 27

5-7 PM

Tickets only \$5

Ticket includes movie entry, popcorn and drink

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.