Thurgood Marshall Elementary

2018-2019

Safety, Security and School Updates

Open House

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Armed Safe School Officer or Police Officer

Thurgood Marshall Elementary (TME) will be staffed with an armed officer every day during student hours to provide school security and safety services for the campus and protect the life and well-being of scholars, staff, and visitors. The officer will use appropriate level of force to stop, disrupt or eliminate physical threats to students, staff, and visitors on campus.

Security Cameras

The TME security monitoring system has been upgraded per district protocol to meet new digital standards. All security cameras can now be monitored in real-time from several computers when on district campuses. Upgrades to the security system will continue throughout the 18-19 school year to include additional cameras with analytic capabilities that will further enhance our abilities to identify and mitigate threats to the security of our campus and safety of all scholars, faculty/staff, and visitors.

Doors

All doors, including front office and classroom doors, will be locked at all times. The single point of entry to the campus is the front office. All visitors must enter the campus through the single point of entry.

Perimeter Gates

School perimeter gates will be unlocked only for arrival and dismissal. Unlocked gates will be monitored by school staff members who will have a functioning two-way radio and be trained in procedures of how to respond to intruders accessing the campus. When utilizing the parent car loop on the north side of campus (NW 13th Street entrance to NW 7th Terrace), all parents/caregivers are expected to remain in their vehicles during student drop off before school and student pick after school. School staff will assist in getting children into and out of cars. The parent car loop will be unlocked during the following time:

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

Outside of these windows of times, you will need to call the front office (754-322-7000) to request for someone to come open the gate. All perimeter gates will remain locked during school hours and aftercare program hours. Access to the campus will only be permitted through the single point of entry in the front office.

Signing In

All visitors must enter through the front office and be processed through the Security Tracking and Response (STAR) System by providing a valid Federal, State, or Broward County School Board issued photo identification. This includes, but is not limited to, parents, District staff, vendors, volunteers, and members of the public. Visitor names, date of visit, time of arrival, purpose for visit, and time of departure will be logged.

Student Uniforms

Thurgood Marshall Elementary is a **MANDATORY** unified dress code school. It is expected that all students are in uniform, Monday through Friday, with the exception of designated school spirit days which will be announced ahead of time. The student dress code guidelines outlined in the Code of Student Conduct will be enforced.

Emergency Preparedness

Emergency preparedness drills will continue to occur on a regular basis (fire and tornado drills). New this school year, Code Red Drills will occur each month as part of our emergency preparedness. Appropriate notice of the drills will be provided when necessary.

Parent, Scholar & Staff ID Badges

Individuals visiting campuses must wear a district-issued identification badge, site-based visitor badge or volunteer badge while on campus. ID badges **MUST** be worn at all times. Any visitor that is not wearing a badge will be expected to produce and wear the appropriate badge or immediately leave campus. Additionally, identification badges will be produced for all scholars and staff members and must be worn at all times. The Crisis Text Line will be printed on the back of student and staff identification badges. This tip line can be used by texting FL to 741741.