


September 2023



Forest Glen Middle School

6501 Turtle Run Blvd. Coral Springs, FL

Main Office: 754-322-3400

Regular Day: 9:15am - 3:50pm

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Our mission is to create and maintain a safe learning community of students and adults who embrace new opportunities to learn and grow together through engaging experiences while demonstrating respect, responsibility, and accountability to themselves and each other.



Our vision is to cultivate and inspire lifelong learners whose love for applying their knowledge will bring them success in today and tomorrow's world.

From the Principal's Desk

We are so excited to welcome our new Principal this month. We look forward to sharing newsletter information with you in the month of October from our new Principal. Stay tuned!

The magic in new beginnings is truly the most powerful of them all.

-Josiyah Martin

Dates to Remember

9/1 - PM 1 Testing begins
9/4 - NO SCHOOL/LABOR DAY
9/6 - The Wave Motivational Activity for sixth graders
9/6 - Cross Country Tryouts 4pm
9/7 - ELA PM1 Testing All Grades
9/7 - SGA Meeting 4pm
9/7 - Home Soccer Game vs. Ramblewood at 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/8 - PAWS with Mrs. G 8:45am
9/8 - Math PM1 Testing All Grades
9/8 - Away Soccer Game at Rickards 4:30pm
9/10 - World Suicide Prevention Day
9/11 - Patriot Day
9/12 - Home Soccer Game vs. Coral Springs at 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/14 - Home Soccer Game vs. Renaissance Charter at 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/19 - Speech & Debate Tournament
9/20 - Home Soccer Game vs. Imagine Broward at 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/21 - SAC/SAF Meeting 9:30am Media Center
9/21 - Home Soccer Game vs. Westglades 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/22 - Curriculum Council
9/25 - NO SCHOOL/YOM KIPPUR
9/26 - Home Soccer Game vs. Sawgrass Springs 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/28 - Home Soccer Game vs. Margate 4:30pm Turtle Run Park
9/29 - Wildcat Incentive Cart during all lunches

Did you know?

September is **National Suicide Prevention Month!**

Suicide IS 100% PREVENTABLE.
Contact the 988 Suicide & Crisis lifeline via call or text if you are experiencing mental health-related distress or are worried about a loved one who may need crisis support.



Curriculum Updates

Guidance

Testing for the FAST PM 1 will take place on the following dates: September 7 ELA & September 8 Math. Please reach out to Ms. Sanders (G6), Ms. Brandon (G7), & Mr. Auger (G8) with any questions.

ESE

We have welcomed a new 6th grade support facilitator, Ms. Tunsill and Behavior Tech, Mr. Cannon to our ESE team! They are both great additions to this team to make it whole. ESE will start gearing up to practice for Special Olympics by the end of 2023.

Media Center

Welcome to our Media Center, Wildcats! Stop by before or after school, or with a pass from your teacher. We have so many new books this year, waiting to be checked out. Lunch in the Media Center will start in a couple of weeks. We will be having monthly contests and literacy activities. Congratulations to Tazaria Batts, who read all fifteen Sunshine State Young Readers books this summer!

Electives

All electives courses are off and running! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's elective teacher.

Social Studies

Welcome back Wildcats! The Social Studies Department is excited to welcome you back to campus for a great year! Seventh grade students take Civics, which is the study of our government and citizenship. At the end of the school year, all seventh grade students take an End of Course Exam (EOC) which counts for 30% of a student's overall Civics grade for the year. Our teachers have already started teaching about Rule of Law, Due Process, and the different types of governments in the world. Finally, all students should see our new program, Connections to our World, on the morning announcements. Ask your student how civics and history apply to their own lives.

Science

The science department is settling into curriculum starting with discussing important aspects of scientific investigations like identifying independent and dependent variables or the difference between repetition and replication as these are skills students will use throughout the school year. 8th graders will also learn about the fundamental building block of the universe, the atom. 7th graders will focus on the building block of life, the cell. 6th graders will investigate the flow of energy through Earth's and weather patterns.

Math

All teachers are beginning topic one. 6th grade is working on adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing decimals. 7th grade is working on adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing rational numbers. 8th grade is working on irrational numbers, square roots, and cube roots. Algebra is working on solving one, two, and multi-step equations. Geometry is working on foundations, proofs, and logic.

What is VILS?

VILS is an acronym for Verizon Innovative Learning School. Forest Glen Middle is a proud VILS school! Digital Promise, a global nonprofit, collaborates with Verizon to equip every student and teacher at select middle schools across America with a device and provides students with access to reliable internet service through a hotspot.

This means every student attending FGMS has the ability to check out an iPad for the entire school year, bring it home and back to school each day to assist in their academic success. We invite all parents and students to complete the to-do list below if any student is interested in checking out an iPad this year.

Meet Ms. Barris, Our VILS Coach



Ms. Barris is an amazing technology resource for the Glen! Fun fact about her is that she LOVES Broadway Musicals! She is also the ELA Leading Learner and supports the ELA teachers with curriculum and instruction. Please contact her with any iPad concerns or issues. She can be reached via email at laura.barris@browardschools.com.

VILS Updates

Are you interested in receiving an iPad while you attend FGMS?

FGMS IPAD TO-DO LIST

iPads will be sent home with students by mid-September. To receive an iPad you must complete the three items listed below.

If you choose to opt out of an iPad for this school year, please write OPT OUT at the top of the attached paperwork and return to your child's math teacher.

#1

Complete the attached paperwork. All highlighted areas must be completed to receive an iPad.

#2

Complete Digital Citizenship lessons in school.

#3

Parents complete the digital citizenship form by scanning the code OR going to <https://forms.office.com/r/rnsmUXZewz>

Parent Digital Citizenship 23-24



Complete the to-do list you see here! Contact Ms. Barris at laura.barris@browardschools.com with any questions.

parent's Corner

Scan the QR
codes to complete
parent trainings!

Teen Dating
Violence
Prevention
Parent Training



Anti-Bullying
Policy Parent
Training



Still in need bus
transportation?
Register for a bus!



ID Badges

ID badges are required daily. Students must wear their own ID badge for the duration of the school day. Pictures must be visible. First ID badge violation is a verbal warning. Second ID badge violation is a lunch detention. First 4 ID badges are free. The 5th reprint is a \$5 charge to a student's account. Please ensure students are wearing their badges daily.

Checking Grades



Check grades daily or weekly by
logging onto Pinnacle.

Username: (Student 10-Digit
Number)@my.browardschools.com.

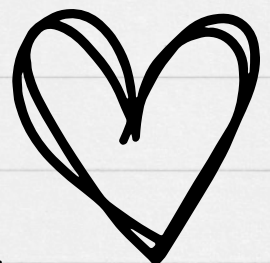
Password: PMM/DD/YEAR (Capital P+ 2
digits for month/2 digits for the day/4
digits for the year)

Appropriate Attire for School

- Jeans that do not reveal thigh skin (no holes above the knee)
- Shorts, skirts, & dresses that are the length of your longest finger tip when hands are straight and placed at the sides of your legs
- Shirts & tops that are longer than the top of your pants, skirts, shorts or jeans (no crop tops)
- Spaghetti strapped tops or dresses are not permitted
- No hoodies or head coverings are allowed

Parents and/or Guardians,

Thank you for supporting our
students and staff each and
every day. We appreciate you.



Safety Information

At the Glen, we are **Responsible, Respectful** and **Safe** every day!

To report any safety concerns, please use the apps below, call our school at 754-322-3400, or email any one of our staff members. Please note that all information will be taken seriously. If you see something, please say something!

Submit a tip easily via the anonymous Fortify FL app. Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc. Download the app or visit <https://www.getfortifyfl.com/> for more information



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ALERT

Mobile Duress Alert App

SAFERWATCH

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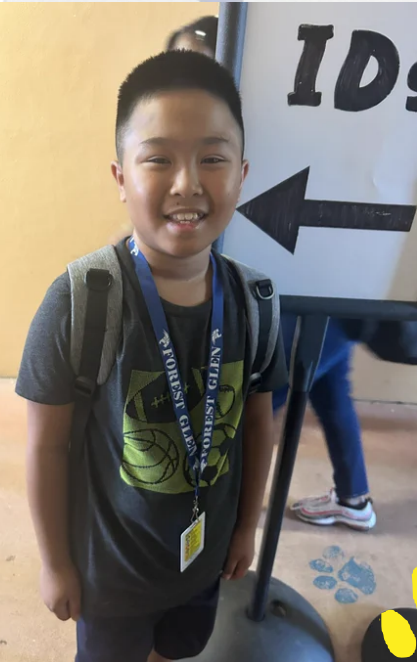
SAFETY SECURITY & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Download Alyssa's Alert. It is an app that provides a mobile panic alert system capable of connecting diverse emergency services technologies to ensure real-time coordination between multiple first responder agencies.

At FGMS, we are promoting a safe culture by encouraging everyone, parents, students and staff, to say something if they see something. Saying something keeps us all **SAFE**.

**IF YOU SEE
SOMETHING,
SAY
SOMETHING.**

Campus Life



THIS IS US

