

IMPORTANT OCTOBER DATES:

10/5: No School, Yom Kippur

10/6: Wolf Fest, 4-6pm

10/11: Orchestra Concert, 6:30pm, Auditorium

10/13: Band Concert, 6:30pm, Auditorium

10/14: SAC/SAF Meeting, 8:15am, Media Center

10/14: SGA Talent Show, 6pm, Auditorium

10/17: Picture Makeup Day

10/17: Harvest Drive Collection Begins

10/20: Early Release Day, Dismissal at 1:45pm

10/21: No School, Employee Planning

10/24: Red Ribbon Week Begins

Dear Westglades Family,

We are off to a great start of the year at Westglades. We want to continue the positive momentum by keeping our students engaged and involved as much as possible.

IMPORTANT NOVEMBER DATES:

11/1: Carline Harvest Drive Drop-off11/8: No School, Employee Planning

11/10: Report Cards Issued via Virtual Counselor

11/11: No School

11/21: Thanksgiving Break Begins



Clubs and athletics are an amazing way to have your child meet new friends and form positive peer relationships in a safe and secure environment. We are happy that many of our athletic programs are underway.

We have also started our clubs and are adding new clubs all the time. Please check out the <u>club calendar</u> on our website and encourage your child to participate. As always, parents are encouraged to have an active voice at WMS by attending monthly SAC meetings. Information about these meetings can be found on our **website**.

The end of the first quarter will be on Thursday, October 20th. Our NJHS students are providing free tutoring every Wednesday for all students beginning at 8AM in Room 135. Information regarding other **tutoring opportunities** can be found on our website. It is important to check your child's grades often on **Pinnacle**. **Directions for accessing your child's grades** can be found on our website.

Westglades will begin its annual <u>Harvest Drive</u> to assist families in our community. This is a great opportunity for students to get involved in helping those less fortunate. Our Harvest Drive collection will be from October 17th-November 7th. We will do a carline drop off during the mornings and afternoons from October 31st-November 4th. All items that are being collecting can be found on our on our <u>website</u>.

We look forward to all of the great things that October brings to Westglades Middle School!

- Matthew Bianchi, Principal







IMPORTANT WMS CONTACTS



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BACK TO SCHOOL ONLINE FORMS



☐ Parents/Guardians, please be sure to☐ complete your child's back-to-school forms, online. You must complete these forms at the start of each school year for each student enrolled in the District. Once you complete and submit the forms, you will receive an email confirmation. Print and return the confirmation to your child's school.

BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS

ATTENTION PARENTS OF ALL CURRENT 7th GRADERS

Prior to entering the 7th grade, all students must provide a Florida Certificate of Immunization (DH 680) stating that their immunizations are complete for 7th grade entry. Please note that in addition to compliance with all other required immunizations, children entering the 7th grade in Florida schools must have received one dose of the tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap) vaccine.

Your child may need additional immunizations and/or you may just need to turn in the updated DH 680 form. You may request the form from your child's physician's office or visit a public health center.

Please email your child's updated immunization form to our Registrar at

Chanda.James@browardschools.com.



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For the safety and security of all on campus, students must wear ID badges on campus.

Below are the rules and consequences for not wearing an ID badge.

If a student forgot or lost their ID Badge, the student will get a temporary ID badge in the morning and a replacement during lunch. Students who do not have ID badges will receive disciplinary consequences for not wearing their ID badges at school. This includes lunch detention on each occasion with the possibility of in-school suspension if it becomes habitual (more than 3 times).

Replacement ID Badges are free for the first 3 times a student comes to school without an ID badge. A charge of \$5 will be placed on the student's obligations each time after the 3rd ID badge is given.



Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Boundary Discussion

Community Meeting #1

What:

Inform the community on the overcrowding concerns at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High and solicit input for proposals

When:

Monday, October 3, 2022 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Where:

Coral Springs Middle School 10300 W Wiles Road Coral Springs, Florida 33076

Community Meeting #2

What:

Share and discuss draft enrollment relief proposals for Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School

When:

Thursday, November 3, 2022 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Where:

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The 2023-24 School Boundary Process Timeline and other materials can be viewed from the Demographics & Enrollment Planning Web site at: https://www.browardschools.com/boundaryprocess

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Visit:

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MEDIA CENTER, 8:15AM

OCTOBER 14, 2022 NOVEMBER 18, 2022 DECEMBER 9, 2022 **JANUARY 20, 2023 FEBRUARY 10, 2023** MARCH 10, 2023 APRIL 14, 2023 MAY 12, 2023















Our 1st Debate tournament of the season, hosted by IncubateDebate.org, took place on September 17th at Nova Southeastern University. Seven counties in South Florida participated.

Congratulations to WMS seventh grader and first-time tournament speaker, Keira McHugh! She placed 9th in the final round after having competed in two preliminary rounds and a semi-final round. She spoke to an audience of 150 and a panel of judges from the FBI, the Broward County Police Department, state and federal judiciary, and several state and local universities. The final round was a town hall debate with eight high school students and one other seventh grader.

Honorable mentions go to Evalyn Tonos, 8th Grade, and Scott Miller, 7th Grade.

Both made it to the semi-final rounds!

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE!



On September 13th, Mr. Bianchi and the WMS Administration Team surprised two very important staff members. Mr. Grissette and Ms. Cook were voted, by their peers, as the Westglades Middle School Teacher and Employee of the Year!



Joseph Grissette has been a Civics teacher at Westglades for 10 years. He is the sponsor of S.A.D.D and Boys Basketball Coach. "I am so appreciative for being nominated for teacher of the year. I love teaching and hope to inspire students to enjoy learning." ~Mr. Grissette.



Ms. Cook has been working in the Westglades 8th Grade Administrative and Guidance Office for almost four years. Some of her responsibilities include scheduling the school's parent and teacher conferences, handling student records, and reporting daily student bus transportation. She is on the school's SAFE team and assists at athletic games. Before joining the Westglades team, Ms. Cook was an active parent volunteer for the band and PTO. She is thankful to be a part of Westglades Middle School.



We have amazing extra-curricular programs and activities available to students at Westglades Middle School.

Please take a moment to check them out on our website under the Activities Tab.

https://bit.ly/3CoSTHS

Best Buddies
Broward Youth Coalition
Chess
Debate
DECA In the MIddle
Drama / Jr. Thespian Club
E-Sports
Florida Future Educators (FFEA)
Howl Book
Multicultural
National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)

Rubik's Cube SADD Student Government (SGA) Stock Market

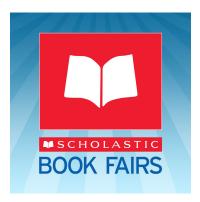
> Tennis Youth Mountain Bike



For anyone that needs to have their School Picture taken, Fall Picture Makeup Day has been scheduled for

Monday, October 17th. Visit

WestgladesMiddle.com for the order form and/or to place an order online via the Fox-Mar website. As reminder, Fall pictures are used for the yearbook. Yearbooks are sold via WestgladesPTO.com.



The Scholastic Book Fair has been postponed.
All students will be notified of the new date
and will attend the Book Fair with their ELA
teacher when the time comes.

As a reminder, when the new Book Fair is announced, you may add funds to your student's e-wallet. Prior to your attending the Book Fair, use this link to add funds to their SCHOLASTIC e-WALLET.

Anyone can contribute to an eWallet.

It's perfect for spoiling grandkids, nieces, and nephews. It's as easy as sharing your eWallet link with friends and family. See you at the Book Fair!



September 19-23, 2022

On Friday, September 23rd, WMS students had a blast participating in the district-wide initiative to promote peace. They covered our track and basketball courts with beautiful colors and messages of peace.

#Chalk4Peace























YOU'RE INVITED!

Westglades Band and Orchestra students will perform their first concert of the year in October! The Westglades Orchestra Fall Concert is October 11th and Westglades Band Fall Concert is October 13th. Both Concerts begin at 6:30 pm in the Westglades Auditorium and are free to anyone who wishes to attend.

Westglades Bands students will perform in costumes as part of their concert. Westglades Orchestra will be holding their Chipotle Fundraiser that night! Visit Chipotle (4600 N University Dr) on October 11th from 5 - 9pm and tell them you are with Westglades Orchestra!









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