

Re-Imagining Middle Grades, 2019-2020

Coral Springs PreK-8

RMG Implementation Model: Ambassador School



What exactly does Re-Imagining Middle Grades (RMG) mean?

Broward County Public Schools is committed to changing the middle school experience for its students and implementing incremental steps that will ultimately lead to a systemic change in our District. As a result, we have begun to “re-imagine” our middle schools, beginning in the 2018-2019 school year. We will strive to include all students in project-based experiences via an interdisciplinary approach. Social-emotional learning will support students in a warm environment where their unique educational needs are met. This will lead to enhanced student engagement and motivation and facilitate connections across content domain. The plan also calls for increased electives and extracurricular activities at the middle school level. The ultimate goal of our “reimagining work” is for students to be engaged and to have the social emotional competencies, problem-solving skills, and academic achievement to help them successfully transition from middle school to high school and beyond.

What is our school’s focus for Re-Imagining Middle Grades?

As an Ambassador School, our focus is to engage students in project-based learning and introduce them to the components of social-emotional learning. Our focus is to offer programs and activities that will enhance student participation and increase academic engagement.

As we infuse new instructional models in classrooms, how do we support our teacher’s growth through professional learning?

- Teachers have attended the professional development on Conscious Discipline.
- Teachers provided with SEL resources.
- Teachers trained in the implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports.

What additional elements have we implemented to support Re-Imagining Middle Grades?

- A variety of mentoring programs, including: Proud to be She Girls’ Mentoring, Peer Mentoring, Peer Counseling and our Best Buddies Program.
- Student leadership opportunities through our Student Ambassadors Program and Student Government.
- There is an SEL Corner in every room.
- We also continue to implement our RtI meetings in an effort to identify academic and emotional needs of some students in an effort to implement interventions so students can reach their potential.