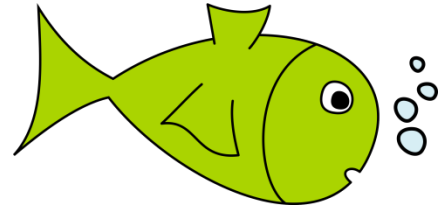


Update 9.1.17

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for another wonderful week. It is an absolute pleasure to work with your children. They are intelligent, articulate and respectful. Some notes to consider as we move into next week.



- ✚ Please be reminded that students who currently receive free or reduced price meals must renew their meal application each year within the 20 day window. Please visit <https://freeandreducedmealapp.dadeschools.net/> to apply.
- ✚ We have finished the bulk of our schedule changes. We will begin our review of 12th grade course histories to make sure our seniors are set for graduation.
- ✚ Next week we launch our donation drive to help the victims of hurricane Harvey in conjunction with the American Red Cross. Necessities include socks, toiletries, cleaning supplies and dog leashes. Please bring items to AC1-395 from Tuesday to Friday (9/5 – 9/8)
- ✚ Students will participate in our annual Club and Society Fair during lunch on September 13. We ask that all students join, at least, one club or honor society. It looks great on their college application.
- ✚ Our Open House/Back to School Night is September 27, 2017 from 6:00 PM until 8:30 PM. We would love to see everybody here that night.
- ✚ Panther ID cards have been distributed most of our students. Students who have yet to receive an ID card should contact Mr. Lubin for assistance.
- ✚ Students who are 17 years of age or older and are interested in donating blood to help the victims of hurricane Harvey must see Ms. Madrigal in AC1-395 to obtain a consent form.
- ✚ The PSAT is coming. The PSAT is an excellent predictor for student performance on the SAT and is used to identify 11th grade students for the National Merit Scholarship. The PSAT is administered annually to all 10th grade students. The test is also open to all 9th and 11th grade students for a fee of \$16.00. However, our wonderful PTSA will pay the test fee for any student who is a member of the PTSA. PTSA membership forms are available on the PTSA page of our website. Students may join the PTSA for \$5.00. This represents a saving of \$11.00. Join today and save.
- ✚ Please talk with your student about grades, attendance and current school events every week. Our students are brilliant and we expect nothing less than “A’s” and “B’s” on all assignments and tests. When concerns arise, contact your student’s teachers quickly so discussions may be held and remedies suggested. Teacher contact information is available on the Resources page of our website.

- ✚ Next week, we will “gently” remind students who are not in uniform that they must adhere to the school dress code. Members of our fantastic PTSA are working hard to fulfill all uniform orders quickly. Please be reminded that our students must adhere to the dress code, which consists of our logo shirt and blue, black or tan colored pants. All outwear must have our logo as well. Thank you for your cooperation. Remember that the money raised by our PTSA comes back to students.

- ✚ Teachers who instruct students with special needs were provided documentation regarding the accommodations that are outlined in each child’s IEP or 505 Plan. You should have received an email from your child’s teacher. If you did not, please contact the teacher by email and copy me so that I may assist you. The parents of students who are classified as Gifted will receive a Meeting Invitation within the next few weeks so we may update each child’s EP.

- ✚ Please a weather eye out for hurricane Irma. It’s still early, so make sure you have supplies and a plan in case you need to evacuate. Please visit <http://dadeschools.net> for information regarding hurricane shelters in your area.

Thank you for your attention. Until next time... bye for now.