



# The Wildcat's Roar

Diplomat Middle School



Proud to be a  
Positive Behavior Support  
"PBS" Model School



April 8, 2016 - June 10, 2016

## Events:

- April 8: Odyssey of the Mind State Competition—Orlando, Florida
- April 11: Student Government—4:15 to 5:00 PM in Room 6-100
- April 13: Boys' Track & Field Finals—5:45 to 7:00 PM  
Fort Myers High School
- April 14: Girls' Track & Field Finals—5:45 to 7:00 PM  
Fort Myers High School
- April 15: Report Card Day
- April 16: Wet n' Wild Field Trip for Orchestra
- April 18—22: Earth Week
- April 19: Students wear WHITE for Air
- April 20: Students wear BLUE for Water
- April 20: Spirit Cats—4:10 to 5:10 PM in Room 6-119
- April 21: Students wear GREEN for Nature, Energy, and Recycling
- April 22: Students wear ANIMAL PRINTS for Wildlife
- April 22: Lock-In (Permission Slips must be received.)
- April 25: Student Government—4:15 to 5:00 PM in Room 6-100
- April 25: SAC/PTO—6:00 to 7:30 PM in the Media Center
- April 26: FCAT for Science
- April 27: Florida School Assessment for Language Arts
- April 28: Florida School Assessment for Language Arts
- April 28: Golf Games Begin—See schedule in newsletter.
- April 28: Tennis Games Begin—See schedule in newsletter.
- May 3: Florida School Assessment for Math
- May 3: Spring Picture Day
- May 4: Florida School Assessment for Math
- May 5: Student Leadership—4:00 to 5:30 PM in 6-225
- May 6: High School Registration for 8th Graders—2:30 PM—3:30 PM
- May 6: Interims
- May 6: NJHS Ceremony—6:30 PM—7:30 PM  
Cafeteria
- May 9: Student Government—4:15 to 5:00 PM in Room 6-100
- May 10: Florida School Assessment for Algebra 1
- May 10: 6th Grade Registration A-L  
Media Center
- May 11: Florida School Assessment for Algebra 1
- May 11: 6th Grade Registration M-Z
- May 13: Digital Design Student Art Show—Time TBA  
Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center Downtown Fort Myers
- May 17: Civics EOC
- May 17: Beginning Band, Concert Band, and STOMP—7:00 PM  
Island Coast High School
- May 18: Spirit Cats—4:10 to 5:10 PM in Room 6-119
- May 19: Symphonic Band & Jazz Band—7:00 PM  
Island Coast High School
- May 20: 7th Grade Awards Ceremony—6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
- May 20: Field Day
- May 23: Student Government—4:15 to 5:00 PM in Room 6-100
- May 24: Spring Chorus Concert—7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
North Fort Myers High
- May 26: Spring Orchestra Concert—7:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
North Fort Myers High
- May 30: SAC/PTO—6:00 to 7:30 PM in the Media Center
- June 2: 6th Grade Awards Ceremony—6:00 PM to 7:30 PM  
Cafeteria
- June 3: 8th Grade Awards Ceremony & Dance—6:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
Cafeteria
- June 6: Student Government—4:15 to 5:00 PM in Room 6-100
- June 8—10: Early Dismissal Days
- June 9: Spring Theatre Production—6:30 PM in Cafeteria
- June 10: Last Day for Students & End of Year Festival

Hello Wildcats,

The Fourth Quarter has begun. You are on a nine week countdown to summer. Between now and then though, there is a LOCK-IN on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

To earn your way into the LOCK-IN you can only have earned A's, B's, and C's on your third quarter report card, AND have no referrals as of January 4<sup>th</sup> through to the minute the LOCK-IN begins. We will have the same types of rooms as the first one, but with one BIG new item. We have rented a laser tag company to be here that evening. We are very excited about this.

Like the first LOCK-IN, the cost is \$10, per student, but remember to bring snack money as well so you can buy pizza, snacks, and drinks. It begins at 4:00pm—right after school, and ends at 8:00pm. Parents will pick up their students at 8:00pm. We hope to see you there.

Eighth graders, we have invited the five West Zone high schools to come meet with you in May so you may begin choosing your first set of high school electives. You will hear more about this on the Wildcat news in the next couple of weeks. We are sad to see you go, but are SO excited that you will begin another chapter of your lives.

Seventh and sixth graders, you should be looking over the online registration information to select your elective courses for next year. Remember that there are a few new literacy courses: Classical Mythology, Psychology, Sports Sociology, and Philosophy II. Talk with your parents about your choices.

One more thing... remember Wildcats, you will be taking a few tests between now and the end of the year as well. Everyone will take the **FSA Reading** and the **FSA Math** – unless you are in 8<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra, then you will take the **Algebra EOC** in place of the FSA Math (only one math exam per student), 7<sup>th</sup> graders will also take the **Civics EOC**, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will take the **FCAT Science**.

There is a lot going on during April, May, and June. Stay focused on your school work. Attempt to earn only A's, B's, and C's.

Have the best last-nine-weeks of school ever.

Proud to be in the Pride,

# Congratulations!

*High Impact* Teacher recognition:

Teresa Evans  
Jeanie Hart  
Tim Schnabel  
Sandra Villela



## Our Odyssey of the Mind Team

has won the privilege of competing this month at state level in Orlando! Congratulate these students for excelling in this intense, out-of-the-box level Competition.....

Maddison McCreary  
Michaela McCreary  
Dasha Zlyvko  
Sasha Gorbanovski  
Kassandra Macchi  
Michael Elsberry



...of our talented students were selected by the Alliance for the Arts to be in their show, "The Future of Art."

The show will run through April 15th. Please support your fellow students and school in this exciting event.

## A Big Thanks to our Business Partners

**7-Eleven (Andalusia & Diplomat)**

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Stuff a Bagel (Pine Island & Skyline)

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# ..... TENNIS

Wed., April 28 vs. Mariner at Mariner High  
Tue., May 3 vs. Caloosa at Cape High  
Mon., May 9 vs. Trafalger at Cape High  
Tue., May 10 vs. Challenger at Mariner High  
Mon., May 16—Playoff Round 1 at TBA  
Tue., May 17—Playoff Round 2 at TBA  
Wed., May 18—Girls Quarterfinals at Cape High  
Thu., May 19—Boys Quarterfinals at MHS  
Mon., May 23—Girls Semifinals at Cape High  
Tue., May 24—Boys Semifinals at Mariner High

Approximate game time starts are at 5:30



# GOLF



Wed., April 18 vs. Gulf Middle at Coral Oaks  
Wed., April 20 vs. Mariner Middle at El Rio  
Mon., April 25 vs. NFMAA at El Rio  
Wed., April 27 vs. Caloosa at El Rio  
Wed., May 4—Area match at El Rio, 2:30 PM  
Thu., May 12—Regionals at Westminster, 2:30 PM  
Thu., May 19—Gold Championship

Approximate game time starts are at 5:30

# BAND

On March 3rd, the Symphonic Band earned the highest possible marks at their Concert Band Music Performance Assessment—Straight Superiors! The judges were wowed by their musical performance and overall sound. We are very proud of them for their hard work and achievement!

We are so proud of the following Diplomat Jazz students for being selected as members of the All-County Jazz Ensemble:

**Trinity Worrall on alto sax**  
**Vershawn Wright on trumpet (lead part)**  
**Jacob Woddard on trumpet**  
**Noah Lynch on drum set (lead part)**



# ORCHESTRA

On March 18th, both our Concert and Chamber Orchestras received a Superior in sight reading from the judge for competition in the Florida Orchestra Association's District Music Performance Assessment in Naples. We are so proud of our student for their hard work and determination this year!



DMS has been named PBS Model School Gold Level for a second year. Thank you, Tammy Labelle, our PBS leader.  
Whoot! Whoot!

Parents... Help us be considerate of our neighbors.  
Please do not park in yards across from our school.

**Diplomat Middle School's Spring LOCK-IN**

Parents, looking for a night out?

**Friday, April 22nd from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
• Cost is \$10.00

- Open gym, movie rooms, video game room, board game room, reading/drawing room, followed by a dance in the gym!
  - Concessions: pizza, drinks, candy, and popcorn will be sold (Not included in the ticket price)
- Bring permission form and money to your first or second period teacher beginning the week of November 2nd
- Eligible to attend: DMS students with no referrals for: 1/4/16–4/22/16 and no D's or F's on their report card

Lock-In movies...

- Star Wars, The Force Awakens
- Ice Age, The Continental Drift
- Mockingjay, Part II
- Ella Enchanted



Our Community Service Club (CSC) will be promoting activities for Earth Week from April 18–22. Activities include:

- Wearing colored shirts (see specifics on event list—P. 1)
- Door decorating contests
- Earth-o-grams sold in the café
- Pledges supporting environmental awareness
- \* Lessons planned and implemented by CSC

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### REMINDER TO PARENTS

If your morning or afternoon schedules are tight, you may use our before and after school care for a small fee each school day. Students may come onto campus at or after 9:05 am, without the need of our fee based care. Students who arrive BEFORE 9:05 am, become a part of our before school care at a cost to parents of \$5 per school day.

Students must be picked up immediately after dismissal to avoid the need of our fee-based after school care. Those students who are still on campus, waiting to be picked up after dismissal is complete at 4:10pm, will become part of the fee based program, at the parent's expense, at a cost of \$5 per school day.