

October 2019



News from The Cove

Emerald Cove Middle School

9950 Stribling Way Wellington, FL 33414

<https://ecms.palmbeachschools.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/EmeraldCoveMiddleSchool/>

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I cannot believe we have already finished the first quarter of the school year! We have had a great first nine weeks and we know the hard work of our students will continue through the 2nd nine weeks. Report cards will be distributed on October 28, 2019. However, we encourage you to check your child's grades weekly using your access to the SIS gateway. If you do not have access, please click the link on our school webpage and request your access. Stay in touch with your child's teachers and up to date with their academic scores.

We are working hard to *ACHIEVE LIKE PIRATES* this year and increase our school grade by 20 points from 589 A to 609 A. It is important that our students are in school daily and prepared to work and learn. Please continue to remind your child of expectations and school procedures so that we have an orderly and safe campus and students are able to focus on their work.

We are very excited with the implementation of AVID. We have been chosen for a visit by PBCSD Administration and the team from Boone County, West Virginia to see AVID in action on November 14th. We are proud to highlight the hard work of our students and teachers.

Parents and guardians, I encourage you to become involved or continue your involvement in the educational programs at Emerald Cove Middle School. Come out to SAC meeting monthly, attend our Coffee with the Counselors session on October 23rd, and support our Science Night on October 29th. Register to be a volunteer and become a member of the school PTSA. If you haven't checked out our webpage or liked us on Facebook, please do so today. There is a great deal of info to help keep you informed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school at 561-803-8000.

Sincerely,
Eugina Smith Feaman
Eugina Smith Feaman, Ed. D.
Principal

Social Media Safety

Parents should be reminded that as the school year progresses, and students become more comfortable with friends and classmates, there becomes an increase in screen-time on texts, phone calls, Instagram, Kik, Facebook, IM messages, Snapchat, ask.com, YouTube videos, chat rooms and online communication via game systems (i.e. Fortnite, Call of Duty, etc.). **If your child has a cell phone or computer, chances are they may have access to many social media and texting apps that are not being monitored by an adult.**

Many conflicts begin and escalate on social media, so it is important to make sure you are a tech savvy parent and know what your child is doing online and on the phone. Please visit the following websites for more information on how to keep your child safe online:

<https://www.common sense media.org/privacy-and-internet-safety>

<https://www.dhs.gov/publication/stopthinkconnect-parent-and-educator-resources>

PTSA Updates

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Pirates Treasure fundraiser! The top classes will be announced and receive their reward! If you have not joined PTSA, we encourage you to do so. With your membership, you will receive a business partner discount card.

Boo Candy Grams go on sale Thursday, Oct. 24th before school in the courtyard. Candy grams are \$1 each. Forms will be available online, in the front office and at the PTSA table in the courtyard. Send candy grams to your friends and teachers. PTSA will be selling candy grams every morning 10/24-10/29. Candy grams will be distributed on 10/30.

Great Things Happening at The Cove!

Congratulations to our students who were recognized for making a perfect score on one or more sections of the SY19 FSA! Be on the lookout for an article in The Town Crier with their picture!

Great job to our Band 2/3 students for an excellent Fall Band Concert on October 15th!

Thank you to the nearly 200 dads and students who came out to our Donuts and Dads in September!

Congrats to our student athletes on our Baseball and Softball teams for a great season!

Check out our Facebook page for pictures of some of the instruction occurring in classrooms!



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Important Contacts

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. For general questions you may contact the main office. Your child's teachers will be your first contact for classroom needs and concerns.

Front Office
561-803-8000

Fax
561-803-8050

6th grade:
Mrs. Caruso, Guidance
561-803-8015
Mr. King, Asst. Principal
561-803-8030

7th grade:
Mrs. Leatherman, Guidance
561-803-8009
Mr. Fredrickson, Asst. Principal
561-803-8036

8th grade:
Ms. Cynthia Orsenigo,
Guidance 561-803-8008
Mr. Wheeler, Asst. Principal
561-803-8041

ESE:
Mrs. Rae Jensen, Contact
561-803-8025

Health:
Nurse Schillian, RN
561-803-8057
Nurse Linda Loiseau, RN
561-803-8058

School Police Officer:
Officer Michael Conway
561-803-8001

IMPORTANT DATES

October 22
October 23

October 24
October 25
October 26
October 28
October 29
November 1
November 3
November 4-5
November 8
November 11
November 12
November 14

November 15
November 21
November 25-29
December 3
December 4
December 5
December 6
December 13
December 14
December 16-20
December 16
December 19
December 20

PBCSD Choice Fair at South Florida Fairgrounds 4-8pm
Coffee with the Counselors 9:30am
PBCSD College and Career Fair at South Florida Fairgrounds
Unity day (Wear orange)
Chorus Fall Concert 7pm in ECMS cafe
Band perform at PBCHS football game
Band 2/3 students perform at MPA
Volunteer Training (8:30am or 4:15pm); Q1 Report cards distributed
Science Night (Chick Fil A and Kona Ice Food trucks will be on site)
FBLA Fall Rally Field Trip
Band Fun Day
6th grade Scoliosis Screening
AVID Field trip to PBC Courthouse
No School
Pre-IT Academy Night
6th grade dance 4:05-6pm
AVID School Visit
2nd nine weeks Progress reports
SAC meeting 6pm
Thanksgiving Break
AVID College Visit
6th grade writing field test
PDQ Spirit Night; All District Band Auditions
Holocaust Survivor Series
School-wide Spelling Bee
Barnes and Noble Day
Final Exams and EOCs
Band Winter Concert At PBCHS 7pm
Winter Choral Concert 7pm
End 2nd nine weeks



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Students can earn CREED Call outs for following the CREED on campus. Please remind students of our school-wide expectations and procedures.