

# Bear Paw Times

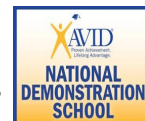


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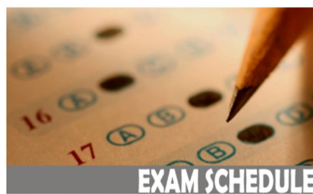
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**Mission Statement: Our number one priority is student achievement with high expectations being the responsibility of our entire school community.**



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### Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

State testing schedule for 2021-2022 school year begin April 5-6 for Writing, Reading, Biology, Civics, Math, Reading, Algebra, Geometry, and Science are from May 2-17. It is important that students are present each school day, to prepare themselves with the grade level standards that will be assessed in April and May 2022.



### Media Center News

Please send in photographs for the yearbook to [narcoosseemyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:narcoosseemyearbook@gmail.com) The photos should be of school activities and from the 2021-2022 school year only.

Our second book fair will be from January 19-January 26, 2022. Exact payment only, no change will be given (the students will spend what they are given and if there is under a dollar left it will be donated to the school library program).

Yearbooks are for sale on [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com) for \$25



8th grade shoutouts (1/4 page) are for sale on [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com) for \$20. Please email [narcoosseemyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:narcoosseemyearbook@gmail.com) to send in your message and pictures for the shoutout.



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### ESOL NEWS

Coming soon...

Adult ESOL classes at NCMS start on January 18th.  
<https://www.osceolaschools.net/domain/4268>

For more information, reach out to Carolina Figueroa at: [Carolina.Figueroa@osceolaschools.net](mailto:Carolina.Figueroa@osceolaschools.net)

Pronto...

Clases de ESOL para adultos en NCMS comienza el 18 de enero.  
<https://www.osceolaschools.net/domain/4268>

Para obtener mas informacion, comuniquese con:  
[Carolina.Figueroa@osceolaschools.net](mailto:Carolina.Figueroa@osceolaschools.net)

Check out the Osceola County School District website for information and resources to all of your needs. [Osceolaschools.net](http://Osceolaschools.net)

Official NCMS Social Media Sites to get the Latest News & Info:



Narcoossee Middle - School@NCMSbears



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### Scheduling for the 2022-2023 School Year

The first phase of scheduling for the 2022-2023 school year will begin in February or March. Current 6th & 7th grade students will receive information about elective options. Students will meet with NCMS representatives to input their top interests for next school year. Current 8th grade students will be speaking with high school representatives during this time as well. The final phase of scheduling will begin once test scores are available at the end of the school year. Each student's individual test scores and data will be reviewed. Required core classes will be scheduled followed by available elective options. Scheduling will continue throughout the summer until all student schedules are completed.



**ATTENTION PARENTS**



**Students will receive a copy of their 2nd semester schedule in their 1st period class on January 3rd.**

## Mark Your Calendar!

1/3, 1/6, 1/7:  
- Girls' Basketball Tryouts 4:30-6:30

1/6 - Science Olympiad Club 4:30-5:30 PM

1/8, 1/22: Saturday Cheer Practice 

1/10, 1/11, 1/12, 1/13:  
- Musical Auditions 4:30-6:30 PM

1/11, 1/20, 1/21:  
- All County Jazz Rehearsal 6-8 PM at Celebration HS

1/13 - Science Olympiad Club 4:30-5:30 PM

1/13 - School-Wide Osceola Writes Testing

**1/17 - MLK JR. Day-Teacher/Student Holiday**

1/18 - 2nd 9 Weeks Progress Reports

1/19-1/26 - Book Fair in the Media Center

1/20 - Science Olympiad Club 4:30-5:30 PM

1/24 - Girls & Boys Basketball Games at Canoe Creek Charter 6-8 PM

1/25 - All County Jazz Festival at St. Cloud Lakefront

1/25 - All County Chorus at St. Cloud Middle (selected students only) 4:30-6:30 PM

1/26 - Girls & Boys Basketball Games at Neptune Middle School 6-8:30 PM

1/27 - Science Olympiad Club 4:30-5:30 PM

1/27 - 8th Grade Junior Achievement Field Trip

### Musical Auditions

We will hold auditions for the Spring musical Captain Bree and her Lady Pirates January 10th-13th. Auditions will be held in the Choir and Theatre rooms 119 and 119B. There are plenty of roles for all genders not just females. Auditions will involve acting, singing and dancing in groups. Get your best pirate voice and break a leg!

(Rehearsals will be held every Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday)

### Battle of the Books

Battle of the Books meets every Tuesday from 8:50-9:20. If you would like to join or be a part of the team, please see Ms. Wassum in room 3-114. You can also email at [laura.wassum@osceolaschools.net](mailto:laura.wassum@osceolaschools.net).

The battle will be prior to Spring Break, and it will be a virtual event.

1/19 - Jeremiah's Ice Spirit Night/Lake Nona (mention NCMS - 20% comes back to school).

Spirit Night will take place every third Wednesday of every month.



### AVID News

It's a new year & we want our students to be prepared with fresh new supplies and a fresh mindset for amazing personal & academic growth. Please replenish your child's school supplies. Perhaps a new binder or new writing tools to set up future organizational habits. We want to thank all AVID parents for their support at Jingle Mingle this year. What a terrific event with over 300 in attendance!  
*NCMS is AVID STRONG!*

### PBIS/Expectations

#### PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports)

Our mission at NCMS is to build environments in which positive behavior is more effective and more appealing to students than problem behavior. Students are recognized and praised for positive behaviors (i.e. Bear Bucks, Golden Tickets, and Positive referrals).


- Be responsible
- Encourage others
- Act safely
- Respect all
- Strive for success



Students can spend their Bear Bucks at our PBIS events, dress down days, and at our Bear's Den store.

We ended with 178 positive referrals. Way to go black bears!

We had a great celebration with 6th graders for having the least number of tardies for the first 1/2 of 2nd quarter.

More incentives for positive behaviors coming soon. Keep up the good work! 



### NCMS Business Partners

- Anderson & Moopen Orthodontics 407-518-0500
- Brue Family Dentistry 407-979-4170
- Carlisle Orthodontics 407-447-9060
- Dr. Sandra Mauro, & Associates 407-505-2020
- Esteem Dental & Orthodontics 407-476-5650
- Garcia Family Orthodontics 407-857-0800
- Hoffner Eye Care 407-207-2020
- HomePride Realty Services Inc. 407-846-0940
- Inspire Weight Loss 407-837-3555 ([inspiredweightloss.com](http://inspiredweightloss.com))
- James Moore Realtor (Keller Williams) 407-777-2115
- Jeremiah's Italian Ice 407-313-0782
- Kevin Kendrick Realtor (Keller Williams) 407-271-1854
- Metro Diner (Hunters Creek) 407-749-6998
- Narcoossee Oaks Animal Hospital 407-593-5757
- PDQ (Narcoossee/Lake Nona)
- Peter Luu Signature Group w/Premier Sotheby's International Realty 407-480-5014
- WAWA Gas Station on Narcoossee Rd/Boggy Creek
- Ur Learning Solution 407-658-7575

*If you have questions or would like to become a Partner contact, Judi Lowell in the front office @ 407-891-6600. Please support our Partners in Education. They support us:-)*

### Counseling Corner

For Guidance Dept. information about high school application dates, orientations and more: Text **@ncmcounsel to 81010** and you will receive a welcome text from REMIND, as well as regular announcements. You can also go to our NCMS website/Counseling Corner link for more information under Parent or Student tabs.

Does your child need social, emotional, or mental health stabilization? Devereux's Mobile Crisis Services, provides free crisis services with trained counselors. Services are available 24 hours a day, every day including weekends and holidays. Dial 2-1-1 or 407-839-HELP (4357)

Edición en español de este boletín disponible en el sitio web de la escuela: <https://ncms.osceolaschools.net>