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# Bear Paw Times



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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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#### **FAST Math Testing**

FAST Math testing has been postponed from August 30th to September 6 due to Statewide platform issues. Parents, please make sure that your student has a fully charged laptop and they bring it to school on that Tuesday.



We are off to another great year with AVID at Narcoossee Middle School! NCMS is proud to announce we have expanded our AVID Elective classes again and now have three full time AVID Elective teachers! We are so excited to welcome Ms. Nicole Perez to our AVID family.

AVID provides scaffolded support that students need to encourage college and career readiness and success. We held our first Family Night on Monday, August 29th. Over 300 people attended and were given time to socialize and learn all about this great program. Multiple volunteer opportunities will be coming up, so please make sure to check REMINDS from your child's AVID teacher. In class, we are working on organization skills, perseverance, and relational capacity. If you have any questions about our AVID program, please contact Ms. Tracy Nedd, our AVID Coordinator.

With AVID, all things are possible!

### Pay for School Fees Online

Easily pay online for school events, supplies, field trips, lunches, etc. Create your convenient and secure account at MySchoolBucks.com or download the mobile app. You need to add student's name and ID number when creating your free account.

For assistance, you may contact MySchoolBucks directly at 855-832-5226

### **Cheer Tryouts**

Cheerleading tryouts are September 26-30 in the gym, 4:20 - 6:30 pm (5:30 pm on Wednesday). Daily pick-up is in the bus loop in front of school.

Students must have athletic forms and Impact Testing completed PRIOR to tryouts to be eligible. Forms can be turned in to Coach Garcia.

If you have any questions, email Coach Trujillo at: <a href="lisa.trujillo@osceolaschools.net">lisa.trujillo@osceolaschools.net</a>

Check out the Osceola County School District website for information and resources to all of your needs. Osceolaschools.net

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

Find us on Facebook
Narcoossee Middle School@NCMSbears









#### **The Student Dress Code Policy States:**

"Bottoms shall not be excessively distressed or altered in a manner which shows skin or undergarments".

If a student has large holes at the knee, then the pants have been "altered" or are "excessively distressed" -- even if they are wearing leggings underneath.

Leggings underneath the garment does not make the pants acceptable.

Please make sure that your child wears appropriate school approved clothing. We will be documenting dress code violations. Thank you!



Cellphones should be kept in backpacks, unless authorized to use or in lunch room.

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# **Mark Your Calendar!**

# 9/1 - Picture Day (uniform attire)



9/1 - Jeremiah's Italian Ice Spirit Day/Night

#### 9/5 - Labor Day -Teacher/Student Holiday (NO SCHOOL)

9/12 - Band Fee Due (All)

- School Owned Instrument Fee & Form Due (All)

9/21 - Domino's Pizza Spirit Day/Night

9/26-9/30: Cheerleading Tryouts



9/30 - Picture Retakes

9/1 - Jeremiah's Ice Spirit Night/Lake Nona (all day) (mention NCMS - 20% comes back to school).

Spirit Night will take place every 1st day of every month.



#### **Nighttime English Classes for Adults**

English Classes each Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-8:30pm. Contact Carolina Figueroa at NCMS or ALCO at 407-518-8140 for more information.

#### Clases de Ingles para Adultos

Clases cada martes y jueves de 5:30-8:30pm.

Contacte a Carolina Figueroa en NCMS o ALCO al 407-518-8140 para mas información.

You may apply at: https://otech.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/apply/

#### Battle of the Books 2022-2023

If you are interested in joining Battle of The Books, respond on TEAMS and you will meet in Ms. Wassum's room (3-114) on Tuesday, September 6th at 8:50-9:10. If you ride a bus, come when you arrive.



#### BE RESPONSIBLE

- Please show us how you can get to class on time and do your best!
- Please do not chew gum on school campus.
- Please bring your laptop to school fully charged every day.

# **NCMS Business Partners**

Bounce N Around 407-460-0871 Brue Family Dentistry 407-979-4170 Carlyle Orthodontics 407-447-9060 Domino's Pizza (Narcoossee, St. Cloud) 407-984-4777 Dr. Sandra Mauro, & Associates 407-505-2020 Esteem Dental & Orthodontics 407-476-5650 Hoffner Eye Care 407-207-2020 HomePride Realty Services Inc. 407-846-0940 Inspire Weight Loss 407-837-3555 (inspiredweightloss.com) Jeremiah's Italian Ice 407-313-0782 Lissette Sanchez, EXP Realty 407-603-5210 Moore FL Homes/Keller Williams 407-777-2115 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:-)

Congratulations to the NCMS Business Partners in **Education Mini Grant Giveaway Winners!** 

Heather Biela Michaela Barnett Jennifer Kellev Janet Mims Scott Travis Ivelisse Vega Clara Vazquez Kent King

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

# 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 in Café.

We would like to thank all our students for demonstrating the marvelous BEAR Expectations in the first few weeks of school! BEAR Bucks are being handed out for meeting these expectations.

Our Popsicle Party on August 29, September 1st & 2nd was one of many events planned for each grade level for positive behavior.

Another upcoming celebration will be a Popcorn Party for each grade level. \$20 BEAR Bucks to attend. Date is yet to be determined.

\*\*IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER: In order to be able to attend PBIS events, NO REFERRALS and MINIMAL TARDIES.

Do your best to be recognized and SAVE those Bear Bucks!

## **NEW PBIS Lunch Incentive for Positive Behavior**

Students pay (5) Bear Bucks to sit with friends (maximum of 4 students), in a designated area during their lunch period.