South Tampa Academy @ Monroe Middle School

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Charger Newsletter

January 2021

Principal's Message

Creating a Path to Success

Tip For Helping Your Student at Home

At the beginning of each week, take time to go over your student's grades with them. Grades, assignments and messages from teachers can be found for each class in Canvas. This creates an opportunity to help your student get organized for the week.

Don't have a parent log in for Canvas? Don't worry. It's not too late to get one.

Go to <u>https://sdhc.instructure.com/</u> <u>courses/36524</u> for detailed instructions on how



Thank you to the Buccaneer Foundation for the gift of much needed school supplies.

"...The International Baccalureate (IB) is a non -profit foundation motivated by its mission to create a better world through education"

-International Baccalureate Organization 2015

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WHY IB





Critical thinking

Balanced programme



Recognised worldwide

How is an IB School Different

Students at an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School are given a unique education. At the heart of an IB education are passionate lifelong learners who believe that how you learn and why you are learning is as important as what you study in school. Based in ten core values, The Learner Profile, the IB curriculum strives to create globally minded individuals who will become leaders in their community.

Please take a moment to watch "What is an IB Education?" to learn about the IB Core Values and Principles.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9LuuJa3t-m8

IB Middle Years Program

The Middle Years Program (MYP) is a challenging framework that encourages students to make practical connections between their studies and the real world. In other words, to make meaningful global connections. It encourages students to explore various topics across content areas through a global context.



Resource Links

South Tampa Academy @ Monroe IB Candidate Magnet Information

https://www.mysdhc.org/ Page/5705

IB Middle Years Program Information for Parents

https://www.ibo.org/ information-for-parents/myp -for-parents/

Frequently Asked Questions

https://www.mysdhc.org/ Page/5707





Reader's Theatre

Our Next PTSA Meeting will be January 21, 2021

(You do not need to be a member to attend.)

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Celebrating Leaders on Our Campus

Each month students are celebrated for embodying the IB Student Profile. Throughout the month, faculty and staff members nominate students to have their names placed on the Leadership Tree. Students are nominated when they display one of the IB Profile character traits.

At the end of the month, Principal Fillhart recognizes each student by name. Then, at lunch they receive a special treat and a certificate of excellence for displaying outstanding leadership qualities.



Sports



Soccer season begins with tryouts January 25th. Make sure to complete your athletic paperwork using the following link.

Middle School Student Athletic Procedures

https://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/doc/list/athletics/student-forms/39-285/

Basketball Season will begin March 9th. More information will be forthcoming



Social Emotional Learning

Creating a Community of Culture & Care

One aspect of building a Community of Culture and Care is building relationships. Building strong and authentic relationships is a vital part of the educational process. When the school community invests in building connections social, emotional, and academic trust to be established. Thus, improving student achievement and school-wide climate and culture.

Here at South Tampa Academy @ Monroe Middle Magnet teachers begin building those relationships on day one with activities and discussions to help students feel that they are part of the classroom and school family. The morning show is used throughout the year to promote SEL learning. One way is with an SEL thought that is shared each day and another is through the Stand Out Shout-Outs that students and teachers can give each other to show appreciation to one another.

Upcoming Events

1/15 End of Grading Period

Non-Student Day

1/18 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

Non-Student Day

- 1/25-1/29 Literacy Week
- 1/25 Soccer Tryouts
- 1/29 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

Faculty Spotlight

In Her Own Words

This is my second year being a part of the Charger family. I am a native to one of the smallest islands of the Bahamas (Bimini Bahamas). I have three amazing children ages 29, 26, and 24. I also have one handsome 2-year-old grandson. In my spare time, I love listening to Kompa (Haitian music), taking long walks, shopping and face timing with my family. I love being a Charger because of the connection I get to make with the students.



Creating Relationships

Mrs. Williams can often be seen in each hallway conducting her "one minute check ins" with students. She goes out of her way to spend time with each student. She also leads Social Emotional Lessons with rotating groups to work on various life skills.