January 2024

DOLPHIN NEWS

Issue #7

I am part of the TEAM!

Culture Priority
To promote pride in our school & community through accountability & ownership of our TEAM values.

Vision
Dowdell Middle Magnet will foster an environment that encourages students to maximize their potential while being accountable and trustworthy to themselves, the school, the environment, and each other.

Instructional Priority
To enhance student learning by implementing rigorous differentiation strategies through purposeful standard- aligned planning that fosters collaborative student engagement.

Mission
To provide a secure and diverse learning community through equitable instruction where all students achieve academically.

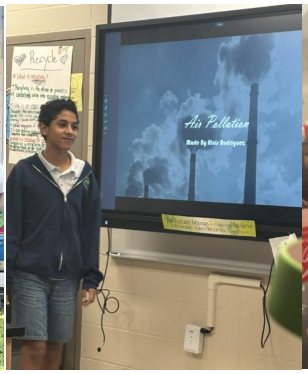
DMMS Families: Happy New Year! There is already so much to celebrate in 2024 at Dowdell Middle Magnet! We are extremely proud of ALL of our students! Look inside to learn more about what we've accomplished already and how you can join in the success!

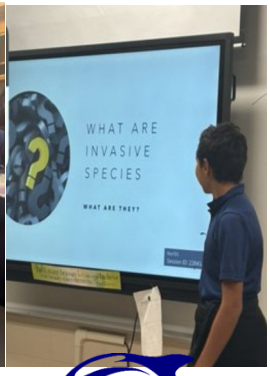
SeaWorld ORLANDO

EXTRA! EXTRA!
READ ALL ABOUT IT

Magnet Students are headed to Sea World!

The Sea World Orlando Instructional Field Experience will provide Dowdell Environmental and Animal Science students with an unforgettable day filled with activities designed to encourage hands-on educational experiences. Students will learn from animal experts throughout the park that will assist students in uncovering amazing animal adaptations, as well as, learn about exciting conservation efforts to protect the world around us! Students will embark on a journey of discovery as they learn about the conservation, animal habitats, and rehabilitation, as well as, see various sea life in their natural surroundings.





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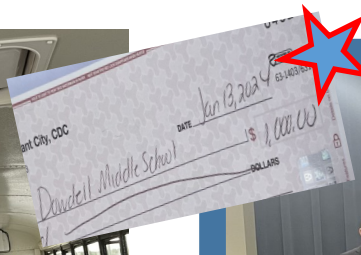
DMMS DRUMLINE

Our drumline ROCKS @ DMMS! They competed in the MLK Jr. Middle School Drumline competion in Plant City and took home 1st PLACE ! They received a HUGE trophy and a check for $1,000! They also performed before the School Board meeting last week and the echos of their drums could be heard throughout downtown Tampa!



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Environmental Studies and Animal Sciences

Our fall book order has arrived with over 70 new books available for students. These titles include books recommended by students, books related to the environment, books about careers with animals, and so much more. Students are always welcome to checkout books BEFORE homeroom and during their lunches .

MEDIA CENTER NEWS

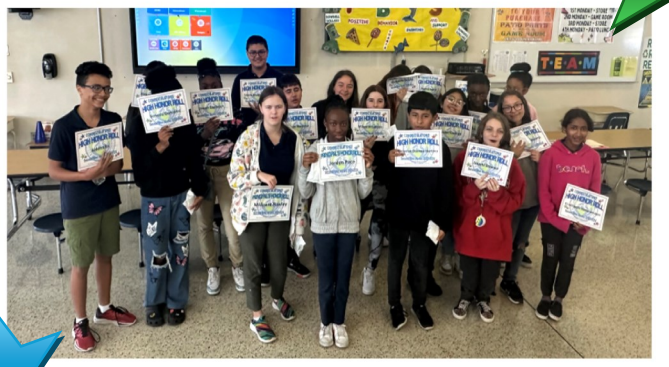
The January design challenge is underway with many students creating PixelArt self-portraits. The winners will be announced on Thursday February 1st.

Library Lunches are back, and many students are taking advantage of the early sign-up option on the Media Center Canvas Page. "Bugs in the Kitchen" which teaches spatial awareness and predictive behaviors is a very popular game among the 6th graders. Students should check the "Programs and Sign up" page often to participate in the Media Center offerings.

Kiersta Archer, Anabella Foster, Rickell Herald, and Jasmine Schultz signed up for Poetry Jam held in the Media Center on Thursday 1/23. These students worked with local poet Jenna Dawson to write and perform poems using literary devices.

Many students have begun the January MYON challenge to learn about winter sports. Students must complete all 3 portions before Wednesday January 31st to earn a prize.

2nd Nine Weeks Honor Rolls

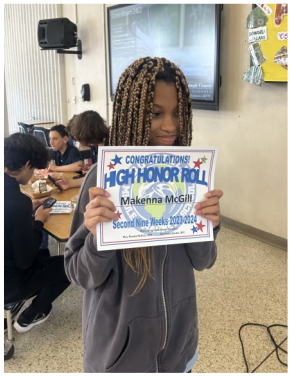


Principal's Honor Roll

Bennett-Lott, Aaliyah
Ellis, Blake
Hawley, Millicent
Michelon, Natalie
Pace, Jordyn
Pierce, Giada
Reyes-Gonzalez, Marjorie
Vega Fis, Rosemary

High Honor Roll

Abreu Serra, Kevin
Almira-Torres, Michael
Archer, Kiersta
Baez-Vila, Mirellys
Barcena, Daniel
Benitez-Martinez, Yarely
Bermudez, Jasia
Bhagwandeen, Adam
Bowling, McKenzie
Brothers, Alexander
Burnette, Aniira
Cadena, Mikaella
Caines, Caidyn
Capheart, Jewell
Carmona, Lexi
Carridice-Brown, Zorn
Carridice-Brown, Zuri
Colunga, Raymond
Crecy III, Carl
Cusinga, Isabel
De Srmas, Elijah
Diaz, Jailany
Ellis, Aiden
Febres, Seth
Fleming, Ashley
Flores, Alexandra
Gomez Rodriguez, Jhon
Gonzales, Genesis
Hayward, Quincey
Hollie, Shekinah
Hopkins, Camden
Jones, Laylanie



Congratulations

Environmental Studies and Animal Sciences

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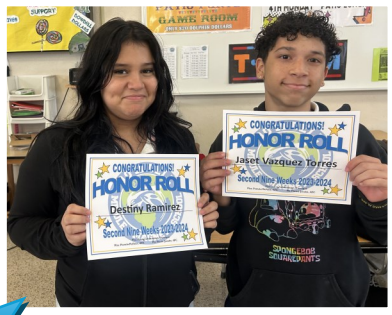
High Honor Roll

Juarez, Sophia
Kumaramurugan, Kiruthigashr
Kutzler, A'niyah
Lewis, Tiana
Marchan Avila, Alisandra
Martinez, Eivi
Martinez-Delgado, Octavio
McGill, Makenna
Medina, Amiyah
Melian Gonzalez, Enzo
Membreno, Priscilla
Merino-Sanchez, Ernesto
Morales, Araceli
Morse, Nadia
Ocampo Martinez, Zackariah
Pacelko, Mackenzie
Pate, Gregory
Pierce, Sonia
Prieto, Nataley
Rodriguez, Aluis
Rodriguez, Maribella
Sanchez Palenzuel, Ana
Schewe, Naomi
Schmidt, Nathaniel
Silva, Bryan
Turner, Jeffrey
Williams, Saphyria
Zamudio, Mareli

Honor Roll

Ramirez, Destiny
Valdez-Palma, Frida
Vazquez Torres, Jaset



Honor Rolls are determined based on a student's academic quarter grades when the student is enrolled in a minimum of four district courses.

The **Principal's Honor Roll** designation is awarded to students who earn A's for all academic and conduct grades.

The **High Honor Roll** designation is awarded to students who earn a minimum of three A's and no grade lower than a B for academic and conduct grades.

The **Honor Roll** designation is awarded to students who earn B's or higher for academic and conduct grades.

PERFECT

2nd Nine Weeks

6th Grade

Edson Bauta-Ramirez
Isaiah Bermudez
Lexi Carmona
Morgan Douglas
Annalieh Ford
Quincey Hayward
Laylanie Jones
Karla Mendez Ramirez
Gabriel Sejour
Jet Smith
Rosemary Vega Fis
Camdyn Wilson

7th Grade

Daniel Barcena
Nyla Beecher
Jayden Bok
Angel Cruz
Raki Daniel
Alexandra Flores
Bradlee Goimbert
Mikyla Kent
Marcus Kimbrough
A'lissa Kuban Dillard
Bruno Lara Martell
Andrew Lian
Aaron Mattis
Amiyah Medina
Priscilla Membreno
Oziel Najera-Perez
Zackariah Ocampo Martinez
Celeyah Raines
Aldo Ramos Bustamante
Maribella Rodriguez
Adraina Zuniga Flores

8th Grade

Rhilyn Burks
Brenda Coroni
Salena Dix
Christhian Eijo-Ruiz
Rylan Harrell
Dayrin Interiano Jimenez
Jjhon Johnson
Josephine Lajara
Makenna McGill
Cayden Ortiz
Alexander Perez
Ruby Rodriguez
Legacy Wallace

1st Semester

6th Grade

Edson Bauta-Ramirez
Quincey Hayward
Laylanie Jones
Karla Mendez Ramirez
Camdyn Wilson

7th Grade

Daniel Barcena
Nyla Beecher
Marcus Kimbrough
Andrew Lian
Aaron Mattis
Amiyah Medina
Oziel Najera-Perez
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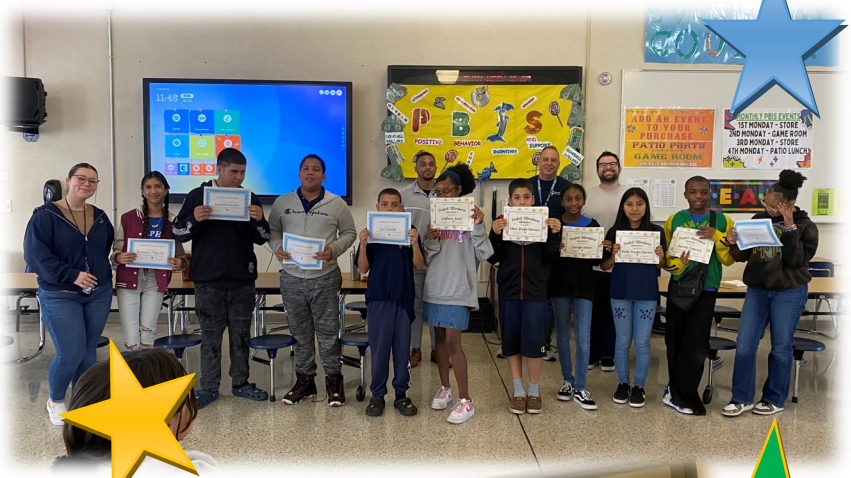
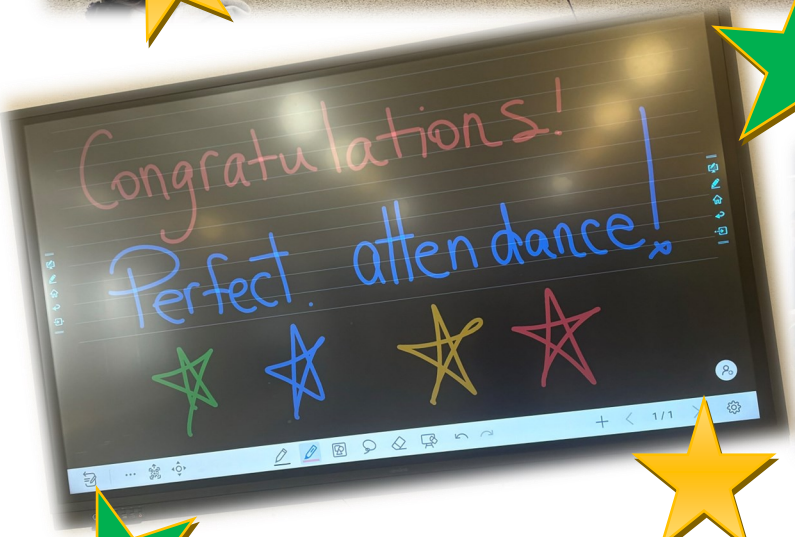


It's a PIZZA party!



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AVID students

AVID students travled to Orlando with Mr. Woods to tour the college of UCF. AVID students have their sights set on attending college in the future!

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

visit UCF!

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NJHS

National Junior Honor Society

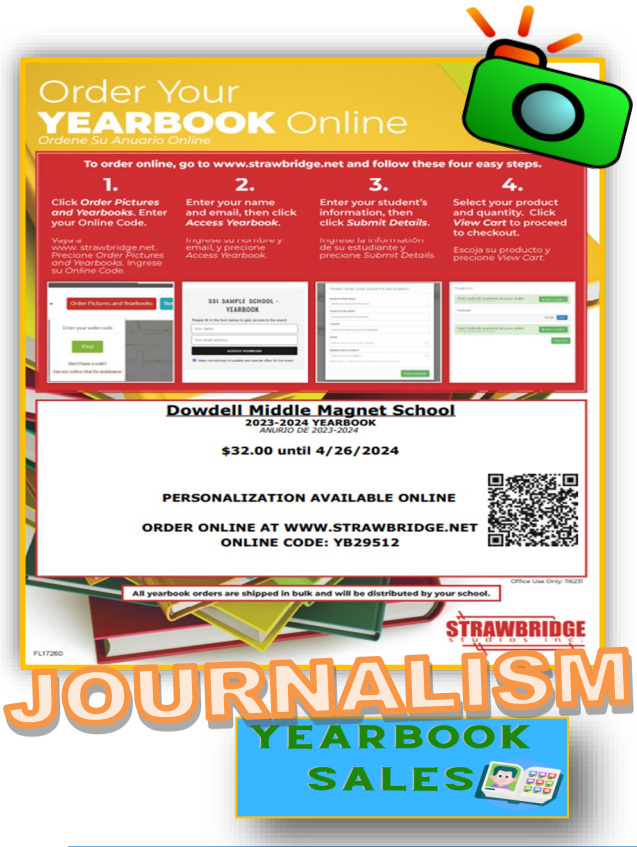
The induction ceremony for these NJHS applicants will take place on Wednesday, February 15th in the Multi-Purpose-Room @ 6 PM.

Kiersta Archer
Adam Bhagdaween
Daniel Barcena
Ja'Liyah Brown
Angeldalie Charles
Isabel Cusigna
Katelyn Driscoll
Taliyah Glenn
Genesis Gonzalez
Millicent Hawley
Quincey Hayward
Kiruthigashr Kumaramurugan
Sofia Lillo
Akira James
Makenna McGill
Giada Pierce
Ana Palenzuela Sanchez
Jasmine Schultz
Xanatos Torres

Congratulations!

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

CHARACTER
CITIZENSHIP
LEADERSHIP
SERVICE
SCHOLARSHIP



JOURNALISM

YEARBOOK SALES

School Uniforms

DMMS is a uniform school

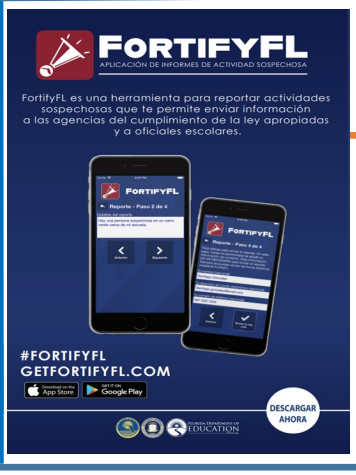
- Blue or white polos $19
- Friday spirit shirt $15
- Zip up hoodie $29

Visit:
www.KamenarApparel.com
click on the Dowdell Middle Magnet School Store Icon/link to place an order.

ALL ORDERS will be delivered to Dowdell Middle School within 2 weeks of placing your order.
If you do not receive an order confirmation, at time of order, your order did not get placed.

Meet the TEAM!

- **Stacey Schlarbaum** – Principal
- **Maria Jacobs** – APC (*curriculum*)
- *(Grade 8 & Grade 7 Last Names A-L)*
- **Pamela McNair** – APA *(transportation, safety)*
  (Grade 6 & Grade 7 Last Names M-Z)
- **Deputy Ryan Zarbo** – School Resource Deputy
- **TBD** – School Counselor
  (Grade 6 & Grade 7 Last Name M-Z)
- **Everett Anthony** – School Counselor
  (Grade 8 & Grade 7 Last Names A-L)
- **June Robinson** – Student Success Coach
- **Kristin Sabina** – RTI Lead
- **Alexis Turley** – ESE Specialist
- **Stephanie Tamargo** – Magnet Lead
- **Elizabeth Hawley** – Media Specialist
- **Deana Mastropietro** – School Social Worker
- **Jennifer Berger** – School Psychologist
- **Tina Johnson** – Student Nutrition Services
- **Idelsa Lorenzo Martinez** – Head Custodian



Make sure to visit Dowdell's homepage for even more info!

Progress Reports	Conference Night 4:30 PM to 7 PM	End of Nine Weeks	Report Cards Online
February 8th	February 15th	March 20th	April 9th
April 18th	April 25th	May 24th	June 6th

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DONATE!

contact kristin.sabina@ hcps.net or drop your items in the main office

Cell Phones & Accessories

- Cell phones should be **turned OFF** and stored **OUT OF SIGHT** during school hours – 8:30 AM to 3:25 PM.
- We recommend **cell phones & accessories to be left at home.**
- Cell phones are not needed in classrooms – we have a laptop available for every student in every classroom.
- In sight cell phones and accessories will be confiscated and stored for parent pick up.
- Gaggle monitors all school devices.

Items that should be left @ HOME!

- stuffed animals
- pajama pants
- sunglasses
- slippers
- blankets
- baseball hats
- knit hats
- beanies
- durags
- ski goggles
- large bags of chips or candy

From the Clinic:

BMI Letters: BMI letters were sent out to 6th grade students last week. This is just information for parents regarding their child's height and weight ratio. Any questions regarding BMI should be addressed with your child's pediatrician.

Immunizations and School Entry Physical: If your student received a letter from the school clinic regarding missing vaccinations, please attend to it by the date provided on the letter to avoid exclusion. This goes for the school entry physical as well. If your child has been in the district and has moved from different schools, causing their school entry physical to get lost during the transition, the school clinic will be calling and sending home a letter as well as the Mobile Clinic Schedule.

Vision Vouchers: A few vision vouchers were sent home. If your student was issued a vision voucher by the school clinic, please use it before it expires this year. Any questions can be directed to the school clinic, or the website and phone number

Mobile Medical Clinic Schedule

Provided by the Children's Board Family Resource Centers for Hillsborough County Residents

Appointments are required, no walk-ins accepted

Well-Child Exams and Immunizations

St. Joseph's Children's Hospital Mobile Medical Clinic offers well-child physicals and immunizations at *no cost* for children who are age 18 or younger and:

- Are enrolled in Medicaid **OR**
- Have no health insurance **OR**
- Are American Indians or Alaskan natives

Visit Requirements

- **In-Person Registration is required.** Please visit your local Children's Board Family Resource Center to register.
- All children must have their parent or legal guardian present. A notarized guardianship letter is required to show legal guardianship.
- The parent or legal guardian must bring their photo ID.
- Each child scheduled will need to bring their most current immunization record, even if they do not need shots.
- **Sports Physicals are not provided.**

All children qualify for the health screenings listed below, with or without insurance:

- **Child development screening:** For children up to age 5. This screening helps parents monitor their child's development and identifies supports early, if needed.
- **Hearing screening:** For children ages 6 months–18 years.
- **Vision screening:** For children ages 6 months–18 years, provided by Preserve Vision Florida. Financial assistance is available for glasses and exams to those who qualify.
- **Health navigator:** The Family Healthcare Foundation can help families explore free or low-cost health care coverage for their family.

Clinic Location	Date	Clinic Times
Brandon CBFRC 1271 Kingsway Road, Brandon, FL 33510 (813) 740-4634	December 14, 2023 January 11, 2024 February 8, 2024	11am-5pm
Central Tampa CBFRC 1002 E. Palm Ave., Tampa, FL 33605 (813) 204-1741	December 7, 2023 January 4, 2024 February 1, 2024	11am-5pm
North Tampa CBFRC 116 W. Fletcher Ave., Tampa, FL 33612 (813) 558-1877	December 21, 2023 January 18, 2024 February 15, 2024	11am-5pm
Plant City CBFRC 301 N. Palmer St., Plant City, FL 33563 (813) 752-8700	December 12, 2023 January 9, 2024 February 13, 2024	2pm-6pm
South County CBFRC 3030 E. College Ave., Ruskin, FL 33570 (813) 641-5600	December 19, 2023 January 23, 2024 February 27, 2024	2pm-6pm
Temple Terrace CBFRC 5892 E. Fowler Ave., Temple Terrace, FL 33617 (813) 435-3032	December 5, 2023 January 2, 2024 February 6, 2024	2pm-6pm
Town 'N Country CBFRC 7520 W. Waters Ave., Suite 8, Tampa, FL 33615 (813) 356-1703	December 20, 2023 January 25, 2024 February 22, 2024	11am-5pm

Children's Board FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS — St. Joseph's Children's Hospital BayCare — LIFE

Calendario de la Clínica Médica Móvil

Ofrecido por Children's Board Family Resource Centers para los residentes de Hillsborough County

Se requieren citas (no se aceptan visitas sin cita previa)

Examen Físico y Vacunas

La clínica móvil de St. Joseph's Children's Hospital ofrece exámenes de salud y vacunas *sin costo* para niños de 0 a 18 años de edad que:

- Tienen Medicaid **O**
- No tienen seguro médico **O**
- Son Indios Americanos o Nativos de Alaska

Requisitos de Visita:

- **Se requiere registración en persona.** Para registrarse, por favor vaya al Children's Board Family Resource Center de su preferencia.
- Todos los niños deben venir con alguno de sus padres o guardián legal. Se requiere una carta notarizada de tutela del guardián legal.
- Los padres o guardián legal deben traer su identificación con foto.
- Cada niño con cita debe traer su registro de vacunación más reciente, aunque no necesite vacunas.
- **No se hacen exámenes físicos para deportes.**

Pruebas disponibles para todos los niños, sea que tienen seguro médico o no.

- **Prueba de Desarrollo Infantil:** Para niños 0-5 años de edad. El propósito es ayudar a los padres a monitorear el desarrollo de su niño y, si es necesario, identificar recursos lo antes posible.
- **Pruebas de Audición:** Para niños de 6 meses – 18 años de edad.
- **Pruebas de Visión:** Para niños de 6 meses – 18 años de edad, ofrecido por Preserve Vision Florida. Ayuda financiera para anteojos y exámenes de vista para aquellos que califiquen.
- **Especialista de Seguro Médico:** Family Healthcare Foundation ayuda a las familias a explorar opciones de seguro médico gratuito o de bajo costo.

Lugar	Fecha	Horario
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ELA News

Sixth grade Critical Thinking students are working on poetic forms. We have been reviewing line breaks, stanzas, and rhyme scheme. Ask your student what is special about a villanelle! Next week we will continue work practicing with the poem "House on the Hill". If your child was absent, we encourage them to complete the CPalms, state tutorial on this standard and poem. It can be found at: The Mystery of the Past: How the Form of a Villanelle Contributes to Meaning in The House on the Hil ... (cpalms.org)

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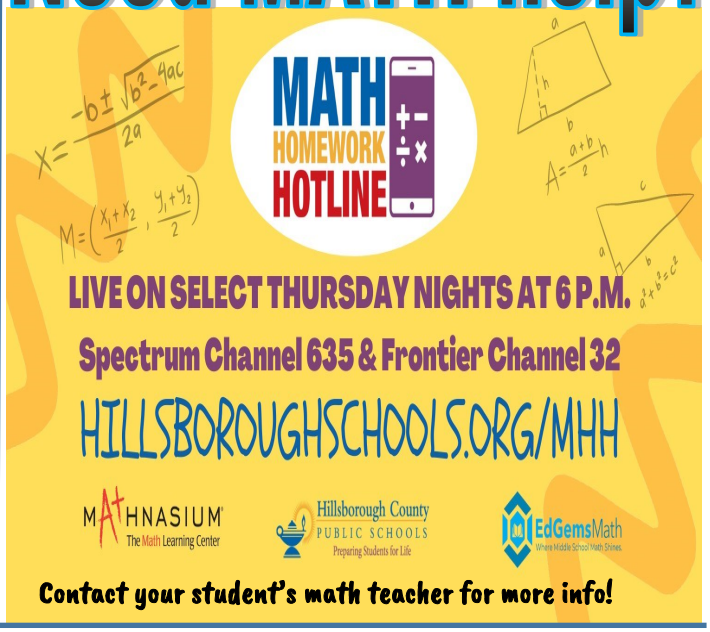
LANGUAGE! Live

Need MATH help?



Conference Night
February 15, 2024
4:30 PM to 7:00 PM

SIGN UP NOW!

(Faculty, Staff, Parents, and Community Stakeholders)

Please contact Mr. Woods or Mrs. Z. for more details!

PTSA

JOIN NOW!

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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

WE'RE LOOKING FOR PTSA SUPPORTERS

PTSA Officers

Genesis Zschocher, President
Lauren Spero, Vice President
OPEN, Vice President
Tierra Anderson, Treasurer (Parent)
Codie Reynolds, Secretary
Quadaryl Woods, Marketing

Current PTSA Members 12
PTSA Member Goal 30

JOIN NOW!

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Why join the PTSA

- Build powerful relationships
- Stregthen your school community
- Advocate for student success
- Plan school functions
- Fundraise for school initiatives
- Stay informed and connected

About Dowdell PTSA

There is strength in numbers and increasing PTSA membership, even by just one, makes it possible to fund essential school initiatives and curriculum needs at Dowdell Middle School. We invite you to join, because we can do more together than apart!
It's so easy to join: Simply email our President
Genesis.Zschocher@hcps.net
Thank you for your support!

SCAN HERE TO JOIN

CONTACT US

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Phone
(813) 744-8322

Website
floridapta.org

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