






# Dolphin News

**BE A PART OF THE TEAM!**

The HCPS Instructional Priority  
All schools will implement systems and structures of accountability that ensure all students master learning, at the depth and breadth of the standards or better, in all classes.

Culture FOR Learning	Culture OF Learning	Data Informed Decision Making
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<p><b>Vision</b></p> <p>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.</p>		<p><b>Mission</b></p> <p>Dowdell Middle Magnet will provide a secure and diverse learning community through equitable instruction where all students achieve academically.</p>
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 <b>TRUST</b>	 <b>EQUITY</b>	 <b>ACCOUNTABILITY</b>	 <b>MAXIMIZE</b>
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## It's a GREAT day to ReAD outside!



As weather and time permit, students are invited to spend their lunch period **READING** in the garden with Mrs. Hawley. This allows students to connect to their environment while experiencing **BOOK JOY** !





# RECYCLED ART

MAGNET CONNECTION



Environmental Studies students used recycled items to create a masterpiece honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Mrs. Tamargo, Environmental Studies





# HONORING MLK

MAGNET CONNECTION

## Hillsborough County Solid Waste Services Joins MLK Day Parade with Unique Float Project



Hillsborough County Solid Waste Services is thrilled to be a part of this year's Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade, bringing a creative and community-centered project to the celebration!

For this year's float, the Waste Reduction and Recycling Team took on the challenge of creating a meaningful art installation for the back of the float. The result? A stunning 3D mural that pays tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. while highlighting the importance of reusing materials that cannot be recycled.

This inspiring project came to life thanks to a collaboration with Creative Junk Therapy, a local creative reuse center, and the Environmental Science class at Dowdell Middle School. Creative Junk Therapy provided salvaged materials, giving students the tools they needed to turn waste into art.

Armed with imagination and a passion for sustainability, Dowdell Middle School students worked together to create a mural that's as beautiful as it is meaningful. Their artwork reflects Dr. King's legacy of unity and the transformative power of reimagining what's possible.

As the float makes its way through the parade, this one-of-a-kind mural is sure to inspire parade-goers to think differently about waste and see the beauty in repurposing materials. Hillsborough County Solid Waste Services is proud to showcase this creative effort and join the community in honoring Dr. King's vision.

Catch the float and the mural in the parade lineup during the Tampa MLK Day Parade at noon Jan. 20 at Cuscutan Park, 2900 N. 15th St., Tampa. The parade route ends at Middleton High School, 4801 N. 22nd St., Tampa.

*Top Image Caption:* This inspiring project came to life thanks to a collaboration with Creative Junk Therapy, a local creative reuse center, and the Environmental Science class at Dowdell Middle School. Creative Junk Therapy provided salvaged materials, giving students the tools they needed to turn waste into art.

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Deiah Riley from ABC Action News came to feature our project on the news!





# NATURE'S CLASSROOM



*Our 6th grade students just spent three days at NC learning about nature and animals.*

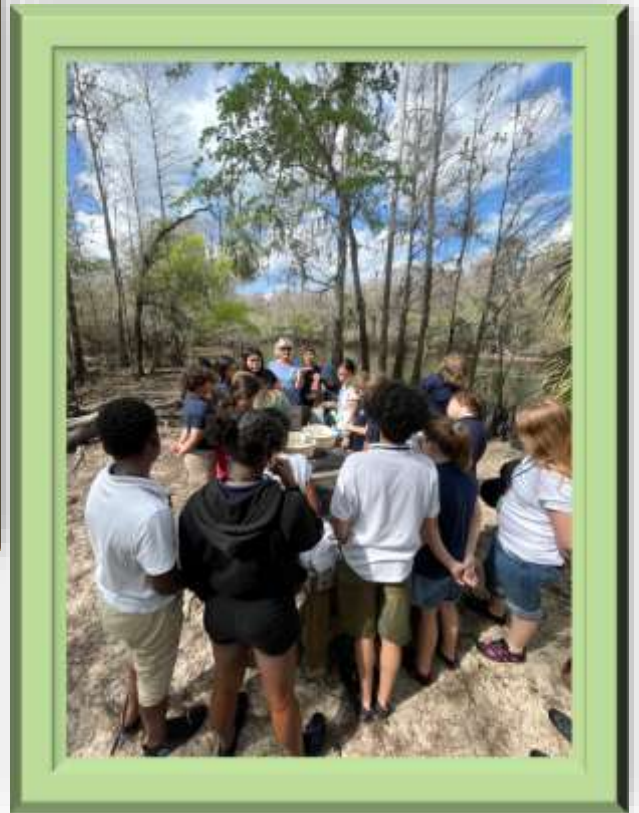




# NATURE'S CLASSROOM



*Ms. Spero, 6th grade team leader*





# HONOR ROLL CELEBRATIONS

2nd Nine Weeks

## Principal's Honor Roll

Abadin Leon, Taylor  
 Coker, Jaelyn  
 Downs, Evan  
 Hawley, Millicent  
 Hodgson, Annabel  
 Pierce, Sonia  
 Randazzo, Caison  
 Torres, Melissa  
 Vega Fis, Rosemary  
 Walters, Micah



## High Honor Roll

Acosta-Guevara, Diego  
 Aguilar Arteaga, Rihanna  
 Aguilar, Elleigh  
 Aguilera, Ahlexus  
 Alvarado, Bruno  
 Bell, Macey  
 Benitez, Jeadalise  
 Bergin, Mason  
 Bermudez, Zander  
 Bhagwandeem, Adam  
 Boyd, Alejandra B  
 Bujeiro, Samantha



Caines, Caidyn  
 Camargo Espinoza, Keisy  
 Capheart, Jewell  
 Carrasco, Francis  
 Carridice-Brown, Zuri  
 Celestino-Garcia, Yaritza  
 Cesar, Serinity  
 Concepcion Torres, Adriano  
 Crawford, Sariya  
 Cuenca Lopez, Eric  
 Cusinga, Fernando  
 Cusinga, Isabel  
 Darby, Aiden  
 Davis, Avory  
 Davis, Kaylie  
 Desir, Bianca  
 Dewar, Amoi  
 Douglas, Morgan  
 Downer, Tychicus  
 Drasher-Phillips, Alyssa  
 Driz-Seymour, Alani  
 Escue, Rhyanon  
 Flores, Alexandra  
 Fonseca, Alejandra  
 Garcia Funez, Bryan  
 Garner-Miller, Kylee  
 Gomez Rodriguez, Jhon



Gonzales, Genesis  
 Gonzalez Yanes, Juan  
 Gonzalez-Perez, Cristian  
 Grillo Calderon, Indiana  
 Guerra, Myshelle  
 Harmon, Matthew  
 Hayes, Connor  
 Hayward, Quincey  
 Hernandez Granados, Rosa  
 Hernandez, David  
 Hudgins, Paytin  
 Jimenez, Braden  
 Jordan - Zepeda, Valeria  
 Jurado Arroyo, Carmen  
 Lopez Benitez, Nayeli  
 Magana, MaryAnn  
 Manzanares, Fernanda  
 Martell, Emily  
 Martinez, Eileen



The Principal's Honor Roll is awarded to students who earn A's in academics and conduct for all courses.

The High Honor Roll is awarded to students who earn a B or higher in academics and conduct with a minimum of three A's in academics.

The Honor Roll is awarded to students who earn B's or higher in academics and conduct.

Martinez, Noah  
 Martinez-Delgado, Octavio  
 Membreno, Ian  
 Metiviet, Kaylyn  
 Mohan, Karina  
 Morales Moss, Hevenky  
 Morales, Madison  
 Myrick-Washington, Kamaria  
 Olivero, Xavier  
 Ontiveros-Diaz, Valerie  
 Pace, Jordyn  
 Padilla, Adriel  
 Perera, Dailyn  
 Perez, Anabel  
 Pettiford, Brandon  
 Porter, Jazlyn



Prats, Krystie  
 Raines, Celeyah  
 Robinson, E'li Lamont  
 Rodriguez Brito, Emily  
 Rodriguez, Lorena  
 Rodriguez, Maribella  
 Rousseau, Kelvyn  
 Rueda Gonzalez, Rihanna  
 Ruiz-Gonzalez, Yordanis  
 Ruiz-Lopez, Jose  
 Samano Trinidad, Isel  
 Sanchez-Gomez, Yaretzi  
 Santos, Josselyn  
 Smith, Jet  
 Smith, Kelleicia  
 Solis-Diaz, Luis



Soto, Shantal  
 Stevenson, Coltin  
 Stywall, Shyla  
 Suarez Caceres, Jelena  
 Swords, Makayla  
 Thurman, Stephanie  
 Valdez-Palma, Frida  
 Vanegas Aparicio, Shleina  
 Vazquez, Cypriana  
 Vazquez, Xionelly  
 Velazquez, Merary  
 Vickers, Sergio Jr.  
 Waiters, Maddox  
 Watson, Ricara  
 Williams, Kaleah  
 Wilson, Camdyn  
 Windham, Naomi  
 Womack, Kameelah  
 Zayas Cruz, Jonathan



Honor Roll



Acuna, Vania  
 Febres, Seth  
 Martinez, Matthew  
 Pechene Mera, Mayra





# INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

Mr. Makovec, Digital Technology Teacher

## Entrepreneurship and Small Business Certification



Arabella Holt



Millicent Hawley

## Cybersecurity Certification

- Corredor, Andres
- Jackson, Amaril
- Uribe, Giovanni



## Web Design certification

- Brothers, Alexander
- Gainous, Josiah
- Garcia Naranjo, Katherine
- Leon Hernandez, Gelen
- Morales Moss, Hevenky
- Schmidt, Nathaniel
- Waiters, Micah
- Hunt, Danni
- Robinson, E'Li Lamont
- Viera Padron, Nicole
- Zamora Polanco, Alvin
- Zayas Cruz, Jonathan
- Dewar, Amoi
- Downs, Evan
- Greene, Darion
- Hilburger-Donjuan, Amy
- Hollie, Shekinah



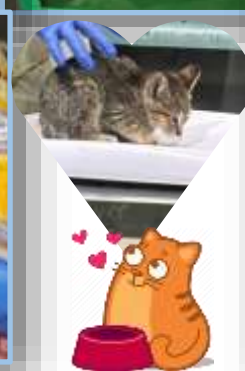


# NJHS to HUMAN SOCIETY



Mrs. Tamargo,  
NJHS Advisor

NJHS members:  
Isabel Cusigna  
Millicent Hawley  
Katlyn Driscoll



# AVID VISITS FAMU



Mr. Woods, AVID Advisor

FLORIDA **A&M** UNIVERSITY





# THE GARDEN...



EGG PLANTS



Jalapeños



TOMATOES



It was a hardy fall crop full of vegetables & herbs that were planted by our environmental science students.





# A SUCCESSFUL HARVEST!



We are excited to begin the planting of our new spring crops!



CELERY



RED PEPPER



CABBAGE





# SPREAD the LOVE

These students and staff were feeling festive - all dressed up and ready to attend the **Valentine's Day Dance!**



*Ms. Dunbar, Mr. DeDecker, Mrs. Courson, Ms. Gutierrez, Mr. Wilson spreading the love by passing out **Candy Grams!***



*Ms. Roman, Dr. Cabrera, Ms. Moore are showing their holiday spirit in their **red & black attire!***





# SCIENCE



**IAPS**  
*(Issues and Physical Science)*  
students conducted a lab using the sun to heat water!



All grades levels are getting prepared to to finish off the year strong!

6th and 7th grades will be having Lunch and Learns on Fridays.

8th grade will be having Lunch and Learns on Monday and Fridays for select students. We are getting ready to start exam review in quarter 4 for our SSA (Science State Assessment).





# CHORUS

Several of **Dr. Cabrera's** chorus students performed solos at District MPAs and earned the following scores:

**Superior:**



Rodolfo Cabrera Fernandez, Karina Mohan & Rosemary Vega Fis

**Excellent:**



Saphyria Williams, Anyely Dominguez Garcia

**Good:**



Mirellys Baez-Vila



**CONGRATULATIONS!!!! WELL DONE!!!**

# BAND

Several of **Ms. Karunakaran's** band students performed solos at district MPA's and earned the following ratings:

**Superior:**




Mirellys Baez-Vila

Alexandra Flores




**CONGRATULATIONS!!!! WELL DONE!!!**

## Need help in Math class?




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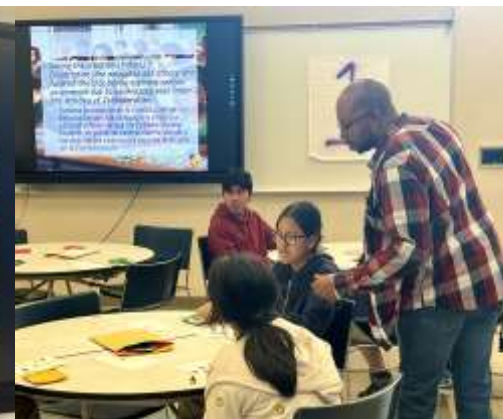
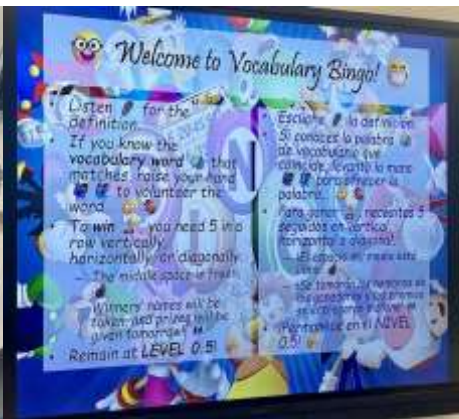




# CIVICS BOOTCAMP



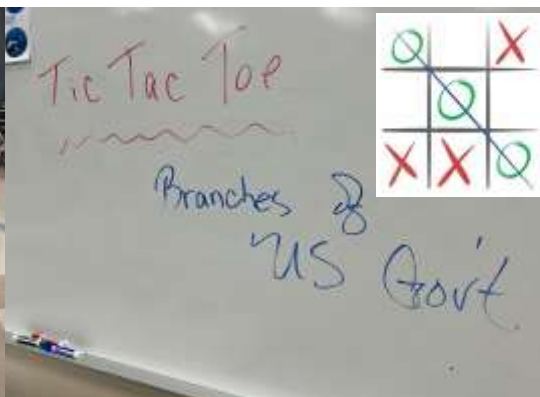
Studying for the Civics EOC is a year long task. Students took a break from the classroom to review what they have learned so far!



Mr. Jackson, Social Studies Teacher



Mr. Faison Whiteside, Social Studies Teacher



Ms. Roman, Social Studies Teacher





# Mark your Calendar

- ◇ 2/3 to 2/21 - **Black History Month** Door Decorating Contest (2/28 Winner announced)
- ◇ Tuesday, 2/18 to Friday, 2/28 - First Tee Golf program in 6th grade PE classes
- ◇ Wednesday, 2/19 - Kona Ice during lunches
- ◇ **Thursday, 2/20 - Quarter 3 progress reports in Homeroom**
- ◇ Thursday, 2/20 - Treats at lunch for students earning A,B,Cs
- ◇ Tuesday, 2/25 - Sea World Field Trip/magnet students
- ◇ **Thursday, 2/27 - Conference Night 4:30 PM to 7 PM**
- ◇ Saturday, 3/1 - *Family and Community Engagement Academy* (See info below!)
- ◇ Monday, 3/3 - Read Across America
- ◇ Thursday, 3/3 - All Pro Dads Breakfast 7:30 AM/Media Center
- ◇ Friday, 3/7 - Club Day
- ◇ Wednesday, 3/12 - Kona Ice during lunches
- ◇ Monday, 3/17 to Friday, 3/21 - Spring Break
- ◇ Friday, 3/28 - End of Q3



Mrs. Dean, Principal's Secretary



Ms. Roman, Social Studies Teacher

Join us for the **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACADEMY**  
 Saturday, March 1, 2025 | 9 a.m. to Noon | Tampa Bay Technical High School

LEARN      CONNECT

**Register Now**  
 Deadline to register - Monday, February 24, 2025  
 This event includes:  
**Workshops** - Come learn strategies and tools that support your child's success, strengthen your voice as an advocate, and more.  
**Vendors** - Explore family resources centered around education, employment, finance, health, wellness and more.  
**FREE** childcare for HCPS students ages 5-13.

Register by: Monday, February 24

**REGISTRAR AHORA**  
 (Inscripción: 24 de febrero)

¡Únase a nosotros para la **Academia de Participación Familiar y Comunitaria!**  
 Sábado, 1 de marzo, de 2025 | 9 am. to Noon | Tampa Bay Technical High School

LEARN      CONNECT

**Regístrate Ahora**  
 Fecha límite para registrarse - Lunes, 24 de febrero de 2025  
 Este evento incluye:  
**Workshops** - Ven a aprender estrategias y herramientas que apoyen el éxito de tu hijo/a, fortalezcan tu voz como defensor/a y mucho más.  
**Vendedores** - Explora recursos familiares centrados en educación, empleo, finanzas, salud, bienestar y mucho más.  
**GRATIS** cuidado infantil para estudiantes de HCPS de 5 a 13 años de edad.

Regístrate antes del: Lunes, 24 de febrero de 2025

**REGISTRAR AHORA**  
 (Inscripción: 24 de febrero)





# NEXT ALL PRO DADS

Mr. Everett Anthony, All Pro Dads Advisor  
**MARCH 6, 2025**

Escuela Intermedia Dowdell - 1208 Wishing Well Way Tampa, FL 33619

Es el anfitrión de "Desayuno con papá" cada 1er jueves del mes de 7 a 8 de la mañana. (7:30AM-8:15AM)

EVERETT.ANTHONY@HCPS.NET

Dowdell Middle School - 1208 Wishing Well Way Tampa, FL 33619 Is hosting **"Breakfast With Dad"** every 1st Thursday of the Month.

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every day  
**MATTERS**

Mr. Quadaryl Woods, Journalism Advisor

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