

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.



- Gary Weeden, Principal
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- Lucile Schneider, Assistant Principal
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- Leah Boyd, Dean
- Kyle Clark, Dean
- Jason Kraus, Dean
- Gloria Martinez, Counselor
- Maria Morales, Counselor
- Taylor Villegas Counselor
- Neil Yeda, Counselor
- Heather Biela, Media Specialist
- Marisha Smalling, Literacy Coach
- Jennifer Alexander, Math Coach
- Meg Hodge, RCS
- Christina McGee, Social Worker

8th Grade Dance 2022

As we quickly approach the remaining quarter, the 8th grade team will be celebrating the end of the year with an 8th Grade Dance. The dance will be held Friday, May 20th, from 6:30-9:00 PM. We want parents and students to be aware that certain criteria must be met to attend the dance. Tickets are \$5 and dates to purchase tickets will be at the end of April, beginning of May.



Congratulations to our Odyssey of the Mind Team for coming in third in their long term solution, and first in spontaneous!

The team is headed to the Odyssey of the Mind World final competition in Ames, Iowa.

Another big congratulations to our three competitive robotics teams who have qualified to attend the VEX World Competition in Dallas Texas!



Thank you to Ms. McKeown for all of her hard work and dedication to our students!

*If you are interested in sponsoring either of these teams to help them with their fundraising efforts please email: stephanie.mckeown@osceolaschools.net.

As part of our strategies to promote Student Engagement and a Sense of Belonging, we are establishing a Black Bears Ambassadors initiative at NCMS. This initiative will be a part of the small groups we conduct during WIN sessions. These students will help to orient new students to the school, be leaders on campus, and will participate in service-learning activities for the school and the community.

At the moment, we have 14 students that met the criteria, completed the certification, and who confirmed their interest in completing the workshops to being named an Ambassador. Eight of those students participated in the first workshop on March 25th. Thank you to Ms. Martinez and the guidance office for their commitment to our Ambassadors initiative.



2021/2022 Testing Schedule

Assessment	Window
FSA Writing (6/7)	4/5
FSA Writing (8)	4/6
Writing Make-Ups	4/7-4/8
FSA Reading ELA Session (6/7)	5/2-5/3
FSA Reading ELA Session (8), FSA Math (6)	5/4-5/5
FSA Math (7/8)	5/11-5/12
CIVICS EOC (7/8)	5/6
BIO EOC, PHYS SCI HON (7), Statewide SCI (8)	5/10
ALG EOC, GEO EOC	5/16-5/17
FSA/EOC Make-Ups	5/18-5/26

7th & 8th Grade students will be participating in computer-based testing. **Students must bring their school-issued computers to school, fully charged on testing days.**

Incentive for FSA Writing: All students present, on-time, and with computers fully charged (7/8 grade) will receive a dress-down day wrist band. Dress down day to be announced.

*IEP/504 subject to different dates, *Testing dates subject to change

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



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Congratulations to NCMS Battle-of-the-Books for winning 3rd place in the district competition against all middle schools.

Thank you to Ms. Wassum for her time, effort and dedication to our students!



Mark Your Calendar!

4/4 - Flag Football Game at St. Cloud MS
Girls at 6 PM, Boys at 7 PM

4/5 - FSA Writing 6th & 7th Grade
- Spring Concert in the Performance Café
7-9 PM (for periods 1, 2, 5, 6)

4/6 - FSA Writing 8th Grade
- Wednesday/NO Early Release

4/7 - Science Olympiad Club 4:30-5:30 PM

4/8 - NJHS Meeting in the Media Center
4:30-5:30 PM

4/11 - Flag Football Game at Parkway MS
Girls at 6 PM, Boys at 7 PM

4/14 - Science Olympiad 4:30-5:30 PM

4/19 - Tentative Spring Extravaganza 7-9 PM
at St. Cloud HS

4/29 - Jeremiah's Ice Spirit Night (Lake Nona)

4/21- Science Olympiad 4:30-5:30 PM
- Flag Football Championships at TOHO HS
Girls at 6 PM, Boys at 7:15 PM

4/25- 4/29: Spring Book Fair in Media Center

4/28 - Science Olympiad 4:30-5:30 PM

4/29 - Musical in Performance Café at 7 PM

4/30 - Musical in Performance Café 1PM & 7PM

Musical Rehearsals with Mr. Daly
Every Tuesday, Wednesday
& Thursday until 6:00 PM
in the Cafeteria

Spring Saturday Tutoring Dates
April 2nd- 8am-11am (ELA Writing)
April 23rd- 8-11am (Math)
April 30th- 8-11am (ELA & Civics)
May 7th- 8-11am (Science)

Please note that there is no more morning, afternoon, or Saturday tutoring/grade recovery except for the specified dates above.

UCF Continuing Education (Summer Reading & Writing Skills Programs)
Comprehension • Writing • Textbook Skills • Vocab • Speed Reading
For more information or to register your student...
call the Institute of Reading Development at **1-800-715-1498**

4/20- 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.



Media Center News

You can still purchase a yearbook for \$25 on myschoolbucks.com. Get them before they sell out!



April 25-29 is the Buy One Get One Free Book Fair!
Please remember that only exact payment is accepted.
Change under \$1 will be donated to the library to purchase new books!



NCMS Business Partners

- Anderson & Moopen Orthodontics 407-518-0500
- Brue Family Dentistry 407-979-4170
- Carlyle 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)
- 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
- 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:-)

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 store.

We have 4 new Positive Referrals so far this quarter and a total of 350 for the year. Very proud of our students for their effort. Way to go black bears!



Our Faculty vs Students Beachball Volleyball Game on March 10th was a huge success! Thank you Mr. Clark and the PBIS Committee for organizing such a great event. Thank you to all the players and volunteers. Faculty defeated the students, but everyone had a blast!

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.

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)