

# 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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- Carolina Figueroa 6th-Dean*
- Peter Swanson 7th-Dean*
- Samantha Alfred, 8th-Dean*
- Gloria Martinez, Counselor*
- Brenda Lopez, 6th-Counselor*
- Maria Morales, 7th-Counselor*
- Neil Yeda, 8th-Counselor*
- Heather Biela, Media Specialist*
- Marisha Smalling, Literacy Coach*
- Meg Hodge, RCS*
- Christina McGee, Social Worker*
- Elaina Hoover, Psychologist*
- Leah Boyd, Testing Coordinator*

Everyone at NCMS hopes that you and your loved ones are safe following the storm and recovering well. We are all thankful for the cooler weather over the last few days. The heat and humidity that typically follow a hurricane can become unbearable.

Thank you to our entire community for all the support, and thanks to all the outstanding workers that helped us recently become a shelter for the community!



We are off to an amazing year in AVID! Do you know what the goals of AVID are? The goals of AVID's College Readiness System are to accelerate students who have potential to more rigorous courses, to teach academic and social skills not targeted in other classes, to provide intensive support with in-class tutors and a strong student-teacher relationship, to create a positive peer group for students, and to develop a sense of hope and personal achievement through hard work and determination. Also, on average, 42% of AVID students graduate with a four-year degree within 6 years! NCMS AVID students are working hard to meet all AVID requirements and we are proudly tracking our success! Please help support our AVID students by purchasing an Osceola Co. coupon book with over \$3,000 in savings from more than 100 local merchants! The cost is only \$25.00 and profits will benefit AVID field trips to FL colleges! You may pay by cash or check made payable to NCMS. Thank you for supporting our AVID program!

Teacher	Out-of-Field Assignment	Current Certification
Carcia, Jessica	ESOL-E	English 6-12
Cordero, Iraba	ESOL-E	Elementary K-6, ESE K-12
Perez, Nicole	ESOL-E	Spanish, English 6-12
Quinones Figueroa, Valerie	ESOL-E	ESE K-12
Woodell, Kimberly	ESOL-E	English 6-12, MG English, Social Science 6-12
Morales-Aviles, Rosemarie	ESOL-E	ESE K-12
Respass, Sheridan	ESOL-E	English 6-12

**Attention Parents!**

If you moved and need to update your address, please contact the school at 407-891-6600.

You can also email a copy of your new mortgage or lease, current utility bill and your driver's license to: [Patricia.YiaskiGarcia@osceolaschools.net](mailto:Patricia.YiaskiGarcia@osceolaschools.net).

Please include in the email your student's full name and grade.

Address changes requested through the Re-Enrollment Online parent site will not be approved.

Check out the Osceola County School District website for information and resources to all of your needs. [Osceolaschools.net](http://Osceolaschools.net)

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



All students entering 7th grade for the 2023-2024 school year must provide the school with an updated immunization record (FL form 680/white form). All 7th grade students must have (1) Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine and all other required vaccines must be up-to-date.

After receiving the Tdap, please email the form to: [ncmsregistration@osceolaschools.net](mailto:ncmsregistration@osceolaschools.net)

For FREE Vaccines, contact The Osceola County Health Dept. at 407-343-2066. Located on Fortune Rd. in Kissimmee.



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

## Mark Your Calendar!

<p>10/10 - Columbus Day (school in session)                  10/11 - SAC Meeting in Media Center 5 PM  <b>10/14 - Teacher Work Day/Student Holiday</b>                  10/17 - Advanced Band Rehearsal 4:30-6:30 PM                  10/20 - Cheer Parent Info Night 6:00-6:30 PM                  in Media Center (side door entrance)                  10/21 - 8th Grade Band Night at TOHO HS                  10/22 - Saturday Cheer Practice 10 AM- 4 PM                  10/24 - Advanced Band Rehearsal 4:30-6:30 PM                  10/25 - Picture Retakes                  10/29 - Fall Band Extravaganza/Celebration HS                  10/31 - Halloween </p>	<p><b>NCMS Parents Night</b>  <b>October 13th</b></p> <p><b>Topics:</b>                  Internet Safety                  FOCUS Parent Portal                  Communication Strategies                  Emotional/Mental Health</p>	<p><b>ODYSSEY OF THE MIND</b></p> <p>THURSDAYS                  4:30-6:00 PM</p>	<p><b>Robotic Team Practice</b></p> <p>Tuesdays &amp; Fridays                  4:30-6:00 PM                  Room 107</p>
<p>10/29 - Fall Band Extravaganza/Celebration HS                  10/31 - Halloween </p>	<p><b>Drama Play Practices</b>                  Mondays, Tuesday, and                  Thursdays 4:30-6 PM</p>	<p><b>Cheer tryouts</b> have been                  moved to the week of                  October 10-13.</p>	<p><b>Battle of the Books</b></p> <p>Battle of the Books meets                  every other Tuesday in                  room 3-114 from 8:50-9:10.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Testing Scores</b></p> <p>Students should be receiving their FSA/EOC score reports from their teachers as well as on-grade level letters from Governor DeSantis over the next couple of weeks. Be on the lookout for these reports from your student. Their scores will also be available on the Parent Portal in FOCUS in the coming months.</p>	<p>Our Fall Bookfair is from October 31-November 4th. Exact payment only. Any change under \$1 will be donated to the media center. Cash, Card or Checks made out to Narcoossee Middle School are accepted for payment. You can also purchase an e-wallet for an easy way for your child to purchase books from the bookfair. Please see the school website for more information.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Visit our <b>BOOK FAIR!</b></p> </div>
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### 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:-)*

### 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.

PBIS is off to a strong start here at NCMS! We were able to have our first reward of a popsicle party for August. We did have a Partial Popcorn Party in September (this will be made up for in the next couple of weeks). We are anticipating our first Staff vs. Student competition on Thursday, October 13, 2022: Goofy Games! The cost will be \$30 BEAR Bucks to attend, and \$35 BEAR Bucks to attend with the opportunity to compete! Hope to see you there!

\*\*Just remember that to attend, you need to have very few tardies and NO referrals!

#### 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.

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

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>

## Lost & Found

Lost and found items will be located in the cafeteria. If not claimed by the end of each month, the items will be either donated to Goodwill or disposed of. It would be a good idea to label water bottles and lunch boxes. We can easily return items to students when there is a name.