

Good morning Sarasota Middle School Today is Tuesday, January 29, 2019



A few words of wisdom to start your day-
Take a moment to remember the last time you worked hard to accomplish something. Maybe you worked hard on your History project and received a good grade; maybe you worked hard to save money for something special, or maybe you worked hard cleaning and organizing your room.

When you work hard at something and then see the results of that hard work, all the effort becomes worthwhile. There is a great feeling of accomplishment and satisfaction. You feel good about yourself.

Booker T. Washington, one of America's great educational leaders, believed strongly in the power of education and hard work. Here's what he says to us today:

***Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having,
Except as a result of hard work.***

Is there something you want that is worth having? Today, work a little harder and move closer to what you want, then see if you feel better about yourself at the end of the day.

The National History Day competition will take place on campus today. SMS would like to congratulate the students for all the hard work they put into their projects and also send a special shout out to those chosen to compete today! Good Luck students!

Attention** All web leaders who signed up to give a tour this Wednesday will have a mandatory training TODAY in the café lounge during lunch with Ms. Marques** Please see Ms. Marques with any questions or concerns.**

Teachers-

We have started our 2nd Attendance Survey window of the school year and it will last until February 8th. **It is imperative that attendance be recorded in Gradebook during the first 10 minutes of class (PE classes – as soon as possible).** This survey helps determine our funding for the school year, so attendance must be accurate. Thank you all for your help!

Sarasota Middle School Encore Course Descriptions

Art - An exploratory, hands-on adventure with emphasis on real life drawing, color theory applied to realistic and abstract paintings, perspective studies and architectural renderings, and much, much more! Master artists and their works will be introduced and analyzed along with both college and career opportunities in the visual arts.

Creative Writing - In this course, students are able to express themselves through fun and exciting writing projects. Students will use their imaginations to become active characters in their own stories in order to further develop their written voice using a variety of literary forms.

Drama - Students will be introduced to the basic concepts of theatre arts. Students will use various creative drama techniques to build confidence and trust, stimulate imagination, movement, and role-play. This will be accomplished through participation in theatre games and activities. Students will also exhibit and reinforce their skills through individual and group presentations, performances, script and journal writing.

Physical Education - Students will participate in team/individual activities which promote athletic skills and personal fitness.

Physical Education with Dance Emphasis - This high-energy course combines elements of dance, cheer, and traditional Physical Education sports. Students will learn and develop skills and combinations from each of these three disciplines. Throughout the course, students will learn, create, and perform choreographed dance routines to popular songs.

"Crisis text line signage is posted throughout our campus. The crisis text line can be accessed by anyone in need of help for any reason. By texting HERE4U to 741741, you can connect with a crisis counselor 24 hours a day/ 7 days per week. Your text remains confidential and provides you with someone to listen. If you or a friend needs help at any time, please text HERE4U to 741741."

All busses have arrived on time and all students should be in their 1st period class at this time.

Students, remember our Panther Pact: be Polite, Prepared, Productive and Safe!

Have a terrific Tuesday!