

# Middle Grades 101



#### A Day in the Life

- School Day: 8:00 2:50
- Academics
  - Block Schedule: A + B days

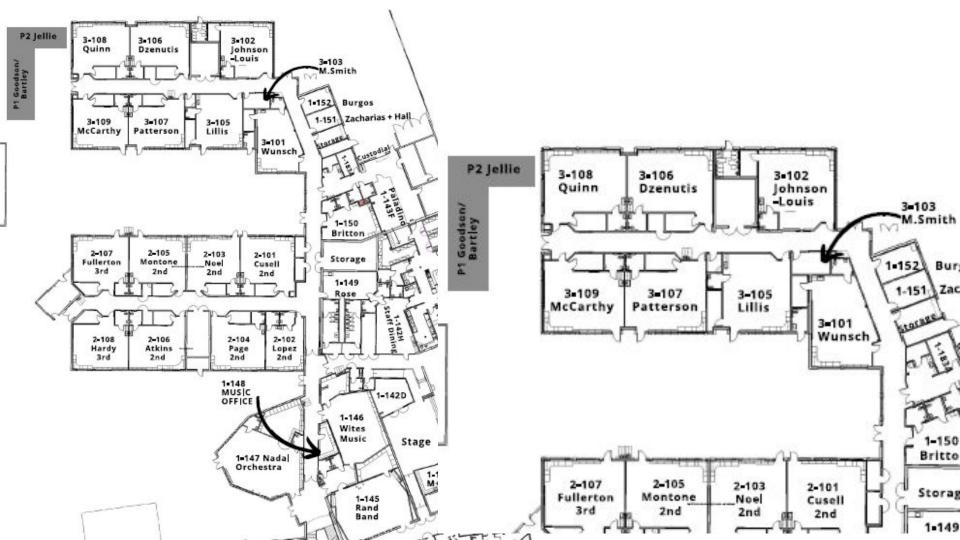
#### **A Days** (ODD Periods 1, 3, 5, 7)

- 8:00 9:35: Project-Based Learning Course
- 9:40 11:15: Period 3 Core Academic Course
- 11:15 11:45: Lunch
- 11:50 1:25: Period 5 Core Academic Course
- 1:30 2:50: Period 7 Elective 1



#### **B Days** (EVEN Periods 2, 4, 6, 8)

- 8:00 9:35: Music (Band or Orchestra)
- 9:40 11:15: Period 4 Core Academic Course
- 11:15 11:45: Lunch
- 11:50 1:25: Period 6- Core Academic
   Course
- 1:30 2:50: Period 8 Music Theory 1st Semester



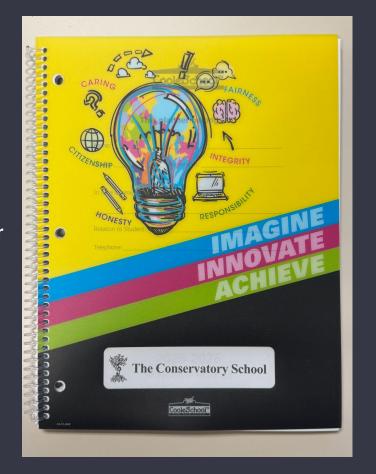
#### Courses

- Music:
  - Band or String Orchestra
- Music Theory Semester Elective
- Project-Based Learning (PBL)
- English Language Arts (ELA)
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Sciences
- Electives (2)
- CREW 8:00-8:20 according to calendar



#### Classroom Supplies

- First Day of School:
  - One Spiral Notebook
  - Pen and/or Pencil
- Agenda
  - School Planners have been ordered for each student, please bring \$10 cash to Meet the Teacher or during the first week of school in an envelope with your student's name and grade level.
- Chromebooks
  - All students will be provided with a Chromebook and charger to take home. Students are expected to bring the Chromebooks charged to school each day.



Middle Grades **Project Based** Learning (PBL)



#### **General Information**

- 90-minute course every other day
- Students spend several months investigating a topic of societal importance and present their findings to a public audience made up of parents, community members, and other stakeholders.
- Fall Exhibition: December 11th
- Spring Exhibition: April 23rd
   6:00PM-7:00PM
   \*\*Attendance is required for both exhibitions and is part of the PBL grade\*\*







#### **PBL Donation - \$50**

- Due to the nature of PBL--hands-on and experiential, various costs arise throughout the process. Please support our upcoming projects with a donation. The money will be used to purchase materials, tools, etc. as needed to support the work.
- We are asking that all middle school students donate \$50 to be put into a PBL Fund.
- You can pay via School Cash online, cash or check.
- Please make checks out to: The Conservatory School. If paying by check, please write your child's name and grade level on it.





# Middle Grades Music

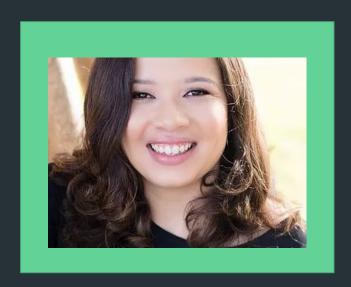
Band and
String Orchestra
Program



### Middle School Band Director: Ms. Gina Rand



### Middle School Orchestra Director: Essi Nadal



#### **General Information**

- 90-minute course every other day
- Students will receive the following at the start of the year:
  - Music department handbook
  - Course syllabus
  - Instrument
  - Calendar of concerts and program events
- First concert @ PBGHS: October 15th
   2025 @6pm!
- Electives:
  - Music Theory
  - Jazz Band
  - Chamber Orchestra



## Renting Instruments & the Music Consumable Fund

- Instrument Rental:
  - \$70 per year (41 cents per day)
- Music Consumable Fund:
  - o \$50 per year
    - Purchase new music
    - Small repairs
    - Strings & parts
    - Rosin & Oil



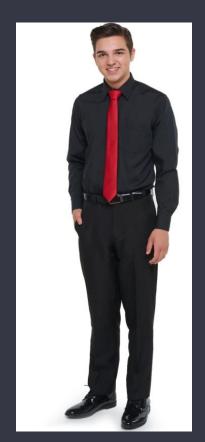
#### **Music Concert Attire:**

#### Website: https://www.concertattire.com/

- Black Dress Pants, Black Dress Shirt,
   Hunter Green Tie (\$48)
  - TCS black dress shirt must be ordered from Cousin's Concert Attire.
  - VINCENT (Style #6701) Black Shirt With <u>Dress Trousers Package</u>
  - Black Belt
  - Black dress shoes (No heels or sneakers).
     Black dress socks, please.

#### Concert Full-Length Dress (\$62)

- TCS Concert dress must be ordered from Cousin's Concert Attire. BLACK DRESS ONLY
- ANGELINA (Style #115) Scoop Neck, Short Sleeve Dress
- Tights are not required, but if you wear socks, they must be the "no show" type that cannot be seen above your shoes.
- Black dress shoes (No heels or sneakers).





#### **Important Dates**

#### Fall Semester

- Saturday, September 20 All-State Band Auditions (Select Students)
- Saturday, September 20 All-State Orchestra Auditions (Select Students)
- Wednesday, October 10th All-County Jazz Band Auditions (select students)
- \*Wednesday, October 15th- MS Band and Orchestra Combined Fall Concert @ Palm Beach Gardens HS. Time: 6:00 pm.
- Wednesday, November 19th & Thursday November 20th All-County Jazz rehearsal and Concert (Select Students)
- \*Wednesday, December 17th- MS Band and Orchestra Combined Winter Concert @ Palm Beach Gardens HS. Time: 6:00 pm.

#### **Important Dates**

#### **Spring Semester**

- Thursday January 22nd and Friday January 23rd All-County Concert Band Rehearsals and Concert (select students)
- Wednesday, February 5th & Thursday February 6th Jazz MPA @ Location TBD
- \*Saturday, February 8th Orchestra Solo & Ensemble MPA (Required for all MS orchestra students) @ TCS
  Performance Time: TBA
- Thursday, March 6th Saturday, March 8th- Band II Concert MPA (Required for all Band II Students) @ Jupiter High School. Performance Day and Time: TBA
- \*Saturday, March 8th Chamber Orchestra Concert MPA (Required for all Orchestra Students) @ BAK Middle School of the Arts.
   Performance Time TBA
- Wednesday April 2nd & Thursday April 3rd All-County Orchestra Festival @ A. W. Dreyfoos SOA. (Select Students)
- \*Friday, April 11th Saturday, April 12th- Band Solo & Ensemble MPA (Required for all Band students) @ William T. Dwyer High School. Performance Day and Time: TBA
- \*May 20th MS Bands and Orchestras Spring Concert @ Palm Beach Gardens High School. Time: 6:00 pm

# TCSMS Athletics and After School

Let's go TCS, let's go!



#### **Sports Offered**

- Baseball
  - Tryouts: August 2025
- Softball
  - Tryouts: August 2025
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Soccer
- Track

**Coach Rose, Athletic Director** 

rosetta.daniels@palmbeachschools.org





# SOFTBALL Interest Meeting

Date: August 13

**Location: Coach Patterson's class** 

Time: 3pm

Please make sure you have a

ride home





### Interest Meeting

Date: August 13

Location: 1-211

Time: 3pm

Please make sure you have a

ride home





#### MASTER SCHEDULE

#### 1st Season

#### Baseball and Softball

Interest Meeting

Aug 13

Tryouts

Aug 18, 19, 20

Regular Season

Sept 3-Oct 10

Playoff Season

Oct 16-Oct. 28



#### 2nd Season

#### Girls Volleyball and Boys Soccer

Interest Meeting

Oct 13

Tryouts

TBA

Regular Season

Nov, 3 -Dec 5

Playoff Season

Dec 10- Dec 18

#### 3rd Season Interest Meeting

#### Boys/Girls Basketball and Girls Soccer

Tryouts

Dec 11

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TBA

Regular Season

Jan. 26- Feb, 25

Playoff Season

Mar 4 -12



#### 4th Season

Interest Meeting

Tryouts

Regular Season

Playoff Season

County Meet



Mar 2

TBA
April 1- April 30

May 4- May 15

May 11-15



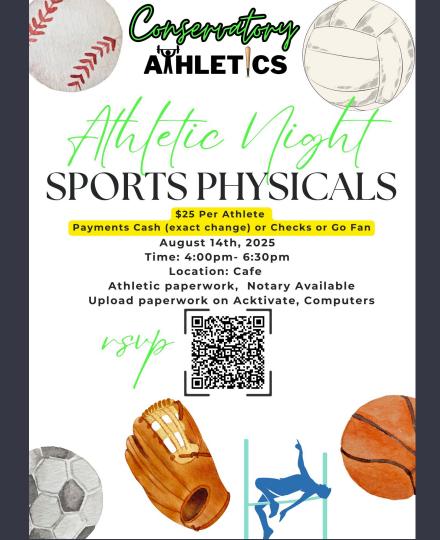
#### **EVERYTHING SPORTS**

All Sports information and updates posted Here











#### **After School**

FINALE Begins August 11th
 Mr. Travis, After School Director
 travis.coutts@palmbeachschools.org

# Middle Grades Expectations

Schoolwide Rules



#### **Triple Crown**

	Classroom	Hallway	Café	Transportation
Respect	Speak with a kind voice and use kind actions, thinking about others in our learning community.	Recognize personal space and respect displayed work.	Thank those who serve me. Take care of our eating space.	Listen to the bus driver. Take care of the bus. Recognize personal space on the bus.
Responsibility	Follow all expectations for each school and classroom activity. Take action for my academic success.	Fins forward, face forward, feet forward.	Feet on floor. Eat my own food, clean up after myself.	Sit in my assigned seat. Keep my hands and feet out of the aisle. Stay seated and follow all bus and bus stop expectations. Listen for my number and walk to my car with an adult.
Service	Look to see where our help is needed and give a helping hand to others in our school.	Keep our hallways clean, assist when someone is in need.	Help those who need my assistance.	Assist younger students. Be a role model on the bus and at the bus stop. Help my younger brothers and sisters walk to my car.

# Progressive Discipline @ TCS The Conservatory School Student Name: Grade: Grade:

**Verbal Warning** 

**Blue Slips/Parent Contact** 

**After School Detention** 

**Discipline Referral** 

The Conservatory School	Corrective Behavior Interve	ntion
Student Name: Grade:	○ 1 <sup>nt</sup> Intervention Date: Time: ○ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Intervention ○ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Intervention	
Problem Behavior	Teacher Corrective Strategy	
Defiance/Disrespect     Physical Contact     Failure to Comply w/ School Rules     Disruptive Items / Prohibited Items	Conference with Student Conference Parents requested Privilege Loss Apology Restitution Individual Daily Behavior Plan Conference with Guidance / Peer Mediation	
Brief Summary		
Completed by:		
Check method used for Parent Notification □phone  Parent Signature:	□ email □ agenda (1 <sup>st</sup> Intervention <u>only)</u> Date: □ Teacher Conference rec	uested
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	White - Administration Pink - Parent Yellow -	Teacher

Student	Grade	Class Period		
Teacher	Date of Incident			
THE C	ONSERVATORY SCHO	DL		
DE	TENTION NOTICE			
DETENTIONS WILL BE HELD	IN ROOM #1-149 FRO	M 3:00 PM TO 3:30 PM		
Parent notified by phone on:				
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Detention scheduled on Tuesday	_; weunesday;	iluisuay,		
Detention scheduled on Tuesday Teacher's signature				
Teacher's signature				

#### **Dress Code**

Shirts: All shirts must have sleeves and fully cover the student's torso, with no exposed back or midriff. Shirts must not display inappropriate or suggestive images, phrases, or advertisements.

Shorts: Short athletic running shorts are not allowed on campus. Shorts must be of appropriate length with a hem of a mid-thigh length or longer when standing. No holes or rips above knee level on pants, jeans, or other bottoms are permitted

Footwear: Athletic shoes are preferred. No Crocs, slides, flip flops, or other shoes without backing on campus.

Hats/Hoods: Hats, beanies, or non-religious head coverings are not allowed on campus. This includes hoods from sweatshirts or jackets to be worn over a student's head.

Student IDs: Students are expected to wear their IDs at all times while on campus.

Should your child not stay within these guidelines, they will be sent to the office to call you to bring attire. Repeat offenders will be subject to the student code of conduct.





#### K-8 Cell Phone Ban

Middle school students may have cell phones on campus, but they must be kept off and stored in a purse, backpack, or other non-visible secure location.

Any cellular phone or wireless communication device possessed or used in violation of this policy shall be confiscated by school personnel and returned to parent/guardian.

If a student needs to contact their parent for any reason, they will ask their teacher for permission and a pass to go to the main office to call their parent prior to middle school dismissal.

Students are not permitted to access the office during transition and must have teacher permission to go to the office.



#### **Choice Contract**

- Academic Expectations:
  - Maintaining minimum grade of B in Orchestra/Band Class
  - Maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.75 in academic areas
- Attendance Expectations:
  - Cannot have 10 or more unexcused absences.
- Conduct Expectations:
  - Must abide by the School District of Palm Beach County Student Conduct and not have more than one Level 2 Referral or any Level 3 or 4 Referrals.



# Acts of Kindness (A\*OK) Community Service @ The Conservatory School 2025-2026



Students in middle grades at The Conservatory School will be required to provide <u>12 hours of community</u> <u>service each year</u>, providing "acts of kindness" for the school or local community.

Community service hours can also be gathered in the local community, a TCS classroom, at an after school event (e.g. Math Night), or in their place of worship.

It is recommended that students do their Act of Kindness service for 3 hours each quarter, in order to complete their service before the end of the school year.

If you have any questions about the A \*OK program, please ask Mr. Cartagena or Mrs. Burgos

# Other Important Information



#### https://sites.google.com/palmbeachschools.org/tcswellnessteam/home



The School District of Palm Beach County requires that all students who will be using bus transportation for the 2025-2026 school year, register with the Transportation Department



#### https://transintranet.palmbeachschools.org/RegisterYourRide.aspx

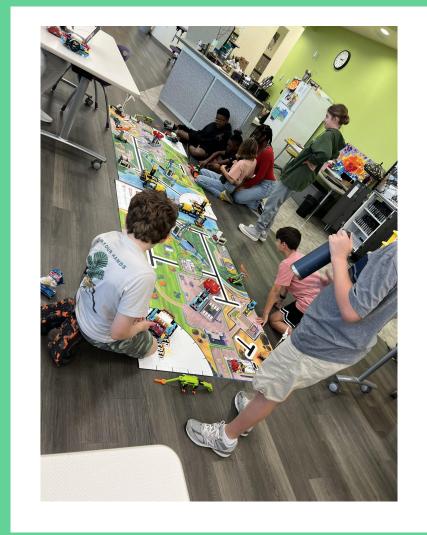
Please email Ms. Burgos at <u>lumarid.burgosrivera@palmbeachschools.org</u> if you need to reset your password.

#### SIS Gateway (Pin code)



## What sets **TCSMS** apart...





## Profile of a TCSMS Student

#### **TCSMS** students:

- Learn continuously: Make mistakes and apply knowledge to new situations in order to master content
- Think critically: Question the world around them; Make claims with supporting evidence; Design solutions to problems
- Collaborate constructively: Take responsibility for their work;
   Provide and receive critical feedback and listen with empathy
- Activate their voice: Assert their opinions and ask difficult questions;
   Advocate for their needs to be successful
- Contribute to their community: Recognize their place in their community and be empowered to make a difference

## Schedule Pickup | Supply Drop-off

Friday August 8 2:00 p.m.

Middle School Skills Training

September

**Questions?** 



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