

The Northwest Star

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Dear Northwest Families,

We will begin state testing next month for grades K-5. This will be an opportunity for students to demonstrate the learning progress they have made over the year. More information to come in the May newsletter.

Below is the behavior data for Q 1-3:

Action	Count of Student
Physical Conflict (Student) (Elementary Age)	24
Physical Conflict (Adult) (Elementary Age)	5
Fight/Minor	10
Fight/Major - SESIR	2
Leaving Campus	2
Profanity/Obscene Language	1
Disruption Classroom	1
Other Offense	1
Threat/Intimidation - SESIR	2
Cellular/Electronic/Communication Device	3
Grand Total	51

Our SIP goal for 22-23: We will reduce the percentage of referrals for striking from 43% to 15% as measured in focus in May 2023 (the action code of striking was changed to Physical conflict). We currently have 24 referrals for physical contact (striking) a reduction from 39 to 24.

We have four SESIR referrals: School Environment Safety Incident Report. These referral incidents that are against the law or represent serious breaches of the code of student conduct. This includes those incidents considered severe enough to require the involvement of a School Resource Officer (SRO) or incidents to be "Reported to Law Enforcement." More information can be found on the FLDOE.

Shining Student Stars

This month we are honored to recognize 11 of our highest achieving students. The following student was recognized at the **Yes I Can Awards**: Benjamin Clyburn. The following students were recognized March 27th at the **Maria Edmonds Hispanic Achievement Awards**: Juliet Navas, Alondra Morena, Natalie Greer, Lexi Betencourt. The following four 5th grade students will be recognized for being the highest achieving in a specific subject at the **Pride Awards** ceremony on April 4: Natalie Greer (Science), Juliet Navas (Writing), Abby Farrar (Math) and Khoi Nguyen (Social Studies). The following students will be recognized at the **Vyrle Davis Award** ceremony on April 13: Jordan Davis and Rayna Flower.

Summer Bridge

Northwest students will be attending Summer Bridge at Westgate Elementary. All students are welcome to attend. We encourage attendance to keep the learning moving. If you need more information, please ask your child's teacher or call our front office. We will assist with registering your child if you need assistance.

School Wide behavior incentive: We are excited to experience our seventh School Wide Behavior incentive (PBS: Positive Behavior Supports) for all those students making the right choices every day and exhibiting good character traits all the time. March's incentive is Stuffed Animal Day. Way to go students! The Northwest Staff is so proud of the students earning at least an 80% daily, every day.

Mrs. Brainard and the Northwest Staff

Dates to Remember

April 3- PTA Board mtg
April 4- Pride Awards
April 7- No School
April 13- Vyrle Davis Awards

April 21- Spring Carnival
April 25- Spring Concert
April 27- Chick Fil A- PTA Spirit Night



Spring Concert April 25th at Palm Lake Christian Church 2nd grade and Chorus at 6 p.m. 3rd grade and Drummers at 7 p.m.



Title I Tid Bits

We are almost complete with our Title planning for the 23-24 school year. If you have any feedback or input for our Title I plan or School Improvement Plan, please send me an email at brainardm@pcsb.org.



Ways to help your student at home...

- Talk to your student about school.
- Be aware of your student's performance in all subjects.
- Praise your student's strengths and help them find ways to improve areas of weakness.
- Check the AVID binder daily.
- Be enthusiastic and supportive.
- Celebrate your student's success. 😊



ESE UPDATE

It is time for the Florida Department of Education's annual Exceptional Student Education Parent Survey.

Each year, the department surveys parents of students with an individual education plan (IEP) who receive special education services to determine how well schools are supporting their involvement in their children's education. If your child receives special education services, make your voice heard.



Hello NW families! We have some exciting things planned as we get close to the end of the year!

- ♥ April 21st 5:30-7:30pm Spring Carnival!!! Ticket presales will start soon so be on the lookout for a flyer in your kiddos agenda.
- ♥ April 27th Chick Fil a Spirit night from 4-8pm look for a flyer to go home soon.
- ♥ May 1st we will be having our final PTA general meeting for the 2022-2023 school year. We will be voting for next years board members so if you are interested in joining the PTA board for the 2023-2024 school year's please email us at ptanorthwestelementary@gmail.com. If you are curious about what we do behind the scenes email us, we would love to share more details. A meeting link will be sent out to those that are current members as we get closer. We look forward to hearing from you and hope many of you will consider joining to help to support our students and staff!