



Milwee PTSA earns the
Top Middle School Award



Milwee Middle School
1341 S Ronald Reagan Blvd
Longwood, FL 32750



Milwee Students at the
SCPS Math Festival

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Milwee Family,

It is hard to believe the 2013-2014 school year is coming to an end. Where has the time gone? As we wrap up testing, celebrate with our 8th graders and prepare our 6th and 7th grade students for the new school year, I would like to take a moment to thank our students, parents, teachers and staff for the many successes we have accomplished this school year. We have much to be proud of:

ITEEA Stem Excellence Award

SECME Regional Champions

World Language Superior Rating

First Lego League and Sea Perch

FCAT Games District Winner

State Science Fair Competition

MATH Counts

PBS Gold Award

VEX Robotics Competitions

Best wishes to our 8th graders. We wish you great success in all future endeavors.

I would also like to welcome, at this time, our incoming 6th graders. We have great plans for your arrival and look forward to working with our new students and families as we continue our tradition of success.

Student schedule pick-up/Open House will be held on August 7th, 2014 from 12:00 - 6:00 PM. Please start in the Cafeteria to find the 1st period teacher's name, review transportation routes posted, sign up for Skyward and sign up for a School Lunch Account. Students and their families will then move to the student's 1st period classroom to get the student's schedule; then have the opportunity to visit the classrooms and meet their teachers. Classroom doors will not open for visitors until 12:00 PM. We ask that families do not arrive before 12:00 PM as teachers and staff have a staggered start times to accommodate the late afternoon hours. Please check our website for updates and supply lists over the summer. Our website is: www.milwee.k12.fl.us.

I hope you have a safe, fun and relaxing summer and are ready to get back to work.

Warm Regards, Michelle Walsh

OVER THE SUMMER

SUMMER BAND CAMP

Is your child joining band next year? Do they want to get a head start learning an instrument over the summer? Do you have a child already in band and want them to do something fun over the summer?

Lake Mary - Longwood Summer Band Camp

Lake Mary High School

June 9-19th

Beginning Band Camp - 9-11 am

Advanced Band Camp - 11 am - 1 pm

Jazz Band Camp - 1-3 pm

Spring Band Concert Dates:

Beginning Band, Tuesday, May 13 @ 7pm (Milwee Gym)

All Other Bands, Thursday, May 15 @ 7pm (Lyman HS)

For more information, please contact Mr. Lindine by email: Angelo_Lindine@scps.k12.fl.us



FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

ALL LIBRARY BOOKS ARE DUE BACK TO THE MEDIA CENTER BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 21ST. PLEASE CHECK YOUR BACKPACKS, CARS AND HOMES TO SEE IF YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE ANYTHING THAT BELONGS TO THE MILWEE MEDIA CENTER.

MAY DATES

MAY 7: FCAT DANCE @ 3PM
MAY 9: SPARTAN SHOWDOWN @ 4:30PM
MAY 13: GIFTED PARENT MEETING @ 6PM
MAY 13: BAND CONCERT @ 6PM
MAY 15: 8TH GRADE FIELD DAY
MAY 15: SPRING BAND CONCERT @ 7PM
MAY 16: NEW PARENT TEA @ 1:30PM
MAY 20: 6TH/7TH GRADE AWARDS @ 9:30AM
MAY 20: 8TH GRADE AWARDS @ 6PM
MAY 21: STUDENT LED NUTRITION AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE EVENT @ 4:30PM
MAY 23: EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:50PM
MAY 26: MEMORIAL DAY – CLOSED
MAY 27: EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:50PM
MAY 28: EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:50PM

NUTRITION & HEALTHY LIFESTYLE EVENT

On Wednesday, May 21, from 4:30-6:30pm, Milwee Middle School will host the 21st Century Afterschool Student Led Nutrition and Healthy Lifestyle Event in the Milwee cafeteria. Please join us! We're excited to see our students lead us into the future!



PTSA UPDATES

Milwee PTSA invites Spartan students and their family members to attend our brief general meeting and Cyber Bullying Awareness Program

Thursday, May 15th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Milwee PTSA General Meeting and Program, Cyber Bullying Awareness:

- **PTSA meeting:** Highlight PTSA's major achievements, give thanks to our engaged Spartan community, review the budget, and receive nomination committee's nominations and election of officers.
- **Cyber Bullying Awareness Program:** The Seminole County Sheriff's office will present their Cyber Bullying program, which is pertinent to our middle school community considering the wide use of internet and social media. This program aligns with the school's Positive Behavior Support (PBS), which is one of our primary objectives. The following bullets provide the program objectives and benefits to our Spartan Community.
 - o **Concept:** In today's society, bullying has become a problem in schools. Give students the knowledge to recognize bullying, teach them how to be assertive, and the consequences to bullying will assist in the accomplishment of safe schools.
 - **Purpose:** To help students understand that bullying is a problem and needs to be reported to adults. This lesson will also give the students the tools to recognize and respond to bullying in the correct manner.
 - **Objectives:** Students will understand the components of bullying, what to do if bullied, the consequences of being a bully, and how to be assertive.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

May 5-9, 2014 is Teacher Appreciation Week.

Our Milwee teachers and staff employees are extremely dedicated to our students' success and wellbeing. Teacher Appreciation Week provides a great opportunity for Spartan students and families to show your appreciation.

You can send a sincere note of appreciation, cut flowers from your garden, baked goods, a gift card -- it doesn't matter what you decide, it is the delivery of your sincere appreciation for those specific things that has benefited you and your student(s) that will be greatly appreciated. Milwee PTSA partners closely with Milwee teachers and staff employees and have had the opportunity to see first-hand the love and dedication they give each and every day for our students. On behalf of our membership, Milwee PTSA will show appreciation to all Milwee teachers and staff employees with the following:

- Monday-Mailbox Surprise
- Tuesday-Brkfst provided by Palm Springs Baptist Church
- Wednesday-Chocolate Fondue
- Thursday-Jason's Deli Community Partnership Lunch
- Friday-Mailbox Surprise

Thanks!
Joni Fussell
Milwee PTSA President, 2013-14

SPRING AWARD WINNERS

STATE GEOGRAPHY BEE

Michelle Bondzie (7th Grade) qualified for the State Geography Bee in Jacksonville on Friday, April 4.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH FESTIVAL

Each year, Milwee attends the Middle School Math Festival with thirteen teams of four outstanding young mathematicians. The team competed in a series of challenges which included team and individual tests as well as engineering building projects. Once again, our students performed very well. They received many team, individual and engineering awards.

Team Competition - 6th Gr Honors/IB Team (1st)

Christopher Oniyuke Brandon Perez
Lylia Schmitt Emily Schweizer

Team Competition - 6th Gr Honors/IB Gifted Team(2nd)

Arsen Aldea Luna Deves
Morgan Flay Jared Schmidt

Team Competition - 6th/7th Gr Algebra Honors (3rd)

Michelle Bondzie Jared Diaz
Srajan Dube Reena Labh

Team Competition - 8th Gr Algebra Gifted Team (3rd)

Benjamin Adelman Nikki Cuevas
Kirsty Griffiths Bijo Mathew

Engineering Competition - 6th Gr Honors/IB (2nd)

Christopher Oniyuke Brandon Perez
Lylia Schmitt Emily Schweizer

Engineering Competition - 6th Gr GEM (1st)

Dylan Davis Alexandra Esteban
David Policard Skyler Rearick

Individual Competition - 7th Gr Honors/IB Gifted (1st)

Sheniece Derrick Eliza Gordon
Damian Thomas

Individual Competition - 6th/7th Algebra Honors (1st)

Michelle Bondzie Jared Diaz
Srajan Dube Reena Labh

Sponsor Mental Math Competition

Mr. Marcus Wong (1st Place)

Individual Competition - 6th Gr Math 1

Noah Lopez (3rd Place)

Individual Competition - 6th Gr Honors/IB

Lylia Schmitt (3rd Place)
Christopher Oniyuke (5th Place)
Brandon Perez (9th Place)

Individual Competition - 6th Gr Honors/IB Gifted

Morgan Flay (3rd Place)
Arsen Aldea (7th Place)

Individual Competition - 7th Gr Honors/IB Gifted

Damian Thomas (10th Place)

Individual Competition - 6th/7th Gr Algebra Honors

Jared Diaz (8th Place)

Individual Competition - 8th Gr Math 3

Chloe Parkes (7th Place)

Individual Competition - 8th Gr Algebra Gifted

Kirsty Griffiths (10th Place)

Individual Competition - 8th Gr Math 3 (1st)

Chloe Parkes Jonathan Rodriguez

Individual Competition - Algebra Honors Gifted (3rd)

Benjamin Adelman Kirsty Griffiths
Nikki Cuevas Bijo Mathew

NOTABLE MENTIONS

Program Recognition:

International Technological Engineering and Educators Association recognizes Milwee Middle School Pre-Engineering Magnet with the Program of Excellence Award. Sponsored by the ITEEA and Paxton/Patterson, the Program Excellence

Award is one of the highest honors given to Technology and Engineering classroom programs on the elementary, middle or high school levels. The award is presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to the profession and students. Schools from all over the United States and around the world compete for this honor.

Each year the Program Excellence winners are recognized at the largest conference for Technology & Engineering Educators in the world. This year the program at *Milwee Middle School*, was one of the 30 schools in the nation recognized at the first general session of the conference where the award plaques and pins were presented.



Student Recognition:

Secme and Environmental Science students attending the energy Whiz Olympics May 3. Despite the pouring rain the students were great sports and had exemplary projects for the competitions. We had students compete in the solar oven competition, solar sprint competition, critter cottage competition, energy innovations competition and the hydrogen challenge. Our students took 3rd place in the energy innovations completion and 2nd place in the hydrogen challenge competition.

