

Herbert A. Ammons Middle School IB MYP

JANUARY 2025



#EXCELLENCE

SU	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SA
IB Learner Profile: Inquirers & Knowledgeable Values Matters: Pursuit of Excellence			1 WINTER RECESS	2 WINTER RECESS	3 WINTER RECESS	4
			Community Service: Walkathon 1-16			
5	6 ODD Tutoring 8:35 AM–8:55 AM - Drama Show Practice, 4-7 PM -Art Club, Rm 1118 -FEA, Rm 1226 -Math Eagles, Rm 1222 -Pre-Algebra Tutoring, 4-5 PM Ms. Screen, Rm 1205 Drama Snack Sale	7 EVEN - Drama Show Practice TBA	8 ODD -Drama Show Practice TBA -Robotics, Rm 1143 -AMEGA Club, Rm 1135 -IB Wednesday PTSA Snack Sale	9 EVEN -First Priority, Cafeteria -Recruitment Tour 9:45 AM Spanish Club Bake Sale	10 ODD Ammons Club & Team T-shirt Day -Curriculum Council <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 1/11- District Choice Expo Miami-Dade Kendall Campus 9am-1pm </div> PTSA Double POP Sale	11
12	13 EVEN Tutoring 8:35 AM–8:55 AM -Drama Show Practice, 4-7 PM -Math Eagles, Rm 1222 -Pre-Algebra Tutoring, 4-5 PM Ms. Screen, Rm 1205 Drama Snack Sale	14 ODD -Drama Show Practice @ 4-5:30 PM - Faculty Mtg - EESAC Mtg	15 EVEN Career Day -Drama Show Practice @ 4-5:30 PM -Robotics, Rm 1143 -Scribble Club, Rm 1210 -French Club, Rm 1232 -Common Planning <u>Magnet Application</u> <u>Deadline</u> Drama Snack Sale	16 ODD Walkathon \$5 (Includes Spirit Day) -Chess Club, Rm 1110 -Book Club, Rm 1215 -Crafty Eagles, Rm 1117 End of 2nd Grading Period, End of 1st Semester IB Report Card Distribution - HR	17 Teacher Planning Day No students in school <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Birthday Balloons \$2.50 Sponsored by: Spanish Club Ms. Peña, Rm 1202 </div>	18
19	20 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Holiday <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Class collection of fees 1/21- 1/31 </div>	21 EVEN -Drama Show Practice @ 4-5:30 PM -Yana Club, MC -NJHS, Rm 1219 -Spanish Club, Rm 1202 Begin 3rd Grading Pd. Begin Second Sem. <i>(Semester Class Change)</i>	22 ODD -Drama Show Practice @ 4-5:30 PM -Robotics, Rm 1143 -AMEGA Club, Rm 1135 -Common Planning PTSA Snack Sale	23 EVEN Yearbook Group Pictures -Drama Show Practice -First Priority, Cafeteria Report Cards available only on the portal	24 ODD Spirit Day \$1 -Team Mtg Athletic POP Sale	25
26	27 EVEN Literacy Week Tutoring 8:35 AM–8:55 AM - Drama Show Practice 4-7 PM -Art Club, Rm 1118 -FEA, Rm 1226 -Pre-Algebra Tutoring 4-5 PM Ms. Screen, Rm 1205 PTSA Board Mtg @ 9 AM Drama Snack Sale	28 ODD -Drama Show Practice @ 4-5:30 PM - Faculty Mtg	29 EVEN -Robotics, Rm 1143 -Scribble Club, Rm 1210 -French Club, Rm 1232 -Portfolio Clinics 8:35-9:05 AM, Rm 1140 -UTD Mtg PTSA Snack Sale	30 ODD -Chess Club, Rm 1110 -Book Club, Rm 1215 -Crafty Eagles, Rm 1117 PTSA Fluid Bear Workshop @ 4-5 PM, Cafeteria (Students must register for the event and pay online at https://ammonsptsa.givebacks.com \$25 fee includes all supplies and snacks)	31 EVEN OSP Opens for 8th Grade EOY FT -Department Mtg -Team T-shirt Day	

IB LEARNER PROFILES OF THE MONTH: INQUIRERS & KNOWLEDGEABLE**IB Learners strive to be Inquirers**

- We nurture our curiosity, developing skills for inquiry and research.
- We know how to learn independently and with others.
- We learn with enthusiasm and sustain our love of learning throughout life.

IB Learners strive to be Knowledgeable

- We develop and use conceptual understanding, exploring knowledge across a range of disciplines.
- We engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance.

“The art and science of asking questions is the source of all knowledge”

Thomas Berger

The VALUES MATTER Characteristic for the month is:
Pursuit of Excellence

New Classes Begin

As you know, all students take semester length classes in Physical Education, Computers, Art, Drama and Music. When the new semester begins on January 21st, students will be switching classes to their **new** semester course. Those students who were enrolled in Physical Education will now have an elective, and those enrolled in an elective will now have a semester of PE. Physical Education requires a P.E. uniform that includes shorts- \$12.00 and shirts \$12.00, **cash with PE teacher or you can buy them at the PTSA store online**. It is strongly recommended that the Physical Education students purchase 2 uniforms (\$24.00). PE uniforms can be purchased by students directly from the PE teachers. New courses may require a fee. Art 1 requires a \$5 fee and Art 2/3 a \$10 Fee. Music requires a \$10 fee. Drama and Technical Theater require a \$10 fee. **Fees will be collected Jan 21st to Jan 31st through OSP.**

FEE COLLECTION WEEK -Steps to follow through OSP

1. Click on MDCPS Parent Portal
2. Click on Apps/Services/Sites
3. Click on OSP parent Link
4. Click on your child’s school level
5. Click on the name of your child’s school.
(This will display the activities available to purchase)

Immunization and Registration Issues

All sixth graders need to start their 7th grade immunization process now. Avoid problems with registration, subject selection, and exclusion from school. Take care of required immunizations as soon as possible. All future seventh graders need their TDAP Booster so please bring in your immunization Form 680 as soon as possible. Do not wait until the end of the school year.

Magnet Program Academic Reminder

As a reminder, students must maintain a 2.0 GPA in all classes and in conduct to remain in good standing at Ammons. Any student who earns one or more “D” or “F” during any 9-week period, in any course, will be placed on academic probation. Failure to meet the probationary requirements outlined in the probation document places the student in danger of being exited from the Magnet program at Ammons and returned to his/her home school for the coming school year. Please review your child’s performance by checking the portal. Grade level counselors meet with students to discuss strategies and to provide support on a regular basis.

End of the Year Fieldtrip Requirements

Students **MUST** have no lower than a C2B in all classes to remain eligible for all end of year trips. Grades will be checked for the 1st and 2nd 9 weeks before students pay; however, if students’ grades drop below the required minimum for the 3rd 9-weeks he or she will be removed and **NO REFUNDS** will be available. In addition, any student receiving an administrative referral, administrative detention, or suspension will not be permitted to participate in the activity – and will forfeit any money paid for the activity and/or field trip.

Articulation/Subject Selection

In February, we will begin subject selection for next school year. Current 6th and 7th graders will be selecting courses for next year and current 8th graders will choose their Senior High courses, so get ready. More information will be forthcoming.