



# PKS Happenings!

Week of October 28th, 2022

*Early Release Monday, October 31st*  
**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**



## **8TH GRADE AWARDS CEREMONY** **Our 8th Graders are on a roll!!!**





**7th Grade Golden Ticket winners!**

**7th graders earned a golden ticket for displaying their PKS PRIDE. Students received their golden ticket at the 1st quarter award ceremony. They enjoyed an ice cream and cookie party with a fun team building activities outside.**







***PKS***

***Red Ribbon Week***

**RED - Y to live a drug free life!**





***PKS***

***Red Ribbon Week***

*peace out to Drugs!*



*sock it to Drugs!*





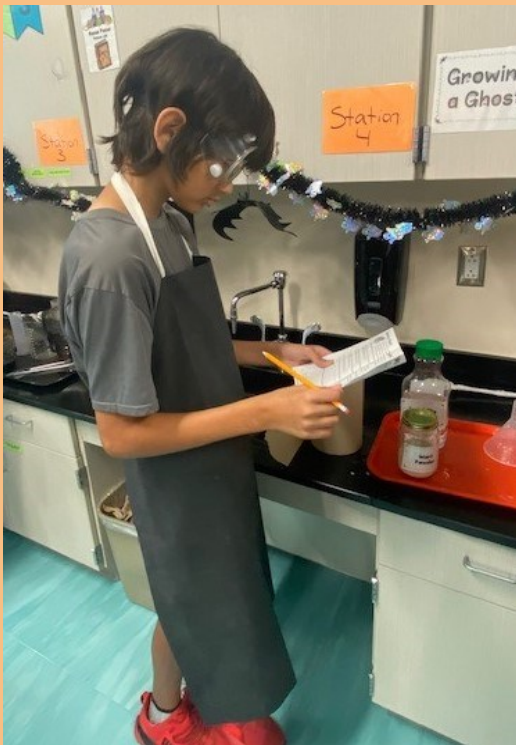
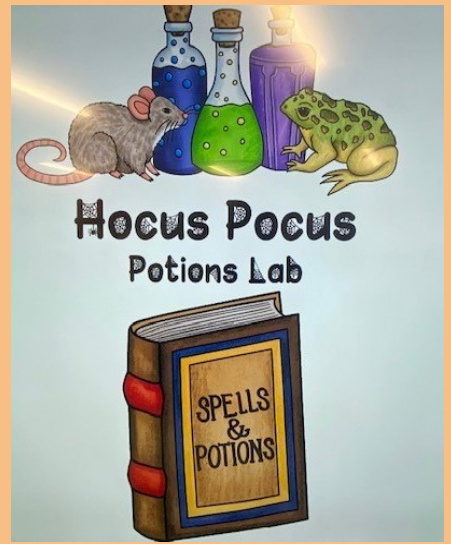
## **Panther Pass Winners Spin the Wheel for Prizes!!**



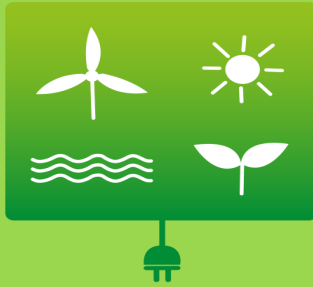
## **1st Grade Winners Safer Smarter Kids BUDDY SAYS Contest!!**



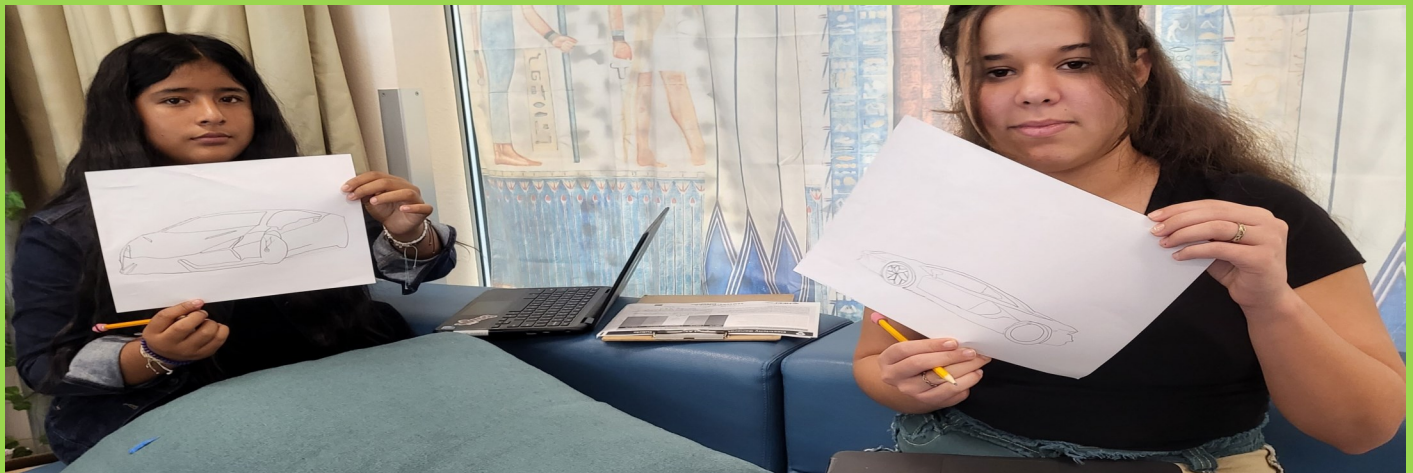
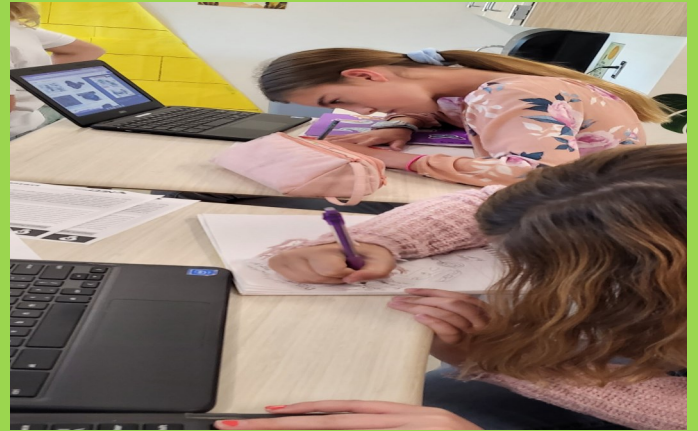
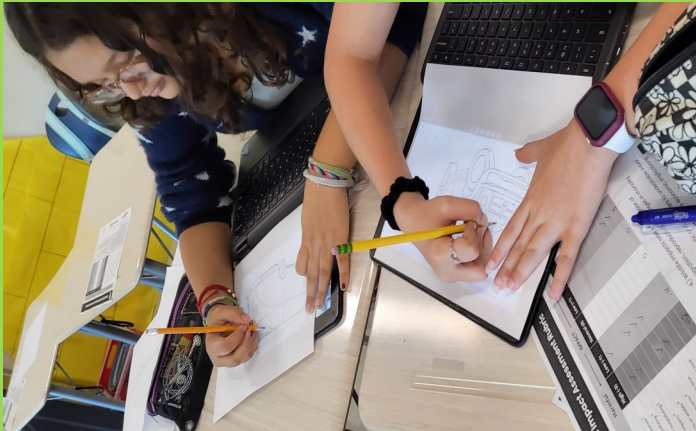






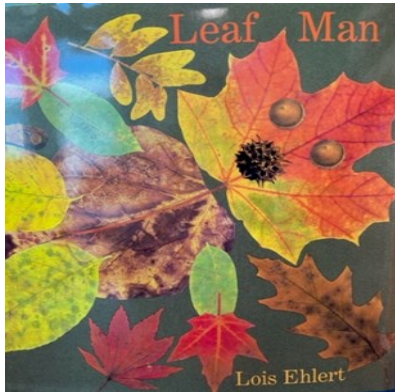


**Middle School Environmental Studies students spent 2 weeks completing the NEEF (National Environmental Education Foundation) Climate Superstars Challenge which included 10 separate tasks encompassing Climate Change and renewable energy. One of the wrap-up activities was to design a "green energy" car. The students fully embraced the challenge and came up with some creative options!**



# READERS ARE LEADERS

**Readers are Leaders** can feel Fall in the Air! Part 2!!!! In last week's newsletter, you saw pictures of students picking up leaves to make their own "Leaf Man", based on the book by Lois Ehlert. Here are a few examples of their work! They could make anything they saw in the book, or create their own!



**Looking for a Good Book?** 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are creating Book Ads for their favorite books. Other students, and adults, can look through their suggestions to help pick out a great new book.

Students are earning new Brag Tags! They have numbers and represent the amount of points earned. This will be an ongoing activity. This picture shows Ms. Doane's class getting ready to put theirs on the outside of their backpack – sharing their pride in achieving points.



This week's environmental challenge? How about trying a "Litter Free Lunch Challenge"?

Any way we can reduce waste is helpful, and provides a baseline for good habits for your child. Many disposable items can be replaced by reusable items instead. Have your child help you plan a healthy lunch with no trash!!! Try inexpensive stainless steel cutlery instead of plastic; cloth napkins rather than paper, or thermoses or plastic containers instead of disposable plastic or paper. Good Luck and have fun.



PARENTS ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

# **HALLOWEEN PARADE**

**MONDAY OCTOBER 31ST STARTING AT 8:05  
AM - 8:35 (APPROX.)**

**THE DISCOVERY BLVD @ PLANTATION KEY SCHOOL**

- STUDENTS WEAR YOUR SCHOOL APPROPRIATE COSTUMES (\*BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES)
- STUDENTS WILL ENJOY A HAUNTED HOUSE CREATED BY MRS. BOYD'S STEM CLASS; PARENTS CAN WALK THROUGH AT THE END OF THE PARADE
- PLEASE SEND IN CANDY DONATIONS!

## **CORAL SHORES FALL FESTIVAL**

A FUNDRAISER FOR THIS YEAR'S PROM

**NOVEMBER 5TH,  
FROM 4-6 PM**

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CONTEST!

BRING A HOMEMADE  
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- Florida Students
- Pre-K through 12th Grade
- Reapply Every School Year

### COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

- Masks Required
- Symptom Free



All student information is kept confidential and not shared with any other entity.

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### **PADRES APLIQUEN AHORA!**

- Estudiantes de la Florida
- Pre-K hasta el 12° grado
- Reaplique cada año escolar
- Procesamiento más rápido
- Confidencial y seguro

### COVID-19 PROTOCOLOS DE LA UNIDAD MÓVIL

- Se requieren máscaras y distanciamiento social
- Todas las superficies desinfectadas
- Encuesta de COVID-19 requerida

Heiken **NO** comparte información con ninguna otra agencia



School Advisory Council meeting dates for 2022-2023

Tues, August 16th, 5pm  
Tues, Sept. 20th, 5pm  
Tues, Oct. 18th, 5pm  
Tues, Nov. 15th, 5pm  
Tues, Dec. 6th, 5pm

Wed, Jan. 18th, 6pm  
Wed, Feb. 15, 6pm  
Wed, March 15th, 6pm  
Wed, April 19th, 6pm  
Wed, May 17th, 6pm



If you have any questions or concerns regarding PKS, you can email the School Advisory Council at [sacforpks@gmail.com](mailto:sacforpks@gmail.com).

Questions will be addressed by SAC at the monthly meetings and posted on the SAC page on PKS website under SAC minutes.

**Get  
involved!**

**Have a question or  
concern? Email us!**  
[sacforpks@gmail.com](mailto:sacforpks@gmail.com)

**Join  
our  
meetings**



**A sniffle? A cough? A sore throat?** Children come down with illnesses big and small. Some are contagious, some are not. How do you know when to keep your child home from school? For the safety of all of our students and staff, please keep students at home for any of the following reasons:

- **Fever >99.9\* prior to medication-** if students are medicated for a fever, they should not be in school until they are fever free for 24 hours
- **Diarrhea-** keep child home until stool is formed.
- **Vomiting-** keep child home until they have not vomited for 24 hours.
- **Severe Cough and Cold-** keep child home with a serious cough. It can be contagious to others
- **Nasal Discharge-** keep child home with green nasal discharge. It is a clear sign of a sinus infection and can be passed easily from student to student when sick child rubs their nose.
- **Sore Throat-** can be a sign of strep or a common cold. Keep child at home for at least 24 hours if they have been diagnosed with strep throat. They must be on antibiotics for 24 hours prior to returning to school.
- **Pinkeye-** keep child home for 24 hours after treatment has been started. Highly contagious!!!! Symptoms include eye redness, irritation, swelling, and pus.
- **Fatigue-** keep child home if they are not acting like the bubbly, happy child they are and seem overly exhausted doing simple activities.

\*\*\* If medication has been prescribed by a physician for any kind of infection, students should not return to school until *at least 24 hours* after the medication has been taken to be sure they are not contagious. \*\*\*

\*\*\*ALL medications, including over the counter medications, are required to have a doctor's prescription and must be signed in through the clinic by a parent or guardian. Students are not permitted to carry any medications during school unless cleared through the clinic staff and principal. Please call the clinic staff if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you \*\*\*



# EVERY FRIDAY IS PKS SPIRIT DAY!



Wear your favorite  
PKS apparel or  
blue & white  
to show your spirit!

SHOP THE PKS SPIRIT STORE  
<https://1stplace.sale/21199>

**BIG SALE going on NOW!**

Sponsored by PKS PTA



## Attention PKS Families!

Please **Do Not** send cash or checks to school.

Make your payments online thru RevTrak with Debit or Credit cards, and Checks!

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Use your smart phone camera to scan the QR code below to access the  
PKS RevTrak page



SCAN ME



Question or need help? Contact Kim Kupke - PKS Bookkeeper (305)853-3281 Ext: 58304 or  
email me at [Kimberly.kupke@keyschools.com](mailto:Kimberly.kupke@keyschools.com)

Pay for classroom fees, fieldtrips, class donations, laptops, band, fundraisers, etc. on the PKS main  
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## Lunch Menu

October 31st—November 4th

| MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Bates Motel Baked Ziti<br>Graveyard Garlic Bread sticks<br>Creepy Caesar Salad w/ Dressing<br>Monster Mixed veggies<br>Assorted Fruit Juice & Milk | Asian Chicken<br>Steamed Rice & Broccoli<br>Fortune Cookie<br>Assorted Fruit Juice & Milk | Cheeseburger<br>Tater Tots<br>Green Beans<br>Assorted Fruit Juice & Milk | Crispy Chicken<br>Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy<br>Steamed Carrots<br>Assorted Fruit Juice & Milk | Hot Dog (Pre-K: Mini Corn Dogs)<br>Mac & Cheese<br>Assorted Fruit Juice & Milk |

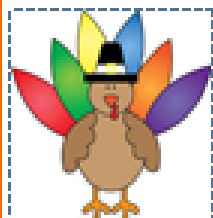
Parents are invited to our Thanksgiving Lunch in the Cafeteria. If you plan on attending and eating lunch please fill out the reservation slip below or provide the information on a separate piece of paper. Please pre-pay in order to keep the lunch lines running smoothly. Please attach the payment to this permission slip and send in or drop off in the front office or cafeteria by November 9th. Adult lunches are \$3.60 each.

Lunch will be served on Wednesday, November 16th

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ # of adults \_\_\_\_\_



You must only be at the school during your child's lunch period.



## TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN College Scholarship Opportunity Your child may be eligible!



To be considered for a TSIC College Scholarship opportunity, your child must:

- Have a U.S. Social Security number
- Be enrolled in a Monroe County Public School in grades 6–9
- Have earned As, Bs, and Cs in all classes with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- Have passing scores on state assessments (FSA & EOC)
- Meet financial eligibility requirements established by the TSIC Program (see chart below)
- Sign a contract agreeing to remain crime and drug free, attend school regularly, maintain a 2.5 GPA, and meet with a mentor once a week

The applicant's 2021–2022 academic records will be reviewed prior to application approval. Please review the financial qualifications below:

2021 Federal Income Tax Return filed by parent(s) or guardian(s) claiming student as a dependent is required to verify income eligibility.

### NOTE

Family income cannot exceed the levels shown in the chart.

\* Families may qualify for highest income level per current SNAP/TANF guidelines. Student must be listed as a SNAP beneficiary—proof will be required.

All income guidelines provided by Take Stock in Children, Inc.

| Household Size | Annual Income <sup>1</sup> |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| 2              | \$ 41,000                  |
| 3              | \$ 46,150                  |
| 4              | \$ 60,000                  |
| 5              | \$ 60,070                  |
| 6              | \$ 68,802                  |
| 7              | \$ 77,534                  |
| 8              | \$ 86,266                  |

Contact your Take Stock in Children College Success Coach at a middle or high school near you for more information and an application:

### Lower Keys

Ms. Lynne Casamayor  
305-293-1400  
Ext. 53303

Ms. Marjorie Perry  
305-293-1400  
Ext. 65441

### Marathon

305-289-2480  
Ext. 55418

### Upper Keys

Ms. Marlene Sun-Sternberg  
305-853-3222  
Ext. 56313



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Mr. Chuck Licis-Masson  
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Ms. Autumn Hager  
Supervisor Student Services

Take Stock in Children Monroe  
PO Box 2561, Key West, FL 33045  
305-293-1546 or

[TakeStock@MonroeCountyEdFound.com](mailto:TakeStock@MonroeCountyEdFound.com)

Request and submission of a completed application does not ensure a scholarship award.



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## Su estudiante puede ser elegible para una beca universitaria!



Para ser considerado para un TSIC College Scholarship (beca), su estudiante debe:

- Tener un número de Seguro Social (U.S. Social Security number)
- Estar inscrito en grados 6–9 en una escuela pública en el condado de Monroe
- Tener grados de As, Bs, y Cs en todas las clases
- Tener puntajes de aprobación de calificaciones en las evaluaciones estatales (FSA & EOC)
- Cumplir con los requisitos financieros establecidos por el programa de TSIC (ver tabla abajo)
- Firmar un contrato aceptando permanecer libres de crímenes, drogas, atender a la escuela regularmente, mantener un GPA de 2.5 y reunirse con un mentor una vez por semana.

Las calificaciones escolares de el 2021–2022 serán observados con la aplicación.

Por favor observe las calificaciones financieras a continuación.

| Tamaño del Hogar (personas en la familia) | Ingreso Anual <sup>1</sup> |
|---|----------------------------|
| 2   | \$41,000                   |
| 3   | \$46,150                   |
| 4   | \$60,000                   |
| 5   | \$60,070                   |
| 6   | \$68,802                   |
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El solicitante debe presentar las declaraciones de impuestos federales sobre la renta de 2021 presentadas por el padre o tutor para verificar la elegibilidad de ingresos

### NOTA

Tenga en cuenta que los ingresos familiares no pueden superar los niveles que se muestran la tabla anterior.

Federal Income Tax Returns 2021 con la aplicación es necesario.

\* Las familias solo pueden calificar para el nivel de ingresos más alto con la documentación de SNAP actual. Pautas de ingresos proporcionadas por el Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

Pongase en contacto con su Take Stock in Children College Success Coach en una escuela intermedia o secundaria cercana para obtener mas información y una solicitud:

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La solicitud y presentación de una solicitud completa no garantiza una beca

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HELP YOUR KIDS

# Learn & Earn

Take online programs & earn Amazon Gift Cards!

Monroe County Middle & High School Students can earn Amazon Gift Cards participating in online Evidence Based Alcohol and Drug Prevention Programs. Requires parental/guardian consent. One (1) gift card per student per program.

### AVAILABLE PROGRAMS



#### ALCOHOL EDU

Empowering students to identify and challenge influences and to make safer and healthier decisions about alcohol. Lasts 2.5 hours.

FOR GRADES 9-12



#### PRESCRIPTION DRUG SAFETY

Arming students with knowledge and skills to make healthy, informed decisions when it comes to prescription medications. Lasts 30-45 min.

FOR GRADES 9-12



#### ALCOHOL WISE

Teaching students refusal skills and how to avoid high-risk situations involving alcohol. Lasts 1 hour.

FOR GRADES 6-12



#### MARIJUANA WISE

Informing students about the facts, risks, and consequences of using marijuana. Lasts 1 hour.

FOR GRADES 6-12

### TO SIGN UP

Contact: Tammy Hansen  
[Tammy.Hansen@Westcare.com](mailto:Tammy.Hansen@Westcare.com)



#### NICOTINE 101

Providing students valuable and info on the effects, nicotine products. Lasts 1 hour.

FOR GRADES 6-12



#### ALL STARS PREVENTION

Providing students the tools and info to help them from starting to participate in risky behaviors as long as possible. Lasts 2.5 hours.

FOR GRADES 9-12



#### CONFLICT WISE

Teaching conflict resolution strategies and other life skills to diffuse anger triggers and to better manage their behavior. Lasts 2.5 hours.

FOR GRADES 9-12



#### PARENTING WISELY

Sharing proven skills to solve problem behaviors, family conflict, and more.

FOR Parents of teens who enroll in either All Stars, Conflict Wise or general counseling

### TO SIGN UP

Contact: Katie Raskob  
[Kraskob@fics.org](mailto:Kraskob@fics.org)

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For more info, contact  
Susan Moore at (305) 849-5929.

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## Does your public school student have trouble reading?



### READING SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS

The Reading Scholarship was created to help public school students in third through fifth grade who struggle with reading.

### Who is eligible?



Third through fifth grade students who scored a 1 or 2 on the English Language Arts portion of the third or fourth grade Florida Standards Assessment (FSA).

Program funds are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

An eligible student who is classified as an English Language Learner and is enrolled in a program or receiving services that are specifically designed to meet the instructional needs of English Language Learner students shall receive priority.

### What is available?

#### \$500 Scholarship

Reimbursement for the following:

- Tuition and fees for part-time tutoring provided by a properly credentialed individual, as outlined in the Reading Handbook
- Fees for summer or after-school education programs designed to improve reading or literacy skills
- Instructional materials and curriculum related to reading or literacy
- Approved technology items, including laptop computers, desktop computers and tablets



### How to apply?

To apply online, or for more information, visit [StepUpForStudents.org/Reading](http://StepUpForStudents.org/Reading)

[Reading@StepUpForStudents.org](mailto:Reading@StepUpForStudents.org)

(877) 735-7837

[@StepUp4Students](https://www.facebook.com/StepUp4Students)



To learn more and see if your child qualifies for a Reading Scholarship, scan the QR code.

As of September 2021 for the 2021–22 school year.





## Youth Ambassador PROGRAM



### WHAT IS IT?

The Islamorada Chamber of Commerce provides support, education and advocacy to area businesses. Youth Ambassadors will help the Chamber foster growth and goodwill within the business community.

### WHY JOIN?

Volunteering is about giving your time to a good cause. You don't get paid, but you do get the chance to use your talents, develop new skills, and experience the happiness that comes from making a real difference to other people's lives, as well as your own.

Earn community service hours for your time and feel good about it because you're helping others.

### WHAT'S INVOLVED?

Attend one meeting per month, volunteer at local Chamber festivals and events, and work on an annual project to benefit your community. (Applicant must currently be enrolled in 5th, 6th or 7th grade at a local school.)



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Clubs or Groups you are involved with currently: \_\_\_\_\_

Why you would like to be an Islamorada Chamber of Commerce Youth Ambassador? \_\_\_\_\_

Days of the week you prefer for meetings:

1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Reference (other than a relative):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Please explain how you know this person: \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize my child to participate in the Islamorada Chamber of Commerce Youth Ambassador Program.

Parent's Signature/ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature / Date \_\_\_\_\_



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AHORA







## School Bus Authorized Items

| AUTHORIZED  | NOT AUTHORIZED                          |
|---|---|
| Band Instruments (If they fit on the students lap or between legs without protruding into the aisle.) | Items made of glass                     |
|   | Large bulky items that block aisles     |
|   | Large school projects                   |
|   | Sharp objects                           |
|   | Balls, bats, roller skates, skateboards |
|   | Medication of any kind                  |

### Plantation Key School

Dress Code 2021-2022

#### Tops

- Polo OR Non-Collared Shirt with sleeves.
- Appropriately worn and must be size appropriate.*
- No bare shoulders, visible mid-drift, cut-outs or holes in the shirts.*



#### Bottoms

- Any Solid color Pants or Walking/Bermuda Length Shorts
- Any Transition/Hybrid Style Shorts
- Skorts, Skirts, Dresses
- Denim Jeans Pants, Shorts or Skirts
- No holes or rips in the jeans, pants or shorts.*



You can find many of these items on the following websites:

[www.oldnavy.com](http://www.oldnavy.com)
[www.thechildrensplace.com](http://www.thechildrensplace.com)
[www.target.com](http://www.target.com)
[www.walmart.com](http://www.walmart.com)  
[www.us.1oneill.com](http://www.us.1oneill.com)
[www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com)
[www.kohls.com](http://www.kohls.com)
[www.dillards.com](http://www.dillards.com)

#### The following are not permitted:

- Leggings or Jeggings
- Athletic-type Basketball Shorts or Athletic Spandex
- Sweat Pants or Pajama Pants
- Spaghetti strap or midriff tops
- Hats are not to be worn inside of the classroom buildings or cafeteria.
- No Slides



### Plantation Key School

Dress Code

#### Camisas

- Polo o camisa sin cuello con mangas.
- Puestas correctamente y con el tamaño apropiado.*
- NO se puede enseñar hombros, barriga, ni puede tener agujeros.*



#### Pantalones/Pantalones Cortos/Vestidos

- Cualquier color sólido de pantalones largos o bermudas
- Cualquier pantalón corto con botón
- Falda o Vestidos de largo apropiado
- Jeans (pantalón o pantalón corto)
- NO puede tener agujeros.*



Puede encontrar/comprar estos artículos en los siguientes sitios:

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[www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com)
[www.kohls.com](http://www.kohls.com)
[www.dillards.com](http://www.dillards.com)

#### LO SIGUIENTE NO ESTA PERMITIDO:

- Pantalones de ejercicio/yoga o corto de ejercicio/deporte
- Ropa con palabras ofensivas, con profanidad o referencia a drogas, alcohol, o sexo
- Pantalón del pijama
- Sombreros/goggles
- Disco con tirantes finos como espaguetis y batas con el espagueti afuera.
- Chancletas





The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Monroe County Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) are encouraging all Hurricane Ian survivors to apply for FEMA assistance. Survivors are eligible to receive up to \$75,800 from FEMA to pay for temporary housing, emergency home repairs, personal property losses not covered by insurance, and medical expenses caused by the declared disaster.

**To apply for FEMA:**

1. Visit [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) or download the [FEMA App](#) for mobile devices.
2. Call toll-free 800-621-3362 between 7:00am and 11:00pm. Multiple languages, including English, Spanish, and Creole, are available.
3. In-person by visiting the FEMA Mobile Registration Intake Center (MRIC) between 8:00am and 6:00pm at the below dates and locations:  
[10/22-10/28](#) at the Nelson English Park, 1127 Thomas Street, Key West  
[10/29-11/2](#) at Bernstein Park, 6751 5th Street, Stock Island  
[11/4-11/5](#) at the Nelson Government Center, 102050 Overseas Hwy, Key Largo

To submit a FEMA claim, survivors will need their Social Security number or identification card, insurance information, damage information, household income, and contact information.

**The deadline to apply for FEMA assistance is November 28, 2022.**

**Who is Eligible to Apply for FEMA:**

U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, and qualified aliens are eligible to apply for FEMA assistance (see below for definitions of non-citizen national and qualified aliens). Survivors who are not U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or qualified aliens may still apply for FEMA assistance if:

- 1) Another adult member in the household meets the eligibility criteria and certifies their citizenship status during the registration process or signs the Declaration and Release form, or
- 2) The parent or guardian of a minor child who is a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national or a qualified alien applies for assistance on behalf of the child, if they live in the same household. The parent or legal guardian must register as the co-applicant, and the minor child must be under age 18 at the time the disaster occurred.

**Non-citizen Nationals include:**

- A person born in an outlying possession of the U.S. (e.g., American Samoa) on or after the date the U.S. acquired the possession.
- A person whose parents are U.S. non-citizen nationals.

**Qualified aliens include:**

- A legal permanent resident ("green card" holder).
- An asylee, refugee or an alien whose deportation is being withheld.
- An alien paroled into the U.S. for at least one year.
- An alien granted conditional entry (per law in effect prior to April 1, 1980).
- A Cuban or Haitian entrant.
- Certain aliens subjected to extreme cruelty or who have been a victim of a severe form of human trafficking, including persons with a "T" or "U" visa.
- Aliens whose children have been abused and alien children whose parent has been abused who fit certain criteria.

**Parents/Guardians of Qualified Minor Children:**

- The parent or guardian of a minor child living in the same household may apply for assistance on behalf of the minor child who is a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or qualified alien.
- The minor child must be under age 18 as of the first day of the incident period, Sept. 23, 2022.

If you're unsure of your immigration status, talk to an immigration expert to learn if your status falls within the immigration status requirements for FEMA disaster assistance.

Legal Services of Greater Miami

[Apply for services online](#)

Call (866) 686-2760 on Mondays - Thursdays from 1:30pm-4:00pm

Text (305) 446 7570

**To appeal a FEMA Decision:**

FEMA decisions can be appealed by calling 800-621-3362 or by visiting the FEMA Mobile Registration Intake Center (MRIC) at the dates and locations specified above.

**Reminder:** FEMA disaster assistance is intended to help survivors pay for basic necessities lost because of Hurricane Ian, and the money must be used for that purpose. Those receiving assistance are urged to keep receipts for their disaster spending for three years to document the money was used to meet disaster-related expenses. If applicants spend the payment on anything other than the purpose for which it is intended, they may be denied future disaster assistance. In some cases, FEMA may ask that the money be returned.