

Miami Springs

Home of the Eagles



Middle School



**Miami Springs Middle
School
2018-2019
Grade Level Orientation**

Introductions and Welcome
by
Alina Valero, Principal

A blue sphere with a white highlight on the left side. The word "Bienvenue" is written in a red, cursive font across the sphere, with a red underline that extends to the right.The word "Bienvenido" is written in a red, cursive font. A yellow and orange striped banner is positioned behind the text, following its curve.The word "Willkommen" is written in a blue, sans-serif font. The letter "W" is large and orange with a blue outline. The rest of the word is in blue. The text is set against a yellow and orange striped banner.

MSMS Core Values

Mrs. Valero, Principal

OUR MOTTO:

- * PRIDE
- * EXCELLENCE
- * SUCCESS

School-Wide Expectations

Mrs. Valero, Principal

- *Be considerate, kind, courteous and respectful
- *Listen to and follow directions of your teachers, administrators, and staff members.
- *Bring problems and concerns to the attention of an adult
 - *Follow all school and classroom rules
- *Show RESPECT for school property and the property of others.

**EVERYTHING MATTERS,
NOT EVERYTHING COUNTS**

MSMS Discipline Plan

Mrs. Roque, SCSJ Coordinator

MIAMI SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE PLAN GENERAL DISCIPLINE POLICES

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT INFRACTIONS

UNIFORMS / DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Offense Number.

Outcome

1st	Warning # 1 / Parent Contact by Ms. Roque /Letter Home
2nd	Warning # 2/ Parent Contacted by Ms. Roque /Letter Home
3rd	Warning # 3/Mandatory Parent Conference with Ms. Roque/Student Contract
4th	1 Exclusion from all Classes-SCSJ
5th	1 Indoor Suspension -SCSJ

**Excessive Uniform Violation will result in
the termination of extra-curricular
activities**

*** Only solid color jackets are permitted**

MSMS DISCIPLINE PLAN

Mrs. Roque, SCSI Coordinator

TARDY TO CLASS Hall Sweeps

Offense Number.

1st
2nd
3rd

Outcome

Warning # 1 / Parent Contact by Administration

Warning # 2 / Parent Contact by Administration

Warning # 3 / Mandatory Parent Meeting

- * Students Tardy to class without a Hall Sweep in effect will not receive a tardy pass to class from the office.
- * Tardy students must report to their assigned class, unless a hall sweep is conducted and teacher will follow tardy procedures

TARDY TO SCHOOL (PER NINE WEEKS)

Offense Number.

1st, 2nd, 3rd
4th or 5th

Outcome

* Report to Main Office to receive a Tardy Pass without penalty

* Counseling with grade level Counselor

- * Students who have a total of five (5) days of Indoor Suspension and/or 15 or more absences and 20 or more days of tardy / excused early will not be allowed to participate in extra curricular activities.
- * Additionally, Students with Success Center suspension and/or D's F's in conduct will not be allowed to participate.
- * Please note that for any end of year field trips, students must abide by all these stipulations as well as have a minimum of 4 points in each class by the end of the third nine weeks
- * The plan of action taken for all other violations will be in accordance to the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Code of Student Conduct.

Code of Student Conduct Repeat Violations

Ms. Taylor, Assistant Principal

- * Disruptive Behavior (Level 1 & Level II) Infraction
- * Defiance of School Personnel (Level II) Infraction
- * FIGHTING- Zero Tolerance (Level II)
- * Unauthorized Use of Wireless Communication Devices
 - * Cellular Phone- Must be turned off inside the bookbag
 - * Social Media
 - * Smart devices
 - * Electronic Games
 - * Cameras
 - * headphones



Behavioral Expectations & Procedures

Ms. Taylor, AP



- * Students are expected to be in class at ALL times
- * Students are required to transition to class on time with NO exceptions
- * 15/15 rule
- * Students are required to have a pass when transitioning in the hallway
- * Students are expected to line up and sit quietly when in the lunchroom
- * Students are required to stay seated in the lunch room
- * Teachers are to walk students down to the lunch room
- * Students will leave book bags in class during lunch

Attendance Procedures

Mr. Hernandez, Assistant Principal

- * Tardy- If a student is tardy to school they are required to go to Main Office to receive a tardy to school pass.
- * Early Sign-out- If a student is signing out early, parents are required to sign the student out in the attendance office, before 3:20 pm.
- * If you sign out before 11:15am you will be marked absent for the day. Student will need to be in school at least 2 hours in order to be marked as present.
- * Absent- If a student is absent from school they are **required** to bring a note within 72 hours from their parent/guardian indicating the reason for the absence. Students are to take the “student admit” given to them in homeroom to each class they missed on the days specified.

TYPES OF ABSENCES

Mr. Hernandez, Assistant Principal

Excused Absences

Student illness

Medical Appointment

Death in Family

School Event

Court Appearance

Other- Approved by Principal

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Unexcused Absences

Vacations

Illness of others

Non-school event

Immunization

Taking care of a sibling



Academic Requirements Counselors

Ms. Rouco (A-L) & Ms. Simmons (M-Z)



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- * All 6th grade students must have four core courses:
 - * Language Arts
 - * Mathematics
 - * Social Studies
 - * Science
- * Two Electives that could include:
 - * Intensive Reading &/or Intensive Math
 - * Or electives of student choice
- * Students should maintain a C or higher academic average, passing at least 5 classes.

Academic Expectations

Ms. Simmons, 6th (M-Z) and 8th Grade Counselor

- * Get in the habit of using the student portal
- * Each of you should have a planner/agenda to keep up with all your academic requirements!
- * Homework assigned today is not due until the next class, but remember that the sooner you do your homework, the sooner it is done!
- * Get in the habit of doing each day's homework on the day it was assigned.
- * Instruction will still be fresh in your mind!

Academic Expectations

Ms. Rouco, 6th (A-L) and 7th Grade Counselor

- * Get in the habit of using the student portal on a daily basis
- * Each of you should have a planner/agenda to keep up with all your academic requirements and all due dates!
- * Homework assigned today is not due until the next class, but remember that the sooner you do your homework, the sooner it is done!
- * Get in the habit of doing each day's homework on the day it was assigned. Instruction will still be fresh in your mind
- * Remember that projects are not optional
- * Studying for test helps improve your academic standing.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Ms. Rouco, 7th Grade Counselor



- * 7th Graders going to 8th must have passed:
 - * 6th/7th grade Language Arts
 - * 6th/7th grade Math
 - * 6th/7th grade Science
 - * 6th/7th grade Social Studies
 - * Electives **do** count for Middle School Graduation
- * Responsibility for your grades
 - * Student Portal
- * Tutoring

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

Ms. Simmons, 8th Grade Counselor

- * Get in the habit of using the student portal
- * Each of you should have a planner/agenda to keep up with all your academic requirements!
- * Homework assigned today is not due until the next class, but remember that the sooner you do your homework, the sooner it is done!
- * Get in the habit of doing each day's homework on the day it was assigned.
- * Instruction will still be fresh in your mind!

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Ms. Simmons, 8th Grade Counselor



- * **Grade 8 Promotion Requirements**
- * **15-18 Cumulative Courses Passed**
- * Must pass 3 courses each in language arts*, mathematics, science, and social science, the career exploration and decision making course, and 2.5 credits (courses) or 3 other courses (see option above)
- * **Promoted to Grade 9**

Athletics/Sports Coach Bell

CROSS COUNTRY
SOCCER-GIRLS
SOCCER-BOYS
VOLLEYBALL-GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL-BOYS
SWIMMING
SOFTBALL- GIRLS
SOFTBALL-BOYS
BOWLING
TRACK AND FIELD
GOLF
BASKETBALL-GIRLS
BASKETBALL-BOYS
TENNIS

August
September
September
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September
October
November
November
January
January
March
February
February
March

Clubs & Activities

- * NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY
- * DRAMATICS
- * MUSIC
- * SGA
- * NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

MS. MCCARTHY

MS. VOLK

MS. MAER

MR. JACOBI

Ms. MCCARTHY

Closing Remarks

Mrs. Valero, Principal



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