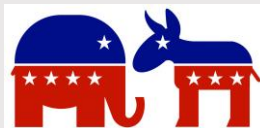




### PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 2020



November 3 is right around the corner and you know what that means President nominees former vice president Joe Biden and President Donald Trump will be competing for the presidential spot. The two party's Democrat V. Republican will be a boxing match for the ages. There's no actual boxing involved just old fashion debating. This race might just be getting a bit more attention from the press because of the worldwide pandemic, protest for racial injustice, and the death of justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. According to realclearpolitics.com the national polls are not looking good for Donald Trump. Currently the polls show that Joe Biden is at 49% (+6) and Donald Trump is at 43%. Biden's highest poll number was at 51% (+11), Trump's highest poll number was at 45% even though at the same time Joe was at 49%. So, when it comes to national polls, it's still anyone's game because compared to 2016 everyone was prepared for Hillary Clinton to win, yet she didn't. In Florida, the polls are bit different. As of Monday, September 28th Joe Biden and Donald Trump are right there on the polls. It's not too surprising that Florida is a flip state, which just means it's unpredictable and could easily be Democrat or Republican. The Florida polls have been up and down for both candidates. Trump won Florida last, but Biden won Florida twice with his running mate former President Barack Obama. In the end, Florida could swing to one side in the last minute because at the moment Florida could be anyone's state. Same thing nationally; the polls are swinging closer to Biden, but we still have until November 3. November 3 might be around the corner, but it could only take a couple voters in the last minute to change the game.

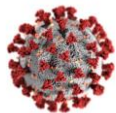
**BY: KAITLYN RODRIGUEZ**

# GATOR GAZETTE



## October Edition

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)



### COVID-19

Covid-19 is a disease that was identified in China and it has spread throughout the world. People are encouraged to take common-sense precautions to prevent the spread of all infectious diseases by wearing their masks and staying six feet apart from one another

You may be wondering when the schools are going to open, or what is going to happen if we return to school? Thankfully I have answers to your questions. Schools will start to open as soon as October 5, 2020 safely. All hand-sanitizer, masks, and six feet distance will be required as we return to school. Schools will be reopening soon, so make sure to pack all your school supplies and masks; and let's make learning fun while distancing!

Yes, your child will be completely safe as we return to school. The schools have done everything in their power to prevent anything from happening to your child. The desks and chairs will be sanitized after use. Everyone will be wearing masks and will be keeping their distance in classrooms and halls. If you still do not feel comfortable with allowing your child return to school, they can continue school virtually.

**BY: ANABELLA ANCEAUME**



### Schoolhouse Return Dates for Stage II

	Fri 10/2	Mon 10/5	Tue 10/6	Wed 10/7	Thu 10/8	Fri 10/9
Non-Opt Teacher Planning Day	Elementary School: PK, K, 1 K-8 Center: PK, K, 1 Combination School: PK, K, 1 ESE Modified Curriculum (all grades)					
				Elementary School: 2, 3, 4, 5 K-8 Center: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Middle School: 6 High School: 9, 10 Combination School: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10		
						K-8 Center: 7, 8 Middle School: 7, 8 High School: 11, 12 Combination School: 7, 8, 11, 12

- 10/2 – Non-Opt Teacher Planning Day (Teachers report to school sites beginning this day.)
- Early childhood and students with special needs on a modified curriculum return first (on 10/5) to become familiar with the new environment/routines. Remaining elementary grades and secondary transition grades return next (on 10/7). All remaining grades return on 10/9.
- High school start times revert to 7:20 a.m. for both My School Online and Schoolhouse on 10/7.
- The progressive, staggered approach allows school sites to test social distancing protocols and adjust if necessary, leveraging a reduced capacity for two to four days before operating at the maximum schoolhouse capacity for Stage II.

Returning to the Schoolhouse

# BLOCK SCHEDULE

It's safe to say that this school year hasn't quite gone as planned. There is confusion all around and technical difficulties everywhere. The beginning of this school year has definitely been challenging for everyone.

To add to this mess is that now, everyone has to get used to a constant block schedule. In previous years, Glades Middle would switch to block scheduling closer to the end of the year when we are doing all of our testing such as FSA or EOC. Due to the pandemic and its ability to scramble our school systems, it was decided that we would now make the switch to constant block scheduling, which may actually be better. Even though it may make more sense, block scheduling can make it difficult for students and even teachers to get the hang of separate classes every day. Sometimes kids miss their class entirely because they thought it was A block when it was actually B block or B block when it was actually A block.

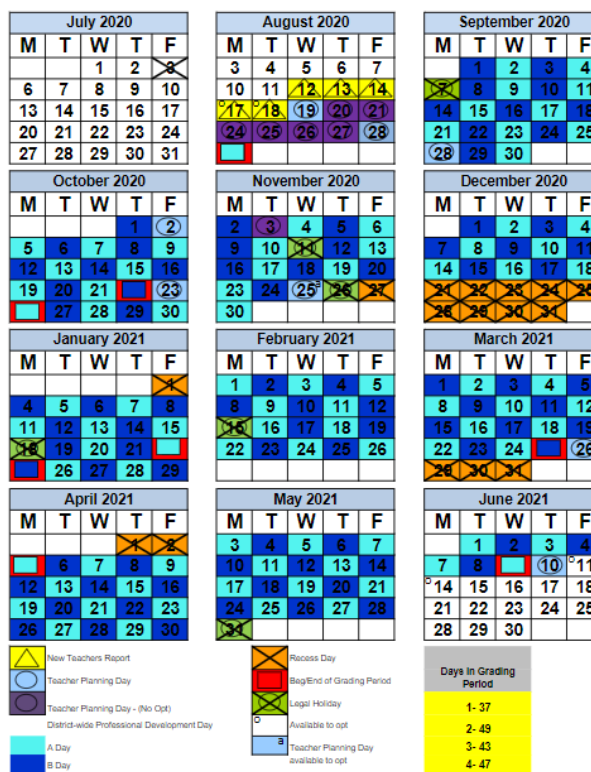
Glades Middle School students need some help. We need to get organized. There are many different ways to make sure that you are in the right class, especially when you just woke up, and you're very lethargic and trying not to snooze your alarm for the fifth time. You can use these five steps to help stay organized and be more successful in your classes.

**BY: LUCAS GARRIGA**

# for Block Schedule

1. Make sure that you read all of your teams and email messages! You need to stay up to date with what your teachers and classmates are saying because if you miss one post, you might go to the wrong app.
2. Keep note of what block day you are in. Have an agenda or calendar and jot down A, B, A, B... Also remember that A block is 1, 3, 5 and B block is 2,4,6
3. Set a reminder for when your meetings are and for what class it is for. If your teacher posts a zoom link a day or two days before your next class with them, click accept and it should add a reminder.
4. Use your own ideas and plans to stay organized in whatever way is best for you.
5. Make sure to make the best of the situation and stay positive. We will get through this!

**BY: LUCAS GARRIGA**



## NEW ELECTIVE AT GLADES

When the school year 2020-2021 started this year, we added a new elective. This new elective is called Creative Writing. The class is taught by Ms. Izquierdo, an eighth- grade language arts teacher here at glades. This elective is made up of 12 eighth graders who are also a part of the Top G's (Top gators). Creative writing is kind of like a language arts class, but a lot more fun and relaxed. In this class, we do fun and creative assignments that usually involve writing. We work on the Gator Gazette, calendars, fliers, writing contests, and much more. Right now, we are working on a contest about "Start with Hello". "Start with Hello" is a promise that was made by parents of kids who went to Sandy Hook Elementary to spread kindness. This year's theme is unity and diversity. The assignment for the contest was to write, draw, or sing something that represents this. The kids who are in creative writing had a fun time doing this.

**BY: MIYA CHANG**

Good old Glades is going green! Ever since the school was established in 1962, our school has gone through many changes. Building 6 has arrived for the 8th Graders. To get there, go through the cafeteria exit and into the spill out. The new building is home to four classrooms and four wonderful teachers: Mrs. Izquierdo, Ms. Dye, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Romero. Best of all, the new building is eco-friendly. With state- of-the-art motion sensors in place, our lights and air conditioners will help us waste less energy.

**BY:ARLEX PANDAL**

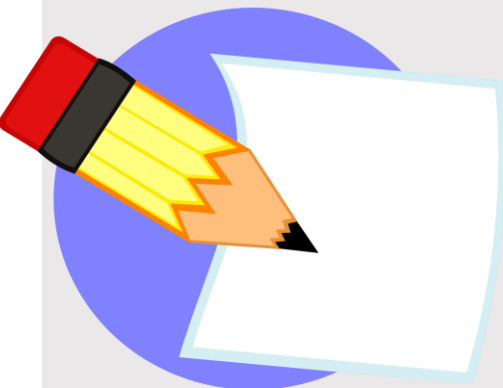
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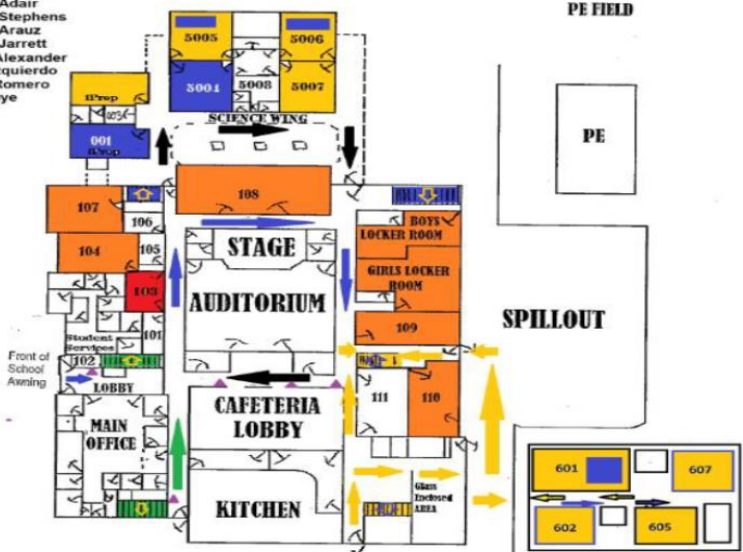
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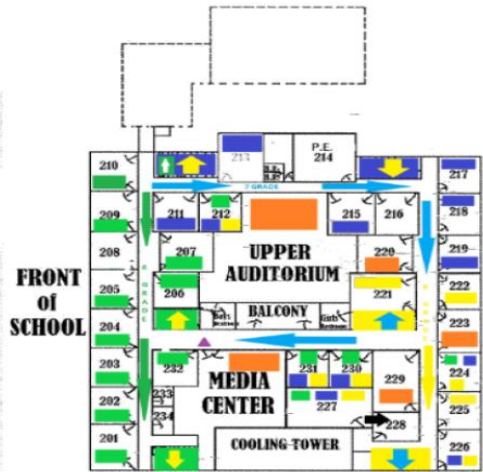
# SCHOOL MAP

- 103- ISOLATION ROOM
- 104-Cibeira
- 108-Illa
- 107, 109 Carrera
- 110-Suarez
- 5001-Fueyo
- 5004-Adair
- 5005-Stephens
- 5006-Arauz
- 5007-Jarrett
- 601-Alexander
- 602-Izquierdo
- 605-Romero
- 607-Dye



**GLADES MIDDLE SCHOOL  
FIRST FLOOR MAP**

- 201-Pressay
- 202-Doimeadios
- 203-Miller
- 204-Yanes
- 205-Lopez
- 206-Ruiz
- 207-Cruz
- 208-Open
- 209-Palma
- 210-Arguelles
- 211-Perdomo
- 212-Ruiz
- 213-Luna
- 214-Open
- 215-Licea
- 216-Open
- 217-Facio
- 218-Falla
- 219-Caraballo
- 220-LAB
- 221-Jenkins
- 222-Sabljak
- 223-Nazario
- 224-LAB
- 225-Corrales
- 226-Ciano
- 227-Griffin
- 228-Griffin
- 229-LAB
- 230-Ahmed
- 231-Cid
- 232-Loret



**GLADES MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SECOND FLOOR MAP**