



Viking Tribune

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Updates from Mrs. Patrick, Principal

Happy New Year!

As we begin the new year, I want to emphasize the importance of safety on our campus. All students and adults **MUST** wear their IDs at all times while on school grounds. Please ensure your child has their ID with them every day. If your child does not have an ID, they must inform their teacher or the front office so a replacement can be made. Students who ride the bus can request an additional ID to keep on their backpack. Additionally, for the safety and security of everyone, all adults visiting the school for meetings or events must present a valid ID before being allowed entry. Thank you for helping us maintain a secure environment for our students and staff.

School Effectiveness Questionnaire (SEQ)

Please help Verde get 100% input on the SEQ! It is confidential and takes only 5 minutes to complete!

The District School Effectiveness Questionnaire (SEQ) is a vital tool for gathering feedback to develop and maintain a positive school culture and climate. Its results support continuous improvement aligned with our Strategic Plan, "Educate, Affirm, Inspire," and help meet accreditation requirements. The SEQ is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole.

Click this link to fill it out starting January 6, 2025: <http://l.sdpbc.net/7651h>

PARENT SURVEY
 Survey Opens:
Monday, January 6, 2025
 Survey Closes:
Friday, February 14, 2025
 We want to hear from you!
 The School Effectiveness Questionnaire (SEQ) measures perceptions regarding the effectiveness of your District school.

WHY? The SEQ provides important information to schools and the District to ensure we are utilizing our resources to educate, affirm, and inspire each student in an equity-minded school system.

WHAT?
THEME ADDRESSED
 • Academic Excellence and Growth
 • Student Engagement
 • Family and Community
 • Student Well-being and Wellness
 • School Climate

WHO? Parents of students in all elementary, middle, and high school grades.

WHEN? January 6 - February 14, 2025

HOW? Click the link to take the survey: <http://l.sdpbc.net/7651h>

ENCUESTA PARA LOS PADRES
 A pesquisa começa
Segunda-feira, 6 de janeiro de 2025
 A pesquisa termina
Sexta-feira, 14 de fevereiro de 2025
 Queremos saber de você!
 A Pesquisa de Eficácia Escolar (SEQ) mede percepções e impressões dos pais de como os recursos da nossa escola estão sendo utilizados.

PORQUE A SEQ proporciona informações importantes a las escuelas y al Distrito para garantizar que estamos utilizando nuestros recursos de educar, afirmar, e inspirar a cada estudiante en un sistema escolar equitativo y orientado a la excelencia.

¿QUÉ TEMAS ABORDAMOS?
 • Excelencia Académica y Crecimiento
 • Compromiso del Estudiante
 • Familia y Comunidad
 • Bienestar y Salud del Estudiante
 • Clima Escolar

¿QUIÉN? Pais de todos matriculados en todos los niveles de enseñanza primaria, intermedia y secundaria.

¿CUANDO? 6 de enero - 14 de febrero de 2025

CÓMO? <http://l.sdpbc.net/7651h>

ENCUESTA PARA PADRES
 La encuesta abre el
Lunes, 6 de enero del 2025
 La encuesta cierra el
Viernes, 14 de febrero del 2025
 Queremos escuchar de ustedes!
 El Cuestionario de Efectividad Escolar (SEQ) mide las percepciones sobre el uso de recursos de la escuela de la familia. Queremos.

PORQUÉ La SEQ proporciona información importante a las escuelas y al Distrito para garantizar que estamos utilizando nuestros recursos de educar, afirmar, e inspirar a cada estudiante en un sistema escolar equitativo y orientado a la excelencia.

¿QUÉ TEMAS TRATAMOS?
 • Excelencia Académica y Crecimiento
 • Compromiso del Estudiante
 • Familia y Comunidad
 • Bienestar y Salud del Estudiante
 • Clima Escolar

¿QUIÉN? Los padres de los estudiantes matriculados en los niveles primario, intermedio y secundario.

¿CUANDO? 6 de enero - 14 de febrero de 2025

CÓMO? <http://l.sdpbc.net/7651h>

Choice Application for Middle School

The Choice Application for Middle School Choice Programs is now open and will remain available until January 31st. Please note that our Middle School operates as a fully Choice Program, meaning an application is REQUIRED for your child to be considered for admission. Currently, Verde has over 200 fifth-grade students, but we typically receive approximately 115 seats for incoming sixth graders. With hundreds of applicants each year, it is essential to understand that enrollment is not guaranteed for current Verde students. To apply, please visit [Palm Beach School Choice Programs](#) and complete the application process before the deadline.

Some of the Choice Programs Close By

See below for just a few of the choice schools that are in our area! [Click here for the link to our Choice Schools Page on the District Website](#)

ACADEMY PROGRAMS
 Principal Edward Collins
WB ACADEMIES
WEST BOCA RATON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
Home of the Bulls

CHOICE PROGRAM APPLICATION DATES
 CHOICE LETTERS SYSTEM OPENS: NOVEMBER 4, 2024
 PROGRAMS AND OPEN HOUSE: DECEMBER 4, 2024
 ALL OTHER PROGRAMS: JANUARY 11, 2025
 OFFER RESULTS NOTIFICATION: APRIL 1, 2025

OPEN HOUSE NOVEMBER 27th 2024 4:00-7:00PM
 WEST BOCA RATON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

West Boca Raton H.S.

A. W. DREYFOOS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
OPEN HOUSE
 NOVEMBER 6TH 6PM

VISIT UP TO TWO ART AREAS
 APPLICATION INFORMATION
 ASK QUESTIONS & SEE OUR HISTORIC SCHOOL.

A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts

A. W. DREYFOOS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

COMMUNICATIONS
 COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMS include: JOURNALISM, VIDEO PRODUCTION, PHOTOGRAPHY, and PUBLIC RELATIONS.

DIGITAL MEDIA
 DIGITAL MEDIA PROGRAMS include: ANIMATION, GRAPHIC DESIGN, and WEBSITE DESIGN.

THEATRE
 THEATRE PROGRAMS include: MUSICAL THEATRE, PLAY PRODUCTION, and THEATRE HISTORY.

VISUAL ARTS
 VISUAL ARTS PROGRAMS include: CERAMICS, PAINTING, and SCULPTURE.

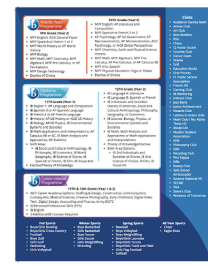
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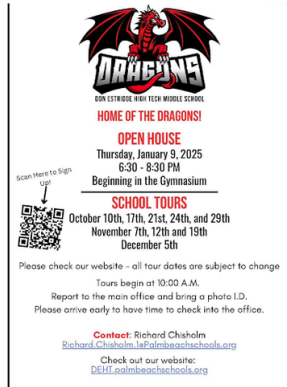
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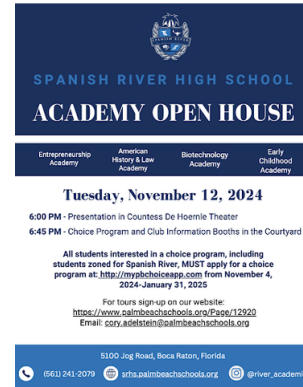
Spanish River H.S.



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Don Estridge M.S.



Atlantic Community H.S.

SAC Special Meeting

Event Information

SAC Special Meeting

When?

Wednesday, Jan 8, 2025, 07:30 AM

Where?

Verde K-8 School, Verde Trail, Boca Raton, FL, USA

Verde K-8 School

Open maps

Birthday Message on Marquee

Do you want to make your child's birthday unforgettable? We're excited to celebrate this special day by featuring it on our school marquee! For just \$20, you can see your child's name and birthday displayed for all to see. Simply email rhym.fradj@palmbeachschools.org with your child's name, date of birth, and the date you'd like it up. Let's make their day extra special!



Career Week



Sign up for CAREER WEEK 2025 (March 17 - 20) here:

[VERDE CAREER WEEK 2025](#)

Media

In January, students will learn about library organization and research. We will explore and try different genres with Book Tastings and Musical Book Chairs.

All Viking families are invited to participate in VERDE R.E.D. (READ EVERY DAY)! Each school day in 2025, we will post a specially selected story that will be read aloud by your favorite Verde staff and faculty. Stories will be posted on [Verde R.E.D. 2025 Google Classroom](#) and [Verde R.E.D. 2025 YouTube Playlist](#) . Participants will have the opportunity to win prizes by answering trivia questions on VTV!

VERDE R.E.D. 2025

Enjoy a special book read by your favorite Verde staff members each school day in 2025!



Join the [R.E.D. Google Classroom](#) (Code: [o5ybswo](#)) or follow the [Verde R.E.D. Playlist](#) on YouTube.

READ EVERY DAY

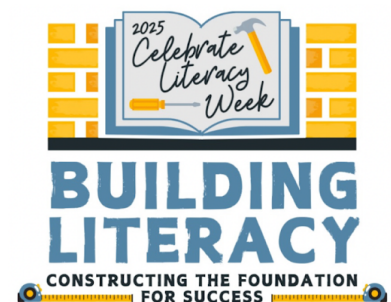
January 27-31 is JUST READ FLORIDA, CELEBRATE LITERACY WEEK!

Vikings will participate in Trivia Contests, Door Decorating, Mystery Reader Identification, literacy-based S.T.E.M. Challenges, Bookmark Contest, and a Storybook House Construction Contest.

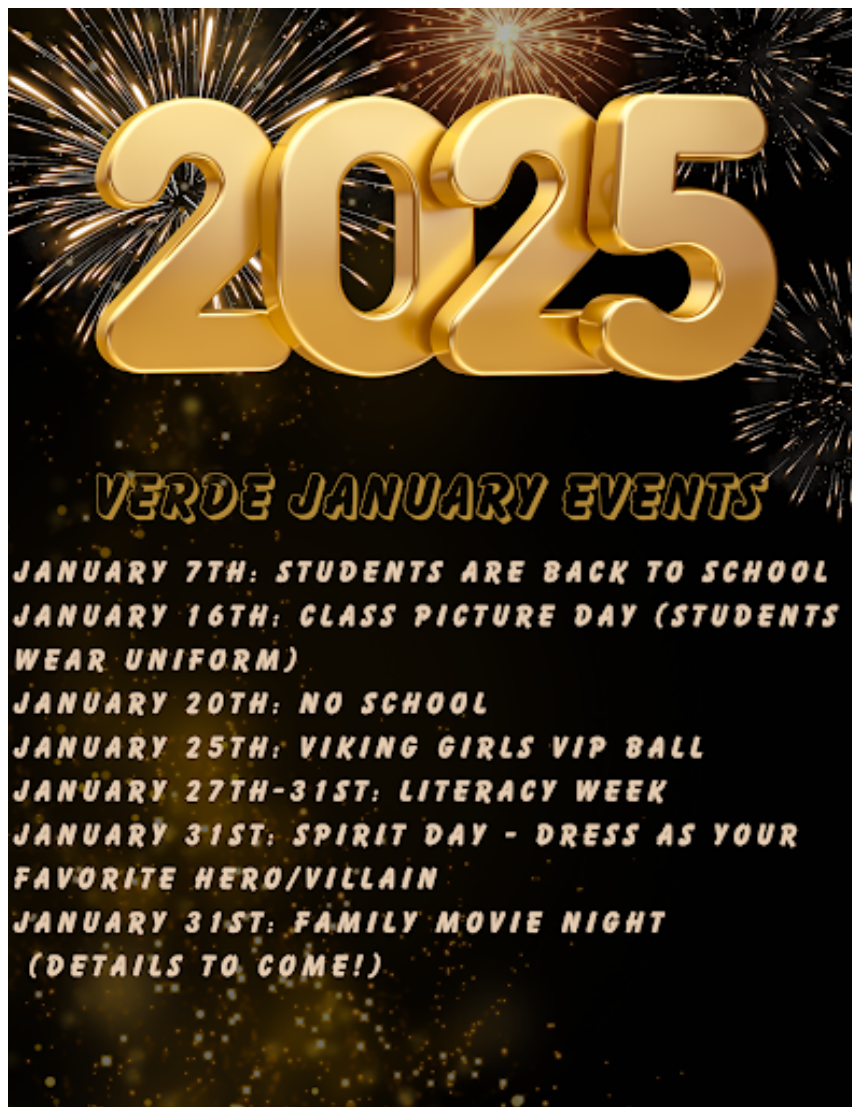
[Storybook House Construction Contest Rules](#)

[Literacy Week Bookmark Contest](#)

On Friday, January 31, all Vikings are encouraged to wear clothing that celebrates literacy. This might be a shirt about reading, writing, a favorite book or character, or a school-appropriate positive message.



PTSA Updates



Lunchroom Volunteer Signup

1st and half of 4th Grade Lunch Volunteers

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AEA929A4FFCE9-54192525-january>

Half of Kinder and 2nd Grade Lunch Volunteers

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AEA929A4FFCE9-54192661-half>

Half of Kinder and 5th Grade Lunch Volunteers

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AEA929A4FFCE9-54192743-half>

Viking Girls VIP Black and White Ball

Tickets are only for Verde Viking Girls and their Very Important Person (father or father-figure)
Girls must be a Verde K-8 Student

Couple Ticket: includes entrance for 1 Viking Girl and 1 VIP adult

<https://verdek8pta.givebacks.com/store/items/1149570>

Additional Daughter Ticket: only purchase if you have more than 1 Viking Girl

<https://verdek8pta.givebacks.com/store/items/1149572>

**Viking
Girls VIP**
*Black and
White Ball*



January 25th +6 to 9 pm
Pavilion Grille
301 Yamato Rd #1201, Boca
Raton, FL 33431

VIKING GIRLS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING
THE FATHER-FIGURE IN THEIR LIFE

VIP DANCE "COUPLE" TICKET \$75	VIP DANCE ADDITIONAL GIRL TICKET \$35
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Recycling



Reduce
minimize the amount of waste we create.

Recycle
Create new products from waste

Reuse
Repair, reuse old items
or reuse them again

Our recycle club members are dedicated to doing our part to ONLY leave green footprints behind!

Paper bins will arrive and be delivered soon! We will be using the blue bins for CLEAN plastic and CLEAN glass jars.

School Advisory Council

Event Information

SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting

SAC Co-Chair: Lindsay Greene

lindsay.greene@palmbeachschools.org

SAC Co-Chair: Katie Marhefka

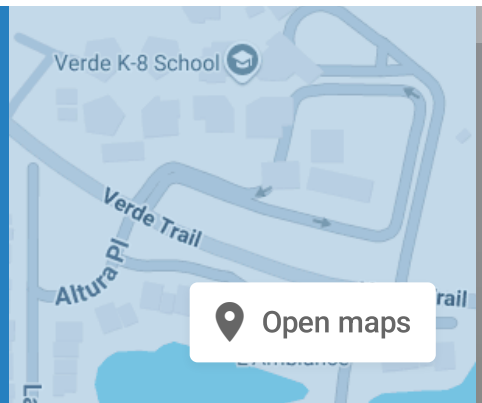
katie.marhefka@palmbeachschools.org

When?

Wednesday, Jan 15, 2025, 07:30 AM

Where?

Verde K-8 School, Verde Trail, Boca Raton, FL, USA



Spirit Dress Up Days

VERDE K-8 NO UNIFORM DAYS 2024-2025



Friday August 30th	Shine Bright for the school year in NEON!
Wednesday September 11th	Wear red , white, and blue !
Friday September 27th	Sport jersey/shirt
Thursday/Friday October 17th & 18th	Class Color Wars
Thursday October 31st	K-5 Storybook Character MS Awkward Family Photo Day
Friday November 22nd	Wear either plaid or fall colors
Friday December 20th	Wear either your Holiday pajamas or an ugly Holiday sweater
Friday January 31st	Wear your favorite hero or villain shirt
Wednesday February 26th	Wear a PINK shirt
Friday February 28th	TWIN with a friend!
Friday March 21st	K-5 Dress for your dream career MS College shirt/merchandise day
Friday April 25th	Dress like your teacher!

Clothing should be school appropriate! Students must wear sneakers and no tank tops

MS = Middle School

Save The Dates-School Dances

SAVE THE DATES

VIKING GIRL VIP DANCE
JANUARY 25TH FROM 6-9PM



VIKING BOY VIP DANCE
FEBRUARY 28TH FROM 6-9PM

VIKING GIRLS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING THE FATHER-FIGURE IN THEIR LIFE

VIKING BOYS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING THE MOTHER-FIGURE IN THEIR LIFE

BOTH DANCES WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE DATES ABOVE AT THE PAVILION GRILLE

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE IN 2025!

Spirit Gear Sales

The online store will be open for the first two weeks of every month. See below for details.














Verde K-8 School

You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

1. Scan the QR code or go online to <https://verdek8.itemorder.com/>
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card

THE SCHOOL STORE WILL BE OPEN THE FIRST 2 WEEKS OF EVERY MONTH

Viking Performance T-Shirt  2 Colors \$17.00	Verde Circle - Hanes 50/50 T-Shirt  2 Colors \$15.00	BELLA + CANVAS Black Sponge Fleece Hoodie  3 Colors \$35.00	Vikings Performance Short  3 Colors \$16.00
Tie-Dye Adult 100% Cotton Spider T-Shirt  3 Colors \$18.00	BELLA + CANVAS Unisex Jersey Long Sleeve Tee  3 Colors \$23.00	Core 365 Core365® Mens Origin Performance Piqué Polo  4 Colors \$18.00	UltraClub Cool & Dry Meshpique Polo  4 Colors \$25.00
Ash City Ladies' Origin Performance Piqué Polo  4 Colors \$18.00	Gildan 6 Oz. 50/50 Jersey Polo  4 Colors \$18.00	Verde Middle School Long Sleeve  4 Colors \$21.00	

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Questions?
Greg Jackson
954-971-6193
greg@thelionpressprinting.com

Student ID Replacement Procedures

Since the School District incurs costs related to providing ID badges to students, a student's first replacement ID badge within the school year will be free of charge to the student. In the event that a student needs a replacement ID badge beyond the first replacement ID badge a fee may be imposed to cover the replacement costs directly related to the replacement ID badge. If a student requires a replacement badge in excess of five times during the school year, the Principal or Assistant Principal is authorized to follow the established processes for the determination of consequences in compliance with the Student Code of Conduct Policies – Level 1 (5.1812 and 5.1813).

Students who have lost their ID more than one time are now being charged \$5.00. The \$5.00 replacement cost for a replacement badge will include a basic lanyard.

Help Keep Our School Safe!

It is important to remind students of the multiple ways to report bullying on campus and address what to do if they are experiencing any antisemitic incidents at school. The District has several

ways a student can report bullying, and it goes directly to the principal of each school:

- The Bullying Hotline 561-434-8200- they can report by calling it in, and a taped recording is sent directly to the school principal.
- Go to ReportBully.PalmBeachSchools.org, which opens a form and sends it directly to the principal.
- Scan a QR Code from posters found on campus to get to the same reporting form.
- A reporting form is also available from the Student Portal at sign-on.

You can access a copy of the sign below through the [Safe Schools Resource Center](#), which is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole. Please post them throughout your campus.

Verde Cell Phone/Electronic Device Policy

At Verde K-8, the use of cell phones and electronic devices such as headsets and earbuds is strictly prohibited during school hours, including class time, breaks, lunch periods, and in the courtyard during the morning, afternoon, and at dismissal. Students are required to keep these devices turned off and stored in their backpacks. If a cell phone or electronic device is seen or heard during these times, it will be confiscated by staff, and parents will need to pick up the item from the school office. Refusing to surrender a phone or electronic device when requested by staff will result in disciplinary action. Progressive disciplinary measures will be enforced for repeated offenses to ensure responsible use of technology and maintain a focus on student accountability and parental involvement.

Important Documents

[Verde K-8 Website](#)

[Verde K-8 School Calendar of Events](#)

[Legal Definition of Social Media](#)

[School District Calendar](#)

[Code of Conduct](#)

[Student Technology Use](#)

[SIS Gateway](#)

[School Cash Online](#)

[FY25 Student and Family Handbook](#)

SEE SOMETHING. SAY SOMETHING. DO SOMETHING.

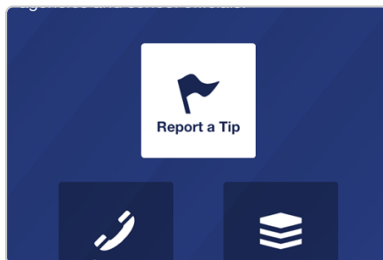
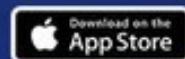


- INSTANTLY ALERT LAW ENFORCEMENT ABOUT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY & THREATS
- INCLUDE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS EASILY
- REMAIN ANONYMOUS

Download the app today!



FORTIFYFL



FortifyFL

FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act. The application was named by students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. The Office of Attorney General, Department of Education and Florida Department of Law Enforcement coordinated its development and roll-out.

getfortifyfl.com

Florida Abuse Hotline

<https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/abuse/abuse-hotline>

District Bullying Hotline

Report Anonymously

If you or someone you know is a target of bullying, abuse, mistreatment, harassment, threat or intimidation, let us know the name of your school and as many specifics of the situation as possible. Reporting is not tattling when the intention is to alert the teacher and/or administration of any harmful acts of mistreatment toward your child or others.

See Something, Say Something!

[Bullying Report](#)

OR

Call Bullying Hotline: (561) 434-8200

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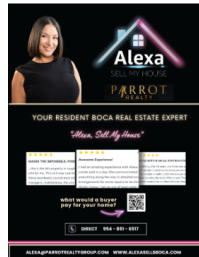
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Pike Pediatric Dentistry



Parrot Realty



Fernanda Macedo

561-948-3011
AskFernanda.com



State Farm



Verde K-8 School

Website: <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/domain/1884>

Location: 6590 Verde Trail, Boca Raton, FL 33433

Phone: [\(561\) 218-6800](tel:(561)218-6800)



Mrs. Patrick, Principal

