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Resources

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BROADWAY	954-693-7500
CAMP LANQUA	888-447-2624
CREATIVE CHILD	954-452-3346
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LEARNING SCOPE	954-473-2008
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NOB HILL	954-747-8708
PLANTATION PREP	954-474-0750
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SUNNY SEEDS	954-452-2924
SUNRISE ACADEMY	954-835-0070
TAEKWONDO BLACK VAN	954-882-2656

PARENT WEBINAR SERIES PRESENTED BY FOLRS REACH PARENT AND FAMILY SERVICES

- Positive Behavior Strategies**
Thursday, October 30, 2025
6:00 to 7:00 PM
- Developing an IEP For Parents**
Wednesday, November 12, 2025
6:00 to 7:30 PM
- Building Strong Family Connections**
Wednesday, December 17, 2025
6:00 to 7:00 PM

Register here and the Meeting link will be sent to you via email prior to the session(s). For more information contact: carol.bell@folrsreachschools.com

SCAN HERE

The Panthers' Pride

FOCUS ACCOUNT
Have you made a FOCUS account & completed your back-to-school forms?

If you have not done the following, you will NOT be able access your child's report cards & interims. If you need assistance, please call the Front Office and ask for FOCUS Support.

MAKE FOCUS ACCOUNT HERE

REPORT CARDS AND INTERIM REPORTS WILL ONLY BE ISSUED AT FOCUS. YOU MUST CREATE AN ACCOUNT & COMPLETE BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS TO ACCESS THESE DOCUMENTS.

Welcome Back Reminders

- Students must be in their seats at 8:00 am to not be marked tardy.
- Breakfast is served from 7:30 am - 7:55 am daily.
- All students report to the café from 7:30 am - 7:45 am before being released to their hallways.
- Ice Cream Day is Thursdays and cost \$1.00.
- Ensure all dismissal changes are submitted prior to 1:30 pm to transportation@folrsreachschools.com.

Special Olympics Florida

Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic sports for children and youth with intellectual disabilities. Activities exist for those of all ages, from the highly technical to the simple. Children and youth may participate if they meet the eligibility criteria of having an intellectual disability as a primary developmental disability. There is no upper age limit for participation.

Sports
Annual May: American Football, Basketball, Chess, Checkers, Cycling, Soccer, Tennis, Non-competitive Motor Activities Training Program (MAY/June), Judo (July/August), Judo (September), Bowling (October/November), Golf (November), Hockey (November/December), Judo (December), Powerlifting, Softball (January/February).

Community
Special Olympics Florida is working to strengthen the training and competitive experience of each athlete by promoting inclusion and healthy communities.

Health
Special Olympics Florida is working to strengthen the training and competitive experience of each athlete by promoting inclusion and healthy communities.

Education
Using an education-based strategy, Unified Champion Schools use inclusive sports, youth leadership, and volunteerism to build and activate communities that embrace all abilities.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

79,004 Participation
62,249 Athletes
36,742 Volunteers
236 Competitions

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Top 10 Reasons Your Child Should Be in School Every Day!

Info for Elementary Parents

Elementary-aged children are constantly absorbing new knowledge and developing new skills—and regular school attendance is crucial for their success. Here are the top 10 reasons your child should be in school every day:

- Better academic performance**
According to research, missing just two days per month negatively impacts a student's academic performance and test scores.
- Greater social development**
Elementary students develop social and emotional skills that benefit them throughout their lives. At school, children learn to interact with others, make friends, and build relationships with adults outside their family.
- Increased literacy skills**
A student's attendance in elementary school significantly affects their reading skills. Research shows that students who attend school regularly have better literacy skills by the end of third grade than those who do not.
- Routine and structure**
Children thrive on structure. Going to school every day provides children with a sense of security. They also learn to follow rules and routines outside their own home—a skill that will benefit them for years to come.

School Attendance in the Early Grades

Information for Parents

Regular attendance puts students of all ages on the road to success. However, developing good attendance habits during the early childhood years is especially crucial. Here's why you should make your child's attendance a priority.

Routine and structure
Going to school every day provides consistency, gives children a sense of security, and encourages them to learn and follow new routines.

Literacy skill development
Research has shown that only 17% of students who are chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade are able to read proficiently by 3rd grade.

Attendance promotes social growth
Young learners develop social-emotional skills that will help them throughout their lives. At school, they interact with others, make friends, and build relationships with people outside of their family. Young learners are also exposed to early learning activities that boost creativity, problem-solving, and social growth.

Regular attendance is crucial for early-learning success.

RESILIENCY ACTIVITIES

HAPPY 2026 NEW YEAR

Activities

- Self-Awareness Activities For Kids
- ReThink Ed Parent Sign Up
- ReThink Ed Parent SEL Resources
- BCPS Mental Health Resources
- SEL At Home

ReThink Video Lessons

- It's a Feeling
- You Are Special!
- No One is You-er Than You
- My Best Brain
- My Values, My Choices
- My Creative Strengths

Sawgrass Elementary Counseling Newsletter!

January 2026

Happy New Year!

Welcome back! January is a nice, calm return to school, with a focus on returning to routine and self-awareness.

Why is Self-Awareness Important?

Self-Awareness allows us to:

- Identify our own strengths
- Find areas we can improve in
- Demonstrate honesty and integrity

SELF-AWARE

ATTENTION: PARENTS & TEACHERS

SAWGRASS ELEMENTARY 2025-2026 PTA-YEARBOOK TEAM

IS LOOKING FOR YOUR PHOTOS

IF YOU HAVE PHOTOS FROM ANY OF THE EVENTS LISTED BELOW, WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE THEM! PLEASE EMAIL YOUR BEST SHOTS TO OUR YEARBOOK TEAM AND INCLUDE THE EVENT IN THE SUBJECT LINE.

SAWGRASSYEARBOOK2025@GMAIL.COM

- 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL
- BOOKFAIR
- 5TH FUNDRAISING NIGHTS
- BOD BEND
- LITERACY NIGHT
- HOLLYWOOD 3RD-5TH DANCE
- DEBATE TEAM
- STUDENT COUNCIL
- SAFETY PATROL
- SA BIZTOWN (5TH GRADE)
- FIELD TRIPS (PLEASE INCLUDE GRADE)

SAWGRASS ELEMENTARY'S ESE RESOURCE FAIR

Sawgrass Elementary School is hosting an ESE Resource Fair at our school on January 28, 2026 from 6-7:30pm.

Meet:

- Speech & Language Professionals (food therapy)
- ABA and RBT Therapy Professionals
- Respite Care
- School Support - Touch Math, Reading Masters and UFLI

Free - ice cream will be served (first come first serve)

SUNSHINE LITERACY

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SAWGRASS ELEMENTARY YEARBOOK SALES!

25-26

PRE-SALE PRICE: \$35

PRE-SALE DEADLINE: DECEMBER 31, 2025

Scan the QR code to order before the deadline.

PRE-ORDER ONLINE: FOXMAR.COM/PREPAY

SAMANTHA JAMES
Mrs. Rodriguez
3RD GRADE

SAWGRASS ELEMENTARY 15TH ANNUAL PANTHER PROWL RACE

Deadline to Sign-up: Friday, January 10, 2026

Race Day: Thursday, February 12, 2026

Participation is open to Sawgrass Elementary students in grades K-5th and their adult family members (18+).

All registered runners will receive a race T-shirt and bib/race certificate.

Each student must have their forms turned in prior to racing.

Only students/adults wearing the proper racing shirt will be allowed to participate. Students not registered will remain in classroom.

Price per Student: \$10 Price per Adult: \$15

Please fill out the attached Field Trip Authorization Form and return ASAP

REGISTER ONLINE THRU CHEDDAR UP:
Fill Out the On-Line Registration Form for each student participating
Payment Must be made Online (NO CASH or CHECKS will be accepted)

We need many volunteers for this event and would love your support. Please sign up here:

Register your child at www.getmovinfundhub.com
School ID: 5da9d30581759

All adults running on race day MUST have a government issued ID at check-in

Sunrise celebrates reading with 5 Little Free Libraries across the city.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE

DONATION DATES: September 23 - October 30, 2025

TAKE a Book LEAVE a Book

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

City Hall 1175 NE 1st Street Sunrise, FL 33064	Civic Center - Athletic Club 1818 NE 1st Street Sunrise, FL 33064
Village Multipurpose Center (1st Floor) 2388 NW 68th Ave. Sunrise, FL 33064	New River Civic Center (Library Walk-Up Window) 68 W. 1st St. Sunrise, FL 33064

Recommended Reads for Children:
Baby Books, Early Readers, Chapter Books, Middle Grade, Young Adults, Arts & Crafts, Science, Animal/Nature, Hobbits, Multilingual Books, Dictionaries, and Thesaurus.

Donate New or Gently Used Books to Help Keep Our Libraries Full All Year!

15th Annual Panther Prowl Sponsorship Opportunity Levels

RACE INFO: MORE THAN 1,000 STUDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS RUN IN THIS ANNUAL SCHOOL RACE!

SILVER - \$150

- YOUR COMPANY LOGO ON THE BACK OF ALL RACERS' SHIRTS
- FACEBOOK POST WITH COMPANY LOGO
- LOGO ON SPONSOR PAGE IN OUR YEARBOOK

GOLD - \$200

- SPACE FOR TABLE SETUP AT RACE

PLUS, EVERYTHING LISTED IN THE SILVER & GOLD SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

DIAMOND - \$300

- COMPANY LOGO ON 2026 RACE BANNER DISPLAYED ON OUR SCHOOL FENCE ON RACE DAY AND UNTIL OUR 2027 PANTHER PROWL RACE

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FRESH LINE SPONSOR - \$1,200

- COMPANY LOGO PRINTED ON A BANNER FOR THE FRESH LINE
- COMPANY NAME ON SCHOOL HANDBOOK FOR RACE WEEK
- COMPANY ITEMS CAN BE HANDED OUT AT THE RACE (WATER BOTTLES, LANYARDS, SUNGLASSES, ETC.)

PLUS, EVERYTHING LISTED IN THE SILVER, GOLD & DIAMOND SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

FINISHER MEDAL/CERTIFICATE SPONSOR - \$1,200

- COMPANY LOGO PRINTED ON THE BACK OF FINISHER MEDALS & FINISHER CERTIFICATES
- COMPANY NAME ON SCHOOL HANDBOOK FOR RACE WEEK
- LARGEST LOGO ON ALL RACERS' SHIRTS

PLUS, EVERYTHING LISTED IN THE SILVER, GOLD & DIAMOND SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

All checks should be made out to SAWGRASS PTA. Please send high quality logos to SAWGRASSPTA@GMAIL.COM

Please submit your payment and company logo prior to January 16th, 2026

Sponsorships are honored on a first come, first serve basis.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING US CONTINUE THIS AMAZING EVENT!

CLASS GROUP PHOTOS

FOX-MAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2025-2026

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3RD GRADE

SAMANTHA JAMES
Mrs. Rodriguez
3RD GRADE

PICTURE PERFECT MEMORIES: ORDER YOUR CLASS PHOTO TODAY!