



**James S. Rickards Middle School**

**SAC Meeting 10/1/24**

**6:00 pm**

**Welcome**

**SAC (School Advisory Council) Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2024**

**-2024-2025 SAC Committee Officers**

- Mr. Rubinchik and Ms. Fatima DeLeon Co-chairs
- Lisa Smith-Lopez Secretary

**-Call to Order**

- A Rickards Middle School Advisory Council meeting was held in person on October 1, 2024. Co-chair, Mr. Rubinchik, called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

**-Pledge of Allegiance**

**-City of Oakland Park Update – Mr. Donnelly**

- Oktoberfest

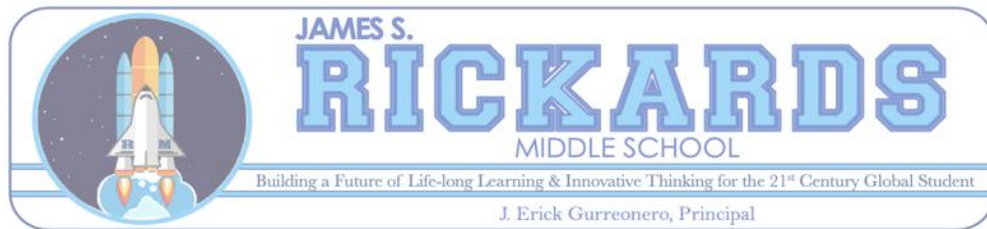
Friday, Oct 4 6-10 PM

Saturday, Oct 5 1-10 PM

Sunday, Oct 6 1-6 PM

The Funky Buddha Brewery presents the annual Oakland Park Oktoberfest!! Enjoy live German music, authentic German-style beer and food in the Biergarten. This event will be held rain or shine. Admission is \$5 per day entry, 12 and under are free.

- Oakland Park Set to Cut the Ribbon at Fire Station 9



The city is excited to celebrate the opening of the new Fire Rescue Station 9. Join us on Thursday, October 10th at 12:30 PM at 599 Park Lane East at NE 6th Avenue. Fire Station 9 is the second new building, and the third project completed under Oakland Park's Building Our 2nd Century.

**- Halloween Bash**

Join the city at Oakland Park's free and not so-scary Halloween Bash on Friday, October 25th, 6 to 9 PM at Wimberly Field at 4000 NE 3rd Avenue. Enjoy an evening of family-friendly fun with a costume contest for all ages, Trunk or Treat, DJ, dance contests, bounce houses, and candy.

**- Park Lane East Closed at Dixie Highway**

Work to accommodate the installation of the Skywalk at the Sky Building on Park Lane east is underway. This will necessitate the following closure on Park Lane east/NE 38th Street. Beginning Monday, September 30th, through Friday, November 1st, Park Lane East will be closed between Dixie Highway and NE 11th Avenue.

**- Recycle Right**

Please do not place your items in plastic bags. Place rinsed items that can be recycled directly into your recycle bin. Items that can be recycled: Plastic containers, cans, paper, flattened cardboard, food and beverage cartons, glass bottles and containers. Items that cannot be recycled: plastic bags, pizza boxes, plastic toys, garden hoses, hazardous materials, Styrofoam containers.

**- Register to Vote**

October 7, 2024, is the deadline to register for the November 5, 2024, election. Residents are encouraged to register to vote or check their voting status in advance of the election. To register or check your voter registration status, visit the Broward County Supervisor of Elections office. [browardvotes.gov](https://browardvotes.gov)

**-SIP Report Social Studies – Ms. Loftman**

**-Review Current Years School Improvement Plan (SIP)**

Our team is moving along with curriculum and has finished our most recent set of unit assessments. We are looking at the data as grade level teams to see what skills are being retained by our students. Our 6th grade is working on the first civilization Ancient Mesopotamia with an emphasis on an end of unit project. 7th grade has completed several assessments reviewing how the Founding Fathers were influenced. Next, they will complete the district quarter 1 assessment that covers 11 topics. The test is being utilized to drive our ELO initiatives for Civics and prepare our students for the civics EOC in May. 8th grade is moving into content related to the Revolutionary War. We are working on improving our rigor and have district support to help us implement strategies in our classes to provide opportunities for our students to be challenged.



### **-Principal's Report – Mr. Gurreonero**

-Construction update- A celebration in November will commemorate the “topping of the roof”, a construction tradition.

-Hispanic Heritage Night is slated for next week.

-Acceleration night was a huge success, with a fantastic parent turnout.

-“Dad Take Your Child To Work Day” was a huge success, and there were doughnuts and goodie bags to celebrate the dads.

-The P.B.I.S. program is a big success and kudos to the entire team.

-The PM 1 testing is complete; we tested 98% of the students, 13% higher school-wide.

-N.E.H.S. hosted an Oakland Park Community night with great feedback about Rickards, and the community is noticing our success.

### **- S.E.S.I.R. – School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (will be updated next meeting)**

Incidents Reported 08/21/23 – 4/30/2024

Total: 73

-Tobacco – 5

-Alcohol - 1

-Fighting- 28

- Bullying - 2

-Unclassified Offenses/OTH Major- 4

-Drug possession or Use - 19

- Unsubstantiated Bullying-

-Physical Attack - 8

-Sexual Harassment - 1

- Weapons Possession -

-Harassment- 1

-Threat/Intimidation - 4

-Harassment - 1

**The next meeting is November 6, 2024.**



- **Motion to adjourn.**
  - The motion to adjourn by Ms. Walton at 7:13 pm was seconded by Mr. Donnelly and was carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Name of Recorder: Lisa Smith Lopez

Name of Position on Board: SAC Secretary

Approval Date: