☆ **SAC Sign in Sheet for Everglades ES (2942)**

Date: 10/26/2026 **Time:** 2:20 PM

#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Berry, Allison	SAC Secretary	Yes	No	
2	Buitrago, Rafael	Community / Business Representatives	No	(No)	
3	Feinsilber, Doron	Pre-K (if applicable - parent or certified teacher)	No	Yes	
4	Lirio, Shannon	SAC Co-Chair	Yes	No	
5	McGowan, Courtney	Teacher	Yes	No	
6	Montes Clavijo, Thanne	Parent	No	Yes	
7	Patino, Tricya	ESOL Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
8	Paz, Ricardo	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	No	Yes	
9	Peffer, Laura	SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	(Yes)	
10	Saef, Josh	ESE Parent of a student at the school	No	(Yes)	
11	Schneider, Jessica	SAC Co-Chair , BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	
12	Silva, Cristiane	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Yes	No	
13	Sosa, Mildred	Gifted Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
14	Tillinger, Eliot	Principal	Yes	No	

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Everglades Elementary School Advisory Council General Meeting

SAC Agenda

Oct. 26, 2026 – 2:30 PM, Media Center

Everglades Elementary School
2900 Bonaventure Blvd.
Weston, FL 33331

I. Introduction of Members

II. Review previous Draft Minutes

III. 2026-27 current School Improvement Plan (SIP) Monitoring
   a. Areas of Focus
   b. Stakeholder input

IV. 2027-28 SIP Planning
   a. Stakeholder input

V. Library Media Annual Collection Development Plan presentation, Mrs. Schneider, Media Specialist

VI. Account balances-
   NOTE: Budget statuses listed from last fiscal year because funds not yet carried forward for this fiscal year.
   a. School Recognition (A+): $21,748.26
   b. Accountability: -$2,763.60

VII. SESIR update (**School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting**)

VIII. Safety and Security

IX. Updates/Concerns

2026-27 SAC/SAF Meeting dates:

October 26, 2026*
November 30, 2026
December 14, 2026
January 25, 2027*
February 22, 2027
March 29, 2027
April 26, 2027
May 10, 2027

All SAF meetings are regularly scheduled for 2:45 PM in the Media Center.
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Everglades Elementary School Advisory Forum General Meeting

SAF Agenda

Oct. 26, 2026 – 2:40 PM , Media Center

Everglades Elementary School
2900 Bonaventure Blvd.
Weston, FL 33331

I. Introduction of Members

II. Review previous Draft Minutes

III. Zone Liaison and South Area Meeting Information

IV. Area Updates/ School Concerns

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Everglades Elementary

School Advisory Council Minutes - October 26, 2026 - DRAFT

October 26, 2026 - 2:30 P.M. Everglades Elementary Media Center
Everglades Elementary School, 2900 Bonaventure Blvd. Weston, FL 33331

Attendance:

Jessica Schneider – *Co-Chair*
Shannon Lirio - *Co-Chair*
Allison Berry – *Secretary*
Courtney McGowan – *Teacher representative, Art*
Ricardo Paz – *Parent, I-Zone representative*
Cristiane Silva - *Non-Instructional representative*
Dr. Saef - *ESE Parent representative*
Laura Peffer- *PTA SAF Chair Parent representative*
Rafael Buitrago - *Community liaison*
Tricya Patino – *ESOL Parent representative*
Eliot Tillinger - *Principal*

Introduction of Members/Position Elections:

A meeting of the Everglades Elementary School Advisory Council was held on October 26, 2026. Chair Jessica Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:35 P.M. and there was a quorum. Mrs. Schneider introduced all SAC members in attendance and welcomed everyone. This meeting was a joint SAC/SAF meeting.

Review of Previous Draft Minutes:

Mrs. Schneider asked all participants to review the previous meeting minutes from September. Mr. Buitrago moved to accept the September minutes as they had been submitted, with Mrs. Lirio seconding; the minutes were accepted as is into the record.

2026-2027 School Improvement Plan (SIP) Monitoring:

Reading and math interventions (i.e. Walk to Read) have been implemented for students in need of extra support in designated instructional areas, based on evidence from PM1 data and reviewed with classroom teachers in data chats and RTI meetings. These groups have been in progress for approximately one month.

2027-2028 School Improvement Plan (SIP):

Mrs. Schneider reminded the committee that next year's school improvement plan is always on our agenda and can be discussed at any meeting. We will also discuss the 27-28 SIP plan in depth more at a future SAC meeting (i.e. after PM 2 testing) and as more data is collected in order to create goals.

Library Media Annual Collection Development Plan

Mrs. Schneider detailed the district and school mission statements for the Everglades Elementary library Collection Development Plan, which are in place to ensure appropriate media materials are available to all students (i.e. updated biographies, technology apps and tools). Different areas of the media center are being updated, including an emphasis on ensuring there is a balance of fiction and nonfiction selections. The Everglades library is made up of 98% books, with the average publication date of materials being 2011, so efforts are being made to ensure that any new books added to the library are from this publication date or newer. Any books contained within the library must be approved by two professional reviews in order to be checked out by students. Mrs. Schneider reminded the committee

that there is an official Library Reading Materials Opt-Out form offered to parents at the start of every school year, should any parents not wish for their child to check out books or materials from the media center. Committee members expressed positive sentiment about the high circulation of books by students in our school, as all students visit the library a minimum of once per week for specials class and also have multiple opportunities throughout the week in the morning to visit the library media center for STEM enrichment, homework space, or reading time.

Account Balances:
School Recognition (A+) funds = $21,748.~~2646~~ / Reviewed and corrected from the Agenda to $21,748.46
Accountability = -$2,763.60
Recognition funds and accountability will be updated at a future SAC meeting. Budget status balances are reflected from the previous fiscal year as funds have not yet been carried forward for the current fiscal year. Committee discussion and did tentatively scheduled to start the creation of the ballot for A+ funds at the next SAC meeting, November 30th.

SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting)
No issues to be reported for this month.

Safety and Security
Mr. Tillinger informed the committee that the new speakers installed in the ceilings of classrooms, as well as the screens in the hallways, office, media center, and cafeteria, have been added as safety enhancements to the school's PA Public Address system. Everglades is one of the first schools to model the new safety system, which is designed to provide more immediate alerts during different safety drills (i.e. lockdowns).

Updates/Concerns:
Mr. Tillinger shared that the construction on Windmill Ranch Park is nearing completion. This development will provide the school with enhanced recess areas as well as a larger location for hosting schoolwide PTA events.
He also shared the exciting news that Everglades Elementary was recently ranked #3 in Broward and also received a ranking of 19 out of approximately 5,000 schools in the state, on a list of elementary and middle schools in the state of Florida according to U.S. News & World Report, which assesses schools based on student mathematics and reading/language arts data. Everglades has also been recognized as one of the 50 Schools of Excellence in Broward from the Florida state Dept. of Education. It was requested by committee members that this impressive and exciting news be shared with all Everglades families via Parent Link.

Meeting Adjournment:
Mrs. Schneider motioned to adjourn at 3:16 P.M.
Mrs. Schneider adjourned the SAC meeting at 3:16 P.M.

SAC adjourns at 3:16 P.M.

SAF called to order at 3:16 P.M.

Introduction of Members:
Mrs. Schneider called the School Advisory Forum meeting to order at 3:16 P.M. and there was a quorum of members. Mrs. Lirio seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously. All members were introduced by Mrs. Schneider.

Review of Previous Draft Minutes:
Mrs. Schneider asked all participants to review the previous meeting minutes, and they were unanimously accepted.

Zone Liaison/South Area Meeting Information:
Mrs. Schneider explained that Falcon Cove Middle School 8th grade students associated with the Global Leaders United program (formerly Latinos in Action) will begin working with Everglades students over a period of approximately 16 visits to assist in classrooms and provide extra support. In addition, Cypress Bay High School students who are enrolled in child development classes and are working to pursue a career in education have started intern work in many of the primary classrooms. Parking spots and access at the new Windmill Ranch park were also discussed. The city has shared with school administration that we will have access to the approximately 30 new parking spots when the park opens, which should help alleviate traffic/stopping/standing along Bonaventure Blvd. during arrival and dismissal times.

Everglades Updates/School Concerns:
Mrs. Patino and Mrs. Peffer mentioned that the recent PTA Trunk or Treat night was a highly successful event, with over 1,400 tickets sold. 1st grade and Kindergarten students recently enjoyed field trips to the Broward Center of the Performing Arts and the Weston Fire Department. Mr. Tillinger explained to the committee the benefit of the SEAS (Student Enrichment in the Arts and Sciences) program, which offers free/low-cost field trips to students of all grades in Broward County schools. In the past, Everglades has been selected on numerous occasions to attend a variety of high-quality theater performances due to the appropriate concert etiquette and positive behavior of our students. Kindergarten students will participate in their annual Character Parade on October 30th, at which parents may attend. 3rd grade students will be performing "Destination: America", a grade-level performance in which students explore the influence of a variety of musical genres across different geographical regions of the United States. This performance will be presented on November 12th to the primary grade levels in the morning and to Everglades families in the evening. 3rd and 5th graders will also embark on extended-day field trips in the month of November.

Meeting Adjournment:
Mr. Buitrago motioned to adjourn the SAF meeting at 3:26; Mrs. Schneider adjourned the meeting at 3:26 P.M. The next SAF meeting will be held November 30 in the Media Center.

Submitted by:
Allison Berry, secretary for SAC/SAF 2026-27.

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Everglades Elementary

School Advisory Council Minutes - September 28, 2026 - ~~DRAFT~~ approved by committee 10/26/2026 SS

September 28, 2026 - 2:30 P.M. Everglades Elementary Media Center
Everglades Elementary School, 2900 Bonaventure Blvd. Weston, FL 33331

Attendance:
Jessica Schneider – *Co-Chair*
Shannon Lirio - *Co-Chair*
Allison Berry – *Secretary*
Courtney McGowan – *Teacher representative, Art*
Ricardo Paz – *Parent, I-Zone representative*
Cristiane Silva - *Non-Instructional*
Laura Peffer- *PTA, SAF liaison*
Rafael Buitrago - *Community liaison*
Eliot Tillinger - *Principal*
Susan Hines - *Assistant Principal, Guest*

Introduction of Members/Position Elections:
A meeting of the Everglades Elementary School Advisory Council was held on September 28, 2026. Chair Jessica Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:35 P.M. and there was a quorum. Mrs. Schneider introduced all SAC members in attendance and welcomed everyone. Parent reps elected by parents by PTA meetings, teacher reps elected by teachers at faculty meetings, and non-instructional elected by non-instructional staff at staff meetings. Member positions were elected by committee as follows, Co-Chairs Jessica Schneider and Shannon Lirio, Non-instructional Cristiane Silva, SAC Secretary Allison Berry, Teacher rep Courtney McGowan, Principal Eliot Tillinger, I-Zone parent rep Ricardo Paz, Gifted Parent of Student at school Mildred Sosa, ESE Parent of Student at school Josh Saef, Parent rep Thanne Montes Clavijo, ESOL Parent of Student at school Tricya Patino, Pre-K Parent of Student at school Doron Feinsilber, SAF Chair Parent Laura Peffer, Community Business rep Rafel Buitrago..

Review Previous Draft Minutes:
Mrs. Schneider asked all participants to review the previous meeting minutes from May. Mr. Buitrago moved to accept the May minutes as they had been submitted, with Mrs. Lirio seconding; the minutes were accepted as is into the record.

SAC Bylaws:
Mrs. Schneider reviewed the SAC bylaws, as well as how the board is elected at the beginning of each academic year. Mr. Buitrago motioned to accept the bylaws as is with no changes, with Mrs. Lirio seconding the motion. Bylaws were approved unanimously.

School Performance Data (Stakeholder Video):
An overview video provided by the district covering how school grades are delineated at the elementary level was shown to all members, with an explanation of how FAST data is used to identify areas of need, as well as how parents can better understand individual student performance. Schools must have 65 or more points in order to receive an "A" letter rating based upon the new grading scale established by the state for the 2026-27 school year. Mrs. Hines elaborated that there are 8 components in which students score points toward the overall school grade, and that our school has typically scored well above the 65-point threshold as we have been consistently awarded school grades of A annually.

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2025-2026 School Improvement Plan (SIP) Close Out:
Math was the area of need from the previous school year; math scores improved based upon the PM 3 data from 2025-26. This year's area of need is ELA, specifically for students in the lowest quartile (based on last year's data).

2026-2027 School Improvement Plan (SIP) Monitoring:
After meeting with all teachers for data chats within the first quarter, a 9-week plan has been established to meet the needs of students in the lowest quartile in order to increase ELA learning gains this year.

2027-2028 School Improvement Plan (SIP):
Mrs. Schneider reminded the committee that next year's school improvement plan will be discussed all year in order to prepare for the subsequent year's goals.

Account Balances:
School Recognition (A+) funds = $21,748.46
Accountability = -$2,763.60
These numbers will be updated at the next SAC meeting. Budget statuses are reflected from the previous fiscal year as funds have not yet been carried forward for the current fiscal year from the district business support center.

SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting)
No incidents to be reported for this month.

Safety and Security
Mr. Tillinger informed that our school has not lost any security/campus monitors. The construction at Windmill Ranch Park should be finished within the next three weeks, and will include a parking lot at the park, currently community members park in our school's front lot and are monitored by our own campus monitors as they drive into the lot.

Updates/Concerns:
After a parent question regarding AI in elementary schools, as the school AI Liaison, Mrs. Schneider briefly discussed the use of A.I. and the elementary-appropriate lessons that students will learn about during Media when learning about digital literacy this year. No AI tools will be used for elementary students, only learning about how AI works. Teachers and staff have access to some AI tools such as Co-pilot and Magic School, and teachers are receiving on-going training in these district-approved tools. There have also been various BCPS parent virtual family forums on the district's AI use and policies, with one being held tonight via Teams at 5:30PM.

Meeting Adjournment:
Mrs. Schneider adjourned the SAC meeting at 3:08 P.M.
The next SAC meeting will be held October 26 in the Media Center at 2:30 PM.

SAC adjourns at 3:08 P.M.

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SAF called to order at 3:08 P.M.

Introduction of Members:
Mrs. Schneider called the School Advisory Forum meeting to order at 3:08 P.M. All members introduced by Mrs. Schneider, with the same members serving on SAC and SAF. All meetings are joint meetings.

Review Previous Draft Minutes:
Mrs. Schneider asked all participants to review the previous meeting minutes, which were unanimously accepted as is to the record.

SAF Bylaws:
Mrs. Schneider reviewed the SAF bylaws with all committee members, as well as how the board is elected at the beginning of each academic year. Mrs. Lirio motioned to accept the bylaws as is with no changes, with Mr. Buitrago seconding the motion. SAF Bylaws were approved as is unanimously.

Zone Liaison/South Area Meeting Information:
Mr. Tillinger mentioned that the district has called for a reduction in the amount of screen time for elementary students. Therefore, students will no longer participate in iReady challenges throughout the year, as students will be using the program for less minutes than in previous years.

The referendum for the district (a renewal of the previous referendum regarding teacher and school funding) will be on the ballot for all voters in November. The district is hosting several upcoming informational sessions on this topic, one this Wednesday evening at Flanagan High School.

Mrs. Schneider mentioned the Global Leaders United middle school student mentors (formerly *Latinos in Action*) will begin visiting our school again next month from Falcon Cove Middle. These student mentors help in various classrooms and develop connections between students and schools.

Everglades Updates/School Concerns:
Mrs. Hines reminded everyone that the fall Book Fair is being held September 28-Oct. 2.
Pre-K students will have a fire truck visit next week from Weston BSO. Kindergarten students are heading to their annual Fire Station field trip later this month, all in conjunction with lessons on Fire Safety and Prevention month for all grades from the National Fire Prevention Association.
Students will learn about idioms in the month of October, and some grades will participate in a dress-up day to illustrate idioms.
PTA has sponsored an in-house field trip Literacy presentation entitled "Page Turner Adventures" for all school students on October 5th.
PTA's annual "Trunk or Treat" event will be held October 23rd for all Everglades families.

Meeting Adjournment:
The next SAF meeting will be held October 26 in the Media Center at 2:45 PM.
Mrs. Schneider adjourned the meeting at 3:22 P.M.

Submitted by:
Allison Berry, secretary for SAC/SAF 2026-27.