



MUSTANG MINUTES



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Principal Powell's Power Points

As testing season approaches in May, we all play a role in helping our students feel prepared, confident, and supported. This time of year can bring excitement and nerves, but with the right strategies, we can set our students up for success.

- Encourage a Healthy Routine – Consistent sleep schedules, nutritious meals, and hydration are essential for focus and energy during testing.
- Celebrate Effort, Not Just Results – Recognizing students for their perseverance and dedication can boost motivation and morale.
- Practice Test-Taking Strategies – Techniques like reading all questions carefully, eliminating wrong answers, and managing time wisely can help students approach tests with confidence.
- Provide a Supportive Environment – Minimize stress at home and in the classroom by offering encouragement and reminding students that their effort matters more than the score.
- Create a Positive Mindset – Encourage students to stay calm and confident. Remind them that their hard work throughout the year has prepared them for this moment.

As we move through this season, let's continue to support and uplift our students. Together, we can make testing a positive experience and ensure that each student feels ready to succeed!

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

- **April 8th**~ Report Cards Available in Family Access
- **April 11th**~ Artic Ice (Items range between \$5-\$8)
- **April 18th**~ No School-Good Friday
- **April 21st**~ No School
- **April 25th**~ Cuscowilla Field Trip (please remember to pack your child a lunch(If you are planning to chaperone this trip please email me at Bandrews@micanopyacademy.com so we can get a count)

****Please see page 7 for other school events****



Sneak Peek

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Reminders

Parent Teacher Conferences:

We want to help our students succeed in every way possible and sometimes all it takes is a bit of communication. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher and set up a conference. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to discuss your child's progress and goals. (Scheduled Appointments Only)



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A Word From Our President

Greetings Mustang Families!

Our MA school mascot, the mustang horse, embodies the spirit of resilience and determination that defines our community. As a symbol of freedom and strength, the mustang inspires us to push beyond boundaries and overcome challenges. With over 50,000 wild mustangs thriving today, their story reminds us that even in the face of adversity, we have the power to adapt, evolve, and flourish.

As I reflect on our school's history, I'm filled with pride and gratitude for the courage, perseverance, and dedication that have shaped our journey. Like the mustang, we've broken free from conventions and forged our own path, driven by a shared commitment to excellence and empowerment.

It is an honor to be part of this family! Let us continue to draw strength from our collective spirit, just as the mustang draws strength from its wild and free nature.

Go, Mustangs!

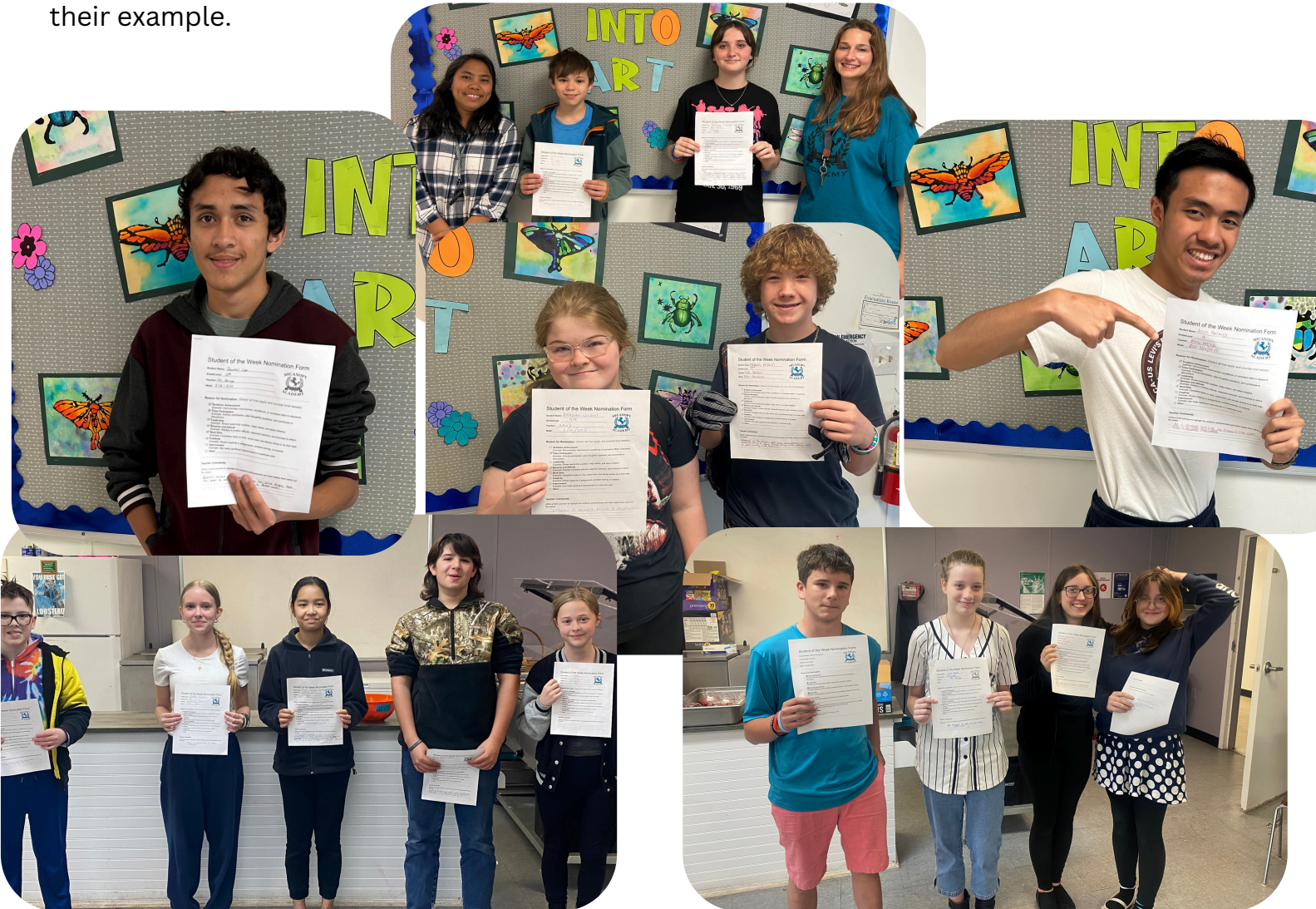
**Frank Williams
Board President**

Students of the Week

These students have met the following criteria and we are so proud of them and their progress.

Some Criteria Include:

- **Academic Excellence:** Students who consistently perform well academically, showing a strong commitment to learning.
- **Respect and Integrity:** Students who are respectful to peers, teachers, and staff, and demonstrate honesty and fairness in their actions.
- **Problem-Solving and Initiative:** Students who independently solve problems or help resolve conflicts in a positive manner.
- **Role Model Behavior:** Students who inspire others through their actions, motivating peers to follow their example.



Classroom Chronicles



Last week, Mrs. Suggs' art students crafted 3-D human figures using aluminum, tissue paper, and Mod Podge! (Top right) Thanks to Breton Homewood, Nutrition Educator with UF/IFAS Extension Family Nutrition, our high school students along with Mr. Davis will be planting a garden soon. These photos show the students constructing the garden container.



Classroom Chronicles



Mrs. Phillip's 8th-grade class built Rube Goldberg machines that featured at least three types of simple machines and followed a five-step process.



Better Together:
School & Community Events

We're thrilled to announce that Micanopy Academy's talented art students now have their incredible artwork **on display** at the Micanopy Branch Library! Don't miss the chance to see their amazing creations—stop by and check it out!



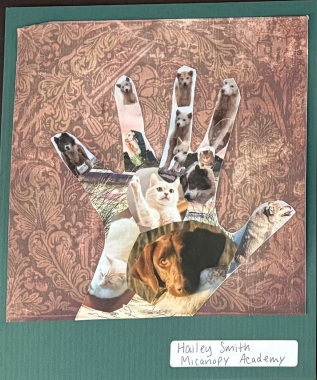
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Micanopy Academy



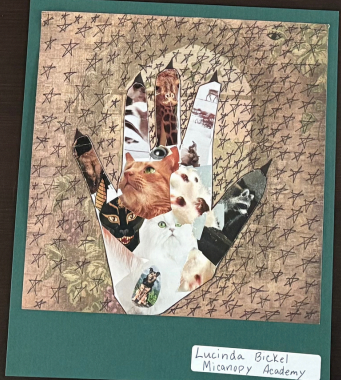
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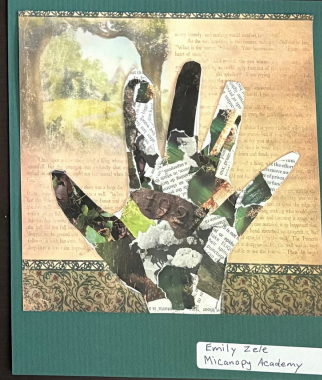
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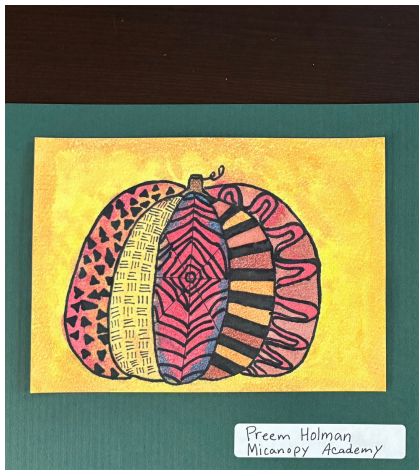
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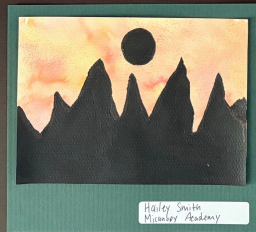
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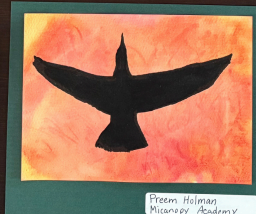
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Better Together:
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**WILLIE MAE STOKES FAMILY
RESOURCE CENTER** in Partnership with
Peaceful Paths

Presents:

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP CURRICULUM

**ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENTS**

Every Thursday In April

3:45 Elementary 4:45 Middle

RSVP WITH Lakedra @ 352-545-7045



Micanopy Academy

DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PLAY LEARN LAUGH

**Fun Fridays & Whimsical
Wednesdays**

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

- 3/24 - College Week 3/26 - Mr. Bow
- In Gator Gear (Coin Wars)
- 4/4 - Faculty/Parent vs Student
- Kickball
- 4/11 - Pizza and Games
- 4/18 - Scavenger Egg Hunt
- 4/23 - Community Clean Up and School Picnic
- 4/25 - Cuscowilla Trip
- Week of 4/28 - Career Day (Actual Date TBA)
- 4/30 - Micanopy Academy Film Festival
- 5/2 - Gradventure
- 5/9 - Cinco de Ice Cream
- 5/16 - Slushies and Popcorn
- 5/23 - Field Day: Water Games



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Summer Events and Opportunities

Alachua County Florida

TEEN ADVENTURE CAMP

Week 1: June 23-27
Week 2: July 7-11

Week 3: July 14-18
Week 4: July 21-25

Cost: \$200 per week
Entering Grades 6-8
Minimum 2 Field trips per week

Cuscowilla Nature & Retreat Center
210 SE 134th Ave., Micanopy, FL

Registration Begins March 1.
Scan the QR Code to Register!

More Information: jbass@alachuacounty.us

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Summer Events and Opportunities

The TeensWork Alachua Summer Youth Employment program (TWA) provides eligible students with paid internships and job opportunities that prepare them to succeed in employment.

Students work with local businesses that offer on-the-job training and mentorship.

In addition to paid internships, students also receive job-readiness, financial, and soft skills training along with the support of a job coach.

Job coaches assist students through every step of the internship process to help make the experience as meaningful as possible.

Businesses are asked to request intern by 4/30



APPLY HERE!

UP TO 25 HOURS/WEEK

TWA'S SERVICES:

- Student recruitment
- Matching students to businesses
- HR onboarding
- Additional career training for student
- Payroll
- Support for employers

STUDENTS MUST BE:

Enrolled in an Alachua County high school, GED program, or high school equivalency program

Age 14-18

IN ADDITION TO EMPLOYMENT, STUDENTS WILL:

- Develop social skills
- Learn work norms and culture
- Understand career pathways
- Build professional networks
- Learn to manage money

BUSINESS PARTNERS PROVIDE:

- Up to 25 hours of work per week
- On-the-job training and mentorship
- Student feedback
- Time verification

If you are not a resident of Alachua County but attend school there please call 904-606-5178 or email tw@goodwillnorthfl.org



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Upcoming Testing Schedule

WEEK ONE:

Tuesday May 6 9:00am start - ELA Reading 7/8
Tuesday May 6 12:30 start - ELA Reading 9/10
Wednesday May 7 9:00am start - ELA Reading 6
Thursday May 8 9:00am start - Math 7/8
Thursday May 8 12:30pm start - Math 9/10
Friday May 9 9:00am start - Math 6

WEEK TWO:

Tuesday May 13 9:00am start - US History EOC
Tuesday May 13 12:30pm start - Makeups
Wednesday May 14 9:00am start - Algebra 1 EOC
Thursday May 15 9:00am start - Geometry EOC
Thursday May 15 12:30pm start - Makeups
Friday May 16 9:00am start - Civics EOC

WEEK THREE:

Tuesday May 20 9:00am start - Biology EOC
Wednesday May 21 9:00am start - Grade 8 Science
Thursday May 22 9:00am start - Makeups
Friday May 23 9:00am start - Makeups