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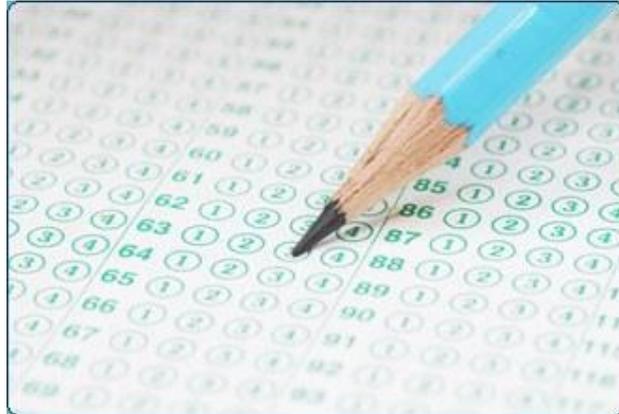
Issue

Week 22

January 8th-14th

Tallahassee School of Math and Science

Math Stars Competition!



Tallahassee School of Math and Science Math Department is getting ready for the annual Math Stars Competition for elementary school students throughout Leon County.

We are expecting to host over 100 kids and about 300 people in total and we would like to ask for your help on competition day.

The Competition will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017, at 8:30 am and the award ceremony will be at 12:00 pm.

Parents, we need your help for the competition. Please sign up here if you want to help!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090844aaa722aafd0-2017>

TSMS 2017-2018 Applications



**Applications for
2017-2018 academic
year begin on**

Feb 1st and end on March 1st.

*Applications for 2017-2018 will begin on Feb. 1st. Remember!! Space is limited, apply to secure your spot.
Mark Your calendars!!*

Valentines Parents Night Out!

Parents Night Out

Sponsored by TSMS PVO

Just in time for Valentines' Day!

Bring your K-8th grader to TSMS on

2/10/17 from 6pm to 9pm

\$15/1st child and \$5/ for each additional child.

*We'll serve pizza and drinks have a movie, games, and fun for
all the kids to enjoy.*

Sign up now and pay through 2/6/17.

If you still plan to drop off the day of

we will still take kids we just

need to know how much pizza to order ahead of time!

We Hope To See You There!

-TSMS PVO

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "Dreamers & Doer's" Program!

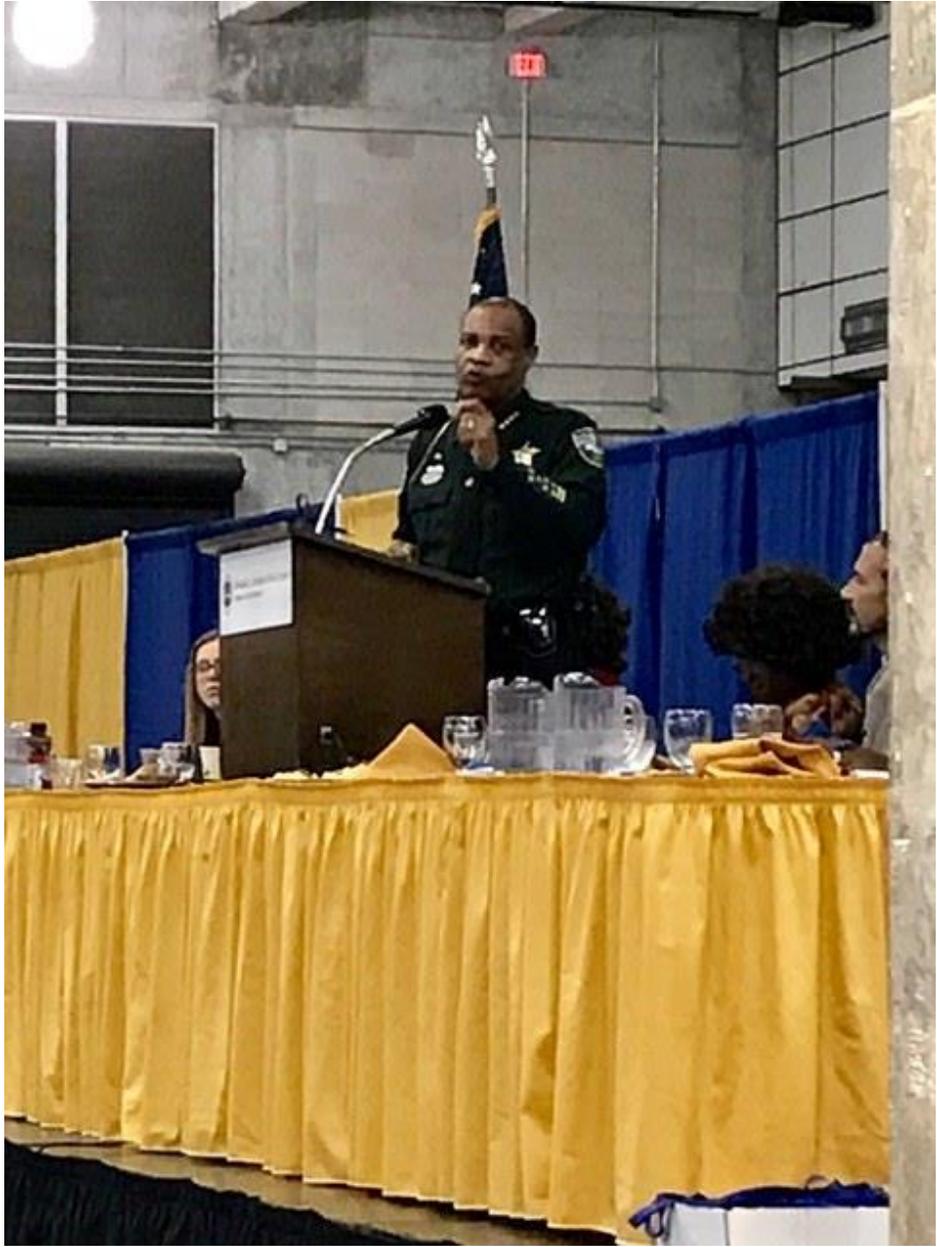




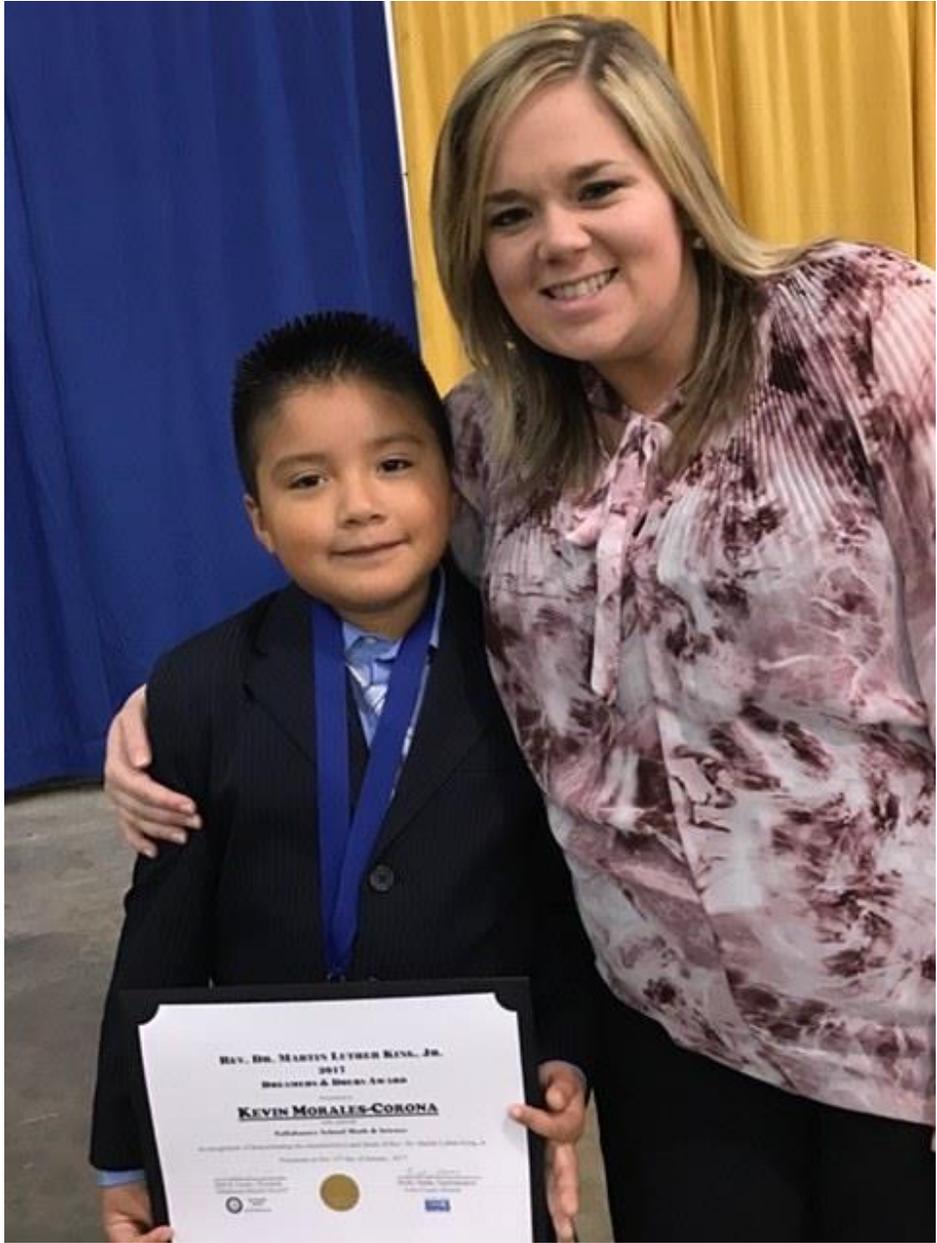
**Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
34th Annual Commemorative
Dreamers & Doers Program**



**“Public Education - The Foundation of a
Strong Nation”**

















TSMS had four students honored by the NAACP for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "Dreamers & Doer's" program.

We would like to congratulate, Jamarion Washinton (4th Grade), Kevin Morales (1st Grade), Ja'Kyra Harvin (7th Grade), and Isidro Palmer (8th Grade)

We are so proud of them, and this accomplishment.

Spelling Bee!



1 - John Rivera



2 - DeShawn Jackson

Congratulations to John Rivera and DeShawn Jackson for their outstanding job at the Spelling Bee! DeShawn made it 4 rounds with only 15 out of 45 kids left and John made it 5 rounds when there were only 12 out of 45 kids left. He was 1 of only 4 elementary grade level kids left on the stage. We are so proud of them! A big shout out to Ms. Sullivan who work constantly with them during her planning periods to get them ready.

TSMS 1st Semester Award Ceremony!



















We would like to congratulate all of our students for a great 1st semester!

Leon County Honors Chorus!



Ten of our 5th grade students were chosen to perform with the Leon County Honors Chorus! They will gather for a huge choral concert in April that will include 200 students from elementary schools around Leon county. This will be televised, on social media and in the newspaper. Please congratulate the following students:

Anthony Cywinski

Rakhem Epps

Grace Kiekow

Robert Lilly

Elexsia Lurry

Della Poole

John Lian Rivera

Chloe Thompson

De'Asia Wallace

Ariyona Wyche

Congratulations guys and keep up the great work!!!! More information to come soon.

History Fair!



Students have been working diligently early this semester on their history fair projects. The projects are due 1/30/17. We have been on a mission to incorporate technology into our Social Studies department, giving students the skills to be successful in a digital world. Students are becoming proficient in using the application Google Docs, preparing them for word processing and group assignments in the future. Remember History Fair is coming, and if you would like to participate, please contact Mr. McCovery at bmcccovery@tsmas.org

4th Grade Challenger Learning Center Field Trip







On Tuesday, January 10th, the 4th grade traveled to the Challenger Learning Center. Their Space and Earth unit was coming to an end in class, so the students were able to use what they learned in class throughout the field trip. During the trip, the students were able to build models of the rocket Saturn 5! Also, if they were going to go into space they needed to know about the dangers of space and some science behind it. Students watched and we also a part of demonstrations that explain forces, gravity, and air. Once they knew the dangers of space they went on a “mission”. On this mission, each student had a job to do on in the space station just like astronauts. Each group of students were looking for

comets on their missions. Last but not least, students went into the planetarium for The Ultimate Universe show where they learned more about the stars, moon, and planets in our solar system. This field trip was a blast!

Donations to our Troops



During November and early December, we collected donations and letters to send to troops overseas that are fighting for our country! They have received our gifts and are grateful! Thank you to everyone who donated and who took the time to write a letter or card to them!

FSA Testing



Dear Parent/Guardian,
2017

January 9th,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will be participating in the statewide assessment program as required by statute. Exceptional education students will be administered assessments in compliance with their individualized education plan (IEP).

Overview of Testing Dates:

*PBT= Paper Based Testing CBT= Computer Based Testing

3rd Grade: ELA PBT March 27th ◆ 28th, Math CBT April 17th ◆ 18th

4th Grade: Writing PBT February 28th, ELA CBT April 19th ◆ 20th , Math PBT April 24th ◆ 25th

5th Grade: Writing PBT February 28th, ELA CBT April 26th ◆ 27th , Math CBT April 10th ◆ 11th,

Science PBT May 1st- 2nd

6th Grade: Writing PBT February 28th, ELA CBT April 17th ◆ 18th , Math CBT April 26th ◆ 27th

7th Grade: Writing PBT February 28th, ELA CBT April 19th ◆ 20th , MATH CBT May 2nd ◆ 3rd , Civics EOC CBT May 8th

8th Grade: Writing CBT February 28th, ELA CBT April 24th-25th , SCIENCE PBT May 1st, MATH CBT May 4th ◆ 5th

***Algebra 1 ◆ Geometry EOC CBT May 4th -5th**

***Biology EOC May 8th**

For more information about the FSA program please visit the FSA portal at www.FSAssessments.org.

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- **Electronic Devices-** Students are not permitted to have any electronic devices, including but not limited to cell phones and smartphones at any time during testing OR during breaks (e.g. restroom), **even if they are turned off and students do not use them**. If your student is found with an electronic device, his or her test will be invalidated. The best practice is for students to leave devices at home or in their lockers on the day of testing.
- **Testing Rules Acknowledgment-** All FSA tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgement that reads, "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, students will have the rules read to them and acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing below the statement on their ELA Writing planning sheet, ELA Reading worksheet, and/or their Mathematics work folder.
- **Discussing Test Content After Testing-**The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they sign the Testing Rules Acknowledgment states, "After the test, you may not reveal

details about the passages or items to anyone. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on websites like Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.”

- **Test Invalidations-** Students are responsible for working on their own during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. FDOE employs a test security company, Caveon Test Security, to analyze student test results for unusually similar answer patterns. If cheating is detected through this process, it will also result in test invalidations.
- **Leaving Campus-** If your student leaves campus during a test session (for lunch, an appointment, illness, etc.) he or she WILL NOT be allowed to complete the test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact our Assistant Principal, Patricia Pagozalski, at ppagozalski@tsmas.org.

Get Your Winter Gear!



Winter is coming! Get over to ALL UNIFORM WEAR to purchase the Dress Code approved pieces. Make sure your students stay warm with the TSM pull-over sweater, cardigan, and the zip-up fleece jacket.

ALL UNIFORM WEAR is located on 1989 Capital Circle Northeast, Tallahassee, FL 32308. For more information you can contact them at (850) 629-4144.

TSMS Uniforms



3 - Shoes on the left are in the appropriate colors-- Black, White, Navy, and Brown; they do not have flashy colors or logos that stand out. Shoes on the right are not in the appropriate colors, they have logos that stand out, and boots/Uggs are not permitted.



4 - All Uniform Wear 1989 Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee FL 32308

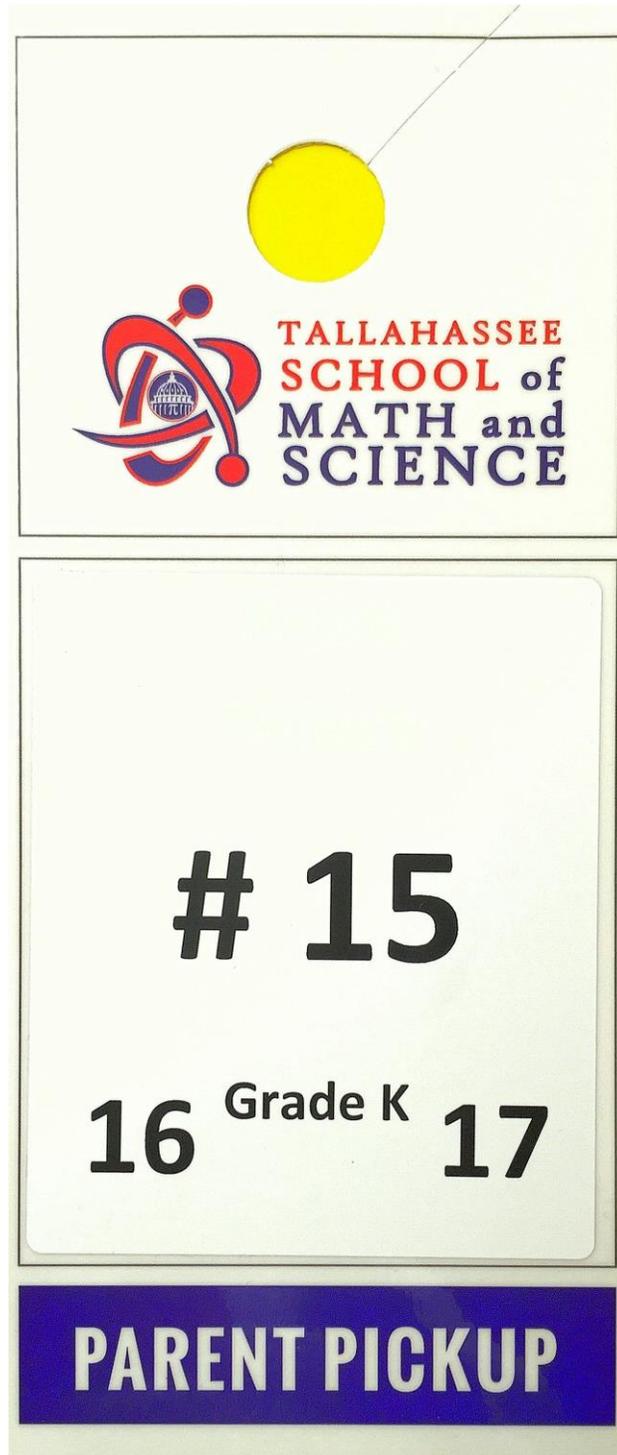
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www.alluniformwear.com

store28@alluniformwear.com

*Please refer to pages 25-29 in the Student Handbook for more information.

Dismissal: Parent Pick-up Cards



To help combat heavy traffic, please park in the parking lot and walk up to pick up your student.

Dismissal is from 2:45-3:00pm, after 3:00pm students will be sent to EDP.

Please displayed Pick-up card clearly on the dashboard for car pickup. If you do not have a Pick-up card,you will be directed to park your car and show your photo ID to the front office to release your student. EDP also requires Pick-up card for dismissing a student through the front office.

Transportation change or any afternoon change will need to be submitted in writing via letter or email to the secretary Ms. Meriweather

Parents MUST notify front office by 2:30pm– at the latest if there is an emergency and transportation needs to be changed for the day. –If after 2:30pm student will go home as arranged.

Contact Us

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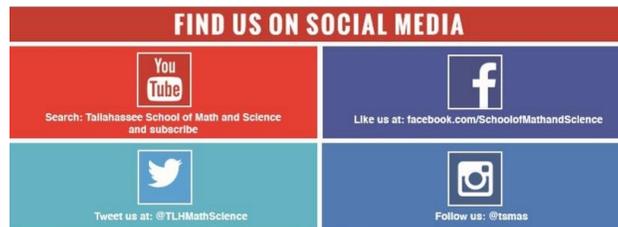
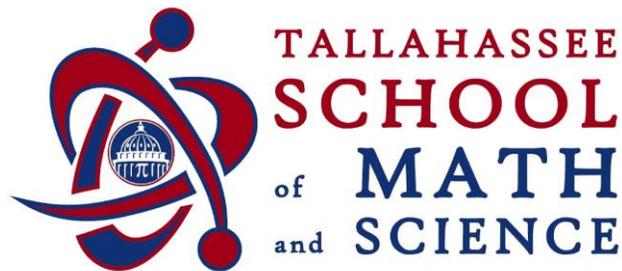
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