Garland V. Stewart Middle Magnet School



Summer 2025

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Yellow Jacket Summer Newsletter

Welcome to Stewart Middle Magnet School

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year!

I hope you're enjoying a safe and relaxing summer. We are thrilled to welcome you to Stewart Middle Magnet School—proudly recognized as a NASA Explorer School with a strong focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education.

Our theme this year is "Going Above and Beyond," reflecting our shared commitment to excellence in learning and growth. With the support of our dedicated teachers and the partnership of our families, we are excited to embark on a year filled with rigorous academics, meaningful experiences, and inspiring achievements—all within the walls of our school building.

Thank you for joining us on this journey. Together, we will go above and beyond to ensure a successful and enriching school year for every student.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at (813) 276-5691.

We're excited to have you as part of the Stewart Middle Magnet family—the Launch Pad for Learning!

Warm regards,

Baretta Wilson, Ed.D. Principal

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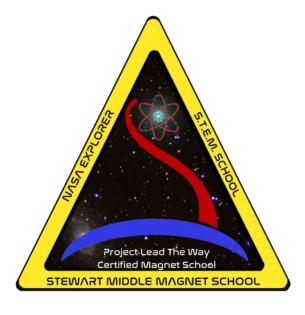
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6th Grade Math Academy Students

6th Grade Students

- 6 #2 Mechanical Pencils with lead
- 12 #2 Pencils
- 1 Colored Pencils-Assorted Colors, 12/Bx
- 1 Yellow Highlighter
- 1 Blue Highlighter
- 1 Green Highlighter
- 1 Pink Highlighter
- 1 Manual pencil sharpener with lid
- 2 Erasers (White preferred)
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 7-inch scissors
- 1 Ruler (centimeters and inches)
- 6 Packs of wide-ruled notebook paper
- 6 Spiral notebooks (1 per class)
- 2 Composition book 9.75" x 7.5" College Rule 80 Sheets
- 6 2 pocket 3-prong folders
- 1 Package of dividers 8 count plastic with pockets
- 1 3" Binder optional (May use the zippered binders)
- 1 Pencil Pouch
- 1 Earbuds or headphones- no Bluetooth allowed

General:

Pencils

Highlighters (2 colors)

Eraser

Colored Pencils

Glue Sticks (2 at a time)

Scissors

Science:

3-Subject Notebook

Folder (with prongs)

English:

1-subject spiral Notebook

Folder (with prongs)

Math:

1/2-inch Binder with 3 dividers inside

TI-30XA Calculator (must be this exact model)

1-Notebook (purchased from Mrs. Moore during the first week for \$4)

3-Subject, Quad Ruled

Handheld Pencil Sharpener

7th Grade Students

- Texas Instruments TI-30X-A Scientific Calculator
- 6 #2 Mechanical Pencils with extra lead
- 12 #2 Pencils
- 1 Colored Pencils-Assorted Colors, 12/Bx
- 4 Yellow, Blue, Green, Pink Highlighters (1 each)
- 2 Dry Erase Markers, Chisel Point, Black
- 2 Erasers (White preferred)
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 7-inch scissors
- 1 Colored markers 12 count
- 6 Packs of college ruled notebook paper
- 5 Spiral notebooks (1 per class)
- 1 3-Subject Notebook, College Ruled
- 1 2-Subject Notebook, College Ruled
- 6 2 pocket 3-prong folders
- 1 3" Binder optional (May use the zippered binders)
- 1 Pencil Pouch
- 1 Earbuds or headphones—no Bluetooth allowed
- * With the exception of Math Academy, these lists might change. Please wait to meet your teacher before purchasing specific items. Only purchase general necessities for now.

8th Grade Students

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- 1 Texas Instruments TI-30X-A Scientific Calculator
- 6 #2 Mechanical Pencils with extra lead
- 12 #2 Pencils
- 1 Colored Pencils-Assorted Colors, 12/Bx
- 1 Yellow Highlighter
- 1 Blue Highlighter
- 1 Green Highlighter
- 1 Pink Highlighter
- 1 Manual pencil sharpener with lid
- 2 Erasers (White preferred)
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 7-inch scissors
- 1 Ruler (centimeters and inches)
- 6 Packs of wide-ruled notebook paper
- 6 Spiral notebooks (1 per class)
- 2 Composition book 9.75" x 7.5" College Rule 80 Sheets
- 6 2 pocket 3-prong folders
- 1 Package of dividers 8 count plastic with pockets
- 1 Pencil Pouch
 - Earbuds or headphones- no Bluetooth allowed



Morning Drop Off 2025-2026 Car Line Procedures





- Vehicles will enter Stewart's EAST parking lot by the Blake High School Baseball fields.
- Vehicles will stay in a single file lane all the way around the perimeter of the parking lot. Drivers do not cross in the middle of the circle.
- Students must stay in the vehicle until the bell rings to exit.
- Students MAY EXIT the vehicle only when safely by the **WEST** side of the parking lot closest to the Gym & Clinic portable.
- When exiting the parking lot, vehicles MUST turn RIGHT onto Spruce Street.

Stewart Middle Magnet students will exit their bus in front of the CAFETERIA in the morning

In the morning, ONLY busses will be dropping students off in front of former *Just Elementary* School

2025-2026 Stewart Car Line Procedures

Afternoon—Pick-up





- Cars will enter Stewart's WEST parking lot between Stewart & Just
- Pull up to the very end of the concrete edging—close to the car in front of you
- Remind you child to watch for your car & have their backpack off ready to get in quickly
- You have the option of being a WALKER to an off-campus pick up location
- DO NO pick up in front of the main office on Spruce Street—there is no crossing guard to ensure your child's safety
- Remind your student to be on their best behavior due to cars driving and safety
- Please stay to the right side of the street at all times, follow directions of school staff, and yield to other traffic on the roadway while waiting for dismissal

BUSES will be picking up student in the GYM area and will be sharing the same roads in order to make it safely to the magnet transfer station on time. Please allow bus traffic priority for the safety of all students.



Stewart Middle Magnet School

2025/2026 SY Important Dates

August 2025	September 2025	October 2025	November 2025
8/7 Open House 12:30-5:30 PM	School Fundraiser	10/9 Picture Retakes	11/12 @ 4pm-6pm 2nd Conference Night
8/11 First Day of School	9/1 Labor Day Non-Student Day	10/10 End of 1st Qtr.	11/11 Veteran's Day Non-Student Day
8/19-8/29 Progress Monitoring #1 FAST Testing	9/10 @ 4pm-7pm 1st Conference Night	Grading Period	11/24 Fall Break begins Students return 12/1
8/28 Picture Day			Students return 12/1
December 2025	January 2026	February 2026	March 2026
12/15 Exams/ Progress Monitoring #2 FAST Testing	1/6 Students return from Break	2/5 @ 4pm-6:30pm 3rd Conference Night	3/2 Strawberry Festival Day Non-Student Day
12/19 End of 2nd Qtr. End Semester 1	1/19 Martin Luther King Jr. Non-Student Day	2/13 FL State Fair Non-Student Day	3/13 End of 3rd Qtr. Grading Period
12/22 Winter Break begins		2/16 President's Day Non-Student Day	3/16 Spring Break begins Students return 3/24
April 2026	May 2026	June 2026	
4/3 Non-Student Day	5/1-15 Exams/Progress Monitoring #3 FAST Testing	Summer Break begins	
4/23 @ 4pm-6:30pm 4th Conference Night	5/25 Memorial Day Non- Student Day		
	5/29 Last Day of School End of 4th Qtr. End Semester 2	***Dates are subject to cl	nange

Stewart Middle Magnet Uniform Policy 2025-2026 School Year



Stewart Middle Magnet NASA Explorer STEM School

2025-2026 Dress Code Policy

A positive learning environment & student safety is a top priority. Dress Code Policy will be enforced daily.

	Uniform Expectations	Example
Tops	Solid or school logo - Black, or Yellow/Gold Polo Tops of the appropriate length must be worn and tucked in at all times Solid (no wording or messaging) Friday—School Spirit T-shirts may be worn	
Hoodies—Jackets	School Logo Hoodie or Solid Color Hoodie or Jacket Must be Black or Yellow/Gold only No wording or messaging	
Bottoms	Solid Khaki or Black (Pants, shorts, or skirts) No Denim or Jeans except on Fridays Closed-toe shoes must be worn for safety	Finger-tip length or longer
Not Permitted	Per HCPS policy NO tears or rips, no sweatpants, holes, or stretch pants/leggings No slippers or slides No skate tennis shoes No hats, bonnets, etc. Hoodies are not allowed on heads at anytime No head coverings, Hijabs are permitted.	

- Based on our new implementation of PBIS* students will have the opportunity to participate in weekly, monthly, and quarterly incentives directly tied to exhibiting excellence in following our Dress Code Policy. *Positive Behavioral Interventions Support
- . Students who fail to follow school uniform and district dress code policy will lose privileges and/or receive disciplinary action by Administration.

We are ready to assist any family with uniformneeds. Please don't hesitate to reach out to our Social Worker Ms, Vernon at 813-276-5691 X231 or Administration if you need assistance. Eligible families may also contact Clothesto Kids at 813-616-6430 and/or sign up at https://clothestokids.org/clothesto-go-bags for clothing assistance.

Stewart Families, thank you for supporting our Dress Code Policy and for your commitment to your child's education. We Appreciate You!

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Hairstyle:

Hair should be clean and neatly groomed

NOTE:

No smartwatches are allowed to be worn during the school day.

No hoodies, sweatshirts, or jackets may be worn during testing.



First Day, Hours, HOST, Canvas

MONDAY, AUGUST 11th IS THE FIRST SCHEDULED DAY FOR STUDENTS. THIS WILL BE A REGULAR UNIFORM SCHOOL DAY.

Regular school hours for students are: 8:25 A.M. to 2:25 P.M on Mondays.

8:25 A.M. to 3:25 P.M. Tuesday - Friday.

Arrangements must be made for students to be at school and picked up on time.

Students should not report to campus before 8:00 A.M.

Students must be picked up by 2:25 P.M. Monday and 3:25 P.M. Tuesday - Friday.

For safety reasons, there will be No early pickup after 1:45 P.M. Monday and 2:45 P.M. Tuesday-Friday. Students that can not be picked up by 2:40 P.M. Monday and 3:40 P.M. Tuesday - Friday need to register for the morning and after school HOST program. The online registration can be found at: https:// https:// hotportal.cayen-server.net A parent can be charged by the HOST program for not picking up their student at the appropriate time.

ASSESSMENT

Student progress will be evaluated periodically throughout the nine weeks. We are asking for parents to check Canvas at least every two weeks, if not more to help your student with their grades. Midterm and Final Exams are given in all courses plus cumulative tests.

SCALE

GRADING

We all must work together to ensure that each child is achieving success in these areas.

A = 90-100B = 80-89

Student grades are posted in <u>Canvas</u>, the online grading platform. Parents have access to their child's records in your grade book over the Internet. <u>Sign-up here for a parent account.</u> Grades are distributed on the Progress Report and Report Card during the grading period. Please sign-up for your Parent Canvas Account.

C = 70-79D = 60-69

F = 0.59

Our Administrators and Office Personnel

Stewart Middle Magnet School

1125 W. Spruce Street Tampa, Florida 33607 (P) 813-276-5691 / (F) 813-276-5698

Principal

Baretta Wilson, Ed.D. Extension 223

Assistant Principal of Curriculum

Alexander Samaras Extension 225

Assistant Principal of Student Affairs

Susan Weiss, Ed.D. Extension 224

Suley Aquino	Ext. 273	ESE Team Lead
Debra Bermudez	Ext. 230	8th/7th(A-L) Guidance
Officer Fernandez	Ext. 234	Student Resource Officer
Deswin Farrell	Ext. 275	Lunch Room Manager
Natalie Fisher	Ext. 281	Lead Teacher
Lynn Magill	Ext. 223	Principal's Secretary
Angela Maurici	Ext. 228	Bookkeeper
Heather McConnell	Ext. 283	Success Coach
Julie Oost	Ext. 227	Data Processor
Latahshala Parks	Ext. 233	School Nurse
Dulce Robiou	Ext. 226	AP Secretary
Veronica Sutton	Ext. 229	6th/7th (M-Z) Guidance
Unique Vernon	Ext. 231	Social Worker



Open House Information Sheet Thursday, August 7, 2025 12:30-5:30P.M.

Grade level information meetings are @ 12:30 / 2:00 / 4:00 6th Gr.—GYM / 7th Gr.—Just Café / 8th Gr.—Stewart Café

Student schedules can be picked up in Homeroom

Gym - Athletics (BigTeams) - Coaches (Except during grade level meetings)

Media Center - <u>Bus Transportation</u>- Ms. Corbitt, Ms. Young <u>Title I Meeting</u> - Ms. Fisher

Room 321 - <u>Uniform Shirt Sales</u> (fill out form) Ms. Magill, Ms. Maurici <u>Parent Teacher Student Association</u> (PTSA)

Guidance Office - Registrations - Ms. Oost, Ms. Robiou

Room 118 - <u>School Counselors</u> - Ms. Bermudez, Ms. Sutton *Scheduling Questions

Room 302 - Canvas Signup/HOST - Ms. McConnell

Room 316 - Exceptional Student Education/IEP questions- Ms. Aquino-Licea

Nurse Portable - Immunization Shots, Medical Records- Nurse Parks

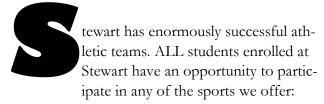
Uniform Polos \$18 (YM to AXL) Extended sizes \$20 Blue Spirit Shirts \$10 (YL to AXL) Extended sizes \$15

Cash, Check, Money Order Only

6th Grade Orange Spirit Shirts-\$15 & Dri-fit Polos-\$30 sold thru STEM Booster or 6th grade teachers Cash, Check, Money Order or Card.

We hope you enjoy your visit with the teachers! Welcome to Stewart!!

Athletics at Stewart



- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Track
- Soccer
- Flag Football

All necessary <u>forms and paperwork</u> are available on the Stewart website under the **Athletics** link.



Athletic Insurance for your student can be paid for online. This is a one-time fee which covers your student for all sports played throughout the school year. All forms can be uploaded to https://

studentcentral.bigteams.com

Any questions you may have about the upcoming sports seasons or paperwork can be directed to Dulce Robiou AP Secretary (813) 276-5691 x226

Come out and make our school proud by becoming a Yellow Jacket athlete this year!

Medication Information

Students bringing medication to school must have a "Parental authorization for Student to Self-Medicate" Form on file. Only prescription medicine will be administered at school.

Immunization Information

ALL 7TH GRADE STUDENTS MUST HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE IMMUNIZATION RECORD.

ANY 7TH GRADE STUDENT WHO DOES NOT MEET THE PROPER IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT BY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29th

WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND ANY HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL.

ALL STUDENTS ENTERING SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME MUST HAVE RECEIVED A CHICKEN POX VACCINATION.

The law for students entering seventh grade is as follows

- Tetanus, Diphtheria booster within 5 years
- Second measles immunization (preferably the MMR)
- Hepatitis B series (3 shots given over a 6 month period)

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