

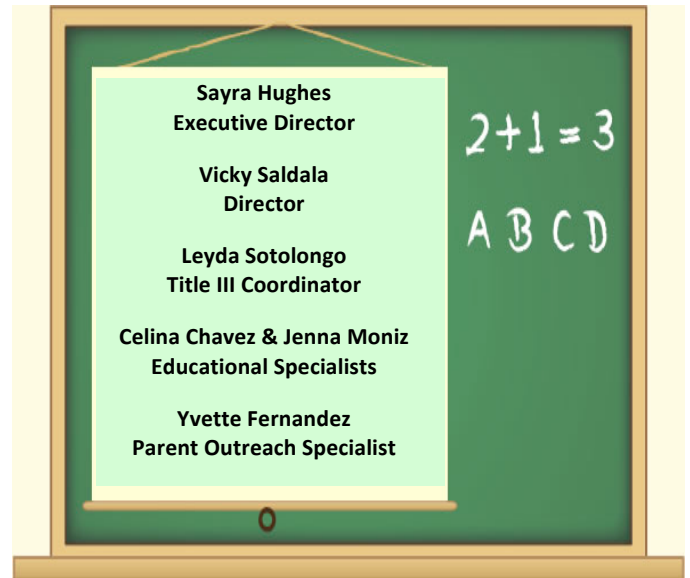
ESOL Department Newsletter

Upcoming Event

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ESOL Academic Competition May 19th!!!

Approximately 500 English Language Learners (ELLs) from 27 middle schools and high schools have pre-registered for Broward County Public Schools **annual ESOL Academic Competition on May 19, 2012** at Stranahan High School. These students are anxiously awaiting the competition to showcase their talents and proficiency in the English language. The competition consists of events including impromptu speaking, declamation, original oratory, talent, art and writing. In addition, middle school students show their abilities through a spelling bee. This academic showcase leads students to a better understanding of the curriculum and the cultures of people throughout the United States and the world. If you are interested in serving as a judge or volunteer, please contact our office.



Upcoming Workshops

IPT end of May!

New assessments for 2012-2013
IPT Oral form and IPT Reading and Writing

Professional Development has been scheduled for
the **end of May**.

Please register on ESS. Participants will need to bring the testing materials to the PD therefore schools should place their orders as soon as possible.

For further information on the upcoming workshops, please contact Celina Chavez or Jenna Moniz at 754-321-2981 or via email celina.chavez@browardschools.com or jenna.moniz@browardschools.com.

We would like to thank the CELLA Contacts, the ESOL Instructional Facilitators and everyone who assisted with the CELLA Administration.



Academic Achievement for English Language Learners

June 13th and 14th

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The ESOL Department

201 SW 172nd Avenue

Pembroke Pines, FL 33029

Stipend and In-service points will be awarded upon completion!

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Highlights

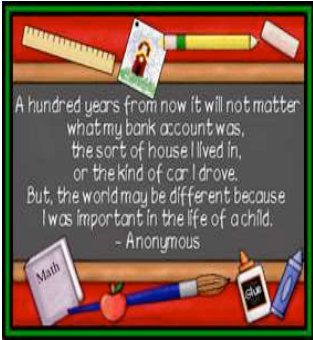


Mr. Fenster assisting Schiley in Biology I

Sophomore from Coconut Creek High Reaches for the Stars

Author: Mr. David Fenster – Biology Teacher (CCHS)

Schiley Vertusca immigrated to South Florida from Haiti just 18 months ago. In this short time, his actions have constructed a paradigm to which his peers aspire. After only approximately one month of Biology, he earned a BAT 1 score in the 90th percentile. All of his other BAT 1 and 2 scores are between the 95th and 98th percentiles as well. Since August 2011, Schiley has been researching zebra fish tail regeneration in the Department of Biology at the University of Miami, the research for which he presented at the 2012 Broward County Science Fair (BCSF). He is continuing his research in anticipation of the 2013 BCSF. Finally, he has decided to initiate his Silver Knight project by mentoring students-in-need in mathematics and science at area schools. Schiley aspires to become a Physician. He is a leader, a contributor to the community, and a model for ELLs and all students to admire.



Angela Piraino, Language Arts teacher at Lauderdale Lakes Middle School has published the book *Jewels* with songs dedicated to ESOL and ESE teachers. Angela worked over 17 years with ELL students in Broward County. Congratulations to Angela as she is working on a poetry anthology book. Recently she was accepted into the Legacy Book for Amelia Earhart Anniversary Commemorative throughout the United States!!!!



ESOL Instructional Support at McArthur High School

The role of ESOL instructional support staff is to work closely with classroom teachers to assist English language learners (ELLs) in improving their English language proficiency and ensuring academic progress both in and outside the classroom.

At McArthur High School ESOL instructional support staff do that and more. The doors of the ESOL Resource Center are always open. "I feel comfortable going to the resource center. I can ask questions and get help with understanding my assignments...and the teachers there are nice." says a student at the school.

Visit the ESOL Resource Center at the school and you will find Ms. Pierre, Ms. Naz, and Ms. Virtue working with students on activities that range from simple vocabulary development to comprehending complex concepts in math or science, and always with a big smile. Everyday is a good day to be a Mustang!



Ms. Virtue
ESOL Contact



Ms. Naz, ESOL
Instructional Support-
Urdu Interpreter



Ms. Pierre
ESOL Instructional Support-
Haitian-Creole Interpreter