

South Plantation High School
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND EVERGLADES RESTORATION MAGNET
STUDENT-PARENT MAGNET COMMITMENT

As a member of the South Plantation High School Environmental Science and Everglades Restoration Magnet Program, we understand certain criteria must be maintained according to policy established by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

Students must score a level 3 or above on the Florida Standard Assessment Test (FSA) and maintain a 2.5 unweighted Grade Point Average (GPA) to be in the program. Students are required to have exemplary behavior and outstanding attendance. Those who do not maintain these standards by the end of the first semester will be notified and put on Academic and/or Behavior Probation and could be prohibited from attending Magnet field trips. If the 2.5 unweighted GPA is not achieved by June (end of second semester), the students will be returned to their home boundary school or removed from the program. Behavioral infractions may also be cause for a student to forfeit their Magnet seat.

In addition to the responsibilities outlined in the Student Code of Conduct, Magnet students and parents agree to comply:

- a) Students will be expected to be able to swim, and successfully complete the required Water Assessment since many of the field trips involve water and boating. **Field trips are mandatory during the 4 Science Research courses** because they are essential parts of the Magnet-specific curriculum. All trips have a written academic component.
- b) One Magnet T-shirt and one polo shirt are required for students to wear for field trips and for special Magnet functions including guest speakers.
- c) School issued Identification Badges are required for all students to wear at all times during the day and for school-sponsored functions including field trips.
- d) Each year a Magnet research course component is mandatory: Freshman take Experimental Science I; Sophomores take either Environmental Science Honors or AICE Biology Cambridge Environmental Management, Juniors take Cambridge Global Perspectives, Seniors take Experimental Science IV. Students must pass all 4 quarters of these courses.
- e) All seniors will complete an exemplary project and participate in Senior Symposium to earn a gold medallion.
- f) Each Magnet student must take four from the following core science classes, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Physics, Chemistry 2, Marine Science 1 H and AICE Marine Science, while attending South Plantation High School.
- g) Parents will be asked to join FERM, Fans of the Everglades Restoration Magnet, Parent Booster Group. FERM supports the Magnet program's events and fundraisers to help defray the cost of the field trips.
- h) Parents are asked to assist with fundraising to help defray student cost of field trips and events.
- i) Parents are encouraged to volunteer at the school and to chaperone field trips by first registering at www.browardschools.com/getinvolved. Registration is renewed each year.
- j) This is a 4-year program and by signing this commitment form you are committing to remain in the program all 4 years.

We understand and agree to abide by these requirements and expectations for our child to maintain membership in the Environmental Science and Everglades Restoration Magnet program at South Plantation High School for the 2020-2021 school year. We understand that dismissal from this program may result in a transfer to the student's bounded school.

Print Student Name

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date

My child may be photographed/videotaped at Magnet activities to use for media purposes.