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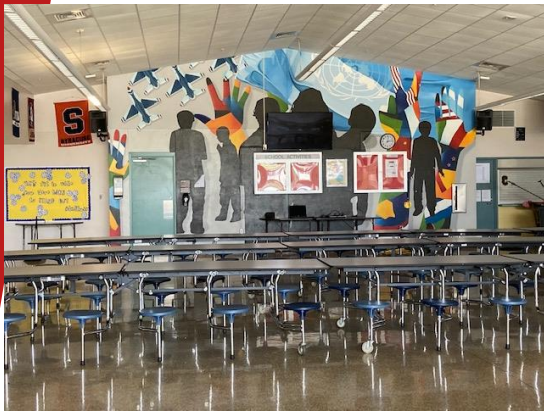
MONROE MIDDLE MAGNET

I.B. Candidate School



Where Leaders Begin Their Journey

Home of the Chargers



Where Leaders Begin Their Journey



South Tampa Academy @ Monroe Middle Magnet promotes Leadership through...

A Global Lens



**Strong
Interpersonal
Relationships**

Where Leaders Begin Their Journey

“...The International Baccalureate (IB) is a non-profit foundation motivated by its mission to create a better world through education”

-International Baccalureate Organization 2015

WHY IB



Critical thinking



Balanced
programme



Recognised
worldwide

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Why Consider an IB Education at South Tampa Academy @ Monroe?

Students at International Baccalaureate® (IB) World Schools are given a unique education.



They will:

- **be encouraged to think independently and drive their own learning**
- **take part in programmes of education that can lead them to some of the highest ranking universities around the world**
- **become more culturally aware, through the development of a second language**
- **be able to engage with people in an increasingly globalized, rapidly changing world.(www.ibo.org)**





**Our students represent
the I.B. Student Profile
and are
Building 21st Century Skills**



South Tampa Academy Chargers are...

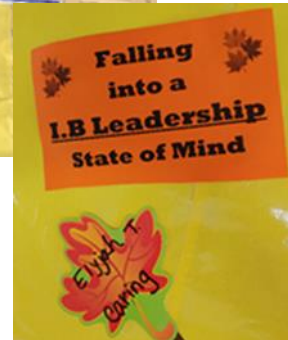
- ✓ Inquirers
- ✓ Thinkers
- ✓ Communicators
- ✓ Principled
- ✓ Knowledgeable
- ✓ Open-Minded
- ✓ Caring
- ✓ Risk-Takers
- ✓ Balanced
- ✓ Reflective



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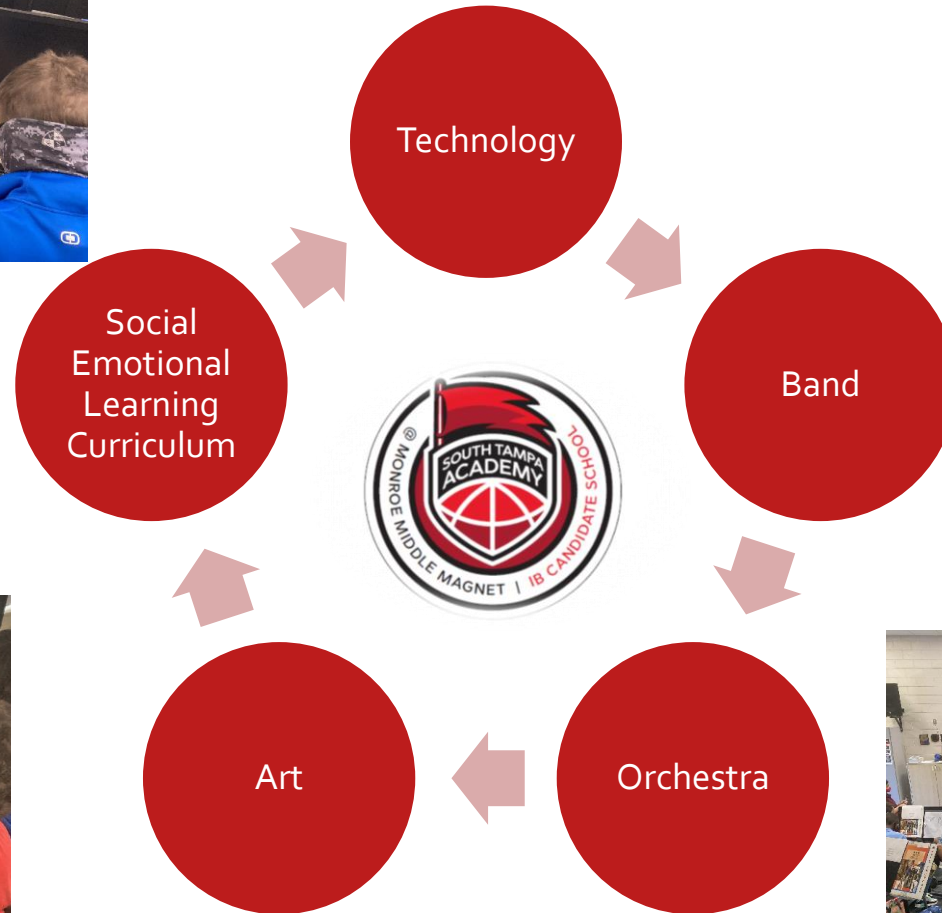
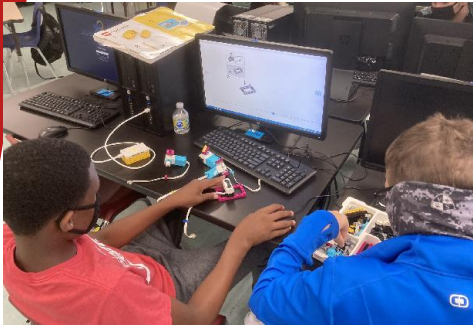


Example of a Charger Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Class</u>
Homeroom (same location as 1 st period)	Morning Show
1 st	Language and Literature
2 nd	Reading
Lunch	Lunch
3 rd	P.E./Language Acquisition(Spanish)
4 th	Math
5 th	Science
6 th	Individuals and Societies
7 th	Design/Elective



“Design/Elective” Opportunities



Charger Athletics



Monroe Chargers
compete in
Girls and Boys:
Basketball
Track
Soccer
Volleyball
Flag Football

Register to participate at
www.planeths.com



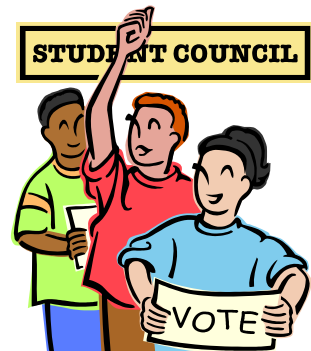
Meet Xavier Vicente, Sixth Grade Physical Education Teacher and Basketball Coach

I have been a teacher and a basketball instructor since 2008, working in Puerto Rico for several years and the past 6 at Monroe. My favorite thing about being a teacher is being able to help my students learn how to stay healthy. I enjoy any sports game and spending time with my family. Becoming a Charger has changed my life and has been a continuous learning process for me.



Student Involvement

- Student Council and SAC
- National Junior Honor Society
- Math League
- Poetry Jam
- Journalism/Yearbook (7th & 8th grades)
- Robotics
- Annual Talent Show



South Tampa Academy @ Monroe Middle Magnet

6th & 7th Grade Uniform Policy 2021-2022

South Tampa Academy @ Monroe Middle Magnet believes that our uniform policy promotes a positive learning environment and contributes to school pride, spirit and safety.

The student uniform shall consist of the following:



Tops

(Shirts, sweaters, jackets)

Only solid Red, Burgundy, Black and White collared polo shirts shall be worn.

Wearing an oversized outer garment or long-sleeved shirt over the school uniform is not acceptable. Jackets and sweaters *are acceptable* over the school uniform shirt but they must be in conjunction with the district dress code and not cover up the collar of the uniform top.



Bottoms (Shorts/Pants)

Only Khaki/Beige and Black pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, capris, and jumpers may be worn. **No jeans are allowed on any day.** All “bottoms” must be worn fastened at the waist line with pockets, **solid color, and without logos or prints of any kind.** Hemlines shall be no shorter than fingertip length.

Short skirts, mini-skirts, yoga style stretch pants/leggings, sweat pants or corduroy pants are not acceptable.

Shoes

Closed- toe shoes shall be worn at all times. Skate tennis shoes, slides, and bedroom slippers are unacceptable and not allowed.

Meet our Charger Leadership Team

Mrs. Fillhart, Principal



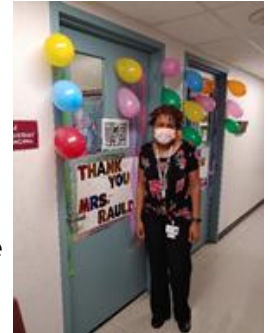
Middle School Educator in Hillsborough County for the past 34 years, 15 years as a Principal. I started my career as a Physical Education/Health Teacher and coached Girl's Volleyball, Soccer, and Boy's Track. I love middle school students, they make me laugh! We are excited to develop our students into leaders as they continue their educational path. The best part of being a Charger is the "family" atmosphere and the small school setting. You truly get to know each and every student!



Mrs. Rauld, Assistant Principal



I am the Assistant Principal for Curriculum at Monroe. I have worked in education for 13 years with all my years being in Middle School. As a teacher, I taught 7th and 8th grade Science. This is my 6th year working at Monroe and my 4th year as an Assistant Principal. I love being a Charger because our staff works as a team to support the whole child. We not only provide a high quality education but we work collaboratively to support the social/emotional needs of our students on a daily basis.



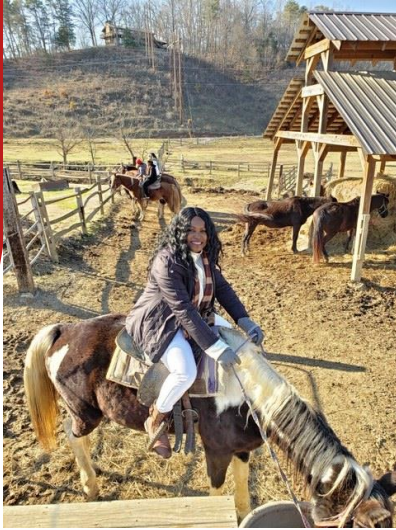
Mr. Cantrell, Assistant Principal



I have been in education for 17 years. I spent several of those years as a classroom teacher before transitioning into administration. I enjoy middle school as it is an opportunity for students to develop problem solving skills and gain insights on the world around them that can empower them for future success. Being a Charger means that I get to work with a great leadership team and with great teachers who are committed to the success of all students.



Meet Carleen Williams, Guidance Counselor

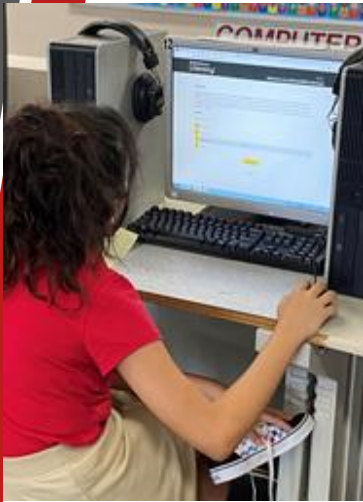


This is my second year being a part of the Charger family. I am a native to one of the smallest islands of the Bahamas (Bimini Bahamas). I have three amazing children ages 29, 26, and 24. I also have one handsome 2-year-old grandson. In my spare time, I love listening to Kompa (Haitian music), taking long walks, shopping and face timing with my family. I love being a Charger because of the connection I get to make with the students.

Mrs. Williams can often be seen in each hallway conducting her “one minute check ins” with students. She goes out of her way to spend time with each student. She also leads Social Emotional Lessons with rotating groups to work on various life skills.



Media Center



Meet Sally Ehke, Media Specialist

I have been teaching for 24 years. The first 14 years in the music classroom where I taught chorus, guitar, and musical theatre. I still work in theatre with The Gulfport Community Players where I teach their junior stars. Whenever I get a chance, I love to sing. In addition, I love watching sports; especially, the teams from my hometown of Buffalo, NY. I also root for The University of Miami where I went to college.

I'm in my 10th year as the Media Specialist of South Tampa Academy @ Monroe, and have loved every minute of it. Also, I get to help students find and develop their love of reading, as well as, assist teachers as they deliver lessons. I get to be a part of everyone's success!



Meet our 6th Grade Teachers

Karen Froitzheim, Sixth Grade Reading Teacher



I am originally from South Jersey, but have been teaching in Florida for 15 years. I currently live in St. Petersburg with my husband. Our one-year-old daughter, and our crazy deaf dog. One of my greatest joys in life is seeing the world through my daughter's eyes. I also love to travel, and have been to 15 countries all over the world. One of the best things about being a Charger is the sense of community you feel within the school.

Kristiana Geissler, Sixth Grade Language and Literature Teacher



I've been teaching language arts and middle school for over ten years. I am a musician with a background in drama. I enjoy reading, fostering dogs in need for animal rescue organizations, and spending time with my own two dogs, Peaches and Daisy. I love meeting new students each year. Go Chargers!

Tonya Lineberger, Sixth Grade Mathematics Teacher



I am a Tampa Native and have been teaching for an amazing 25 years! I have 3 children ages 26, 23, and an 19 year old freshman at UCF. In my spare time I enjoy reading, crafts and anything involving the "Salt Life." I am excited to be teaching 6th grade math at South Tampa Academy, Charge On!

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Ms. Elizabeth Morgan, Lead Teacher and IB Magnet Coordinator

I have been an educator for 24 years and enjoyed every minute of it! I love to watch students change and grow as they discover their potential. In my free time, I love to garden and train animals both big and small. I love being a part of the Charger family!



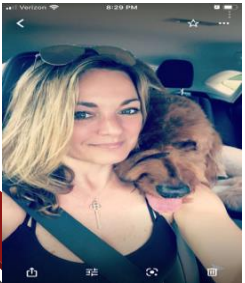
Sara Ortiz, Sixth Grade Reading Teacher

I've been teaching middle school reading for 16 years, all of those in Hillsborough County. I am married to my husband, Jose and we have a dog, Addison. I love to travel, cook, and watch sports, rooting mostly for Chicago teams. I have been a Charger for 15 years and love every minute of it. My students are amazing and the teachers have become part of my family.



Penelope Payton, Sixth Grade Mathematics Teacher

I've been teaching middle school math for 21 years. I enjoy staying active, long days at the beach, and taking my two golden doodles out for walks. I love being a Charger because of the unconditional smiles and love from our students.



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Chris Smith, Sixth Grade Science Teacher



I've been teaching for 27 years and I love anything to do with technology such as VR headsets, and flying drones. I love walking my dogs, going rock climbing and watching Gators football. I love teaching middle school because the kids are young enough to be curious and astounded about the world around them, but old enough to understand my corny jokes!

Jacqueline Roberts, Sixth Grade Individuals & Societies



I have been an educator for 13 years. I've taught abroad and in several states finally landing here in Florida 4-years-ago, although I'm always on the move and love to travel. I love sharing my travel experiences with my World History Students. My hobbies include hanging with my Golden Retriever, Bennie, and the Arts. I also love getting out on the water and teaching about the world.

Tara Zedalis, Language Acquisition (Spanish) Teacher



I have been teaching Spanish for 22 years, including 20 in New Jersey before I moved to Florida last year. I have four grown children and an adorable grandson who is a one. I love sports (I was a sports writer for many years before becoming a teacher), reading, and traveling. My favorite thing about being a Spanish teacher is watching my students become confident in using a new language! Go Chargers!

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Michael Garcia, Band and Orchestra Teacher



I joined the South Tampa Academy at Monroe Faculty as Director of Bands in the Summer of 2019. This year I will be teaching 6th grade Band and 7th & 8th grade Orchestra as well. I strive to bring out the best in my students while providing all the help they need on their way to achieving greatness. When I am not teaching, I enjoy playing music, and traveling to new places with family and friends.

Bryan Alspach, 6th Grade Orchestra Teacher



I teach 6th grade Orchestra. This is my 32nd year in Hillsborough County and 39th year teaching. In my free time I jog Bayshore, swim at South Tampa YMCA, and enjoy working on cars. I have an open water SCUBA diving certificate, and professional auctioneers' license.

Antonio Young, Robotics “2020-21 Teacher of the Year”



I've been an educator for 23 years; 22 of that has been as a middle school science and technology teacher. I am an avid college sports fan. Go Noles! I love to play tennis and volleyball on my down time. I coach volleyball here at STA. I thoroughly enjoy getting to know the kids outside of the classroom environment. I am in my second year at STA and am loving every minute of it!



Parent and Family Involvement

- Follow our South Tampa Academy Facebook page, Twitter and check school website for regular updates!
- Become an approved volunteer to chaperone or assist with activities on campus.
- Join our PTSA: contact Monica Pintur for more info at ***presmonroemiddleptsa@gmail.com***

Join the Charger Family Today!

- Email Ms. Morgan if you have any questions!

Elizabeth.Morgan@sdhc.k12.fl.us

- Complete the magnet application between 11/2/2020 @ 5:00 pm- 12/11/2020

<https://community.sdhc.k12.fl.us/wps/portal/community/sdhc.home/choice/application/apply>

