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We are a Tuition-Free Public Charter School serving students in Kindergarten through Eighth Grade



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## MEET TEACHER KENISHA CAULEY – STUDENT-CENTERED AND HANDS-ON LEARNING

In 2008, Kenisha Cauley graduated from Miami Norland Senior High School in the top 1% of her class. She then went to the University of Florida, majoring in History with a minor in African American Studies. After volunteering through City Year Miami for a couple of years, Ms. Cauley joined the HIVE family in 2014. As a Middle School Social Studies teacher, she has taught different classes to sixth, seventh and eighth graders throughout her time at HIVE. She currently teaches seventh grade Civics and eighth grade World History. She is the Social Studies Department Chair and Student Council Advisor and has brought Model United Nations, History Bee and the We The People Competition to HIVE. Her second-grade son Carter also attends HIVE and is currently an honor roll student.



Kenisha Cauley

In Ms. Cauley's classes, history comes alive! She does whatever she can to reach students, truly keeping her methodology student-centered. She says, "I love my students actively participating and engaging with me and more importantly with each other. Any opportunity for a group project or simulation, I'm for it." Whether it's having students get their hands dirty by making cuneiform tables or dressing up as Greek gods and goddesses, she loves drawing her students into their learning. Director of Schools Carlos Gonzalez says, "Ms. Cauley has an amazing ability to engage her students emotionally as well as academically. Her students genuinely care about the subject she teaches. So much so that it is very common to hear a heated discussion among middle school students focusing on a civics related topic."

Even beyond the classroom, Ms. Cauley helps her students become more

civics minded and engaged, informed citizens. Through Student Council, her students have been involved with serving both locally and internationally through organizations like His House, UNICEF and Salvation Army. Furthermore, each year she invites her students, both past and present, to attend City Year Miami's annual MLK Jr. school beautification project.

This project involves beautifying different schools in the community by doing service projects like building benches, creating gardens or painting picnic tables. Ms. Cauley loves to include her students, saying, "I believe community service is how we the people can look out for the common good and that it's never too early to start."

Ms. Cauley also loves taking her students to DC. Each year (prior to the pandemic), her students get to visit all the must-see places like the Capitol, the White House, the MLK memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument and a number of the Smithsonian museums. These trips help students learn about the government and see how it works with their own eyes.

Overall, Ms. Cauley's combined passion for history and her students makes a big impact. Mr. Gonzalez shared, "Ms. Cauley's students have earned some of the best scores in the state of Florida on the Civics End-of-Course Exam." Her pure love for the content and heart for working with a bunch of middle schoolers all day enables her to teach the next generation about how interesting history and civics are. Thank you, Ms. Cauley, for making a difference in the lives of students every day!

## HIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS EARN HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CREDITS

The Florida Department of Education provides all middle school students with the opportunity to take high school classes and even earn college credit. With HIVE's mission to create a Highly Inquisitive Versatile Education (HIVE), the school takes an aggressive approach to these credits. That is, around 80% of HIVE students participate in a variety of dual credit courses. If a student pursues all the courses available, he or she can graduate from HIVE as an eighth grader with:

- A full year of high school credits completed
- Acceptance into Miami Dade College
- Three college credits

For an eighth grader, this program advantage sets students up to succeed beyond HIVE, preparing them to excel at the next level. It changes the overall tone from "Will I go to college?" to "Where will I go to college?"



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## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES MAKE A COMEBACK

When the pandemic hit, several things at HIVE were put on hold. From learning in-person to sitting within 6 feet of each other, one by one "normal" things are coming back. This year, extra-curricular activities have been making a comeback! While not all activities have been able to meet yet, students have been re-engaging in these:

- Dance Team
- Basketball Club
- E-Sports
- Drama Club
- Grad Bash (5th & 8th Grades)

Looking ahead to the 2022-23 school year, HIVE plans to introduce several more clubs, teams and activities! From Student Council to the state Dance Team champions and the STEM HIVE Team, there are plenty of activities for students to get involved in. All students in good academic standing are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities. They are a great way for students to get involved, build new friendships and gain experience.



## JOIN THE HIVE!

HIVE Prep is currently accepting new student applications for the 2022-23 school year.

Visit our website today or scan this QR code!



Tours are available Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.  
For further information regarding HIVE Prep and its enrollment process,  
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