

IT'S YOUR CAMPUS!

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The Moment You Commit Yourself is the Moment Your Goal is Assured

The primary role of the facility manager is to keep the school campus safe and secure during school hours while performing daily operational and maintenance routines.

2017 ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON

The 2017 Atlantic hurricane season is forecast to be more active than historical averages with regard to the number of named storms, according to the latest forecasts released by the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration and The Weather Channel. Colorado State University estimates 14 named storms, 6 hurricanes in the Atlantic Basin and 2 major hurricanes.

The 30-year historical average (1981-2010) for the Atlantic Basin is 12 named storms, 6 hurricanes and 3 major hurricanes. A major hurricane is of Category 3 strength or higher on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale.

The official Atlantic hurricane season begins June 1st and runs through November 30th. Occasionally, storms can form outside those months as happened this year with Tropical Storm Arlene. This also occurred last season with January's Hurricane Alex and late May's Tropical Storm Bonnie.

HOW OFTEN DO HURRICANES HIT FLORIDA?

Florida had been on a hurricane-free winning streak. Coming into the 2016 hurricane season, Florida had gone a record 11 years without a land falling hurricane. But that decade-plus streak came to an end September 2016, when Category-1 Hurricane Hermine made landfall before weakening into a tropical storm. A few weeks later, October 2016, Category-3 Hurricane Matthew did not make landfall in Florida but spent an entire day churning up the coast just offshore.

What is a hurricane? Tropical storms with high wind speeds that meet the criteria for a hurricane fall into one of five categories, with the strongest being a Category-5 hurricane.

When is hurricane season? The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 to November 30 with the peak period from early August through the end of October. The month of September tends to produce the most hurricanes.

2016 ATLANTIC HURRICANE NAMES

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| 1. Arlene | 14. Nate |
| 2. Bret | 15. Ophelia |
| 3. Cindy | 16. Philippe |
| 4. Don | 17. Rina |
| 5. Emily | 18. Sean |
| 6. Franklin | 19. Tammy |
| 7. Gert | 20. Vince |
| 8. Harvey | 21. Whitney |
| 9. Irma | |
| 10. Jose | |
| 11. Katia | |
| 12. Lee | |
| 13. Maria | |



REMINDERS

GENERATORS

Inspect and test all generators. Ensure fuel tanks are full.

TAKE PHOTOS

Take photos of trees, marquees, and other structures outdoors that may be damaged during severe weather.

GUTTERS

Inspect and remove debris from flat roofs. Clean all gutters, downspouts, and catch basins. This shall occur bi-weekly during the hurricane season.

PLAN

Review the District's Hurricane Defense and Recovery Plan that contains detailed instructions on the role of the Facility Manager during a hurricane.

TIPS OF THE MONTH

- Monitor local news and be aware of changing weather patterns in your area.
- Be prepared to secure items that can be airborne and flying debris at your school.
- Have a plan to remove wind screens, court fences, banners attached to fences, awnings and batting cages.
- Ensure that adequate custodial supplies and equipment are available at shelter schools for use during sheltering.