PANTHER NEWS

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Until the next time we chat,

Go Big Blue!

Dr. Harris

Important Dates to Remember:

• December 2nd-18th: 12 Days of Holidays—Countdown to Winter Break
• December 5th: SAT
• December 21st-January 3rd: Winter Break—NO SCHOOL
• January 4th: Back to School
• January 4th-22nd: FSA/EOC Testing Window
• January 13th-15th: Exams

School Advisory Council News:
Check back here for SAC updates throughout the 2020-2021 school year. E-mail Dr. Mansion if you have SAC questions: mansion.clement@brevardschools.org

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Attention Students!

- Students—the last day to take your senior photo at DSP is December 7th. Schedule an appointment at www.dsp-photo.com. You can also schedule an appointment for an on-campus photo, offered ONE time only on December 7th between 8am and 3pm. Email Mrs. Cote to schedule your appointment (cote.tara@brevardschools.org).

- Senior baby photos for the yearbook and Senior Breakfast are due by December 7th. Send only ONE photo, in a JPG format and make sure you name your file (lastname.firstname) - send to Mrs. Cote at cote.tara@brevardschools.org.

- Yearbooks are $65.00—this price is good through December 30th. Visit www.computepicture.com and use our school code, 91058, to order.

Military Recruiters

Military recruiters from the Navy, Army, and Marines coming to Heritage to meet with students during all lunches. Be on the lookout for them because there are numerous opportunities that open when you discuss your military options with the recruiters.

CTE Certifications:
Sebastian T.—AutoDESK Inventor Certified

ESOL Out of Field Teachers
Leanesa Burgos
Victoria Kain
Jennifer Neighbors-Hanna
Jennifer Saller
Breanna Scott

Out of Field Teachers
Leanesa Burgos
Cynthia Carlson
Carl Land
Carl Land
Patricia McBride
Tiana Santana
Tiffany Staloff

Humane Society Holiday Campaign

This year, the Heritage High School Media Center will be participating in the Brevard Humane Society Holiday Campaign to raise funds for rescued animals. Any student who participates will have their choice of a free gift from Mrs. Cote in the media center when they submit their holiday card. The Humane Society will be offering customers the chance to select a holiday card for a $5 donation. These cards will be displayed in a binder for customers to pick out and then hung in the animal areas.

All cards must follow these guidelines: Must be handmade, need to be the size of a 1/4 sheet of construction or regular paper, mixture of Merry Christmas/Happy Holidays/Hanukkah/etc., glitter is welcome but no other add-ons that could fall off or be eaten.

Please consider making a card—you can stop by the media center for supplies to make cards. Email Mrs. Cote with any questions—cote.tara@brevardschools.org.

Student Services (Guidance) Procedures:

In order to make an appointment with your school counselor, you will need to use one of the QR codes on page 4 of this newsletter or you may join their Google Classroom using the code below. Wait times will not be accepted due to Covid guidelines.

Google Classroom Codes by Counselor:

- Mrs. Mansion—Class of 2024 (9th grade): 31zwMu
- Mrs. Guanci—Class of 2023 (10th grade): 3fjw3h
- Mrs. Butcher—Classes of 2021 and 2022 Letters A-K (10th and 11th grades): sk4a4r
- Mrs. Davidson—Classes of 2021 and 2022 Last Names L-Z: wdcy5g
- Mrs. Kaltenbach—School Social Worker serving all students: Class of 2021: purbin; Class of 2022: tar4jp; Class of 2023: sh4jvx; Class of 2024: eM1yOa

Progress Monitoring

In accordance with Executive Order No. 20-52, all school districts in the state of Florida are required to provide guidance services to both English Language Arts and Mathematics.

Brevard Public School’s progress monitoring tool for English Language Arts is the Reading Plus Benchmark Assessment. All E-Learners who have not taken the Reading Plus Benchmark must take it at home.

All E-Learners must complete the Reading Plus Benchmark Assessment.

Student Sign-in to Reading Plus (There are two ways)

1. Students can go to their LaunchPad and select Reading Plus Student.
2. The second way is to follow this link—https://auth.brevardschools.org/login.
3. If the app is not on their LaunchPad they will need to add it. They should click on the + sign on LaunchPad and type in BFS Reading Plus in the Add app field.

The BFS Reading Plus app has been pre-approved for students. Students will need to use either the QR codes on page 4 of this newsletter or you may join their Google Classroom using the code below. Wait times will not be accepted due to Covid guidelines.

Late and Absent Students

- Students who have not taken the Reading Plus Benchmark Assessment 1 in Semester 1 must take it at home. All students must have taken the Reading Plus Benchmark Assessment 1 in their first period class must complete 4 sessions.

Reading Plus Benchmark 2 Assessment will be available to students through December 18th. Reading Plus Benchmark 2 will be worth 5 points.

Attention Seniors:

Now it is the time to complete your FASFA if you have not finished it.

Make sure you are checking the Guidance webpage for scholarship information. Brevard Schools Foundation scholarship applications will be available the first week of February.

Check out https://www.wsfoundation.org/scholarship for The Winston Salem Foundation scholarship opportunities.
Upcoming Testing Windows:

EOCs (Geometry, Biology, US History): January 4th-January 22nd
If you have questions, please contact underwood.alexis@brevardschools.org

SAT Test Dates for 2020-2021

Important Information
U.S. deadlines apply to students testing in the United States and U.S. territories.
U.S. registration materials that are mailed must be postmarked by the U.S. deadlines. The deadlines expire at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, U.S.
Additional fees apply if you register late, change your test center, change your test date, or switch from taking the SAT to taking a Subject Test after registering. Find out how to make registration changes and get deadlines.
Your registration options will be limited if you aren’t taking the SAT for one of its main purposes.

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ACT Test Dates for 2020-2021

Here are the future ACT dates, registration deadlines, and score release dates for 2019-2020.
All of the test dates are according to ACT, Inc. (though they are subject to change); the deadlines and score release dates are based on PrepScholar projections.

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Need SAT Help? Khan Academy is Here!

If you are in need of some SAT prep, please visit Khan Academy. Khan Academy can provide you with practice problems based on the subject areas of SAT. You can link your College Board account with Khan Academy and get targeted help. Visit www.khanacademy.org for all your SAT practice needs!
**FLYERS:**

**Heritage High School**  
**Classes of 2021 and 2022**

**Jostens Graduation and Class Ring**  
**Order Site**

ORDER YOUR CAP, GOWN AND CLASS RING TODAY!

Jostens has built us a unique school resource site. This site contains all the information you need as Juniors and Seniors in order to purchase class rings, graduation items, caps and gowns.

**ORDERS MUST BE COMPLETED BY December 15th**!

Order Site:  
[https://heritage.flgrad.com](https://heritage.flgrad.com)

Order Deadline: December 15th

**https://heritage.flgrad.com**

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### 12 Days of Holidays Winter Break Countdown

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<td>Dress the Halls - wear holiday colors</td>
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<td>12/4, Friday</td>
<td>Silly Holiday Sock Day - wear your silly socks</td>
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<td>12/7, Monday</td>
<td>Holiday Movie Day - dress as and do activity from your favorite holiday movie character</td>
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<td>12/8, Tuesday</td>
<td>Candy Cane Cams - wear red and white</td>
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<td>12/9, Wednesday</td>
<td>Snowman Day - Dress as a snowman</td>
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<td>12/10, Thursday</td>
<td>Santa Day - Wear your Santa hat</td>
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<td>12/11, Friday</td>
<td>Freaky Friday - Jeans until January</td>
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<td>12/14, Monday</td>
<td>Rudolph/Rh Day - Dress like Rudolph or an Elf</td>
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<td>12/15, Tuesday</td>
<td>Dress like a present</td>
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<td>12/16, Wednesday</td>
<td>Gingerbread Day - Dress like a Gingerbread Cookie</td>
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<td>12/17, Thursday</td>
<td>Holiday PJ Day - wear your favorite holiday pjs</td>
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<td>12/18, Friday</td>
<td>Hot Holiday Sweater Day</td>
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***Dress Code applies, so please make sure you are dressed appropriately***
Dear BPS Families,

In alignment with the Florida State Board of Education Ruling 6A.1.0941(21), students enrolled in grades 6 through 12 will receive five (5) hours of instruction in mental and emotional health during the 2020-2021 school year.

Additionally, instruction will be provided for students enrolled in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade in substance use and abuse (Rule 6A.1.0941(22)) and child trafficking prevention and awareness (Rule 6A.1.0941(23)). Lessons were designed to be developmentally appropriate for each grade level.

Licensed mental health professionals, along with BPS staff certified in health education, physical education, school psychology, school counseling, and school social work, have developed lessons consisting of basic instruction aligned with Florida’s Health Education Standards. Resources used include: KidsHealth, Teenmentalhealth.org, Teen NIDA, Erika’s Lighthouse, Everfit, Brevard Public Schools’ Healthy Body Systems curriculum, Nemours Foundation, National Institute of Health, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Monique Burr Foundation, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Teen Health.org, Youth Toolkit on Human Trafficking, and Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Florida.

As we provide this basic instruction to students during the school day, we encourage all families to have ongoing conversations with their children about mental and emotional health and wellness.

Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Dr. John Harris, Principal