



PANTHER NEWS

Heritage High School Newsletter

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It's a Great Day to be a Panther!

I hope everyone had a chance to review your students' report card from the first grading period. As standard procedure, we gave our students a hard copy to take home to show to parents/guardians last week. Therefore, if you didn't get a chance to review your students progress, please log into FOCUS for all academic information.

Speaking of success in school, we held our first honor roll ceremony of the year last week with more than 150 students earning the A/B honor roll in each grade level. The total of honor roll recipients was more then we have achieved in the past, so



once again, this is another example of how our students defy expectations. We combined grade levels this time to reduce lost instructional time. In addition, our guidance department held an informational session concerning graduation requirements for parents between ceremonies. Many thanks for your support because we had more families attend each ceremonies this year than ever before.

Our Panther Football team is completing another competitive season with much to celebrate. Not to be overshadowed, the boys and girls qualified for the state bowling tournament for the first time ever at Heritage together. They overcame the odds and defied expectations. Next, our volleyball team had another good season. In fact, this year's volleyball team won more games than ever before - hooray girls' volleyball! I appreciate our many supporters for cheering on our student/athletes in all our athletic programs. It is so rewarding to see tons of fans in the stands at many of our home events each week. I consistently remind students that competition is a welcome part of a real life. Being on an athletic team in high school will help you develop the teamwork skills that good citizens need to possess as young adults. Teamwork is the forerunner to building positive relations in life and good sportsmanship is always the lesson I expect my teams to learn and convey at each event.

The marching band competed at marching MPA's the last weekend and received the second highest mark earning an "Excellent" rating. Both our chorus and orchestra programs held their Fall concerts and they have never sounded better. When I have a moment to build relationships with our performing arts students, I like to mention that music is an art that they can perform for a lifetime. Never stop learning to play and let your appreciation for the arts last into your twilight years.

I would like to take an opportunity to celebrate our two employees of the year. Mr. Wilmhurst has been recognized by our staff for her outstanding tech service at school; while Ms. Parrott has been recognized for service to the school community in the classroom as a Cambridge science teacher. My profound support goes out to both these tremendous Panthers! If you get a chance, please congratulate them. Not to be forgotten, Coach Edwards has been selected as the SHAPE America Southern District High School PE Teacher of the Year! She is one of five candidates for National High School PE Teacher of the Year! Now for one more shout out, Ms. Hurt and her students visited the HSHS annual state conference last week and received a top state award for the fourth year in a row. Simply marvelous news.

As always, it's my pleasure to lead the best school in business!

Until the next time we chat,

Go Big Blue!

Dr. Harris

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **November 2nd: SAT**
- **November 7th: Keiser University Visit**
- **November 7th: Alice in Wonderland— 4PM and 7PM**
- **November 11th: Veteran's Day—No School**
- **November 21st: SAC Meeting in the Media Center**
- **November 27th-29th: No School**

School Advisory Council News:

November's SAC Meeting will be on the 21st at 4PM in the Panther Rock room. If you have questions, please contact Tony Harris at har-ris.tonny@brevardschools.org

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ACADEMIC UPDATE:

Free and Reduced Lunch Information:

A new Free or Reduced Lunch application must be completed every school year. Online applications for 2019/2020 school year are now available. The new procedures can be found on the following website:

<http://foodservices.brevard.k12.fl.us/default.html>

COLLEGE VISITS 2019-2020

November 7th at 1PM: Keiser University

Get your passes during lunch at the guidance corner.

Chorus News:

The Musical Theatre Class will be presenting Alice in Wonderland on November 7th at 4pm and 7 pm. Cost is \$3 for students and \$5 for adults. Please come support our Musical Theatre students.

The Heritage Chorus has been invited to perform in the Disney Candlelight Processional at Epcot on December 15th with celebrity narrator Gary Sinise.

ESE Class News:

Mrs. Matos ESE class has signed up with Ronald McDonald Pop Tab school contest. They are collecting soda tabs from the staff. Next year by April, 2020, they will be go and have them weighed. Last year, they gave 14 lbs. of soda tabs to the contest.

Out of Field Teachers:

- Miranda DeGregio
- Christopher Druff
- La-Shon Mackenzie
- Vierge Selexant
- Erin Taylor

ESOL Out of Field Teachers:

- Miranda Eaves
- Dominique Gandy
- Gregory Okretich
- Jacqueline Ortiz Cruz

SENIORS ONLY!

FASFA window opens October 1st! Make sure you fill out your FASFA. The early bird gets the worm—the scholarship pool is larger for those who fill out the FASFA early.

If you receive an acceptance letter to a college, university, or vocational program—please come to guidance so we can make a copy. We want to celebrate you and how you are defying expectations!

Yearbook Information:

The yearbook price is now \$75.00. This price is good through the Thanksgiving holiday, so make your yearbook purchase before the price goes up! Visit www.jostensyearbook.com to order yours today. If you have any questions about yearbooks, please contact Mrs. Cote, in the media center.



Automotive Students are Going to Vegas!

Advanced Automotive students will be traveling to SEMA Education Conference in Las Vegas Nevada Nov 4-8th.

The SEMA Show Student Program is designed to help prepare our students to become successful professionals in the automotive aftermarket industry. Our students will have the opportunity to attend Education sessions and access the SEMA Show exhibit halls that house over 2,000 exhibiting companies that represent all segments of the automotive aftermarket industry.

By participating in the SEMA Show Student Program, everyone in our group will receive complimentary badges to the SEMA Show which is a \$40 savings per person.

The 2019 SEMA Show Student Program in Las Vegas to provide a unique learning experience for our students. The goal for the week will be to participate in the SEMA

Launch Pad & Student Career Day to highlight career opportunities in the automotive aftermarket industry, network with fellow school officials, and facilitate networking opportunities for students with industry representatives.

SEMA Launch Pad is an automotive business competition where young entrepreneurs pitch their new businesses to a panel of judges. This will set the tone for the week as our students will be inspired and filled with new ideas. The Student Program Career Day will give our students valuable face to face networking time to learn about the vast diversity of companies in the industry and the skills required to work with those companies. I will also be able to network with other school officials to learn what opportunities and challenges they face at their school.





TESTING INFORMATION:

ACT Test Dates for 2019-2020

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.

Test Date	Deadline	Late Deadline	Score Release*
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 9-22, 2019	December 24, 2019-February 7, 2020
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020	January 11-17, 2020	February 18-April 3, 2020
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	February 29-March 13, 2020	April 14-June 5, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 9-22, 2020	June 23-August 10, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020	June 20-26, 2020	July 28-September 24, 2020

SAT Test Dates for 2019-2020

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](#).

Test Date	Deadline	Late Deadline	Score Release*
November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019	October 22, 2019	November 15, 2019
December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 26, 2019	December 20, 2019
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 3, 2020	March 27, 2020
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 21, 2020	May 15, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 27, 2020	July 15, 2020

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!

State Testing Information

If you have questions about state testing requirements and upcoming tests, please contact our testing coordinator, Tonny Harris. He can be reached through email at harris.tonny@brevardschools.org. You can reach him by phone at 321-722-4178 ext. 29150.

He can answer any and all questions about FSA testing, EOC testing, SAT and ACT testing, and PERT testing.





BPS INFORMATION:

2019-2020

REGIONAL BUSING

ANY BREVARD PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT WHO HAS A CONFIRMED SEAT THROUGH AN APPROVED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY (EPO) IS ELIGIBLE FOR REGIONAL BUSING.

INFORMATIONAL DATES FOR REGIONAL BUSING REGISTRATION:

MAY 1 - JULY 26	REGISTER FOR REGIONAL BUSING BY CALLING THE DIVISION OF EQUITY, INNOVATION AND CHOICE AT 321-633-1000, EXT. 395
JULY 27 - SEPTEMBER 1	REGISTRATION FOR REGIONAL BUSING IS CLOSED
SEPTEMBER 2 - SCHOOL YEAR	REGISTRATION FOR REGIONAL BUSING REOPENS CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL TO REGISTER FOR REGIONAL BUSING

- REGIONAL BUSING IS BASED UPON SEAT AVAILABILITY
- REGIONAL BUS STOP MAPS AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.EIC.BREVARDSCHOOLS.ORG
- NEW THIS YEAR - FAMILIES MAY CHOOSE FROM A PRE-IDENTIFIED LIST OF STOPS THAT SERVE A SCHOOL



REGIONAL BUSING IS A COURTESY SERVICE OFFERED TO ANY STUDENT WHO IS ATTENDING AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY OUTSIDE THEIR ZONED SCHOOL. REGIONAL BUS STOPS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

