

WILLIAM T. DWYER HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week of February 12, 2024

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

10TH GRADE COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE FIELD TRIP – PBSC GUIDED CAMPUS TOUR:

- Monday, March 11th from 9:30am 12:00pm, guided campus/info tour of Palm Beach State College PBG campus.
- Any Dwyer 10th grade student interested in going on this trip must submit this form **by this Friday, February 16**th: 10th Grade Community Field Trip Interest Form
- Students who submit the interest form will be given a Field Trip Permission Form to have signed by a parent and return to the school to attend (students must have a minimum of 2.0 GPA & no discipline infractions to attend).

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

PROM TICKET SALES - FOR DWYER SENIORS & JUNIORS*:

- Junior-Senior Prom will be held Saturday, April 13th from 7pm-11pm at the Marriott on RCA Blvd in PBG.
- This week's ticket sales will be for Dwyer SENIORS & JUNIORS ONLY at a cost of \$110 (cash or check)
 - Monday, Feb. 12th: Dwyer Seniors & Juniors Only, in the Cafeteria during both lunches.
 - Wednesday, Feb. 14th: Dwyer Seniors& Juniors Only, in the Cafeteria during both lunches.
 - Friday, Feb 16th: Dwyer Seniors & Juniors Only, in the Cafeteria during both lunches.
- * You must be free of school obligations/fees, have a 2.0 GPA or above, and no level 3 or 4 discipline referrals.

CLASSIC LEARNING TEST (CLT):

- Thursday, Feb. 15th. 11th and 12th grade students in need of a Math or Reading score for graduation will test.
- Students should bring their school district issued laptop to school to test.

DWYER HIGH SCHOOL CAREER FAIR - 'PROWL FOR PROFESSIONS'!

- Thursday, February 15th during both lunches in the Gym.
- All Dwyer students are invited to attend, and explore potential career paths, connect with employers/businesses, and prepare for your future!

BEST BUDDIES VALENTINES DAY PARTY:

- Thursday, February 15th during your Lunch period in the 2000 Courtyard.
- Come and share your love for Best Buddies with us.

DWYER ATHLETIC EVENTS:

Day	Date	Time	Sport	Opponent Home/Away	
Monday	02/12/2024	5:00 PM	Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Martin County Away	
Tuesday	02/13/2024	3:30 PM	Girls/Boys Tennis	Jupiter Away	
		5:00 PM	arsity Girls Flag Football Jupiter Av		Away
		6:30 PM	Varsity Baseball	Park Vista	Away
		7:00 PM	Boys Soccer (Regional Quarterfinal)	Oviedo	Home
Wednesday	02/14/2024	6:30 PM	Varsity Baseball		
		7:00 PM	Varsity Softball		
Thursday	02/15/2024	ТВА	Varsity Boys Basketball w/ qualification (Regional Quarterfinal)	TBD	TBD/ Regional Qtr. Finals
		3:30 PM Girls/Boys Tennis Ga		Gardens	Away
		4:00 PM	Boys Weightlifting	Seminole Ridge	Away
		6:00 PM	Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Jensen Beach	Away
Friday	02/16/2024	1:00 PM	Girls Weightlifting (State Meet)	State Tournament	RP Funding Center, Lakeland
		7:00 PM	Varsity Softball	Wellington	Away



UPCOMING EVENTS:

FSA-ELA RETAKE TEST:

- Week of February 19th for any 11th or 12th grade student in need of a Math or Reading score for graduation.
- Students will be testing each day beginning on Tuesday, February 20 through Thursday, February 22.
- Students should bring their school district issued laptop to school to test.

PINK SHIRT DAY - STAND-UP AGAINST BULLYING:

- Wednesday, February 28th.
- Students and staff are encouraged to wear a PINK shirt to school in support of anti-bullying.

SCHOOL-DAY SAT FOR JUNIORS (& SELECT SENIORS):

- Wednesday, March 6th beginning at 7:35am.
- All Juniors will be automatically registered to take this test.
- Seniors who have not yet earned the Graduation Reading or Math testing requirement will be registered to test.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM - TICKET INFO!

- Prom: Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 7:00pm 11:00pm at the Marriott on RCA Blvd, PBG. Masquerade theme!
- Students must have a minimum cumulative unweighted 2.0 GPA, be cleared of any school obligations/fees, and have no level 3 or 4 disciplinary action this school year to purchase a ticket and attend Prom.
- Tickets will begin at \$100, & increase as we get closer to the event. Due to the venue capacity, tickets are limited.
- During lunch, the only method of payment will be cash or check. If you need an alternate method of payment, please email Mrs. Wagner at: brigidann.wagner@palmbeachschools.org
 - Week 4 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 2/20, 2/21, 2/23, \$120
 - Week 5 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 2/28, 2/29, 3/1, \$130
 - Week 6 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 3/4, 3/6, 3/8, \$140
 - Week 7 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 3/11, 3/13, 3/15, \$150
 - Week 8 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 3/26, 3/27, 3/28, \$160
 - Week 9 (Dwyer Seniors, Juniors, & Guests): 4/1, 4/3, 4/5, \$170

SAVE THE DATES – 2024 AP, AICE, & IB EXAM CALENDAR:

- AP, AICE, & IB Exams will take place between April 25th May 24th.
- Check out the Accelerated Course Testing Calendar so you can plan and prepare accordingly.
- Failure to take the exam associated with your AP, AICE, or IB course may result in an Exam Fee Obligation, and a decrease in the course HPA weight to an honors level.

SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPT. NEWS:

<u>COUNSELOR CONNECTION – SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR DURING LUNCH!</u>

- Every week, our dedicated school counselors will have a table inside the Cafeteria during both lunch periods

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Ms. Masterson	Ms. Little	Ms. Moon & Ms. Murphy	Mrs. DeJesus	Mrs. Mirguet

FRESHMAN FRI-YAY – HOW SEMESTER GRADES ARE CALCULATED:

- It is important to know how your Semester grades are calculated when trying to determine what grade you need to reach your goals? Click here for a Grade Calculation example of how not only your Quarter grades are factored into your final semester grade, but also how your EOC course grades are averaged for the year: Grade Calculation

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS:

- A valid transcript request must include the completion of the online <u>Transcript Request Google Form</u> or the 'Transcript Request' paper from the School Counseling office **AND** the receipt of payment through School Cash Online. Simply making a payment on School Cash Online does not constitute a valid transcript request.



SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPT. NEWS (CONTINUED):

RISING JUNIORS & SENIORS - PAID INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY AT SCRIPPS:

- The Herbert Wertheim UF Scripps Institute for Biomedical Innovation & Technology in Jupiter offers a 9-week hands-on, paid summer internship for select Palm Bch & Martin Co students working with world-class scientists.
- The program runs from June 3rd to August 2nd. The application deadline is March 17, 2024.
- Please click the flyer for additional information: FLYER

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1) For scholarship opportunities, please visit the District's Scholarship & Financial Aid page. New Scholarships Added!
- 2) The John C. Giba Student Leadership Awards Program and Palm Beach North Education Foundation Scholarships aim to encourage, recognize, and award selected High School seniors who have demonstrated leadership potential through a combination of academic excellence, service, and extra-curricular activities.
 - A minimum of 7 recipients will be selected and receive award amounts ranging from \$1,500 to \$10,000.
 - The application and selection criteria can be found at the following link: Scholarship Application/Criteria
 - Completed application materials must be submitted to Kathleen@pbnchamber.com by 5pm Feb. 16th.

SENIORS - FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) IS NOW OPEN:

- To receive the highest amount of financial aid, submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- You can apply directly here: https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa.
- If you are having issues with your application, you must contact FAFSA directly at 1-800-433-3243 or studentaid@ed.gov via email. FAFSA contact help center-https://studentaid.gov/help-center/contact
- FAFSA Help links:
 - 6 Things You Need Before Filling Out the 2023-2024 FAFSA® Form
 - How to Fill Out the FAFSA
 - FAFSA Help

Bright Futures

SENIORS - FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN:

- FL Bright Futures is a merit-based scholarship available to Florida students to use at Florida colleges/universities.
- Click here to view the **Bright Futures Eligibility Requirements**
- Seniors must submit a Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) in order to receive the Bright Futures Scholarship.
- Important info about College Entrance Exams (ACT/SAT/CLT) for Bright Futures Scholarship:
 - Students will be evaluated based on official test scores from the FLDOE repository. To ensure that your scores are sent to the repository & OSFA obtains test scores for Bright Futures, please do the following:
 - 1. Ensure demographics on your test registration and high school transcript match; and
 - 2. Request your official single-sitting test scores be sent to one of Florida's public colleges or state universities when registering for the ACT®, CLT®, or SAT®. Note: Students can request ACT test scores be sent directly to Bright Futures using CEEB code 0095 while on ACT's website.
- Click here to apply for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship: Florida Bright Futures Award Application

ACT REGISTRATION INFO:

ACT, www.ACT.org, Dwyer's CEEB Code: 101338

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Test Date	Registration Deadline \$66.00 no Writing*, \$91.00 with Writing*	Late Registration Deadline Additional \$36.00 Late Fee		
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024		
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024		
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024		

SAT REGISTRATION INFO:

SAT, www.collegeboard.org , Dwyer's CEEB Code: 101338

Test Date	Registration Deadline Cost \$60.00	Late Registration Deadline Additional \$30.00 Late Fee
March 9, 2024	February 23, 2024	February 27, 2024
May 4, 2024	April 19, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024	May 17, 2024	May 21, 2024

SENIOR NEWS:

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION CEREMONY DATE & TIME:

- Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 6:00pm at the South Florida Fairgrounds.
- More details (including the number of tickets per Senior) to come.



CAP & GOWN PORTRAITS AND PRODUCTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE:

- Log in using the link below to order today: cady.com/capgown24

PARENTS OF SENIORS - PURCHASE A SENIOR AD IN THE YEARBOOK:

- Commemorate your student with a Senior Ad in the Yearbook! Space is limited get yours today!
- Go to www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter school code 17481 to see pricing & options. Deadline: 2/18/24.

ATHLETICS INFORMATION:

SPRING SPORTS ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENT CLEARANCE DEADLINES:

- Students interested in participating in a Spring Sport, must have a minimum cumulative unweighted 2.0 GPA, and a fully complete and cleared Athletic Eligibility documents status on www.Aktivate.com by the sport deadline:

Spring Sport	Aktivate.com Clearance Deadline	Approx. Tryout Date	Coach Contact Info
Volleyball (Boys)	was February 5th	February 12 th	brent.tedder@palmbeachschools.org

HOW TO SUBMIT ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS:

- Students interested in playing high school sports must register and submit the required state, district, & school eligibility documents into the online system www.Aktivate.com . Click here for Aktivate.com Instructions
- Student-athletes will need to electronically complete or digitally upload the following documents on Aktivate:
 - 1) FHSAA EL2 Participation Physical
 - 2) FHSAA EL3 Consent and Release
 - 3) PBSD Form 1588HS Athletic Eligibility for High School Students
 - 4) PBSD Form 1589HS Student Medical Consent for Athletics
 - 5) PBSD Form 2608 Interscholastic Athletics Accident Insurance (include receipt of payment)
 - 6) 3 NFHS Course Certificates: 1. Concussion for Students, 2. Heat Illness, 3. Sudden Cardiac Arrest
- After you uploaded the required documents, check your Aktivate.com account for a "Cleared" status. If "Not Cleared", correct/submit any missing/incomplete documents.

SCHOOL REMINDERS:

SAVE THE DATE - DWYER'S 2024 GALA WILL BE HELD APRIL 5TH!

- Dwyer's 2024 Gala event & fundraiser will be held Fri, April 5th at 7pm at Balenisles Country Club.
- Join us for apps, dinner, drinks, dancing, fun, and amazing auction items. "Back to the 80s" theme!
- Purchase you tickets to the event here: Purchase Dwyer Gala Tickets
- Click here to donate a service or auction item: Auction Item/Service Donation Form
- For sponsorship donations, click here for the <u>Dwyer Gala Sponsorship Letter</u>

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

- Order your 2023-2024 Dwyer Yearbook now before the next price increase! (current price = \$90)
- Don't wait Yearbook prices will increase as the year goes on, AND we've sold out the past two years.
- Go to yearbookordercenter.com and enter school code 17481.

STUDENTS MUST HAVE A "SCHOOL HEALTH CONSENT FORM" ON FILE TO SEE THE NURSE:

- Parents must submit authorization form to the school for their student to be seen by the school nurse, and receive any school health services.
- Click here to access the form: Parent Consent for School Health Services
- Forms may be emailed to DwyerStudentServices@palmbeachschools.org, or submitted to Student Services.



SCHOOL REMINDERS (CONTINUED):

STUDENT PARKING INFORMATION: Very few parking spots remain!

- All students who park on campus must have a 2023-2024 Dwyer Parking Decal affixed to their rear windshield.
- To obtain a Student Parking Decal, students must complete the following then see Ms. Gagnon outside of room 5-107 during their lunch period:
 - 1) Complete the Student Parking Google Form
 - 2) Complete & Notarize the PBCSD Student Parking Form (submit to Ms. Gagnon during your Lunch)
 - 3) Submit the \$40 Student Parking Permit Fee on School Cash Online (have a screenshot/copy of receipt)

ACADEMIC TUTORING AVAILABLE:

William T. Dwyer High School Academic Tutoring Schedule				
Subject	Teacher	Days	Room	Time
Biology	Ms. Tsakelova	Tuesdays	8207	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
English Language Arts	Ms. Pubols	Tuesday/Thursday	2110	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Math	Ms. Bayton	Tuesday/Thursday	8106	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Math	Ms. Rahmankhah	Monday	8110	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Math	Mr. Breault	Monday - Friday	8118	Day1 (Lunch A)/Day2 (Lunch B)
Math	Ms. Nichols	Wednesday	8114	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Math	Ms. Nichols	Wednesday	8114	Day 1 (Lunch B)
US History	Ms. Chay/Ms. Berry	Tuesday/Thursday	2119	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

EDGENUITY CREDIT LAB IS OPEN AFTER SCHOOL:

- Edgenuity Credit Lab allows student who are behind in credits or GPA recover the credits and grade forgiveness.
- Open Monday Thursday from 2:45pm 5:45pm in room 2-112. All students & grades welcome.
- Students must bring their own Chromebooks/laptops.
- For more information, Join the Edgenuity Lab google classroom with code: 6nzqpj6.



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