



WILLIAM T. DWYER HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week of January 15, 2024

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PARENTS – PLEASE COMPLETE THE SCHOOL EFFECTIVENESS QUESTIONNAIRE (SEQ):

- The SEQ is an essential tool for parent to provide feedback for schools to develop and maintain a positive school culture and climate.
- Parents – click here to complete the SEQ by Friday, February 9th: [SEQ for Parents](#)

AICE RETAKE EXAMS:

- Interested in retaking an AICE exam this Spring?
- The cost to retake cost per AICE exam is \$100, and the deadline to sign-up is Thursday, February 1st.
- Click this link to sign up to retake one or more AICE here: <https://forms.gle/Shwt519vK2cFLM7cA>
- If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Schneider at: deanna.schneider@palmbeachschools.org

CAREER FAIR ON CAMPUS – BUSINESSES WELCOME TO SIGN-UP TO HAVE A TABLE!

- We're thrilled to announce our inaugural William T. Dwyer Career Fair, designed to expose students to various professions, industries, and businesses during school on Wednesday, February 15th.
- If you are interested in showcasing you career or business, have employee or internship positions available, and/or sharing insights and skills that led to your success, we would love to have you at this event!
- If you or someone you know is interested in having a table at this event, please fill out our Google Interest Form here: [Dwyer HS Career Fair Table Sign-Up](#)
- If you have any questions or require additional information, contact: georgia.mounce@palmbeachschools.org

THIS WEEK’S EVENTS:

NO SCHOOL – MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY:

- Monday, January 15th school will be closed in honor of Martin Luther King Jr Day.
- Students will return to school Tuesday, January 16th, and it will be a “Day 1” schedule.

SENIORS - CAP & GOWN ORDER/SALES DATES:

- Herff Jones will be on campus the following dates for Cap & Gown sales for Seniors:
 - Wednesday, January 17th during Lunches inside the Cafeteria (*Students only*)
 - Wednesday, January 17th from 5:00pm - 7:00pm in the Cafeteria (*Parents welcome*)



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) MEETING:

- Wednesday, January 17th at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria.
- Hear from School Leadership, and be a part of the decision-making process at Dwyer High School. Parents, Students, Staff, & Community Members are invited to attend.

BEST BUDDIES JANUARY NEW YEAR’S PARTY:

- Thursday, January 18th during your Lunch period in room 1-143.

DWYER ATHLETIC EVENTS:

Day	Date	Time	Sport	Opponent	Home/Away
Monday	01/15/2024				
Tuesday	01/16/2024	7:00 PM	Varsity Boys Soccer	American Heritage	Away
		6/7:30 PM	JV/V Boys Basketball	Palm Beach Lakes	Away
Wednesday	01/17/2024	6:00 PM	Varsity Boys Soccer	St. Edwards	Home
		6:30 PM	Boys Wrestling	Jupiter	Home
Thursday	01/18/2024	4:00 PM	JV/V Girls Weightlifting	Palm Beach Central	Away

Day	Date	Time	Sport	Opponent	Home/Away
Thurs (cont)		6/7:30 PM	JV/V Girls Basketball	Centennial	Home
		7:30 PM	Varsity Girls Soccer	Royal Palm	Away
Friday	01/19/2024	TBA	Competition Cheer	FHSAA Regional Comp.	Away @ Coral Glades HS
		4:00 PM	Boys Wrestling	Various	Away
		4:30/6/7:30	F/JV/V Boys Basketball	Jupiter	Home
Saturday	01/20/2024	TBA	Competition Cheer	FL Challenge Cheer Comp.	Away @ NOVA, Ft. Lauderdale
		9:00 AM	Boys Wrestling	Various	Away
		6/7:30PM	JV/V Boys Basketball	Suncoast	Home

UPCOMING EVENTS:

"PATHWAY TO GRADUATION" PARENTS MEETING:

- Parents will hear from School Counselors about the graduation requirements and available support resources.
 - 9TH & 10TH grade: Thursday, January 25th at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria.
 - 11th grade: Wednesday, January 31st at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria.
- Pizza and refreshments will be served.

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:

COUNSELOR CONNECTION – SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR DURING LUNCH!

- Every week, our dedicated school counselors will have a table inside the Cafeteria during both lunch periods ready to provide students with the guidance, support, and tools to reach their goals. See the schedule below:

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

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- For scholarship opportunities, please visit the School District's [Scholarship & Financial Aid page](#).



FRESHMEN FRI-YAY – SELF REFLECTION:

- As you reflect on your Semester 1 progress and how you've performed academically, it is important to look forward to Semester 2 with a positive outlook. "Self-Reflection" allows you the opportunity to improve your chances of success by challenging yourself academically and improving your Grade Point Average (GPA).
- For "Self-Reflection" questions to ask yourself for Semester 2, click here: [Self-Reflection Questions for Sem. 2](#)

ACT REGISTRATION INFO:

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

Test Date	Registration Deadline \$66.00 no Writing*, \$91.00 with Writing*	Late Registration Deadline Additional \$36.00 Late Fee
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024	January 19, 2024
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

SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPT. NEWS (CONTINUED):

SAT REGISTRATION INFO:

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

Test Date	Registration Deadline <i>Cost \$60.00</i>	Late Registration Deadline <i>Additional \$30.00 Late Fee</i>
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

ATHLETICS INFORMATION:

SPRING SPORTS ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENT CLEARANCE DEADLINES:

- Students interested in participating in an upcoming Spring Sport, must have a minimum cumulative unweighted 2.0 GPA, and a fully complete and cleared Athletic Eligibility documents status on Aktivite.com by the deadlines:

Spring Sport	Aktivite.com Clearance Deadline	Approx. Tryout Date	Coach Contact Info
Baseball	January 15th	January 22nd	kaizenpitching@gmail.com
Beach Volleyball (Girls)	January 29th	February 5th	eric.tenlen@palmbeachschools.org
Flag Football	January 22nd	January 29th	heather.radcliff@palmbeachschools.org
Lacrosse (Boys)	January 15th	January 22nd	TBD, ronda.gagnon@palmbeachschools.org
Lacrosse (Girls)	January 15th	January 22nd	anna.spicer@palmbeachschools.org
Softball	January 15th	January 22nd	rbpd5015@gmail.com
Tennis (Boys)	January 8th	January 15th	dane.ireson@palmbeachschools.org
Tennis (Girls)	January 8th	January 15th	peter.thorne@palmbeachschools.org
Track & Field (Boys)	January 22nd	January 29th	reun.bullard@palmbeachschools.org
Track & Field (Girls)	January 22nd	January 29th	michelle.vernet@palmbeachschools.org
Volleyball (Boys)	February 5th	February 12th	brent.tedder@palmbeachschools.org
Water Polo (Girls)	<i>Was January 8th</i>	Info meeting Jan 12 th	shelly.dresser@palmbeachschools.org
Weightlifting (Boys)	<i>Was December 22nd</i>	January 8th	alex.malsbury@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.Aktivite.com. Click here for [Aktivite.com Instructions](#)

- Student-athletes will need to electronically complete or digitally upload the following documents on Aktivite:

- 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 have completed the Aktivite.com registration and uploaded the required documents, check your Aktivite.com account for a “Cleared” status. If “Not Cleared”, correct/submit any missing/incomplete documents.

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.

**Class of
2024**

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SENIOR NEWS:

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

- Commemorate your student with a Senior Ad in the Yearbook!
- Go to www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter school code **17481** to see pricing & options. **Deadline: 2/19/24**

SCHOOL REMINDERS:

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.

STUDENT PARKING INFORMATION:

- 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)

AICE TRAVEL AND TOURISM TRIPS:

- AICE Travel is part of the AICE curriculum and one of the requirements for the class is to plan and execute a trip.
- There will be twelve (12) trip opportunities throughout the year to help these students fulfill their requirements.
- Trips are open to all Dwyer students (*students may be denied attendance based on discipline, academic concerns, or fees owed to school*). Seats are limited – first come, first served. Permission Slips available in room 2-114.
- There will be no limit to educational trips that students may attend, Students may only attend two (2) of the non-educational trips. Upcoming available trips:
 - January 19th: Magic Kingdom, \$180
 - January 26th: Xtreme Action Park (*lunch included*), \$55
 - February 5th: Florida Renaissance Fair, \$15
- Follow [@dwyertravelandtoursim](#) on Instagram to stay up to date on remaining trips or email [Mrs. Wagner](#)

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

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