

WILLIAM T. DWYER HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week of January 22, 2024

PANTHER P.R.I.D.E. SHOUTOUTS:

DWYER STUDENTS' WORK TO BE DISPLAYED AT NORTON MUSEUM OF ART!

- Congratulations to the following students for having their work displayed at the Norton Museum of Art's 'Nature Unseen' exhibit:
 - Amelia Efraimov (9th gr) Amelia Gerard (12th gr) Liz Jennings (12th gr) Petter Rodriguez (12th gr)

DWYER STUDENT'S PLAY SELECTED AS PBD YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS WINNER!

- Congratulations to Dwyer Junior **Oliver Shane** who's play 'Sentient' was selected as a winner of the PBD Young Playwrights Contest!
- As a winner, Oliver will receive \$250, and have his play produced by a professional director and actors!

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 – SIGN-UP BY FEBRUARY 1ST:

- 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 ARE WELCOME 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:

9TH & 10TH "PATHWAY TO GRADUATION" PARENTS MEETING:

- Thursday, January 25th at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria.
- Parents will hear from School Counselors about the graduation requirements and available support resources.
- Pizza and refreshments will be served.

DWYER ATHLETIC EVENTS:

Day	Date	Time	Sport	Opponent	Home/Away
Monday	01/22/2023	4:30/6:00PM	JV/V Girls Basketball	Treasure Coast	Away
Tuesday	01/23/2023	4:30/6/7:30 PM	F/JV/V Boys Basketball	Santaluces	Away
Wednesday	01/24/2023	6/7:30 PM	JV/V Boys Basketball	Royal Palm Beach	Home
Thursday	01/25/2023	4:00 PM	V Girls Weightlifting	Districts	Away @ Sem. Ridge
		6/7:30 PM	JV/V Girls Basketball (Senior Night)	Jupiter	Home
Friday	01/26/2023	6/7:30PM	JV/V Boys Basketball (Senior Night)	Palm Beach Gardens	Home
		1:00 PM	Boys Wrestling	Various	Away @ Olym. Hts

UPCOMING EVENTS:

11TH GRADE "PATHWAY TO GRADUATION" PARENTS MEETING:

- Wednesday, January 31st at 6:00pm in the Cafeteria.
- Parents will hear from School Counselors about the graduation requirements and available support resources.
- Pizza and refreshments will be served.

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.
- More info forthcoming.

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

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS:

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

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1) For scholarship opportunities, please visit the School District's Scholarship & Financial Aid page.
- 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.

PAID INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR RISING JUNIOR & SENIOR GRADE STUDENTS/PARENTS:

- 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

FRESHMEN FRI-YAY - KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR GPA:

- It is important to keep an eye on your Grade Point Average (GPA). The GPA is the calculated average of the letter grades you've earned in high school, and provides a snapshot of your overall performance.
- To get a better understanding of GPA, click here: "How to Keep an Eye on your GPA?"

SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPT. NEWS (CONTINUED):

ACT REGISTRATION INFO:

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

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	
1001 2010	\$66.00 no Writing*, \$91.00 with Writing*	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	

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

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 Aktivate.com by the deadlines:

Spring Sport	Aktivate.com Clearance Deadline	Approx. Tryout Date	Coach Contact Info
Baseball	was 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)	was January 15th	January 22nd	TBD, ronda.gagnon@palmbeachschools.org
Lacrosse (Girls)	was January 15th	January 22nd	thomas.amenita@palmbeachschools.org
Softball	was January 15th	January 22nd	rbpd5015@gmail.com
Tennis (Boys)	was January 8th	January 15th	dane.ireson@palmbeachschools.org
Tennis (Girls)	was 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 12 th Info meeting Jan 25 th	brent.tedder@palmbeachschools.org
Water Polo (Girls)	Was January 8th	Info meeting Jan 25 th	shelly.dresser@palmbeachschools.org
Weightlifting (Boys)	Was December 22nd	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.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 have completed the Aktivate.com registration and uploaded the required documents, check your Aktivate.com account for a "Cleared" status. If "Not Cleared", correct/submit any missing/incomplete documents.



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.



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

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 <u>yearbookordercenter.com</u> 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 <u>Student Parking Google Form</u>
 - 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



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