The BCHS Community,

During the 2018-2019 our students have done an excellent job staying focused on their academics to help them be prepared for post high school opportunities. We remain committed as a school to helping prepare our students for the college and career of their choice.

Our seniors will be taking their second semester exams between May 20th and May 23rd at the scheduled times listed below. These exams are given early to satisfy their graduation requirements before our graduation ceremony on Saturday, May 25th, at 7:30am at Tropicana Field.

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Our underclassmen second semester final exam schedule will begin on Wednesday, May 22nd. All exams will take place during our regular 90 minute class period using the schedule below. The last day of school will be on Wednesday, May 29th, and we will dismiss two hours early on May 29th at 11:50pm.

Spring semester 18-19 underclassman exam schedule:

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Early release day on Wednesday, 5/29, at 1:50pm, adjusted bell schedule below:

- Period 2: 7:05am – 8:05am
- Period 4: 8:12am – 9:12am
- Lunch: 9:12am – 9:36am
- Period 6: 9:43am – 10:43am
- Period 8: 10:50am – 11:50am

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Our school will remain open in June and July for additional instruction through our Summer Bridge Program. A listing of the different program options is below and applications can be picked up from any of our offices or from our website:

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We remain thankful for and appreciative of your supportive contributions to our school community.

Sincerely,
Michael P. Vigue, The Boca Ciega HS Principal

Thank You for Your Support

A huge thank you to Treasure Island Fishing Company Bait and Tackle for their support of our Marine Science program. The owners, Laura and Chris Pierson, donated squid to our Marine Science I Honors Classes for dissection. The students had a great time dissecting! For some this was their first dissection. The owner is a former teacher herself and did not hesitate to help with this educational experience. Please swing by the shop for your fishing needs!

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The Boca Ciega High School Class of 2019

“Graduation Quick Facts”

***All school financial obligations must be cleared prior to your approved participation in the graduation ceremony ***

- **Date:** Saturday, May 25, 2019
- **Location:** Tropicana Field
- **Ceremony Start Time:** 7:30 am
- **Gates Open to guest at:** 6:45 am (enter through gates 3 & 5)
- **Student Arrival Time:** 6:30 am (report to lower level Gate 6 Northwest corner - enter at the blue tent)
- **Parking Cost and Information:** $10.00 per car in lot 1, 2, 6, or 7. Tropicana is a no cash facility now, you will be required to pay for parking by debit or credit card. We encourage you to car pool and lot 3 is designated for ride sharing (Taxi, Uber, Lyft, etc.) Staff members must have a staff ID to park for free.
- **Handicap Accessibility:** Individuals needing handicapped services may use the driving loop in front of Tropicana Field for drop off only and use Gate 4 for entry. Tropicana does not provide wheelchairs. Please ensure guests bring their own wheelchairs or other ambulatory assistive devices.
- **Student Dress Code:** Male students should wear a white or light colored shirt with a dark tie, dark socks, dark shoes, and dark trousers with belt (flip flops and/or tennis shoes are not acceptable) Shorts are **NOT** permitted. Female students should wear a white outfit (dress or pants) under their white gown and white or beige shoes (flip flops and tennis shoes are not acceptable). Flat or wedge shoes are recommended since students will be walking in and on an artificial surface. High or spiked heeled shoes may be difficult to walk in and could cause injury. Shorts are **NOT** permitted.
- **Flowers and jewelry are **NOT** to be worn on graduation gowns or caps.
- **All cell phones, pagers, and any electronic devices will be collected, tagged, and returned to you after the ceremony. It is recommended that graduates leave purses and electronic devices with a family member or in their automobile during the ceremony.
- **Students will not participate in the ceremony if they are in violation of the dress code.**
- **Flowers and Balloons:** As per Tropicana Field Staff…… **NO** flowers, balloons, or noisemakers will be permitted in the stadium. Please save them for the parties at home.
- **Infant Strollers:** Individuals with young children that bring a stroller will **NOT** be allowed to bring the stroller into the stadium as per Tropicana Field Staff. Stroller parking will be outside the stadium. Please take all other personal belongings with you into the stadium. Staff members will monitor this area to help insure the security of the stroller but are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- **Concessions:** A limited menu of items will be available for purchase from the Tropicana Field vendors at the 3rd Base Food Court – remember Tropicana is a no cash facility (debit or credit card purchases only)
- **DVD/Video:** Tropicana Field Staff will produce a DVD of the ceremony. Students that wish to purchase a DVD will need to fill out an order form or see Ms. Yeazell in the front office.
Counselors Corner

We’re headed toward the final stretch, and we are pleased with all of the initiatives that we have implemented this year from Start with Hello to our new college acceptance display outside the Media Center. Registration and course selections for next school year is underway. Boca Ciega High School has a number of advanced opportunities to enhance the college and career preparation of our students. We encourage students and parents to consider the potential of this coursework as it enhances college preparedness and provides students with a validated skillset that improves opportunities beyond high school. These include: 20+ College Board Advanced Placement courses, courses that lead to Industry Certifications, and Dual Enrollment through St. Peters College and the University of South Florida. Many of our students enter college with numerous free college credits under their belts which significantly reduces the cost of college. Please make sure your student speaks to his/her counselor about these opportunities.

A Look Ahead- EOC’s and AP Exams will be in May

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The United Methodist Church
321.3620
Corner of 28th Ave. S. at 53rd St.
GULFPORT

Sunday Worship: 10:30am
ALL ARE WELCOME
Counselors Corner... Continued

Final Reminder- Attendance Matters!

We wanted to share a reminder about good attendance. Teenagers who attend school regularly are more likely to graduate and attend college. Good attendance also creates a habit that can carry over into work later. Consider these tips. Set expectations. Being out for even a day or two a month means losing valuable learning time. Tell your student that the only acceptable excuses are illness, family emergencies, or pre-approved college visits. Discuss Results. Point out that missing school means the student has to make up coursework. If he or she falls far behind, the student may have to retake courses.

Finish Strong Pirates! As always, please come see your counselor if we can be of support to you!

Students Obligations

Students have been made aware of any obligations they may owe. If obligations are not paid before the end of the school year, an invoice will be included in their final report card. Obligations keep students from participating in many extra curricular activities so please take care of them as soon as possible. If you have questions pertaining to obligations please call our book-keeping office at ext. 2006

BCHS Art Makes It Into a Big Show

Congratulations to Angelina Naing for being accepted into the Dali Museum Student art show. Her work will hang in the Dali Museum throughout the Summer. This is an AWESOME achievement for a student artist.

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Over the past month our JROTC program has been involved with many activities such as JPA, Military Ball, Leadership Luncheon, District Drill and Marksmanship Championships. The JPA is our JROTC Program for Accreditation, where our staff members gather information and evidence to support the continuous improvement of teaching and learning in the JROTC program. This year, we scored a 96% on our inspection and retained our Honor Unit with Distinction rating for the program. Which means that out of 2000 U.S. Army programs the Pirate Brigade is in the top 10% of U.S. programs worldwide.

This year our Military ball was held at the Sirata Beach Resort on March 30th, it was a great experience and success for all who attended. Cadets Sierra Gose and Kent Leser were selected as the King and Queen at the event.

Advertise in the Pirse's Parrot!
This is a wonderful way for your company to get community recognition and exposure, and at the same time help support your local schools!

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Boca Ciega High School

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Our Leadership Luncheon was held at Banquet Masters on March 28th and it too was a great success. The guest speaker for the event was Medal of Honor recipient, Gary Lattrell. Mr. Lattrell was a very inspirational speaker, all our cadets attending the luncheon had an opportunity to talk to him and pose for photos with him. During the luncheon, each school in Pinellas County awarded neck medals to their top Male and Female cadets. Mr. Lattrell presented the Boca Ciega HS top male and female cadet medals to Kent Leser and Sierra Gose.

The marksmanship team did an amazing job at the District Marksmanship Championships this past weekend at Alonso high school. The team won their 4th straight District Championship and will be competing at the JROTC Florida State Championships on April 27. Gabrielle Fields placed 2nd overall in the district match followed by Megan Knapp in 3rd place and Anxhela Hila in 4th place. Hanna Conlan placed 3rd in the prone position while Jordyn Miller placed 3rd in the standing position. Placing in the kneeling positions were both Gabriella Fields 1st and Megan Knapp 2nd.

The JROTC National Awards Night Ceremony will be on April 19th. During this ceremony selected cadets from the program will receive recognition for their hard work throughout the year. The JROTC Field Day will be on April 26th. Cadets in the program will spend the day on the football field competing against each other in a variety of competitions.

Lastly, the Boca Ciega HS Drill Team will be attending the state drill competition on April 13th in Lakeland.
New BCHS Club Makes It’s Mark

The newly formed Boca Ciega High School Students for Our Community: Turning Compassion into Action club completed its first service event on March 8th just before we left for Spring Break. The purpose was to clean-up the campus and provide some assistance to teachers who might need some help with classroom clean-up as well. We had about 10 students participate. They went around campus and floor to floor to provide extra hands to our wonderful custodial staff. Students also went into classrooms where they cleaned, organized and provided general assistance to individual teachers. The teachers were very grateful and complimentary of the students. It was a wonderful start to our service organization.

For April, we are conducting a book drive for books of all ages. Students and teachers are encouraged to bring in new or gently used books. These books will be donated to needy organizations in our community. It is our desire to eventually go out into these locations to read to some of the children and seniors in the community as a way to generate hope and provide the joy of reading to those who may not be able to do this for themselves. The students involved in our club are driven to give back and have so much enthusiasm for their efforts in service to others.

The idea for the club was brought to Mrs. Legg-Melton by two students, Trinity Rigney and Emma Polinsky, who had a desire to do good works and provide a service organization for others. Their record speaks for itself.

Trinity is the President of our Community Service club, has directed Theatre events, co-captained her club soccer team, teaches Sunday School and Children’s Church at her Church and is one of their prominent student leaders. She is a leader in this organization handling all communications, organizing students, setting up events and more. She does it all with a sense of purpose and an energy that is infectious. The students follow her lead and are happy to take on any task that will help others. During our recent on campus clean-up she and Emma provided breakfast for the students, kept them organized and moved them from task to task. She went further than asked when she gathered trash bags and gloves so the students could go floor to floor and make sure that all trash was picked up from the entire campus. The custodians were very grateful as were the teachers. She is involved in Theatre and the SWAT club, she volunteers at a horse stable that provides therapy for children with Down’s Syndrome and has run 5K events also for Down’s Syndrome.

Emma acts as Vice President for our Community Service Club, runs Varsity Cross Country and Track and works at Chick-fil-A. She is a member of Model UN and has volunteered for organizations like the Special Olympics, Operation Christmas Child, Christian Ministries and Charlotte Rescue Mission. Emma is very active in her church working the kids room, slides and lights for services, coordinating and running social media and has participated in Urban Plunges which helps the homeless with food, supplies, shelter, etc. She is strong leader and advocate for those in need. We are very fortunate to have these two young ladies leading this organization and look forward to many more great events.