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Good Afternoon Eagle Families!

This is Dan Schmittiel, Principal of East Lake High School, with some important reminders for the week. Looking outside of the academics, our students SOARED to some amazing success this year in all of our different clubs, performing arts, visual arts, academies, and athletics programs. Congratulations to all involved throughout the year for their continued commitment to strive for greatness!

Closing Out Quarter 4

As a reminder, there is no school tomorrow in observance of Memorial Day. As we approach the last day of the 2023-24 school year, which is this Wednesday, May 29 for students, it is imperative that students wrap up any coursework that may still need to be submitted, along with giving it their all on their last set of finals. Grades will be finalized no later than Thursday, May 30 by the end of the day, before teachers wrap up their final day before the summer.

ELHS Semester 2 Final Exams

We wrap up our final exams Tuesday and Wednesday this week, which includes 2nd and 7th period exams on Tuesday and finally our 1st period exam block on Wednesday. Remember that Wednesday, the last day of the 2023-24 school year, is a 2-hour early release day. Students will dismiss at 11:55am on Wednesday, instead of their usual 1:55pm dismissal. Attached to this message, you will find a reminder on the schedule for the exams. As a reminder, students are expected to stay in class during the entire review and testing block, as to avoid any disruption to the testing environment for all students within the classroom. If your student does need a PTL (Permit to Leave) for the end of the first testing session (10:15am each day), please ensure that you call into the office at least one day in advance and have your student collect their pass in the office that day.

- [ELHS Semester 2 Exam Schedule - week of May 27.pdf](#)

Summer Programs

On June 3rd, we will begin our Summer Edmentum Credit Recovery Program, which runs Monday through Thursday from 8:30am to 12:30pm until July 18th. If your child has at least one core failure, you've been receiving reoccurring callouts from Ms. Godwin since last week. If you've been receiving that call, please ensure that you sign your student up for this program so that they can get back on track for the start of the 2024-25 school year. Please refer to her callout/email for more information and don't hesitate to reach out to the school with any questions!

We will also be running various other Summer Bridge programs, including Algebra 1 Credit Recovery/EOC Retake Preparation and ACT ELA and Math Preparation. These are intended for current 10th, 11th, or 12th grade students that are still in need of a testing graduation requirement. If your child is still in need of a testing graduation requirement, you've been receiving calls from me on how to A) register for the program and B) sign up for June testing opportunities. Please know that students requiring their FAST ELA concordant score for graduation have been enrolled in reading for the 2024-25 school year at this point to help support their work to meet graduation requirements. If they earn a concordant score by the end of the summer, they can be moved out of the course for the start of the year.

Finally, if your student failed Algebra 1, we will be running an Algebra 1 Credit Recovery Program through Summer Bridge that begins June 17. Families with students still needing to make up this credit will receive a call this week on how to register.

If you have any questions about any of the programs, Edmentum Credit Recovery or the various Summer Bridge options, please don't hesitate to call the school. We do also have transportation available for families if needed.

College and Career Updates

Attention recent graduates: Ms. Gallaty will be available at school to help our Class of 2024 graduates with their next steps. Stop by anytime from 8am to noon this Thursday or Friday.

- [Open Hours Flyer](#)

If you're student already completed FAFSA, be sure to have them log in and check for corrections needed. They can also view their financial aid summary. Please contact Ms. Gallaty for help.

Do you still need to complete the FAFSA? Our last FAFSA Completion Event will be held on June 1 from 9am to 12pm at Hollins High School. Complete the FAFSA, meet with colleges and technical schools, and learn about internship opportunities, scholarships, and more!

If your student qualifies for a Bright Future Scholarship, please make sure they've turned in their volunteer/work hours and completed the FFAA.

- <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home>

USF St. Petersburg – Education Expedition: Discover USF St. Pete

The USF St. Petersburg College of Education will host an expo on Tuesday July 30th from 8am –5pm. Meet faculty and students, explore the campus and much more!

- [USF St. Pete College of Education Mini-Conference](#)

Additional Announcements/Reminders

- **Anonymous Reporting:**

- As most of you are aware, Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise which allows us to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. This allows stakeholders to submit a secure and anonymous safety concern that helps us identify and intervene in a proactive way. Please remind your student(s) that this is in place to assist with addressing a concern and also a way for someone get any help that may be needed – tips are passed along to appropriate law enforcement and school personnel. FortifyFL is also another reporting system that is available to report suspicious activity which allows Florida students and the community to relay any safety concerns. Both links can be found below.

- [Say Something Tips — Sandy Hook Promise](#)
- [FortifyFL \(getfortifyfl.com\)](https://getfortifyfl.com)

Let's SOAR to the finish line of the 2023-24 school year at East Lake High School! If you have any questions at all, as always, please don't hesitate to reach out to your Assistant Principal or Counselor. Always remember that Life is Better at the Lake. Have an amazing rest of your weekend and GO EAGLES!

Dan Schmittiel, Principal
East Lake High School

Vision: 100% Student Success

Mission: The East Lake High School community will develop productive, responsible students who are prepared for postsecondary education, the workforce, and citizenship