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Good Evening Eagle Families,

### Mental Health

As East Lake and all of our district schools continue to prioritize mental health I wanted to share a new installation in our school courtyard. Josh's Benches is a non-profit organization which East Lake partnered with to create a bench for mental health and suicide prevention awareness. Earlier in the year our Student Government created a poll where students voted on a few short quotes to be included on a plaque on our new bench. What they decided on was *"You are Loved, You are Needed"* *"There is Help Available"* An assembly was held during lunch to present the bench to the student body and it was permanently installed this week. You can learn more about Josh's Benches by visiting <https://joshsbenches.com>



**Parent FOCUS Access** If you need access to FOCUS to monitor your student's progress please reach out to our Data Management

Technician Mrs. Fletcher at [FLETCHERST@pcsb.org](mailto:FLETCHERST@pcsb.org) Don't rely on your student's R2.D2 login. You have more information available to you as a parent than your student's login provides. Quarter 2 has started so stay in the know! A reminder the Semester Exam Schedule is posted on our website and can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/3DI99Nr>

### Important dates for Seniors (Class of 2023)

- Thursday 11/10: Senior Panoramic during 4th period
- Friday 3/31: Grad Bash @ Universal Studios (seniors will be asked to leave class at 12:45pm)
- Saturday 4/22: Prom @ Ruth Eckerd Hall
- Thursday 4/27: Senior Breakfast @ Ruth Eckerd Hall AND Senior Assembly

## **Graduating Seniors – Additional Portrait Opportunities**

If your Graduating Senior has not had their Senior Portrait done yet, Leonard's will be on campus again on November 3. Visit <https://new.leonards.com> and click on *Seniors* to create an account and schedule a time for any available opportunity. Time is running out for pictures to appear in the 2022-2023 Yearbook, so make sure to get this out of the way as soon as possible!

## **Senior Parents: Is your student on Naviance?**

College application due dates are starting to approach. Check with Mrs Gallaty ([GallatyN@pcsb.org](mailto:GallatyN@pcsb.org)) in our College and Career Center for info on apps, essays, career interest surveys, scholarships, SAT/ACT Prep and more! Visit the new College Career Center web page <https://www.pcsb.org/domain/12746>

## **Student Cafeteria Accounts**

A number of student accounts are beginning to show in the negative by \$20 or more. Healthy student lunches are available for \$2.75 each day in the cafeteria. Money may be added to your student's account by visiting <https://www.myschoolbucks.com> If you haven't applied for free/reduced lunch that application can be completed by visiting <https://www.myschoolapps.com> Let's get this taken care of!

## **Class of 2027 Engineering Discovery Night**

As hard as it is to believe East Lake is already starting plans for next year's incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade class. If you have a younger child, neighbor, niece, nephew or other who will attend a Pinellas County School next year and who may be interested in applying to the East Lake Academy of Engineering, let them know our Discovery Night is going to be on Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00. More details will follow shortly!

## **Saint Petersburg College Dual Enrollment**

Spring dual enrollment for SPC will begin next week. This is class registration for the spring semester. Contact your school counselor for details.

## **Student Dress Code Reminders**

We are noticing an increasing number of issues with student dress code. The school board and the Superintendent have adopted a dress code for students in all district schools and we are making a concerted effort to continue to apply the dress code for students. Shorts must be mid-thigh, and shirts need to cover shoulders and midribs etc. We are noticing a number of student tops which do not cover the shoulder "falling down" and exposing undergarments.

Here is a direct link to the dress code page from the student code of conduct for reference.

<https://www.pcsb.org/cms/lib/FL01903687/Centricity/Domain/110/22-23StudentDressCode.pdf> Families may be contacted to provide a change of clothes if your student does not have something else with them which meets the *Student Code of Conduct* guidelines.

Thank you and have a great weekend,

*Shawn Anderson, Asst. Principal*

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***Vision- 100% student success***

***Mission- The community of East Lake High School will develop productive and responsible students who are prepared for post-secondary education, the workforce and citizenship.***