

Good afternoon TSHS Learning Community,

Here are several updates, reminders and announcements for TSHS families. Great things are happening on campus and as principal, I could not be prouder of our students, staff and parent involvement!! Go Spongers! Our auditorium construction is complete and our concerts, spring recitals, drama performance and awards ceremony will be the first to enjoy our new space.

Student Success Celebrations:

- Class of 2020 Valedictorian - Alexander Theophilopoulos
- Class of 2020 Salutatorian - Madeleine McCreary
- Maria Edmonds Hispanic Achievement Award Recipients: Joseph Rojas, Ana Arredondo, Graciela O'Brien, Matthew Borda Acevedo
- Miguel Santos, advancing to the Wrestling State Individual Quarterfinals this weekend in Kissimmee
- Flag Football Team - Lady Spongers will be hosting a preseason Florida Classic hosting teams from Hillsborough, Broward and Dade counties this weekend.
- TSHS Chorus for their exceptional performance at the Music Performance Assessments.
- TSHS Color Guard - World Guard for continuing to provide exceptional competitive performances with the World Guard International competition last weekend in Atlanta.
- Culinary teams are preparing for ProStart State Competition in Orlando this weekend. Students have been preparing and practicing for weeks leading up to this competition and we are very proud.
- Emily Hayes for placing 1st within the PCS National History Day competition. Emily will advance to state level competition within the next month.
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) Club will be participating in state competition in Orlando.
- Our Baseball Team has started the season strong under leadership of Coach Fletcher.
- Lady Spongers Softball Team also started their season strong .. Go Spongers!!
- Samantha Kopec - Prudential Spirit of the Community Finalist and Presidential Community Service Award Recipient for her exemplary volunteer and community service.

Curriculum

- Grading period – quarter 3 ends on Friday, March 13th. All grades are due into Focus on or before Friday, March 27th.
- Tutoring is available each week for all TSHS students. - [Tutoring Flyer Teacher Schedule.docx](#)
- Testing for FSA, AP and AICE will begin soon. All classrooms have been focused on preparing for the tests. Here are the schedules and additional information will be sent home as we approach each assessment. [Calendar Spring FSA & EOC 2020 testing.docx](#) [Calendar AP Testing 2020.docx](#) [Calendar AICE Testing 2020.docx](#)
- Test preparation and reviews are in process. Extended learning tutorials are presently offered after school. All students are invited and encouraged to attend these targeted skill sessions immediately after school on the following days:

- Reading – Tuesday and Wednesday ... room 1101
- ELA – Thursday in the Media Center
- Math – Thursday in the Media Center
- Bilingual- Tuesday and Thursday in Mrs. Valentine’s room building 10
- Course requests for 20/21 school year are complete and in the process for being reviewed. The next steps are as follows:
 - AP Potential letters will be mailed to students for consideration of recommended AP course work. AP Potential is identified from student’s PSAT scores. AP Potential indicates a student’s potential for success in an AP course and this potential reflects a probability of 60% or more success in the course.
 - Course request proof sheets will be printed and distributed to each student for review during the 1st week of April. At that time, students may submit their schedule revision or may meet with their counselor to discuss pathway options for courses.
- Veterinary Academy and Culinary Arts Academy have been invited to submit a portfolio for National Certification by the Pinellas Career Education Board at today's campus visit.

Campus Operations

- Coronavirus updates are monitored closely within PCS. Our campus has implemented a detailed protocol for sanitation of touched surfaces – classroom, restrooms and cafeteria serving/seating areas.
- CDC resources - [2019-ncov-factsheet 3.pdf](#) [stop-the-spread-of-germs 2.pdf](#) [stop-the-spread-of-germs-1.pdf](#)
- Prom is scheduled for Friday, March 27th at Innisbrook Golf Resort. *ticket sales will begin next week.
- Senior activities begin next Friday, March 13th with a picnic at Fred Howard Park.
- Parking lot spaces in stadium lot have increased since construction has wrapped up and there are more spaces available by the south end of the lot.
- Drivers Ed – Summer Camp is available and an excellent opportunity for students. Here is the informational flyer - [2020 Summer Drivers Ed Camp Web Page.docx](#)

Campus Culture

- JCAA Dinner Series – April 29 will host TSHS alumni Angela Davis Shaghagi, who will serve as guest chef for the evening. Please come out and support JCAA and meet Chef Angela. For ticket information, please contact 727.943.4900.
- Teacher of the Month for February is Mr. Satinoff. Mr. Satinoff was voted by his peers and we congratulate him and thank him for all he does for TSHS!!
- Tarpon High – Facebook *please follow us and join us in celebrating our school and student successes.
- Tarpon High – Instagram *will be starting soon
- Veterinary Academy will be receiving “Sponger” our canine simulator in April. TSHS joins one other high school within the United States to have this model. This canine

simulator advances our students experience within the preparation and interaction of veterinary science. We are extremely excited and proud to welcome “Sponger” to our family.

Athletics

- Football Parent Meeting Monday, March 9th @ 5:00 p.m. cafeteria
- Cheerleading Parent Meeting Thursday, March 12th @ 6:00 p.m. cafeteria
- Athletic update from Mr. Natoli – Assistant Principal of Athletics - [Sports Weekly Updates 3.2.20.docx](#)
- Athletic Open House - Meet and Greet..... Tuesday, April 14th

Have an enjoyable evening and thank you for your continued support. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the school during office hours at 727.943.4900.

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