Hello Highlanders, this is Principal Glenn welcoming you to the 2024-2025 school year. I hope you are enjoying the remainder of your summer. This will be a lengthy message today.

**Immunization – 7th Grade** immunization is required to attend school. If your child is attending 7th grade and has not provided proof of Tetanus-diptheria-pertussis (T-dap) and 2 varicella vaccines, our school nurse will be sending home exclusionary letters to the students without shot records. You may begin to turn in your documentation to Ms. Dickey our DMT (Data Management Technician), in the front office beginning August 1st. Contact your healthcare provider to schedule your student shots. If your child does not have a healthcare provider, immunizations are available at no cost at the department of Health Pinellas 727 824-6900 to make an appointment.

**Lockers** - This year all students will have the option to purchase a school locker. Lockers can be purchased for 5 dollars. Students will be able to purchase lockers during the second week of school. More information to come.

**Student Hours** are 9:40AM-4:10PM. Students are not allowed to be on campus before 9:15AM and must be picked up by 4:40PM. If this poses an issue, please reach out to secure a spot in our before/afterschool program (R’Club). R’Club does have limited spaces. Students may receive consequences for being on campus before or after the designated time.

**Dress Code** - All students will adhere to our Dunedin Highland Middle School uniform policy which is in alignment with the Pinellas County Schools student code of conduct dress code policy. All shorts are to be no more than three inches above the knee. Students may wear non distressed jeans on Fridays. All other day’s students must be in uniform bottoms. Skin cannot be exposed this also includes shirts showing the mid-section. Reminder leggings, jeggings, tights, and form fitting clothing are not permitted. In addition, students will not be able to wear crocs or slides. All shoes must have a back for safety reasons. Ball caps, hoodies, bandanas, or any head garment are not to be worn on campus unless permitted by the principal for religious or medical reasons. Failure to abide by the policy can and will result in disciplinary action.

**Cell Phone Policy** for students - Once students enter the building cell phones, earbuds, and portable speakers must be off and out of sight from 9:40AM-4:10PM. Students may receive consequences for cell phone being visible. If a student needs to contact you (i.e., sickness, issues, concerns) or if you need to contact your child, please contact the front office (727) 469-4112. Failure to adhere to our school cell phone policy can and will result in consequences.

**Early Sign-Outs** - Student pick up end at 3:45. Students are not allowed to be signed out after 3:45. Please be patient with us when signing students our during lunch and PE.
Student Pick up and drop off- Car riders are to be dropped off in the car ride loop which is located on the EAST side of the campus. The car circle can be entered off the Northeast side Patricia Avenue. Parents, please follow the flow of traffic for car rider drop off and pick up. Parents will not be allowed to travel down the middle of the parking lot where cars are parked. Parents please do not enter to drop off or pick up students in the bus loop. The bus loop is entered on the Southeast side of the Patricia Avenue.

Highlanders please be sure to visit our school website for updates.

August 9th will be our meet the teacher event from 1:15PM-3:15PM. 6th grade will be from 1:15-2:15PM followed by 7th and 8th grade 2:15-3:15PM. Students will receive their schedules and meet all their teachers.

September 19th we will have our Open House.

Sincerely,
Principal Brandon Glenn