



Bobcat Pride

Buchholz High School
Gainesville, FL

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August 2012

Welcome Bobcat Students and Parents!

The Administrative Staff at Buchholz High School looks forward to another great year!

Mr. Vince Perez
Principal

Mrs. Melissa Berryman
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Valerie Freeman
Assistant Principal

Mr. Randy Scott
Assistant Principal

SCHOOL DAY

The first day of school for students is **Monday, August 20**. School hours are from **8:25 AM to 2:40 PM**. Students attend six classes per day. Each class is 50 minutes in length with 5 minutes between classes. **Students are not permitted to leave the campus for lunch.**

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The school's main office is open from 7:00 AM until 3:30 PM. Please arrange to call or visit during those hours.



ORIENTATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Thursday, August 16
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
We will see you then!



FIRST DAY INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL STUDENTS

Schedules will be distributed at the beginning of the first day of school. Students are to report to the classroom that contains the alphabetic section by last name. Lists of room assignments will be posted on the windows of the media center, cafeteria, front office, and other conspicuous places. **This is not a grade level assignment.** Each room will serve grades 9-12 for a particular part of the alphabet.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Buchholz believes that a student's performance can be directly related to class attendance. **Parents should encourage students to attend all classes regularly and reserve absences for emergencies.** Students who have more than 6 unexcused absences in a semester must pass a comprehensive final exam and have a passing grade for the semester in order to earn credit. Notes from a parent or guardian may excuse absences for the following reasons: sickness, injury, death in the family, or some other insurmountable condition. Documented appointments with health care professionals, documented religious instruction or religious holiday; participation in a school sponsored activity approved by the principal or designee; and court appearances (subpoena required) are excused absences. Documentation excusing absences must be turned into the Attendance Office upon the immediate return of the student to school. Make-up work will not be assigned until a note has been received and affirmed. Absences will not be excused for a previous semester or school year.

IMPORTANT POLICIES PROHIBITED ARTICLES AND SUBSTANCES

There are several school policies that we wish to call to your attention in hopes that awareness of these policies will make the start of school a satisfying and orderly process for all involved.

- Smoking and tobacco products are not allowed on the school campus, in areas adjacent to the school, or at school sponsored activities on and off campus.
- Drinking or possession of intoxicating beverages at school or school sponsored activities is prohibited.
- Possession or use of drugs and/or drug paraphernalia on school property (including buses), at school sponsored activities, and in any vehicle brought onto school property or to school sponsored activities is prohibited.
- Possession of weapons and the use of weapons on school property (including buses), at school sponsored activities, and in any vehicle brought onto school property or to school sponsored activities is prohibited.
- Walkmans, boom boxes, CD and DVD players, and similar devices are prohibited.
- Playing cards are prohibited.

The items prohibited above are subject to confiscation by school authorities and any student possessing them is subject to the Code of Student Conduct. The school is NOT responsible for confiscated items.

HOMEWORK REQUESTS

A parent may request homework by calling the Guidance Department. A minimum of 24 hours advance notice is needed to obtain homework from teachers. If homework is provided, the student is expected to have it completed and turned in to the teacher upon his or her return to school.

DELIVERIES FOR STUDENTS

Buchholz works very hard to limit disruptions to the instructional environment of our classrooms. We purposely limit announcements and other items to avoid disruptions during instructional time.

While it is understandable that students may occasionally forget to bring items they need for school, we would like to remind you of school rules regarding deliveries for students. If a student has forgotten something and has requested that a parent bring the item to school, that student should check with the front office **between classes or during lunch** to see if the item has arrived, without notification from the office.

If you must bring cash to school for your student, for lunch or any other reason, please be prepared to wait for your student to be called out of class to come to the front office to pick up the money from you, personally. **We cannot accept cash for delivery to students.**

We can accept items only from a parent, guardian, or someone listed on your student's emergency card. There are no exceptions. If parents wish to have grandparents, brothers, sisters, or other family members to be able to make deliveries to students, their names must be listed on the student's emergency card.

As always, there can be no deliveries of flowers, balloons, candy, or other non-school related items during the instructional day.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

BHS and Alachua County Public Schools requires that the administration of all medications on school property (prescription and over-the-counter) must be done by a school employee. The required forms to provide for the routine or occasional administration of medication are available at the BHS Clinic. For more information contact Nurse Jill Tomar in the front office or at 352-955-6702.



OPEN HOUSE FOR PARENTS

We are eager for our parents to feel welcome and at home at BHS! To assist you in meeting our school administrators and teachers, we will be having an Open House on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM. You will follow an abbreviated version of your student's schedule to meet his or her teachers. We hope to see you there!



PARENT SUPPORT

We urge all parents to become active participants at BHS as it enhances the academic success of your student. There are many ways you can become involved. Please feel welcome to visit our campus at any time. You may make arrangements to visit classes or make appointments with any of the staff. The volunteer program, School Advisory Committee, and all academic, athletic, and curricular booster groups would like your support. Please see the volunteer information in this newsletter on page 18 and 19 to see how you can help.

IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION INFORMATION

It is extremely important that parents and the school stay in connection throughout the year. The following is a list of ways that the school attempts to regularly communicate with all parents and guardians:

1. **Quarterly Newsletter** (make sure we have your current address)
2. **Phone-Homes** (make sure we have your correct phone number)
3. **BHS website** (daily announcements given at school through paw press)

Want to know the most current BHS information during the school year? Check www.bhs.sbac.edu Paw Press is updated daily!

IMPORTANT ITEMS TO LOOK FOR ON THE FIRST DAY

Each student will receive a class schedule, school insurance application, locker request form, and an application for free/reduced lunch on the first day of school. Parents, be looking for this important information so the necessary forms can be returned to school as soon as possible.

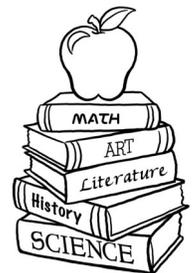
LOCKER REQUESTS



During the first day of school, students will receive an application for a locker in their first period class. The application must be filled out completely and turned in to the Dean's Office. Lockers are assigned through the Dean's Office only. The Dean's Office will then send the locker information back to the student through the first period teacher. Lockers are assigned on a first come, first served basis. Lockers will not be shared. Students are required to provide a lock. The Dean's Office does not maintain a list of combinations or keys and reserves the right to remove locks from lockers. All assigned lockers must be secured with a lock. Students may place locks on their assigned lockers after they receive the information in their first period class. Students shall assume all responsibility for items stored in lockers.

TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks will be issued to students through each of their classes. Once textbooks have been issued, students are responsible for each book until the textbooks are returned to the teachers who issued them. If textbooks are lost, students are financially responsible for those books. No textbooks will be issued until any and all textbook debts have been cleared. Students should take care of their textbooks because they are not easily replaced. Book covers can save money.





COMMENCEMENT PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Seniors and parents need to know that in order to participate in graduation exercises, a student must have successfully completed ALL or ALL BUT 1.0 credit of the required academic credits.



SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures will be taken through English classes. Students must have their pictures taken to appear in the yearbook. This picture may also be used for ID cards. There is no cost for a student to have his/her picture taken. All students will have the option to purchase pictures. The dates of these pictures have not been officially set yet, however they usually take place during the second week of September.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Parents, please determine in advance your student's reason for needing to remain on campus after school and the length of time the activity involves. Doing so allows you to make arrangements for prompt pickup. This is especially important for evening activities, on and off campus. Home varsity football games at Citizen's Field are over at approximately 9:30 PM

TELEPHONE USE

Unless students are sick or there is an emergency, they will not be allowed to use office telephones. A student may be in possession of a cellular telephone at school. The cellular phone should NOT be visible and should NOT be turned on during the following times: while riding a school bus to and from school; during class time (including time while passing in the hallways to the next class); during lunch. Cell phones should not be seen or heard from 8:25 AM to 2:40 PM. Cell phones may be used on campus after the final bell (before entering a school bus) and at school events unless otherwise specified. Phones that create a disruption will be confiscated by school officials and returned to the student's parent or guardian. The School Board of Alachua County is not responsible for cellular phones that are damaged, lost, or stolen.

ATTENTION PARENTS

For your child's protection, BHS policy restricts contact with students to parents/legal guardians and those persons who have been authorized by the parents/legal guardians. "Contact" includes checking a student out of school, asking to speak to a student, or making deliveries of any kind (i.e. homework, gym clothes, etc.). This policy covers all "non-parents" including immediate family (siblings, grandparents, uncles, aunts), as well as friends, neighbors, etc. This policy means only those visitors that have been pre-approved by parents may have contact with students. Non-parents can be approved by listing those names on your child's signed emergency card. If you have any questions, please contact BHS at 955-6702.

HOW TO UPDATE YOUR NEW ADDRESS

Address changes must be done through Zoning at the Kirby Smith Building, 620 East University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601-5498. In order to change or update your address, you will need two (2) proofs of address. Some examples of a proof of address are: a utility bill, a cable bill, or a HOME phone bill (not a cellular phone bill), your mortgage or lease. If you have any question about your address change (update), please contact the Zoning Department at 352-955-7700.

Please note: Simply writing your new address on the emergency card does NOT correct you're address in the school system.



BRIGHT FUTURES COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS REQUIREMENT

"COMMUNITY SERVICE", is defined as altruistic tasks performed with the intent of enhancing the quality of life in the school or the community at large.

High school students may earn credit for graduation through APPROVED community service. Up to one (1) full credit may be earned, 1/2 credit at a time, for each 75 hours of pre-approved community service. Students may earn two one-half credits by completing 150 hours of service. Community service hours may only be applied to either coursework for credit or community service for Florida Bright Futures Scholars Awards, not both. A student who seeks one full credit for graduation and the community service for Florida Bright Futures, must complete 250 hours of approved community service activities. (ACPS policy 2575.01)

Effective August 20, 2012 all service hours must be **PRE-APPROVED** by your guidance counselor.



NCAA – ALL ATHLETES

This is a good time to review the information, register and create your account with the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

On the website you will find a link to information and recourses for prospective student/athlete and parents.

www.ncaa.org

FRESHMAN & SOPHOMORES

This web site for the NCAA is useful future information. Please visit and review your obligations prior to your junior year.

CAFETERIA

The cost of breakfast is \$1.00 and the price for lunch is \$2.40. Reduced prices are \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch. Breakfast and lunch will be served on the first day of school. We have a standard hot lunch, salads, an a la carte menu, and a pizza bar. Vending machines are also available during lunch for snacks and soft drinks. Students approved last year for free and reduced meals in Alachua County will automatically receive meals through September. New forms will be available in the front office. Students may apply for free and reduced meals at any time during the school year should the family's circumstances change.

There are three meal payment options:

1. Daily Payments (cash or check)
2. Prepayment– This option is a courtesy to our customers who wish to pay for breakfast, lunch or a la carte meal in advance preferably by the week or more.
3. Credit Card– This option is available online to customers who want to pay by credit card for a small fee. www.mylunchmoney.com

You may also utilize www.mylunchmoney.com to access and replenish your child's meal account. For more information, contact Leslie Merian at 955-6722.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

We would like to invite all parents to participate in the School Advisory Council meetings. The Council meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the media center. While members have already been chosen for the year, we welcome all parents to attend meetings to observe, provide input, and participate. The first SAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 23rd at 6:00 PM. We hope to see you there!

TRANSPORTATION

BUS SCHEDULES

The Transportation Department will mail out postcards with each student's bus schedule the week before school starts. The schedule includes morning and afternoon bus numbers, pick-up times and locations. Or visit the School Board website on August 13 for your bus stop/route. If you believe that the schedule is in error, you may call the school at 955-6702 between the hours of 7:30 AM and 3:30 PM from August 13-17.



DROP OFF AND PICK-UP AREAS

For the safety of students, do not drop off at the intersection of 55th and 27th Avenue (the front of the school). This policy will help keep traffic jams to a minimum and help us prevent students crossing against traffic. The east parking lot and bus driveway are for the use of faculty and school buses only. Bus movement must not be hindered. These areas are monitored by the Sherriff's Office and you may receive a ticket for dropping off students in these areas. The designed drop off zone is in the front of the gym, along the loop at the top of the hill.

Parents should park in visitor spaces. All numbered spaces are reserved.

CHURCH PARKING

Buchholz students should not be parking in the lot at Northwest Baptist Church (just south of BHS). Students parking there illegally will be towed. The Church of the Nazarene will offer a limited number of parking spaces. Students wishing to park in that area must contact the church office, directly. There is limited parking along the street by the Boys Club.

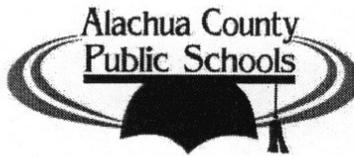


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Dear Alachua County Public School Families:

The past few weeks have certainly reminded all of us of the enormous impact the Internet and other forms of modern communication can have on our lives.

While texting, social networking, and websites such as YouTube can be extremely beneficial, they can also, unfortunately, pose significant risks—particularly for young people. Recent incidents here in Alachua County are proof of that.

Recognizing rapid changes in technology, Alachua County Public Schools is putting in place new policies that address the use of electronic devices in schools and the exchange of information between and among students, teachers, administrators and other staff members through Twitter, Facebook and other means. These policies are designed to allow students and teachers the opportunity to take advantage of technology to promote learning while protecting everyone's safety and wellbeing. The district will also continue to include Internet safety as a part of its curriculum.

Of course, parents, family members and other significant adults in our students' lives have the most important roles to play. I encourage you to talk with your students regularly about the potential pitfalls of texting, social networking, and other forms of communication. Monitor what your children are doing on their computers and cell phones. Remind them that young people are often targeted by predatory adults and that they should contact you or another trusted adult, such as a principal, teacher or guidance counselor, if they receive any message or contact that makes them uneasy. And help them understand that what they may consider private and fleeting communications can quickly become very public—with disastrous consequences.

There are a number of resources available to parents, many of whom may not be as well-versed in this subject as their children! I encourage you to visit our Alachua County Public Schools' media website at www.sbac.edu/~media/internet_safety_information.htm for links to information you may find helpful in discussing this issue with your student.

As always, the safety and wellbeing of our students is our primary concern. With your help we can turn the unfortunate incidents of the last few weeks into 'teachable moments' that will have a positive impact on our young people and our community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dan Boyd, Superintendent
Alachua County Public Schools



Welcome New Assistant Principals



Mr. Randy Scott was born in Waycross, Georgia. He attended Clemson University where he was inducted into the Clemson Football Hall of Fame in 2004. Mr. Scott played for both the San Diego Chargers and the Canadian Football League before settling in

Gainesville. He taught Biology and Anatomy at Gainesville High as well as coached Football and Basketball, At P.K. Yonge Mr. Scott taught Middle School Science as well as coaching before becoming the Assistant Principal. Mr. Scott was the 2003 Florida Teacher of the Year. He is married with 5 children and 9 grandchildren.



Mrs. Melissa Berryman is originally from Miami, Florida. She is married and happily awaiting the arrival of their first child this year. She is a three-time graduate of the University of Florida and a Gator all the way.

She has been teaching in Alachua County for the past seven years. After teaching private school for two years, she taught for county middle schools Ft. Clarke and Westwood. She has taught all grades from 6-12th with a background in English and Math. She is excited to join the Buchholz family and work alongside parents and students to provide the best educational experience for all students.



People to know at BHS

Principal: Vince Perez

Assistant Principals: Melissa Berryman, Valerie Freeman, Randy Scott

Guidance Counselors: Chris Borden, Karen Dishman, Barbara Leytem, Ret Thomas, Mary Welch

Deans: Marc Ellard, Jay Godwin, Pearlie Shelton, Kevin White

Data Base Manager: Jenny Frazer

Student Activities Director: Sharon Skiles

Media Specialists: Cheryl Hurt and Linda Schroeder

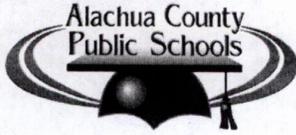
Athletic Directors: Jay Godwin

School Resource Deputies: Deputy Baker-Trueluck and Deputy Adams

Food Service Manager: Leslie Merian

School Secretary: Coni Bryant

Bookkeeper: Nancy Nanke



SCHOOL CALENDAR 2012 - 2013

Monday August 13 - Friday, August 17	Pre-Planning (5 weekdays)
Monday, August 20	First Day for Students
Monday, September 3	Holiday - Labor Day
Tuesday, September 25	Send Interim Reports Home
Tuesday, October 23	End of 1 st Nine Weeks
Friday, October 26	Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday
Monday, November 5	Send Report Cards Home
Friday, November 9	Holiday - UF Homecoming
Wednesday, November 21	Pupil Holiday/Teacher Holiday
Thursday, November 22 - Friday, November 23	Thanksgiving Holidays
Tuesday, December 4	Send Interim Reports Home
Thursday, Dec 20 - Wednesday, Jan 2	Winter Holidays (10 weekdays)
Thursday, January 3	Classes Resume
Monday, January 14	End of First Semester
Tuesday, January 15	Begin Second Semester
Friday, January 18	Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday
Monday, January 21	Holiday - ML King Day
Monday, January 28	Send Report Cards Home
Friday, February 15	Pupil Holiday/Teacher Holiday
Monday, February 18	Holiday - Presidents' Day
Monday, February 25	Send Interim Reports Home
Friday, March 22	End of Third Nine Weeks
Monday, March 25 - Friday, March 29	Spring Holidays (5 weekdays)
Monday, April 1	Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday
Thursday, April 4	Send Report Cards Home
Tuesday, May 7	Send Interim Reports Home
Monday, May 27	Holiday - Memorial Day
Tuesday, June 4	School Out - Last Day for Students
Wednesday, June 5	Post-Planning for Teachers
Thursday, June 6	Post-Planning for Teachers

* These days **MAY** be used to make up days cancelled due to hurricanes or other emergencies.
For the 2012-13 calendar, they will be used in the following order:

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| (1) November 21 | (3) February 15 | (5) June 5 |
| (2) January 18 | (4) April 1 | (6) June 6 |



Important Testing Dates for the 2012-2013 School Year

ACT Test Dates 2012-2013

\$50.50 Fee (Includes Writing Portion)

<http://www.actstudent.org/regist/index.html>

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
September 8, 2012	August 17, 2012
October 27, 2012	September 21, 2012
December 8, 2012	November 2, 2012
February 9, 2013	January 11, 2013
April 13, 2013	March 8, 2013
June 8, 2013	May 3, 2013

SAT Test Dates 2012-2013

\$50 Fee (Includes Writing Portion)

SAT II- subject tests (ranges between \$29-\$49)

(SAT II subject tests are only required by selective colleges for admission and placement)

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/reg.html>

TEST DATE	TEST(S) OFFERED	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
October 6, 2012	SAT & SAT II	September 7, 2012
November 3, 2012	SAT & SAT II	October 19, 2012
December 1, 2012	SAT & SAT II	November 16, 2012
January 26, 2013	SAT & SAT II	December 28, 2012
March 9, 2013	SAT Only	February 8, 2013
May 4, 2013	SAT & SAT II	April 5, 2013
June 1, 2013	SAT & SAT II	May 3, 2013

Students on Free/Reduced Lunch may see a guidance counselor for fee waiver for ACT and SAT testing

PSAT– October 20th, 2012

Buchholz Semester Exams

Fall Exam December 17-19, 2012

Final Exams May 31, June 3-4, 2013

FCAT Testing-

April 8th -19th 11th and 12th grade retakes

April 15th-26th 9th and 10th Grade FCAT Reading

(Districts Select Week)

Florida End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments

April 22nd— May 10th U.S History EOC

April 29th— May 17th Geometry, Biology, Algebra 1 EOC

(Districts Select Week)

Advanced Placement Exams– May 6th-17th



2012- 2013 RESERVED PARKING INFORMATION

There are 242 reserved paved parking spaces and 130 unpaved parking spaces available. Each year the number of BHS students changes. Therefore, each year there is a different challenge to park all students that wish to park on campus. Because of the repainting of our parking lot this summer we did not sell parking decals in June this year. Parking is a privilege, not a right and to gain that privilege students must meet certain requirements and follow certain procedures. Seniors can buy parking decals on a first come first serve basis, starting on August 15th . To be a senior, you must have at least 16 credits. You must have a 2.0 GPA and you must also not have any debts owed to Buchholz High School. So make sure you turn in all books! Something new this year is that dual enrolled students who have a class on BHS campus will be required to purchase a grass decal and the area by the tennis courts to the security trailer will be reserved for dual enrolled students. Cost for a dual enrolled decal will be \$15.

You can pick up forms in the front office or print them from the website. Below are the important dates:

August 15th - Senior Early Bird Day 8:00am – everyone that comes this day gets a paved spot. It takes us about a minute to process each person, so rather than wait in a long line, we pass out numbers at 8:00am and then you are welcome to come back at a time when your number will be up.

August 16th- New Sr. Day- Seniors new to BHS that attend the orientation will be able to purchase a parking permit during the orientation. Students must attend orientation to purchase a decal.

August 21st - Senior Day 2:50 – 4:00 Seniors come to 4-060 to process, purchase and pick up decal

August 22nd - Junior Day 3:00pm – 5:00 pm Come to 4-060 to process and pick up decal. Coaches and Band can give list of students involved in practice to Mrs. Skiles. Participants on the list can turn in forms and \$ during school and then pick up a decal for unpaved parking after practice. Participants wanting a paved spot must stand in line or have a parent or friend select the spot for them. No students can line up before school is out.

If any decals remain after this day, they will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. This past year we did not sell out of decals. If we do sell out of spaces, students may also put their name on a waiting list that will also operate on first come, first serve basis.

Items to Bring: You will not be able to get a decal unless you are off the debt list and have these copies that you can leave with us!

- Photo copy of current registration
- Photo copy of valid Florida Driver's License, and
- Parking space fee - \$50 for paved, \$25 for unpaved, \$15 for Dual Enrolled





Summer Reading List 2012

The following is a list of the required reading for all English students. This reading is mandatory and will be tested the first week of school.. To help ensure your success in these classes, complete the reading before the beginning of school.

9th Grade

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| Eng I- | None required |
| Pre-AP- | <i>Mythology</i> by Edith Hamilton and
<i>The Beggar King and the Secret of Happiness</i> by Joel ben Izzy |
| Honors- | <i>Great Expectations</i> by Charles Dickens |

10th Grade

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| Eng II- | None Required |
| Honors- | <i>The Count of Monte Cristo</i> by Alexander Dumas- Lowell Bair Translation |
| Pre-AP- | <i>1984</i> by George Orwell
<i>The Count of Monte Cristo-</i> by Alexander Dumas Lowell Bair Translation |

11th Grade

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| Eng III FCAT- | <i>The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i> by Frederick Douglass |
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| Honors- | <i>How to Win Friends and Influence People</i> by Dale Carnegie,
<i>The Outliers</i> by Malcolm Gladwell
<i>The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i> by Frederick Douglass |
| AP Eng III- | <i>How to Win Friends and Influence People</i> by Dale Carnegie,
<i>The Outliers</i> by Malcolm Gladwell
<i>The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i> by Frederick Douglass |

12th Grade

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| Eng IV- | <i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> by Robert Louis Stevenson |
| Coll Prep- | <i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> by Robert Louis Stevenson |
| Honors- | <i>East of Eden</i> by John Steinbeck |
| Eng IV AP- | <i>East of Eden</i> by John Steinbeck
<i>Crime and Punishment</i> by Fyodor Dostoevsky |

A.P. Biology Students– All students planning to take A.P. Biology– see assignment on school website



**REMEMBER TO CHECK
WWW.BHS.SBAC.ORG**



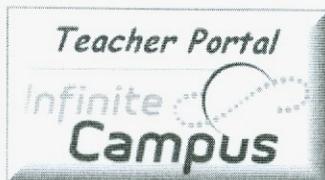
How to Access the Campus Portal *Communication Tool to Parents and Students*

1. Present *a photo ID* at your school Registrar's office to receive an Activation Key (or GUID). Keep this in a safe place and do not share it with anyone. You will only need to enter the GUID once to get started.
2. Use any Internet browser, i.e. Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari.
3. Use the *How to Navigate the Campus Portal* to find out how to access all communication available on the Campus Portal.
4. Go to www.sbac.edu (this is the Alachua County Public Schools home page)

Find the link to the Campus Portal on the ACPS home page and click on the "Infinite Campus" icon.

Rated an 'A' district by the Florida Department of Education

School Calendars ● 2008-09 ● 2009-10	School Funding Alert ● Message from the Superintendent ● Contact State Leaders	Alachua County Health Department Swine Flu Information	Live Web Streaming of Community 12 TV
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For teachers, administrators and staff



For parents

Find the direct link to the Campus Parent Portal and click on it or type in the following url:
<https://campus.sbac.edu/parentportal.jsp>

First time using Campus Portal?

If you have been assigned a Campus Portal Activation Key, [click here](#)
If you do not have an Activation Key, [click here](#)

Already have a Campus Portal account?

User Name

Password

[Log In](#) | [Problems logging in?](#)

To activate your account with your GUID, click on "click here" next to Campus Portal Activation Key and enter the GUID number given to you by your school. Keep your username and password in a safe place.

Once you have created a username and password, you will enter them here to log on.

Please use the following convention when creating your username:
last name, first initial, middle initial, two digits of birth day
Example: Roger Paul Williams born on October 25th, 1960
would have **williamsrp25** as their username.



Academy of Finance Bobcat Branch

Did you know that you can open a Florida Credit Union account at the Bobcat Branch? The Bobcat Branch is a branch of the Florida Credit Union located in the Academy of Finance at Buchholz High School. It is only open to Buchholz students, faculty and staff. The Bobcat Branch is run by the AOF students. The hours of operation are 8:00 – 8:20 and during both lunches.

Benefits include:

- Never go hungry again. You can withdraw money from your account when you forget your lunch money.
- You can access your account when you are at Buchholz or at any other Florida Credit Union branch.
- If you open an account during orientation, all you need is to complete an application and have your social security number. The Florida Credit Union will give you \$25 in your account.
- You only need to maintain a balance of \$5 to keep your account open. There are no fees for inactivity for Bobcat Branch members.
- Throughout the year, the Bobcat Branch offers promotions which include free CatProwl tickets, t-shirts and gift cards.
- You can start learning about Financial Responsibility while in high school to help prepare you for life!



School Sponsored T-shirts on Sale at The Spirit Spot



The Spirit Spot is your one-stop shop for school sponsored t-shirts which meet the school uniform requirements! The Spirit Spot is the Buchholz school store operated by students in the Academy of Entrepreneurship. We carry a wide variety of school-approved t-shirts and hoodies that allow students to show their Bobcat pride. The Spirit Spot carries t-shirts for many of our school sports and clubs, all showing school spirit in a "non-polo" way, and we will be open for your shopping convenience August 14-16 from 9am - 2pm. The Spirit Spot is located in Building 9, right next to the covered bus port on the east side of the campus. We only accept cash and checks, so please keep that in mind.

<p>\$10</p> <p>\$10 off a purchase totaling \$50 or more in store, with this coupon</p>	<h3>Back-to-School Sale</h3> <p>Instant Money!</p> <p>Tues-Thurs Aug.14-16 ONLY!</p> <p><i>Special shopping hours</i> 9am -2 pm <i>each day!</i></p> <p>\$10 or \$15 savings coupon is valid for one-time use on a single purchase of \$50 or \$75 or more respectively, from Tuesday, August 14—Thursday, August 16, 2012. One coupon per customer, must be surrendered at time of purchase. Discount does not apply to: Books, Café items, or Clearance items. Discounts cannot be combined with any other discount coupon. Discount applied to all qualifying items on prorated basis; any refunds will be given in the prorated amount. No Cash Value.</p> <p><small>The Spirit Spot is a school-based enterprise located in the Academy of Entrepreneurship at Buchholz High School. It is operated by students, and proceeds are used to fund Academy activities including field trips, leadership conferences, state and international competitions, scholarships, and service projects.</small></p>	<p>\$15</p> <p>\$15 off a purchase totaling \$75 or more in store, with this coupon</p>
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School Uniform Policy

You are required to wear a school uniform at all times while attending school or any school-sponsored activity during the school day.

A. Basic Uniforms

Girls: The basic uniform for girls is a long or short-sleeved solid colored collared blouse or polo shirt with plain solid colored skirt, pants, walking shorts, jumpers, or skorts of corduroy, cotton, twill, or denim fabric. Jeans need to be solid color, without color trims, embroidery, or other decorations. Dresses may be worn but must be solid color with short or long sleeves and follow the other requirements of this policy.

Boys: The basic uniform for boys is a long or short-sleeved, solid color collared shirt, such as a polo, oxford, or dress, with plain solid color pants or walking shorts of corduroy, cotton, twill, or denim fabric. Jeans need to be solid color, without color trims, embroidery, or other decorations.

Clothing must be the appropriate size for you, not be oversized or undersized. The waist of the garment shall be worn so that the waistband is worn at the waist and not below the waist. You may not wear baggy/saggy pants.

Shirts/blouses/dresses must cover midriff, back, and sides at all times; should be fastened with no visible cleavage or undergarments; and may have a small manufacturer's logo.

Shorts/Skirts/Jumpers/Skorts/dresses shall be worn no shorter than "mid thigh." Mid thigh is determined by extending the arms to the sides of the body and finding the tip of the longest finger (using normal posture).

B. Alternatives

In addition to the above basic uniform, the principal may designate:

1. Collared shirts with a school logo;
2. School-sponsored T-shirts with a crew neck; and
3. More restrictive dress code requirements, if approved by the school's SAC.

Each school will provide students/parents with a copy of the school's dress code.



C. Exceptions

If you enter the Alachua County Public School system after the start of the school year, you will have a grace period of ten (10) school days before being required to wear the school uniform.

You may wear special clothing necessary for a school-sponsored activity, as permitted by the principal.

If you are enrolled in a career academy, you may wear the uniform of that program.

The Superintendent, in consultation with the principal, may waive the school uniform policy on a case-by-case basis for reasons such as, but not limited to, medical necessity or sincerely held religious belief.

*Check out the Spirit Spot
for your BHS spirit shirts*



- D. Shoes must be safe and appropriate. You may not wear bedroom slippers or shoes with wheels. A manufacturer's logo/image is acceptable. Elementary only, you must wear shoes that are closed toe and closed heel and/or athletic shoes; you may not wear platforms, sandals, flip flops, crocs or jellies.
- E. Outer Garments
You may wear coats, jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters, or other appropriate outer garments when necessary due to weather conditions or for other legitimate reasons. The outer garments must be of the appropriate size for you and shall not be overly baggy or violate any other provisions of the dress code.

You may not wear

- A. Clothing that is not properly fastened;
- B. Clothing that is torn, has holes, or pants that are frayed;
- C. Athletic shorts, cut-off pants, short-shorts, or running shorts;
- D. Visible undergarments, sleepwear or outer garments traditionally designed as undergarments such as boxer shorts, or bras;
- E. Outer garments or accessories (such as backpacks, jewelry, and purses) which have slogans, signs, images, or symbols that:
- promote drugs, alcohol, tobacco, gang identification, weapons, or lewd sexual behavior or
 - denigrate or promote discrimination for or against an individual or group on the basis of age, color, disability, national origin, sexual orientation, race, religion or gender.
- A manufacturer's logo/image is acceptable;
- F. Hats, headgear, or other head coverings, except when approved by the principal/designee;
- G. Body piercings, except for earrings on the ears. All other body piercing jewelry must be removed or concealed;
- H. Jewelry or accessories that may be used as weapons, such as chains, spiked jewelry or arm bands;
- I. Combs, curlers, or hair picks; or
- J. Sunglasses inside the school building.



Discipline

The principal or designee has the authority to decide if your clothing complies with Board policy.

If the principal determines that your clothing does not comply with Board policy, your parent/guardian may be asked to bring an appropriate change of clothes to school, or you may be asked to leave an after-school activity. You may also receive a disciplinary consequence for violating the school's dress code policy. Repeated violations may result in progressively more serious consequences.

You may appeal the principal's decision through the Student Grievance Procedure in Policy 5710, Student Grievances.



PTSA

Welcome New Parents and Students to the 2012-2013 School Year.

We are proud at Buchholz High School to have the only PTA (at high school it is called PTSA) left in the country at the high school level.

BHS PTSA, Florida PTA and the National PTA Mission: The mission of the PTSA is threefold: A powerful voice for all children; A relevant source for families and communities, and A strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child.

BHS PTSA, Florida PTA and National PTA Objectives: To promote the welfare of children and youth at Home, School, Community and Place of Worship; to raise the standards of home life; to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth; to develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.

WHAT BHS PTSA DOES AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL: Our roles differ at the high school level only slightly, but the good news is that we don't do fundraisers. We rely solely on donations because so many of the activities at the high school level have their own fundraisers.

THINGS WE DO: The PTSA Academic Enhancement Committee helps recognize and honor students who achieve academic excellence in all classes. Typically October and May are the busiest months for this committee. In October we will have a **Straight "A" Breakfast** honoring students who achieved straight semester "A"s for the previous school year. At that celebration we will also honor the National Merit Scholars for the last year. Then in the spring, usually May, we have **Senior Class Award Night** and **Underclass Award Night**. This is where we honor the Top 10% of each class, Subject Awards, and Community Awards. Also we have Ice Cream Socials during lunch each nine weeks for those students who are on the **honor roll** and are on the **3.0 list**. We try every way we can to honor as many students as possible.

The Teacher/Staff Appreciation Committee is much like the middle and elementary. Twice a year we honor out teachers and staff with a lunch. We have our **Winter Celebration** in December and our **Spring Celebration** in April.

The Membership Committee functions also like the middle and elementary school. We ask for members to join PTSA to help with our mission. If you cannot volunteer we ask that you still join to show your support. IN this newsletter is a membership application, we would love to have you join. We especially encourage our Seniors at BHS to join because we offer the opportunity of a \$100 scholarship to our Senior members.

Programs are very important at the high school level. We always have three programs: SENIOR NIGHT, FINANCIAL AID, and THE ROAD TO COLLEGE. On Senior Night, the guidance counselor's talk about college applications and things needed for the graduation seniors. The Financial Aid workshop is designed to answer as many questions as possible about help for college, like Bright Futures. Finally The Road to College is designed to help the underclass understand what they need to do for college/technical school entry.

One of the unique committee's we have at BHS is the "We Notice". When a student appears in the paper or local media for any reason, they receive a copy of the article and a note of congratulations from us.

Heart to Heart is our committee that helps our students who are in need of assistance.

VOLUNTEERS- It goes without saying that volunteers in all these areas are needed, and not only that, there are many other volunteer opportunities. Look in the newsletter for many other opportunities. Please do not think that because your student is in high school that you are not needed. **WE NEED YOU MORE NOW** and so does your student.

Cecy Arnold- President

Kim Anderson- Vice President, Membership

Lisa Duncanson- Vice President, Academic Enhancement

Christine Fleming- Vice President, Academic Enhancement

Theresa Grant- Treasurer

Tina Kaercher- Secretary



Partner with the PTSA in 2012-2013 Membership Form Buchholz High School Parent, Teacher, and Student Association

Name of Member	Parent	Student	Faculty	Staff	Other
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Parents, please provide student(s) name and grade:

Student Name _____ Grade _____ Student Name _____ Grade _____

Address: _____

City/Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

DUES PAID:	Amount Enclosed
Individual Member (\$8.00 per member)	_____
Bobcat Level (Includes 2 members - \$32)	_____
Gold Level (Includes 4 members - \$60)	_____
Faculty Member (\$8.00 per member)	_____
Student Member (\$8.00 per member)	_____
(Senior members are eligible for PTSA Scholarships)	_____

DONATIONS PAID:

Please consider a donation to assist the following committees:

Academic Enhancement	_____
Faculty and Staff Appreciation	_____
Hospitality, including student programs	_____
Heart to Heart committee	_____
Senior Scholarship Fund	_____
Unspecified	_____

TOTAL PAID: (Please make checks payable to BHS PTSA) _____

Please mail Membership
Form and check to:

Buchholz High School PTSA
Membership Committee
5510 NW 27th Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32606

Or bring to the BHS front office. Questions: Please email Kim Anderson at kander9383@aol.com



Buchholz Volunteer News

Welcome to all new and returning BHS families and friends! We would like to encourage all adults to get involved at Buchholz by volunteering!

Please fill out the Buchholz Volunteer Interest Form found in this newsletter and send it to school. Also, before you can volunteer, you will need to submit an Alachua County School Board "Application to Volunteer" form. You can find this form in the school office, or online at <http://www.sbac.edu/~volprog/volsbacforms.htm>. (If you use the form online, please print two copies of the application and send both to school.) You need to fill out a volunteer application for each SBAC school where you would like to volunteer. One of the benefits of filling out the volunteer application is you will be added to the volunteer email list and you will occasionally receive emails about volunteer opportunities at the school.

If you come to Buchholz to volunteer during the school day, you must stop in the front office to sign in when you arrive and sign out when you leave. New volunteers must bring their driver's license or state issued picture ID with them the first time they come to volunteer. We have an electronic sign-in system that helps keep track of who is on campus at all times. The system also helps us keep track of the volunteer hours given in service to the school.

Speaking of keeping track of volunteer hours, all booster clubs should keep track of the number of volunteer hours donated by people involved with their organization. You can do this in two ways: email us with an estimate of hours volunteered for your club, or have your volunteers keep track of their volunteer hours on a School Volunteer Program "Volunteer Services Record". You can pick up a copy of this form in the front office or I can email you a copy of this form to distribute to volunteers. (See email address below.) Also, a reminder for all booster clubs, any volunteer participating in activities for your club, including driving to games or events, helping at games or events, contributing in some way, etc., must have a volunteer application on file. This includes volunteer coaches.

We have a wide range of volunteer opportunities available for you. Some are weekly, but there are many opportunities to help occasionally when it fits your schedule. Get involved at your child's school. Not only will you enrich our students' lives, but you will also really enjoy it!

Laura Clark and Kathy Wheeler
Buchholz High School Volunteer Coordinators
Call: 955-6702
Email: volunteeratbuchholz@gmail.com



BUCHHOLZ HIGH SCHOOL

2012-2013 School Year

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST ALSO COMPLETE A VOLUNTEER APPLICATION (available in front office or at: <http://www.sbac.edu/~volprog/volsbacforms.htm>)

I am available to help on: (circle all that apply)

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Approximate time available: _____

Do you have children in elementary ___ or in middle ___ school that you take or pick up? _____

_____ ***I can make a weekly commitment to help on a regular basis with:***

- _____ Front office (*answer phone, greet/direct visitors, etc.*)
 - _____ Attendance office (*answer phone, assist with recording activity*)
 - _____ Guidance office (*answer phone, greet visitors*)
 - _____ Media Center (*shelve books, clerical work, assist students*)
 - _____ Clinic (*certified medical only*)
 - _____ Student Tutoring Subject area _____
- (Each of these areas is supervised by BHS staff members. Orientation will be scheduled as needed.)

_____ ***I can volunteer occasionally:***

- _____ as an assistant in guidance for special projects/test preparation
- _____ AP exam proctor (in May)
- _____ assisting in classroom
- _____ prepare materials for teachers
- _____ special programs/events during the school day
- _____ in the media center for special projects

_____ ***I can help with PTSA sponsored events:***

- _____ academic recognition (*ice cream social, awards program, etc..*)
- _____ staff recognition (*teacher appreciation, holiday event*)
- _____ open house/orientation/information nights (*set-up/clean up/serve refreshments*)
- _____ interested in serving on PTSA Executive Board

_____ ***I cannot come to school but would like to help. Please contact me.***

Name: _____

Address/City/Zip: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____

Preferred method of contact:

Home phone Work phone Cell phone E-mail

Student(s) name/grade: _____

For more information or questions regarding volunteer opportunities at BHS, please contact Laura Clark, or Kathy Wheeler, 2012-2013 BHS Volunteer Coordinators.

Phone: 955-6702 (school)

E-mail: volunteeratbuchholz@gmail.com

Please return this form to the school office.



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Students attend: 8:25am to 2:40pm



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Sports Contacts

Fall Sports

Football– Coach Whittemore
Volleyball– Coach Dee
Cross Country– Coach Norris
Swimming– Coach Bostick
Boy's Golf- Coach Tribby
Girl's Golf– Coach Ellard

Winter Sports

Boy's Basketball– Coach Horodyski
Girl's Basketball– Coach Williams
Boy's Soccer- Coach Aulick
Girl's Soccer– Coach Sasvari
Wrestling– Coach Pankey
Weightlifting- Coach Brooks

Spring Sports

Baseball– Coach Brooks
Softball- Coach Monaghan
Track– Coach Norris
Boys Lacrosse– Coach Reynolds
Girls Lacrosse- Coach Millinoff
Boys Tennis– Coach Johnston
Girls Tennis– Coach Cribb

Athletic Director– Jay Godwin

