



Bobcat Pride

Buchholz High School
Gainesville, FL

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May/June 2013

SIEMEN AWARD WINNERS

For the sixth straight year, students from Buchholz High School have been named winners of the prestigious math and science award sponsored nationally by the Siemens Foundation. This year we have both the male and female Florida Siemen Award winners. Congratulations Keshav Vemuri and Jennifer Li.

The annual award honors up to 100 of America's top performers in Advanced Placement (AP) science and math courses. The College Board, which coordinates the AP Program, selects one male and one female student from each state based on the number of AP courses and tests they take and their success in the program.



MATH TEAM

Buchholz High School's math team, which is currently the reigning national champion, has just won its ninth straight state championship, setting a new record for consecutive wins in Florida.

The win qualifies the team to compete for its seventh straight national championship.

GOOD LUCK BOBCATS!!



Seniors

Final Transcripts may now be ordered. If you have not ordered any other transcripts this year the total cost is \$2.00. Those of you who ordered other transcripts earlier in the year will have a balance due in addition to the Final Transcript cost. Forms will be passed out in your 1st period class on Thursday, May 9th. Please stop by to see Ms. Solis in the Guidance Office to place your Final Transcript order and pay your balance (CASH only, please.)

BHS Summer Hours

Beginning Monday, June 10, 2013, Buchholz High School will begin summer hours of operation. The school will be open 7:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Thursday and closed on Fridays. (Exception: The office will be closed Thursday July 4 and Friday July 5.) Buchholz will return to its regular office schedule on Monday, August 12, 2013.

Summer CROP

For Students in grades 9-11 that are currently behind on credits:

The summer session of CROP will be offered from June 10-July 16, Monday-Thursday. Classes will not be held on Thursday, July 4th. The hours will be from 9:00 - 12:00. Please stop by the Guidance Reception area to pick up a copy of the summer school letter and return it to guidance to reserve your space for the summer. Breakfast and Lunch will be available for students enrolled in an extended year summer program. The cost will be based upon your 2012-2013 lunch status. School Bus Transportation will not be provided for CROP. There will be a limited number of RTS bus passes provided for students that are on free/reduced lunch. Please contact Mrs. Freeman to request a RTS bus pass.

Important Dates

Tues, May 7	Interim Reports Home
Sat, May 18	Prom
May 20-23	Senior exams
Tues, May 21	Underclass Awards
Thurs, May 23	Senior Awards
Mon, May 27	Holiday - Memorial Day
Wed, May 29	Cap & Gown pick up
Fri, May 31	Class of 2013 Graduation
May 31- June 4	Underclassman Exams
Tues, June 4	Last Day for Students



Guidance Notes

2013-2014 COURSE REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2013-2014 school year began in April, with middle school teachers talking with their students about possible course selections, and ends in May, with final registration for all students. It is critical that parents be involved with their students in this process. Decisions made will have far-reaching effects, and it is important that parents and students give careful consideration to the choices available.

Registration for students at Buchholz is a two-step process. Each student receives a Program of Studies (which is also available on the BHS Guidance website). In the spring, Buchholz teachers register students for English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies classes as well as selected electives. Registration for these classes is based on teacher recommendations.

In mid-March, students registered for their remaining courses. Buchholz has made a commitment to resolve all conflicts prior to the opening of school in August. To facilitate this process, students should have selected two year-long alternate courses (or the equivalent) at the time of registration. If the use of an alternate course resolves a scheduling conflict, the alternate is added to a student's schedule. This process makes the selection of alternate courses extremely important, since they may actually be used. If a student has a serious conflict, contact is made during the summer to ask for other choices, provided the school has a current phone number.

If parents and students wish to override a teacher's recommendation in the areas of English, Mathematics, Science, or Social Studies, parents should seek a waiver from the Assistant Principal for Curriculum. **The window of time for processing waivers is from May 31 through June 27.** All other requests for changes in course selections may also be made at this time through the guidance office. However, it is important to note that after June 27, 2013 no requests for a change may be made. Since the district requires completion of the master schedule very early, the deadline for changes is firm.

When school starts in August, the only student/parent generated requests for change permitted are the following: 1) the student has already received credit for the course in which he/she is enrolled, 2) the student needs a credit in a course in order to meet graduation requirements (applies to seniors only) or 3) the student needs a course in order to meet the requirements of a state scholarship program such as Bright Futures (applies to seniors only).

Florida End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments

The Florida EOC Assessments are part of Florida's Next Generation Strategic Plan for the purpose of increasing student achievement and improving college and career readiness. EOCs will be computer-based, criterion-referenced assessments that measure the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards for specific high-school level courses, as outlined in the course description. For more information visit <http://fcats.fldoe.org/eoc/>

U.S. History April 29-May 3

9th-11th graders 30% of grade

Biology May 6-10

9th & 10th graders 30% of grade

Algebra 1 May 13-17

9th & 10th graders must score 3 or higher to get credit

11th graders 30% of grade

Geometry May 20-24

9th graders must score a 3 or higher to get credit

10th graders 30% of grade

Online Course requirement

Students who entered ninth grade in 2011-2012 (class of 2015) and after must complete at least one course through online learning. This requirement can be met using Alachua eSchool or Florida Virtual School.

One course means the entire course. If the course consists of 2 semesters you must complete both semesters. You may choose a 1 semester course to satisfy your requirement (ie Driver's Ed, Life Management Skills).



SENIOR FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Monday, May 20

Science, English, and Foreign Language

Tuesday, May 21

Math, Social Studies, and Electives

Wednesday, May 22

Science, English, and Foreign Language

Thursday, May 23

Math, Social Studies, and Electives

UNDERCLASSMAN FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Friday, May 31 Periods 1 and 6

Monday, June 3 Periods 2 and 5

Tuesday, June 4 Periods 3 and 4

**School ends
at 1:05 during
Underclassman
final exams**



ACT Test Dates 2013-2014

\$50.50 Fee (Includes Writing Portion)

\$35 Fee (Without Writing Portion)

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

TEST DATE

June 8, 2013
September 21, 2013
October 26, 2013
December 14, 2013
February 8, 2014
April 12, 2014
June 14, 2014

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

May 3, 2013
August 23, 2013
September 27, 2013
November 8, 2013
January 10, 2014
March 7, 2014
May 9, 2014

SAT Test Dates 2013-2014

\$50 Fee (Includes Writing Portion)

SAT II- subject tests (\$22 plus \$11-\$22 per test)

(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

June 1, 2013
October 6, 2013
November 3, 2013
December 1, 2013
January 25, 2014
March 8, 2014 (*SAT only)
May 3, 2014
June 7, 2014

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

May 2, 2013
August 28, 2013
September 25, 2013
October 23, 2013
December 27, 2013
February 7, 2014
April 4, 2014
May 9, 2014

Students on Free/Reduced Lunch may see guidance counselor for fee waiver

Academic Enhancement Mark your calendars!

The Underclass Awards night will be held on Tuesday, May 21st at 7:00 PM in the BHS Auditorium. We will be recognizing those students in the Top 10% of the Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes. Teachers will also be recognizing students with Subject Area Awards. All students being recognized will receive an invitation in the mail from the PTSA. Refreshments will be served afterward in the Mall area.

The Senior Awards night will be held on Thursday, May 23rd at 7:00 PM in the BHS Auditorium. Seniors being recognized include those in the Top 10%, Presidential Award winners, and Subject Area Awards winners. Several community organizations will also be there presenting awards and scholarships. All students being recognized will receive an invitation in the mail from the PTSA. Refreshments will be served afterward in the Mall area.



2013- 2014 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. 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 14th . 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 14th - Senior Early Bird Day 8:00am—11:00am— 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 come up.

August 15th- 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 20th - Senior Day 2:50 – 4:00 Seniors come to purchase and pick up decal

August 21st - Junior Day 3:00pm – 5:00 pm Coaches and Band can give a list of students involved in practice to Ms. Journey. 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



Make checks payable to Buchholz High School



Buchholz High School Summer Reading Requirements 2013

English I

No assigned reading

English I Honors and English I Pre-AP

Mythology by Edith Hamilton and
The Beggar King and the Secret of Happiness by Joel ben Izzy

English II

No assigned reading

English II Honors and English II Pre-AP

The Count of Monte Cristo Lowell Bair Translation by Alexander Dumas

English III and English III-FCAT

The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass*

English III Honors

The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass* and
The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck

English III AP

The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass*,
How to Win Friends and Influence People by Dale Carnegie, and
The Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell

English IV

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

English IV Honors

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe and *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens

English IV AP

Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoyevsky and
East of Eden by John Steinbeck

*Students are to complete the study guide by the first day of the 2013-2014 school term.
The study guide may be found on the Buchholz High School web site.

MOVING OVER THE SUMMER?

In order to change or update your address, you will need two (2) proofs of address. Some examples of a proof of address are: lease, mortgage, a utility bill, a cable bill, or a HOME phone bill (not a cellular phone bill). 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 your address in the school system.



REPORT CARDS AND FCAT SCORES

The students' final report card and FCAT scores will be available for pick up at the Front Office after the end of school. The precise dates of availability were not known at the time of this newsletter publication. We will update the front page of the BHS website as soon as they are ready. buchholz.sbac.edu



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PTSA rewarded A/B Honor Roll Students with an Ice Cream Social held April 5th with over 300 students served. Next social will be in the Fall to recognize spring semester honor roll recipients.

Thank you, Buchholz Volunteers, for an Amazing Year!

As always, our volunteers are the best! At the start of next school year, please be sure to fill out a new volunteer application so we can stay in touch with you about volunteer opportunities for next year.

Please send a record of volunteer time donated for your booster club or organization. One person from each group can send an email with a summary of hours to volunteeratbuchholz@gmail.com. Are you interested in volunteering once a week in guidance, attendance or the front office? Let us know and we will tell you what times are available. Also, a special thank you goes out to the volunteers who have made a weekly commitment to volunteer for years in one of the front offices, but will not be returning next year since their children are graduating or they have other pursuits. Thank you Susan Stinson, Rhonda Roughton, Liza Daaka, Angela Cornell, Denise Reed and Angela Foote. You will be missed! Thank you, Anne Metz, for returning next year even though your student is graduating!

Kathy Wheeler and Laura Clark
Volunteer co-coordinators, Buchholz High School

From the Nurse

Reminder:
The School Board of Alachua County procedures require that medications be brought to school and picked up at school by parents or guardians only. they cannot be sent home in a student's backpack or given to the student by hand to take home.

Medications that have not been picked up at the end of the school year will be disposed of by the clinic staff.

If you have any questions, please call me at school.

Thanks,
Jill Tomar, BSN, RN

A Special Thank You

You might have noticed a few new bushes in the mall area. There is a red one and a white one. These bushes and many others, located in portable land behind the cafeteria, were donated by local nurseryman Jim Fleming. Mr. Fleming owns Tropic Traditions wholesale nursery located on Newberry Road west of Jonesville. His generosity has enriched our campus by adding beauty to our surroundings. He has never asked for any recognition, but he deserves our gratitude for selflessly making our world a little brighter. Thank you Jim Fleming.

PTSA Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who took time out of their busy to schedule to bake, cook, donate, or volunteer for the **PTSA Appreciation Luncheon**. Your work made the event very special for Buchholz Teachers & Staff! We received many grateful thank you notes and emails so I pass this along to everyone who helped, **"Thank You!"** We will do this again next year!

In addition to our wonderful parents, some local businesses provided gifts and gift certificates for our teachers & staff. Please remember these businesses that supported our school, when you do your shopping.

Thank you to:

- Book Gallery West**
- Gator Domino's**
- Dr. David Clark/UF Environmental Horticulture**
- Gifts of Avalon**
- Floating Lotus Spa**
- Heavenly Ham**
- Fluorotech**
- Pomodoro Café**
- Flying Biscuit Café**
- Publix Supermarket**
- Gainesville Health and Fitness**

Willy's Mexicana Grill

We have to give an extra thanks to **Willy's Mexicana Grill** who not only donated 20 gift cards and a 20 person taco bar to reward our teachers, they also donated enough queso, salsa and chips to serve everyone at the luncheon. Mucho Gracias!



404-422-7107
catering@willys.com
www.willys.com



Class of 2013 Graduation

The Graduation Ceremony for the Buchholz High School Class of 2013 will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday May 31st, in the O'Connell Center at the University of Florida. The ceremony will last approximately an hour and a half. There is ample seating; therefore the doors for admission will open only one hour before the ceremony. Security personnel will check all bags. Signs, noise makers, balloons and other disruptive materials should not be brought to the ceremony and will be confiscated by the O'Connell Center staff.

Buchholz High School has established a tradition of dignity and honor at these formal ceremonies. Students and parents as well as other guests have waited many years to celebrate the accomplishment of high school graduation. Each graduate deserves his or her share of the spotlight. We encourage enthusiastic applause, but we **urge the audience to refrain from the kind of cheering or noisemaking** that could keep some names from being heard. Because this event is an official function of the School Board of Alachua County, it is subject to all the rules and policies of the Board.

Expectation for rehearsal and dress will be explained in detail to the seniors at the Senior Breakfast on May 24th. All debts and other school obligations must be settled before graduation. Cap and Gown pickup will be Wed May 29th at 1:45. As long as there is no debt, caps and gowns may be picked up by parents, friends or other family members.

Uniform Donation Drive

Will you be so happy to get rid of all those polo shirts and never wear them again? Well, do something good with them - pass them on. It's a great way to reduce, reuse, recycle... and help out your fellow students! Polo shirts and/or other BHS-approved shirts in good condition can be donated on May 24th at the breakfast or anytime in the Dean's office.

SENIOR CALENDAR

- May 6th-17th.....**AP Exams** (Church of the Nazarene)
- May 10th- 21st.. **Senior Picnic permission slips** available in the front office.
- May 18th.....**Prom** 8:00 – Midnight
- May 23rd**Class Night Awards** 7pm BHS Auditorium. All seniors and the... invited
- May 24th**Senior Breakfast and Senior Picnic** – 1st – 6th period, lunch, busses and admission free, paid from Class of 2013. Students check in with their 1st period teacher and then released to the breakfast. Students must ride busses – **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- May 20th – 23rd .**Senior Exams** and Senior Week – All Books need to be turned in and debts paid off.
- May 29th**Cap and Gown Pick up** 1:45 at BHS Auditorium. You cannot pick up cap and gown until all debts are paid - Cash only.
- May 31st**Graduation rehearsal** at 10:30am O'Connell Center
- May 31st**GRADUATION** 7:00pm. Graduates need to be there at 6:00pm



Ticket Sales are generally held during lunch at the event window
 SFCC Dual Enrolled students may come on campus to purchase tickets, get or turn in permission slips, request transcripts, etc any school day those ticket sales are occurring **ONLY DURING THESE HOURS** 7:30am – 8:00am and 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm. Come to room 4066 in order to purchase tickets at these times.



Buchholz High School

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Gainesville, Florida 32606

Phone: 352-955-6702
Fax: 352-955-7285

School hours: 7:00am to 3:30pm

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



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BOBCAT ATHLETICS

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Track– State qualifiers Girls: Kadeejah Danzy (triple jump, 100 hurdles, 4x100 relay); Kiana Davis (4x100 relay); Ul'Ondr Johnson (400, 4x100 relay); Jazlynd Rollins (4x100 relay); Kylla Williams (4x100 relay) Boys: Michael Tillman (long jump)

Girl's Lacrosse– 13-5 District Runner-up

Boy's Lacrosse– 8-8 District Runner-up

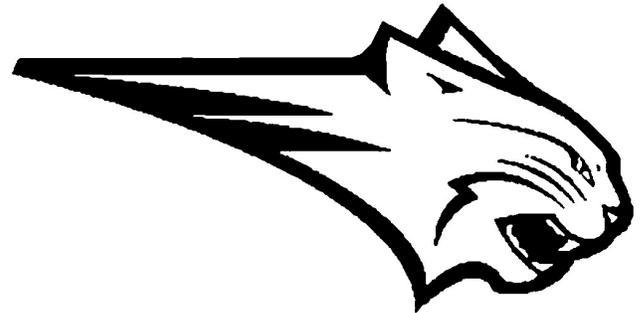
Girl's Tennis– Undefeated District Champions

Boy's Tennis– 5-5

Baseball– 16-10

Softball– 13-13

Boys Weightlifting– State Champion
Jason Roughton



Bobcat Football

Good Luck Football team and
Coach Whittemore
Come out and support your bobcats at the
Spring Football game
Friday May 24th 7:00 at Citizens Field

