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Principal's Message

Greetings Panthers,

As the proud principal of Dillard High Schools 6-12, it is my honor to welcome you back to another academically rigorous and intellectually challenging school year. The teachers and staff are firmly committed to providing a safe learning environment where students are empowered to engage in the learning process through creativity, innovation, critical thinking, and problem solving. We have a variety of clubs, organizations, and activities that help support and expand upon the work that is done in the classroom.

As we prepare students for academic success, we also want to ensure that they are not only college and career ready, but are equipped with the skills necessary to meet the demands of the 21st century and be productive members of society who make positive contributions to the world.

Our performing arts and technology programs are among the best in the nation. Dillard alumni have made countless contributions to society in the areas of performing arts, athletics, civic engagement, and much more. We hold all Dillard High 6-12 students to the same high standards of excellence and expectations.

With your support and engagement, we all look forward to a year of collaboration where together we can motivate, empower, and develop students into independent learners who take ownership and responsibility for their own learning.

Together we make great things happen.

Sincerely,

Casandra D. Robinson, Principal

Dillard High 6-12 Alma Mater

We fling thy standard on the air, Dillard High, my Dillard High.
The gray and blue so pure to flair, Dillard High, my Dillard High.
We'll keep it poudly floating there An emblem of they watchful care And for thy sake we'll do and dare Dillard High, my Dillard High.

Our loyalty we now proclaim
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Our hearts are glowing with its flame
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
O, may we live to guard from shame
The purity of Dillard's name,
And all they virtues wide proclaim,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.

O Alma Mater, strong and free
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Thy loyal sons we'll ever be
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
May our young hearts inspired be thee
Beat warmly for humanity
And in defeat or victory
Be true to thee, my Dillard High



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IMPOSJANATION

SCHOOL HOURS 7:40 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.

- The bell rings 7:33 a.m. daily
- Classes will begin promptly at 7:40 a.m. each morning
- Arriving on time is crucial to student academic success
- Drop off and pick up on 11th street ONLY

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Dillard will continue to operate on a 4x4 A/B Schedule

- Students will attend four classes per day (one personalization period).
- Each class will be 90 minutes in length and will meet every other day
- ½ credit in each class may be earned every semester.
- High school credits are earned every 18 weeks...
- High school students can earn 7 credits in a year.

*Open House*September 17, 2019 6:00p.m.

- All parents are encouraged to attend our annual Open House Program on Tuesday, Sept. 17th at 6:00 p.m.
- This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and hear about the innovative academic programs offered at Dillard High 6-12.
- Join SAC/SAF
- Sign up for a parent-teacher conference to discuss your child's specific needs.

Department Spotlight Guidance & Counseling

Guidance and counseling service are available for all of our Dillard High 6-12 students. The services provided by our guidance include, but are not limited to, educational information and planning, academic placement, test score interpretation, as well as personal/social counseling.

GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Guidance Director - Maryland D. Hankerson-Patterson 9TH & 6TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Marsha Monroe 10th & 7TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Miriam McKenzie 11th & 8TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Antonia Williams 12TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Cynthia McDonald BRACE Advisor - Jimmy Witherspoon

SUPPORT STAFF

ESE Specialist - Dr. Jim Cooney
ESE Counselor - Lauren Schwartz
Social Worker - Thomas Johnson
Family Counselor - Sharon Forde-Marshall
School Psychologist - Jacqueline Bell



Cooperation

Cooperation is working with others to accomplsh a common purpose.

Notes and Reminders:

- Choose Peace/Stop Violence Week: September 20-27, 2019
- Broward College Dual Enrollment: The deadline to turn in paperwork to DHS Counseling office for Broward College Spring Term 2020 is September 27th.
- Middle School Duke TIP Program: Go to the link below or you may contact your child's guidance counselor. https://bit.ly/2ITEkud





...more from the Guidance Department

Active Parenting of Teens

(For Parents of Children ages 12-18)

This six-session Active Parenting of Teens series will provide parents with guidance and support to transform the challenges of raising a teenager into opportunities for growth. Participants will learn:

- Styles of parenting
- · Positive skills for clear, honest communication
- Respectful basic and advanced discipline techniques to teach your child to make better choices resulting in appropriate behavior
- Using the Think-Feel-Do Cycle to intervene and build self-esteem
- Concrete strategies to prevent risky behavior and help your child resist peer pressure
- · Problem solving methods including using family meetings and the FLAC method
- 5 goals of teen behavior
- Decreasing power struggles
- Handling anger

Learn to become an encouraging parent and much more; including important issues such as teens online, bullying, alcohol and other drugs, sexuality and depression. Join us at the next session and see the difference ... as you make positive and realistic changes in your family's daily routine to gain greater happiness in your home! (Parent Guides provided to participants at no cost)

Dates 2019: September 18, 25 and October 2, 8, 16 and 23 (All dates are Wednesdays, except 10/8 which falls on a Tuesday)

Time: From 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Location: Millennium 6-12 Collegiate Academy, Media Center (unless otherwise specified at the entrance)

5803 NW 94th Ave, Tamarac, FL 33321 (off the Sawgrass and Commercial

Blvd)

Presenter: Emily Gonzalez-Abreu, ESLS Counselor, Certified Active Parenting Leader, Broward

County Public Schools

No Registration Required! For more information, contact Carol Beitler, FDLRS Program Specialist at

754-321-3400 or carol.beitler@browardschools.com

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The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources Systems is funded by the State of Florida, Department of Education, Division of Public Schools, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services, through federal assistance under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part 8, IDEA Part 8, Preschool; and State General Revenue funds:





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DILLARD HIGH 6-12 DETENTION PROGRAM

After School Detention

Mondays/Wednesdays ONLY

Cafeteria - 2:50 p.m. -3:50 p.m.

Saturday Detention

BEGINS Saturday, October 5th

Designated Saturdays Only Cafeteria - 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

SAT & Pert Prep

BEGINS Saturday, October 5th

Cafeteria - 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Credit Recovery

Monday - Thursday

YMCA forms are located in Student Affairs

Interim Reports Issued September 13, 2019

- Interim reports will notify parents of concerns regarding academic or behavioral performance. Interim reports are sent home midway through each quarter. It is important that interim reports are signed by parents and returned promptly to the teacher.
- Report cards inform parents of the students academic progress for the entire semester. Student receive a report card at the end of each nine week period.
- The first quarter report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, November 13, 2019.

Cademic Information

GRADES AND ATTENDANCE

Accessing Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV)

To access the Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV), go to https://gb.browardschools.com

Username: Student ID#@my.browardschools.com

Password: PMM/DD/YEAR (Your date of birth typed exactly as shown with a capital P in front).

Attendance Matters

Both excused and unexcused absences along with tardiness and early sign-outs will be counted when determining a student's pattern of non-attendance. This is a change from previous years when excused absences had no impact on a student's attendance record.

"80% of success is showing up!"

PROFESSIONAL STUDY DAYS

In addition to the six **District Early Release Days** that may be found on the BCPS website, Dillard High 6-12 will have eight additional **Professional Study Days**:

- September 12th
- October 3rd
- November 7th
- December 5th
- January 16th
- February 6th
- March 5th
- April 2nd



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Inaugural Executive Officer Instillation Ceremony









Class Sponsors

Middle Grades 6-8

Miya Moultry

Freshman Class

Natasha Barr-Allen

Sophomore Class

Brigitte T. Brihm

Junior Class

Gianna Faustin

Senior Class

Dorothy Moore

Student Government

Cheryl P. Hill & Torri P. Telfair

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader. – President John Quincy Adams, USA

Activities & After School Programs

Dillard High 6-12 has a plethora of clubs and after school activities to meet the needs of our students in grades 6 through 12. More information will be available at Open House and throughout the year. The staff encourages all students to get involved in extracurricular activities.

Our after-care programs are in session.

- After-care is available for students in **grades 6 through 8 from** 2:45 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Students in **grades 9 through 12** are invited to the LEAP After School Program from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.



Meet Ms. Roberts 10th Grade Assistant Principal



Welcome Staff

Physical Education

James Bevil

English/Debate

Courtney Chipman

Drama

Christopher Cromer

Biology

Ashley DelValle

Intensive Reading

Dr. Sherlyn Jackson

Biology

Elishama Petion

Band

Michelle Robbins

Drama

Michael Song

Hello Panther Family!

I am both honored and humbled to serve the faculty, staff, students, and families of Dillard High School 6-12 as 10th grade Assistant Principal. It is truly an honor and a blessing to be a member of this amazingly historic and accomplished school and community.

I look forward to working with our students and their families to provide them with an educational experience where they grow and develop academically, socially, and emotionally. Dillard High School 6-12 offers a variety of programs to challenge and prepare students for the global world after high school. Working hand-in-hand with the teachers and staff here at Dillard, it is my goal to guide students into finding their passion and becoming their personal best in all of their endeavors. My favorite quote is one by Marianne Williamson where she wrote:

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.

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