



Vera Perkovic, Principal

WELCOME TO COWBOY COUNTRY

Newsletter

August 2023

ISSUE

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Principal's Message 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

Greetings, Cooper City High School Families,



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Advanced Academics

- Cambridge AICE Diploma
- College Board Advanced Placement Capstone

CAMBRIDGE
International Examinations
Excellence in education

AICE Capstone
Research, Analysis, Synthesis, Evaluation

College Board
Advanced Placement
Program

It is with immense excitement and pride that I welcome you to the start of the 2023-2024 school year at Cooper City High School.

Being part of the Cowboy family is a unique and cherished experience. Each member of our community contributes to our legacy of High Expectations, a Tradition of Excellence, and an abiding Cowboy Community Pride. Our amazing scholars, dedicated faculty and staff, engaged parents, and supportive community partners form the heart and soul of Cooper City High School. Our shared values and relationships are the foundation of our success.

Centered around our theme for this academic year, "Motivate... Educate... Accelerate... Every 'I' Counts," we honor our past achievements while eagerly embracing a bright future. Our commitment to maintaining our tradition of excellence remains steadfast, with a focus on providing exceptional academics and fostering a culture of inclusivity and compassion.

As always, at Cooper City High School, safety and security remain our top priority: if you see something, say something. We all play a role in safety here at CCHS as we aim to provide the highest quality education in a safe and secure environment. We will continue accelerating student achievement through innovative programs and pedagogical practices while nurturing a culture of kindness, care, and compassion in a safe and secure environment for all.

I appreciate and value your partnership and encourage you to contact me and my team anytime with questions, concerns, and ideas. We are collaborative partners in your child's educational journey, ensuring safety, well-being, and academic success. You can contact us at CCHS to address your questions, comments, and concerns, and you are invited to follow us on Twitter: [@Principal_CCHS](#) for updates. Please bookmark our website.

As we step into this new school year together, let's remember that each day is an opportunity to learn, grow, and make a positive impact. I am excited to witness the achievements and milestones that await each of our Cowboy scholars.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. Here's to an outstanding 2023-2024 school year!

Proud Principal,
Vera Perkovic



Our Administration Team

VERA PERKOVIC
PRINCIPAL

ILIANNA POLATOS-QUINTERO
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

AMIRA BRITTON

9TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

CARLA HOZEBIN

12TH ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

JESSICA VANDUSEN

11TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

FABIAN CALERO

10TH GRADE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



TEAM COOPER



ONE MISSION, ONE HEART, ONE TEAM:
TEAM COOPER



Welcome to CCHS

REMINDER: A SAFE AND SECURE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY.
INCIDENTS OF CONCERN FOR SAFETY SHOULD BE REPORTED WITHOUT DELAY.
RESPONSIBILITY: KNOW TO REPORT INCIDENTS OF CONCERNS FOR SAFETY WITHOUT DELAY.

[HTTPS://WWW.BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM/PAGE/35294](https://www.browardschools.com/page/35294)

CALL OUR DISTRICT SECURITY OPERATIONS CENTER (DSOC) 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK (INCLUDING HOLIDAYS). ONE OF OUR FRIENDLY DSOC SPECIALISTS WILL TAKE YOUR TIP OVER THE PHONE. YOUR TIP WILL REACH BROWARD SCHOOLS INVESTIGATORS AND THEN LAW ENFORCEMENT, IF APPLICABLE. PLEASE LET THE DSOC SPECIALIST KNOW IF YOU WISH TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS.

754-321-3500

SUBMIT A TIP TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS BELOW. ALTHOUGH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS IS SHOWN USING THIS TIP REPORTING METHOD, YOU CAN CHOOSE TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS BY SIMPLY REQUESTING IT IN YOUR MESSAGE. YOUR TIP WILL REACH BROWARD SCHOOLS INVESTIGATORS AND THEN LAW ENFORCEMENT, IF APPLICABLE.
SECURITYTIPS@BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM

FREE MOBILE APPLICATIONS:
SAFERWATCH AND FORTIFYFL



Report Crime and Suspicious Activity



Receive Emergency Alerts



Anonymously Submit a Tip



DOWNLOAD

*SaferWatch App
for free*



[SaferWatchApp.com](https://www.saferwatchapp.com)



Safety & Security

if you **SEE**
something
SAY
something

Call 911 immediately in an emergency. If you have a NON-Emergency Safety or Security concern, please report it through any of our available tip reporting tools. (You may choose to remain anonymous or provide contact information for a callback.)

Help identify at-risk individuals BEFORE they hurt themselves or others by reporting threats, harassing behaviors, illegal activity, etc. Please provide as much information as possible especially location, date and time. The more information you provide, the better District staff



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BROWARD
County Public Schools

See Something, Say Something

Be a Broward Buddy, Report a Tip!

In an emergency, call 911 immediately. To submit a safety or security concern that is not an emergency, please use one of the tip reporting methods provided below. Please remember you can choose to remain anonymous.



Anonymous Tip Submission Box

Submit a tip easily via our Anonymous Tip Submission Box (**no download required**). Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc.



[BrowardSchools.com/SecurityTips](https://www.browardschools.com/SecurityTips)



Call Us Anytime (Even on Holidays)

Call our District Security Operations Center (DSOC) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (including holidays). One of our friendly DSOC Specialists will take your tip over the phone and submit it immediately to our investigators. Please let the DSOC Specialist know if you wish to remain anonymous.

754-321-3500



Send Us an Email

Submit a tip using the email address below. Although your email address is displayed using this tip reporting method, you can choose to remain anonymous by simply requesting it in your message.

SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com



FortifyFL

Submit a tip via FortifyFL online (**no download required**) or download the app for easier use. Visit FortifyFL using the link below. Your tip will immediately reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.



[GetFortifyFL.com](https://www.getfortifyfl.com)





Student & Staff IDs

ID Badges must always be worn and visibly displayed by students, faculty, and staff while on campus. Additionally, individuals visiting campus must wear some form of identification (district-issued identification badge or site-based generated visitor or volunteer badge) while on campus. Upon entry to campus, all visitors must be processed through the RAPTOR System. This includes, but is not limited to, parents, District staff, vendors, volunteers, and members of the public. An official photo identification will be requested. Your name, date of visit, time of arrival, purpose for visit and time of departure will be reported in a visitor's log.

Reminders

Code of Student Conduct

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT PARENTS AND STUDENTS MUST REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND THE GUIDELINES OUTLINED IN THE BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT.

THIS DOCUMENT IS AVAILABLE ON THE BCPS WEBSITE. FAILURE TO ADHERE TO ANY SCHOOL AND/OR DISTRICT POLICY COULD RESULT IN SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION FROM SCHOOL. MANDATORY BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO COMPLETE THE MANDATORY BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS:
[HTTPS://SCAWEB.BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM/BTS/](https://scaweb.browardschools.com/bts/)

Forms

Please visit our website to complete the Mandatory Back to School Forms:
<https://scaweb.browardschools.com/bts>

The Parent/Guardian Consent Form for health services must be completed and returned to the school clinic if you consent and wish for your child to receive any of the school health services listed below.



Food & Nutrition



Cooper City High School is happy to announce the Food and Nutrition Service Department will provide all students with free breakfast and lunch under the Universal Free Breakfast Program and Universal Free Lunch Program Pilot for the 2023-2024 school year. As this is a Program Pilot, it is vital that households continue to apply online at www.myschoolapps.com to secure the Universal Free Lunch Program Pilot for the next school year along with additional District opportunities.

To qualify for additional programs, complete the Free and Reduced-Price Meal application along with the Disclosure Form.

Second meals will be charged at the adult meal price of \$4.75.

Parents, Guardians and Caregivers are encouraged to create an account for each student through My School Bucks at www.myschoolbucks.com for the purchase of a la carte items.

For more information on Meal Benefits contact Food and Nutrition Services at 754-321-0250.



School Counseling Corner

The School Counseling Team Welcomes You Back!

We are looking forward to another great school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's counselor.

We are always available to help you.

Please check our website for important School Counseling information.

MEET OUR AMAZING TEAM:

RONALD ZICCARDI- SCHOOL
COUNSELING DIRECTOR- GRADE 11-
LAST NAMES-N-Z

JOSEPH BERTOLONE- 9TH GRADE
COUNSELOR

LUISA REBELLON- 10TH GRADE
COUNSELOR

RHONDA BLUM- 11TH GRADE
COUNSELOR- LAST NAMES- A-M AND
504

JESSICA JOHNSON- 12TH GRADE
COUNSELOR
CHRISTINE SIWEK- BRACE ADVISOR

JAYLIN JOHNSON- SECRETARY
JODI WILD- SECRETARY
LISA JONES- AICE COORDINATOR

Yoselyn Pichardo- ESOL Coordinator
Lourdes Cardenas, Registrar
Pam Bates- Information Management
Specialist

Melissa Megna- Student Assessment
Specialist and AP Coordinator
Jennifer Bowers- School Social Worker
Shantelle Moxie- Family Counselor
Jacqueline Bell- School Psychologist

Raquel Moon- ESE Specialist
Castellanos, Tonia- Speech/Language
Pathologist

Nicole Garcia - ESE Support Facilitator,
9th Grade

TBD - ESE Support Facilitator ,10th Grade
Claudia Jones- ESE Support Facilitator,
11th Grade

Heidi Dermer - ESE Support Facilitator,
12th Grade

BRACE & College Corner

College Corner



Message from BRACE (Broward Advisors for Continuing Education)

Welcome Class of 2024! As you begin your senior year and the college application process, know that it's a "process" and I'll be here to help you along the way, whether at school, e-mail, phone or virtually. Be sure to check the e-mail address you entered in your NAVIANCE account. I will be sending you important e-mails throughout your senior year to keep you in the know on everything associated with the post-secondary process, regardless of what you plan to do after high school. These e-mails will have the info you'll need on how to apply to college, the financial aid process, reminders, scholarship opportunities, etc. Don't miss out and check your e-mails often! If you need assistance, please feel free to e-mail me anytime at: christine.siwek@browardschools.com

Christine Siwek
Cooper City High School
BRACE Advisor





PTSA



Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

The PTSA board would like to welcome our CCHS Cowboy Family back for the 2023-2024 school year. Your PTSA is working hard to support our entire school along with the needs of our students and faculty. By joining the PTSA and when you purchase spirit gear from our online store coopercityhsptsa.memberhub.store You will be helping us maintain our level of excellence and to provide some much needed activities for our Cowboys. Your membership also funds our scholarships and any projects that come up during the school year. When you join the PTSA you will also receive a discount card to many of our local area businesses.

Please visit the Memberhub store to join PTSA and/or purchase Spirit Wear (i.e. CCHS hoodies, T-shirts, hats, magnets and our new senior parent T-shirt and gilets).

Thank you in advance for your much needed support, it is greatly appreciated. Together we can continue to make CCHS great. We hope that you and your family stay safe and healthy. GO COWBOYS!

CCHS PTSA Board Members 23/24

PRESIDENT: LISA MALLOZZI

VP MEMBERSHIP: DAWN AZZARITO

VP'S OF FUNDRAISING: LISA HOY & JENA MCCLURE

RECORDING SECRETARY: ANA SAFRIN

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: TRACY PENICK

TREASURER: JOSIE MONROE

VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS: YANINNA ALDANA AND YARITZA FRENCH

TEACHER LIAISON: NIKKI HICKS

School Advisory Council (SAC)



Cooper City High School welcomes your involvement on our School Advisory Council (SAC). SAC is an essential line of communication between school staff, parents, students, and community liaisons. The SAC serves as a mechanism for participatory management and shared decision-making. The primary goal of SAC is to improve the education for all students. SAC members help establish educational priorities, assess school needs, and identify resources to meet those needs. SAC decisions are instrumental to the educational experience to students at CCHS. We encourage you to commit to attend.

Please join us on August 28, 2023, for our first meeting of the 2023/2024 school year.

School Advisory Forum (SAF)

School Board policy requires that each school have a School Advisory Forum (SAF) composed of parents, teachers, community members, school administrators, non-instructional support staff, and other stakeholders. The SAF provides an opportunity for stakeholders to discuss and recommend actions on a variety of school issues. The School Advisory Forum (SAF) shall foster and promote communication between its stakeholders, the school, and the Area Advisory Council. The SAF shall bring forth recommendations, concerns and interests to and from their Area Advisory Council.



Register 2 Ride



Student Transportation & Fleet Services



SCAN ME

Eligible students needing bus transportation for the upcoming school year MUST register for a bus assignment. Use the webpage below to register and guarantee a bus assignment for the first day of school. Students who registered to ride last year (SY 22/23) but did not ride the bus last year must register using their student accounts (06 accounts).

Newly enrolled students to Broward County Public Schools, need an assigned student ID prior to registering to ride. Please contact your school to get a student ID. It could take several days for your student information to populate in the transportation database (approx. 3-4 days).

NOTE: Programs such as ESE, 504, Foster, Homeless, and Teen Parent bus registration will continue to be processed by schools using Special Transportation Requests.

REGISTRATION LINK:

- 1.) Navigate to
<https://tfsweb.browardschools.com/Ride>
- 2.) Log in with a student email account,
e.g.: 06XXXXXXXX@my.browardschools.com

REGISTRATION QUESTION:

Are you going to ride the school bus for the 2023-2024 school year? (Based on eligibility)

☐ YES or

☐ NO

Please select time:

☐ AM & PM

☐ AM

☐ PM

REGISTER2RIDE TIMELINE

Register **Before**
July 7, 2023
guaranteed a bus seat for the
first day of school.

Register **After**
July 21, 2023
routed when received,
bus assignment date will vary.

HOW TO VIEW BUS STOP ASSIGNMENT

Log in to student's Virtual Counselor portal starting the 2nd Week of August

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us: <https://www.browardschools.com/register2ride> or

email register2ride@browardschools.com



Help is Here

If you have a problem,

HELP IS HERE

see a counselor, teacher,
administrator, or any
other trusted adult





Cowboy
connection



August 2023

[HTTPS://WWW.BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM/COOPERCITYHIGH](https://www.browardschools.com/coopercityhigh)

Open House



COOPER CITY HIGH SCHOOL
HOME OF THE COWBOYS
Vera Perkovic, Principal

OPEN HOUSE



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023



5:30 PM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



6:00 PM MEET THE TEACHERS



Cooper City High School

EXCELLENCE
TRADITION
COWBOY PRIDE

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE



www.browardschools.com/coopercityhigh


COOPER CITY HIGH SCHOOL
IS AN "A" SCHOOL!
#TeamCooper



Cowboy Pride

COOPER CITY HIGH SCHOOL

2023-2024 RED (A) / BLACK (B) SCHOOL DAY CALENDAR

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	Periods 1- 4, Red (A) Day
	Periods 5-8, Black (B) Day
	School Closed
	Exam Days
	Teacher Planning Day
	Early Release Day 12:00 Release
	Report Cards Issued
*	First and last day of school

STUDENT BELL SCHEDULE

Period 1/5	7:40a - 9:12a
Period 2/6	9:19a - 10:51a
A LUNCH	10:51a - 11:23a
Period 3/7A	11:30a - 1:02p
Period 3/7B	10:58a - 12:30p
B LUNCH	12:30p - 1:02p
Period 4/8	1:08p - 2:40p

EARLY RELEASE BELL SCHEDULE

Period 1/5	7:40a - 8:40a
Period 2/6	8:47a - 9:47a
A LUNCH	9:47a - 10:26a
Period 3/7A	10:33a - 11:33a
Period 3/7B	9:54a - 10:54a
B LUNCH	10:54a - 11:33a
Period 4/8	11:40a - 12:40p



Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Students should be dropped off and picked up in the parent loop for arrival and school dismissal. We offer several programs and activities that are beyond the regular school day. Students must remain with the adults in charge while on campus. Students who are not involved in approved before and after school programs/activities must exit the campus if they are not supervised. Please ensure that you have a process in place for your child to exit our campus by 3:10 pm if not in a supervised activity.

Student Early Sign-Outs

Per School Board Policy, no student sign outs will be processed after 2:10 pm daily. Also, anyone picking up a student must have parental permission and be of legal age. All parents/guardians and visitors must come through the front office, show your ID to the camera and state your reason for the visit before being buzzed in.