



Mission Statement:

Through open-minded inquiry-based learning, we will empower students to be college and career ready to succeed in a global society.

# COBRA CONNECTION

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

On behalf of the staff at Boyd Anderson High School, I welcome you to the 2018-19 school year! We are excited to have our students back in the classrooms filled with eagerness and enthusiasm to move through the new school year. We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our students can realize their highest academic potential. We recognize that to be successful in school, our students need the support from both home and school. Developing a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child’s education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children’s success and want you to know that we will do our very best to make sure that your children are provide with quality instruction by highly qualified teachers in a safe and secure environment.

In their commitment to community service, their ability to juggle the multiple responsibilities that claim their time and attention, and their resiliency in overcoming difficulties, our students demonstrate every day the qualities of self-direction and resourcefulness that are critical to their success now and in the future.

None of this happens by chance; it is the result of hard work, planning, and time and effort on the part of our students as well as their teachers, coaches, counselors, and other mentors. The support and guidance of you, the parents is an especially critical factor —we are grateful for your support and your active participation in your children’s education, in school and out!



*Dr. Almanzar*

**More inside!**



## **Your School Counseling Department**

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| <b>Ms. Angella Andrade</b>  | <b>12<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor</b> |
|                             | <b>Director</b>                        |
| <b>Ms. Sabrina Thomas</b>   | <b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor</b> |
| <b>Mr. Al Milton</b>        | <b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor</b> |
| <b>Ms. Janet Jackson</b>    | <b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor</b>  |
| <b>Ms. Jenny Toussaint</b>  | <b>Testing Coordinator</b>             |
| <b>Ms. Stephanie Redman</b> | <b>H/W Coordinator</b>                 |
| <b>Ms. Marie Duperval</b>   | <b>IB Coordinator</b>                  |
| <b>Ms. Annie Callaway</b>   | <b>Guidance Secretary</b>              |
| <b>Ms. Trenesha Foster</b>  | <b>Guidance Secretary</b>              |
| <b>Ms. Lydia Cox-Creary</b> | <b>BRACE Advisor</b>                   |
| <b>Ms. Jenny Thelwell</b>   | <b>ESE Specialist</b>                  |

## What's Happening in 12<sup>th</sup> Grade?

Welcome to the last stretch of your high school career! Although your high school journey is in its final year, it is not time to relax just yet! Seniors still have many responsibilities from now until graduation! The focus must remain on maintaining a GPA of 2.0 or above, turn in your service hours (250 will get you a silver cord to wear at graduation), take the ACT and SAT for college entrance and apply to colleges and for scholarships!

Many students still have classes to recover in order to meet all their graduation requirements. If you have not started the recovery process, you are in danger of not graduating! If you still need to meet the reading requirement for graduation, ACT tutoring is offered through the YMCA on Tuesdays and Thursdays for free. Students, it is important that you frequently log into Naviance to complete the assigned tasks, search for scholarships and find the college that is the right fit for you.

Senior activities are coming up quickly and in order to participate you must be on track for graduation! Meaning that attendance is on point, missing credits are being recovered, GPA is above a 2.0, service hours are turned in, no outstanding obligations, and passing current classes! Also, remember that your senior contract must be signed and turned in to your English teacher. Every senior must have a signed contract on file in order to participate in senior activities. If you have questions or concerns, I'm in the cafeteria on Black Days or in my office before school.

**Ms. A. Andrade**



### Junior Happenings

Juniors have completed the first quarter of the 2018-2019 school year. During this first quarter they have made several academic decisions regarding course selection. They began with making decisions about what courses to take for this school year. In making this decision they were faced with continuing vocational pathways. Some of the vocational pathways offered at Boyd Anderson High School are technology, culinary, and aerospace. Grade eleven students are also at a pivotal point of deciding whether they plan to attend an institution of higher learning. This major decision impacted their course selection as well because they were faced with deciding a course in a secondary language. Boyd Anderson High School offers courses in French and Spanish. An additional decision the junior students were faced with was the challenge of credit recovery. This is a course enrollment process to recover previous credits not earned because of failed grades. Some of the options available for students to choose from are Broward Virtual On-line through school Florida Virtual On-line school, or night school. To complete on-line coursework, some of the students chose to attend Boyd Anderson High School YMCA after-school program. These academic decisions have placed the juniors in a very good place toward the bridge to senior year.

**Ms. S. Thomas**



Dear Sophomores,

Welcome back to the first semester of the school year. It is important to keep up to date on your grades, GPA, and absences, and community service hours. At this time, you should check which classes you need to recover. Please come and see me in my office or in the cafeteria on Orange Days so that we can work together to direct you to success. Check with your teachers in regards to extra support in preparation for EOC exams and finals. If you know that you qualify for Dual Enrollment, please see the BRACE Counselor for more details as soon as possible. I hope to see you all for the remaining of the school year.

**Mr. A. Milton**

# WELCOME 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE!

## You are the Class of 2022!

Let's prepare for a successful and engaging high school experience! As shared in our *beginning of the year* assembly it is important to plant these **SEEDS OF SUCCESS**:

- a. **SPEAK** with your School Counselor regarding any questions (Orange days I am usually in the Counselor Corner of the cafeteria).
  - b. **LOG IN** to Pinnacle frequently to monitor your grades for each class. Remember your GPA (grade point average) **MUST** remain at a 2.0 or above).
  - c. **GET EXTRA SUPPORT** which is always available; enroll in our YMCA program for tutoring, credit recovery (via FLVS.net), and acceleration).
  - d. **LISTEN** to morning and afternoon announcements for important information.
  - e. **ASK** your teachers for support you might need for your classes.
  - f. **Don't** leave things for the last minute.
- Let's have a **GREAT** year Cobras! 😊

*Ms. J. Jackson,*

## IB WORLD

We have had a fantastic start to the school year. This fall, IB students participated in University field trips, IB mock examination sessions, PSAT Day to prepare for the SAT and connect to scholarships. We also continue to provide students with first-rate educational opportunities through our YMCA after-school programs. Students can engage in math and Spanish tutoring, college writing, ACT/SAT Prep classes, Credit Recovery, and computer lab access for homework and class projects.

We are excited to announce that this year, IB is providing an opportunity for students to travel to California and see the amazing sights that the city of Los Angeles has to offer. The trip is planned for March 21-25, 2019 and will include the following:

- University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Campus Tour/ Graumann's Chinese Theater
- Hollywood Walk of Fame/Rodeo Drive/Griffith Observatory/Santa Monica Pier
- TMZ Celebrity Tour/Pacific Park/Warner Bros. Studio Tour/Universal Studios
- Disneyland's California Adventure Park

We hope that the second quarter will bring even greater growth in our students, and progress in reaching our academic goals.



The Health and Wellness Magnet Program would like to welcome our new instructor, Mr. Hurwitz. The 2018-2019 school year is off to an exciting start! Students were able to participate in Day in the Life of a Nurse at Broward Health. They shadowed a nurse for the day and got to see first-hand what they do day in and day out. A recent trip to Broward College was also a rewarding day as students toured the many Health Science Programs offered. One of our goals within the program is that each senior will be graduating with a nationally recognized industry certification as a Certified Medical Administrative Assistant, Emergency Medical Responder and EKG Technician. If you are a 9th or 10th grader, have passed the FSA, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher and interested in joining the Health & Wellness Magnet Program please see Ms. Redman in Room 2001. Follow us on IG @BAHS\_Health!

*Ms. S. Redman*



## BRACE CORNER

**Wow! First quarter flew-by, and boy, have we been busy! To prepare for life after high school, seniors completed NAVIANCE assessments and surveys, and many applied for 1000's of dollars in scholarships. We've visited HOERBIGER MANUFACTURING in Pompano Beach to observe how steel valves are made and how working in a factory can be a great career and we've been to 2 college fairs. We've hosted our fall college fair right here at Boyd Anderson on October 31 and seniors had countless opportunities to meet college and military recruiters face-to-face. Its FAFSA time again! The average BA senior receives \$6,000 in PELL Grant to go to college, each year!!! One need only apply! Next month, Broward College will lead seniors in their annual Jumpstart Initiative where seniors who plan to attend BC next fall will apply and choose their classes early! In addition, we begin our BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP BLITZ this month where every senior will apply for a chance to earn a full-ride to any Florida public college or university! Lots going on in the BrACE Office so stayed tuned for more!**

*Ms. L. Creary*

# Testing News

## Greetings Cobras,

This edition of the newsletter provides you with updates regarding the district and statewide assessment calendar, and testing information.

My goal as Test Coordinator is to create a “**comfortable and hospitable**” testing culture for the students at our school. I want to establish a set of norms, values, beliefs and rituals that support professional development of teachers, a sense of responsibility and accountability for students and their learning, as well as a positive testing atmosphere.

I hope this quarterly newsletter will give you a point of reference for testing information including state and district assessments schedule.

As always, we welcome any suggestions you have about assessment trainings or topics you would like to see covered in the newsletter, or requests for additional resources. You may contact our School Counseling Director, Angella Andrade, at [angella.andrade@browardschools.com](mailto:angella.andrade@browardschools.com) with any comments, suggestions, or requests. **GO Cobras!**

Jenny Toussaint  
Testing Coordinator



## 2018-2019 Testing Calendar



### Winter Assessments

11/26/18 – 12/14/18  
FSA EOC: Biology, U.S  
History, Algebra 1, and  
Geometry

01/08/19 – 02/08/19  
Broward Standards  
Assessment (BSA)

01/28/19 – 03/21/19  
ACCESS for ELL's  
(Assessing Comprehension  
and Communication in  
English State-to-State for  
English Language Learners)

02/25/19 – 03/15/19  
Grade 10 ELA Writing  
Retakes

3/6/2019  
SAT School Day

04/16/18 – 05/18/18

## ESE Corner

Welcome all to the 2018-19 school year! The Exceptional Student Learning Support (ESLS) department is proud to announce that we have started the **Florida College and Career Transition Club (CCT)**. This club is for all students to enjoy and participate in a club where all are treated equally. Students in this club will participate in field trips and learn from keynote speakers about different college and career options available upon high school graduation. The first meeting has already been held and officers were selected. If you're interested, please contact Mrs. Thelwell in room 114 or Ms. Redman in room 2009.



**Ms. A. Roundtree- ESE Secretary**  
**Ms. J. Thelwell, ESE Specialist**

## SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL CORNER

At Boyd Anderson High School, our junior and senior students have taken on an active role to address the social emotional learning needs of their peers. Two programs are currently underway as of this month, October, 2018. These programs focus on integral relationship between academic performance and social awareness. The members are all student volunteers. The first program is geared toward social awareness. One key school-wide initiative these upper-class students have undertaken, under the administrative leadership of Interim Principal, Mrs. Peters, is COBRA-Talk. COBRA-Talk seeks to help ensure that students do not eat lunch alone. COBRA-Talk seeks to help develop a sense of empathy for others. COBRA-Talk seeks to help build tolerance as well. Overall, COBRA-Talk is an excellent program for relationship building.

The second program is geared toward academic performance. Another school-wide initiative that juniors and seniors have undertaken, this time under the administrative leadership of Interim Principal, Mrs. Humphrey, is Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders, or MTL. The upper-class student members of MTL provide the essential academic service. They provide tutorial services for their peers in the lower grade levels of ninth and tenth.

These two school-wide initiatives will be implemented throughout the school. Please continue to follow us in the newsletter as we report on the various activities the students are implanting through COBRA-Talk and MTL.

**Submitted by: Mrs. S. Thomas**



## Latinos in Action

Bienvenidos! Latino in Action Cobras have been busy during the first quarter of the 2018-19 school year. We partnered with Oriole Elementary School to mentor students in primary classrooms. Latinos in Action is planning on a day of work in Oriole Elementary School Library in the coming weeks. We will clean up, reorganize books, and are looking for potential donations of chairs and items for comfortable reading areas. We continue our weekly visits to the school to tutor young impressionable minds and the young students are really responding well.



**Submitted by: Mr. Valle**