



# Principal's Message

## Dragon Families:

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It is my honor to welcome you to the 2024-2025 school year. High school is a phenomenal time for students to discover more about who they are and explore who they aspire to be. Stranahan High School has a long tradition of excellence with caring. We are steadfast in our commitment to providing the highest quality instruction to our students. Our mission is to create an academically challenging yet nurturing environment to ensure our students can achieve their highest potential.

We are dedicated to identifying and opening doors of opportunity for ALL students and ensuring ALL students feel included and empowered to positively impact the Dragon community and the lives of the world around them. To enrich our student's academic endeavors, we encourage our students to take advantage of the many opportunities that Stranahan High has to offer. Joining an athletic team, service organization, or club is a great way to become involved at SHS, and we are proud to truly offer something for everyone.

I am a firm believer that the foundation for our students' success is based upon a strong partnership among students, staff, parents, and the community. Now more than ever, active parent participation is essential to our success, and I urge you to stay involved in your child's educational journey.

I am looking forward to an incredible school year and as always, I encourage you to:

**Be Determined, Be Fearless, Be Extraordinary, Be a Dragon!**

With Warm Regards,  
Principal Michelle Padura

# ***'B'e A Dragon***

I am proud to share with you the exciting news regarding the results of the 2024 state assessments. Our students have demonstrated significant growth in their academic performance, surpassing our 2024 academic goals, and reaching new milestones-officially making Stranahan High School a **"B" rated school!**

These results are a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, and staff. Our commitment to our students' academic excellence is evidenced in these impressive results as our faculty and staff have worked tirelessly to ensure each child receives the support and resources they need to succeed.

I want to thank you, our parents, and guardians, for your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education. Your partnership is invaluable and plays a crucial role in helping our students reach their full potential.

As we celebrate these achievements, let us continue to strive for even greater success in the 2024-2025 school year. Together, we can create a learning environment where every student can thrive and excel. Thank you for entrusting us with the education of your children. We look forward to continuing our journey of growth and success together!



# Upcoming Events



**New Student Orientation  
August 8<sup>th</sup>**



**August 12, 2024  
First Day of School**



**Open House  
August 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm**



**Labor Day  
September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
No School**



**School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting  
September 4<sup>th</sup> @5:30PM**

## New Student Orientation



Our New Student Orientation is open to incoming students and parents new to Stranahan High School - this event is a great opportunity to meet administration and staff, see the campus, and ask questions!

What to expect during orientation:

- Learn information about Stranahan High School
- Familiarize students and parents with the campus
- Receive an overview of student activities (SGA, Clubs, Athletics, etc.)
- Learn about Magnet Programs and Academic Academies
- Receive student schedules
- Ask questions (Transportation, Schedules, Teachers, etc.)



# STRANAHAN HIGH SCHOOL

## 2024-2025 ORANGE / BLUE SCHOOL DAY CALENDAR

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
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<del>5</del>	<del>6</del>	<del>7</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>9</del>
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19	20	21	22	23
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SEPTEMBER				
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OCTOBER				
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NOVEMBER				
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DECEMBER				
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JANUARY				
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FEBRUARY				
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MARCH				
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APRIL				
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JUNE				
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23	24	25	26	27
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	Periods 1-4 Orange Day
	Periods 5-8 Blue Day
	School Closed
	Exam Day
<del></del>	Planning Day
○	Early Release Day
△	Interim Reports Issued
□	Professional Study Day
^	Report Cards Issued
*	First & Last Day of School

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# Stranahan High School Bell Schedules 2024-2025

## Orange/Blue Day Schedule

Warning Bell	7:32am
1 <sup>st</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Period	7:40am – 9:12am
2 <sup>nd</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Period	9:18am – 10:50am
<i>Announcements 9:23am</i>	
Lunch A	10:50am – 11:24am
<b>(Lunch A ~ Buildings 1, 3, 4, 5, 6,7)</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:30am – 1:02pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Period	10:56am – 12:28pm
Lunch B	12:28pm – 1:02pm
<b>(Lunch B ~ Buildings 9, 20, 23, 26)</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Period	1:08pm – 2:40pm

## Professional Study Day Schedule

September 5, 2024 (Blue)	November 7, 2024 (Blue)	February 6, 2025 (Orange)	April 3, 2025 (Orange)
Warning Bell		7:32am	
1 <sup>st</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Period		7:40am – 8:34am	
2 <sup>nd</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Period		8:42am – 9:36am	
		<i>Announcements 8:50am</i>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Period		9:44am – 10:38am	
4 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> Period		10:46am – 11:40am	
<b>Grab &amp; Go Lunch</b>		<b>11:40am – 11:50am</b>	

## Early Release Day Schedule

February 14, 2025 (Orange)	
Warning Bell	7:32am
1 <sup>st</sup> Period	7:40am – 8:49am
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period	8:57am – 10:06am
<i>Announcements 9:05am</i>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period	10:14am – 11:23am
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	11:31am – 12:40pm
<b>Grab &amp; Go Lunch</b>	<b>12:40pm – 12:50pm</b>



# Meet the Team

**Your School Administrators and Student Services Team are here to help you in your high school journey and college and career exploration.**

## Meet the team.



Mrs. Michelle Padura-Smith  
Stranahan High School Principal



Ms. Kamara Sanon  
12th Grade Intern Principal



Ms. Brooke Smith  
11th Grade Assistant Principal



## Stay Connected

Main Office: 754.323.2100  
Attendance: 754.323.2102  
Guidance: 754.323.2111



Mr. Bobby Goodwin  
10th Grade Assistant Principal



Mr. Joshua Philpart  
9th Grade Assistant Principal

## Student Services



Ms. Ester Dawkins  
Stranahan High Guidance Director, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor



Mr. William Menzel  
9th (A-L) & 11th Grade Guidance Counselor



Ms. Davida Montgomery  
9th (M-Z) & 10th Grade Guidance Counselor



Ms. Lilia Francois  
School Social Worker



Mrs. Ewana Anderson  
BRACE Advisor



Ms. Robin Cope  
Stranahan High ESE Specialist

# FOCUS



The Focus integrated Student Information System (SIS) solution puts scheduling, attendance, gradebook and grade reporting, state reporting, and student and parent portal access into one system – improving efficiency by eliminating the need to sync different systems.

Focus is 100% web-based, the most widely used solution for Florida state reporting, a key component in obtaining state and federal funding for our schools. It is currently implemented in more than two-thirds of school districts in Florida and six of the largest 20 school districts in the country.



## Register for BCPS' Focus Parent Portal

The Focus Parent Portal account gives parents/guardians convenient, secure, anytime, anywhere access to your student's school information.

**Note:** Before creating your account, you will need an email address. If you do not have one, you can create a free email account at [gmail.com](mailto:gmail.com) or [microsoft.com](mailto:microsoft.com).

## Create an Account

Log into this site or use the QR code:

<https://browardschools.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/auth/>



Click **Create Parent Portal Account**.

Create Parent Portal Account

I have an account and need to add my student(s)

Password Reset Assistance

Enter all the required fields with your own information and click **Submit**.  
(Each parent/guardian will need to set up their own individual account)

Please enter your name exactly as it appears on your driver's license as well as a valid email address:

Parent/Guardian First Name: (Required)

Parent/Guardian Last Name: (Required)

Email Address: (Required)

Create Password: (Minimum 8 characters)

Retype Password: (Required)

☐ Show Password

☐ I'm not a robot

[ADDITIONAL Privacy Terms](#)

Submit

Select **I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled**.

Students

You do not have any linked students at this time.

I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled.

I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal.

Enter the **Student's ID number (begins with '06')** and **Student's birthdate**, then Select **Add Student**.

Please enter your student's information:

Student ID: (Required)

Student's Birthdate: January 1 2023 (Required)

☐ I'm not a robot

[ADDITIONAL Privacy Terms](#)

Add Student

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[Click here for more information](#)



**Enrollment**  
Parent Portal Registration & Mobile App



To add another student, select **I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled** and repeat the steps above as necessary. If you are done adding students to the portal, select **I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal**.

Students

You do not have any linked students at this time.

I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled.

I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal.

## Download the Mobile App

Focus' **BCPS Connect App** provides teachers, students, and parents a streamlined way to access student information.

**Note:** Before downloading the app, you must follow the steps to **Create an Account** found on page 1.

Then go to Google Play or Apple Store and search for **BCPS Connect App**.



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# Important Update For K-12 Students

## WIRELESS DEVICE POLICY

### Disconnect To Reconnect

POWER  
OFF



AIRPLANE  
MODE



**WIRELESS DEVICE USE NOT ALLOWED DURING SCHOOL DAY**

**Effective in the 2024/25 School Year**

- ➔ All wireless devices must be powered off or in airplane mode during the school day, from bell to bell, including passing periods and lunch unless authorized for instructional purposes.
- ➔ Wireless devices include cellphones, laptops, smartwatches, tablets, headphones, airpods, and other two-way communication equipment.
- ➔ Students violating policy are subject to disciplinary action.

For more information and FAQs, visit  
[browardschools.com/wirelessdevices](https://www.browardschools.com/wirelessdevices)

**Devices Include:**



- Cellphone
- Smart Watches
- Earbuds

- Headphones
- Tablets
- Laptops



# Safety & Security

# METAL DETECTION

Starting on the first day of school, August 12, 2024, all students and visitors entering BCPS high schools must pass through metal detectors monitored by security personnel and school staff.

The District asks parents and families to support this initiative by ensuring that students are aware of the system and prepared to follow new procedures.

Beginning this year,

- High school entry points have been consolidated to ensure all students are screened for weapons prior to entering the school.
- Students must wear their IDs to pass through the detectors. They can carry their backpacks or bags and will not need to empty pockets or remove shoes, cellphones, keys, metal on clothes or belts as those items will not alert the system.
- Some items will result in an alert and must be placed on adjacent tables to be screened by security staff. These include laptops, large eyeglass cases, musical instruments, umbrellas and 3-ring binders. These items can be collected once students are cleared for entry.
- Students who alert the system when passing through the metal detectors will be screened separately. School staff will be available to support them during this process.

This added security measure at high schools may result in slight delays at entry. Parents and students should plan accordingly. Please allow extra time for screening and ensure your student does not bring weapons or other prohibited items to school. While the metal detectors will only be used in our high schools at this time, it is important that parents of students in all grades are aware of what their students bring to school and remind them that prohibited items are never permitted on campus.

The support of our parents, students and families is essential to keeping our schools safe and secure. Thank you for doing your part to ensure a successful rollout of the metal detection system at our high schools.

For additional information on the newly installed metal detectors at high schools, please visit [browardschools.com/metaldetectors](https://www.browardschools.com/metaldetectors).

# Arrival & Dismissal



Student card riders should be dropped off and picked up at the car loops on Dragon Way (5th Place) only. Students will enter campus through our Auditorium Lobby single point entrance and must have their Student ID visibly displayed around their necks. Students are expected to be seated in their 1st or 5th period classroom by 7:40AM anyone arriving to campus after 7:40AM is considered tardy and will face consequences in alignment with the Broward County's Student Code of Conduct.

# Attendance Matter



Regular attendance and punctuality are important leading indicators in helping to predict academic success. It is imperative that students come to school every day and are on time and engaged in all classes, including Study Hall. It is the parent's/guardian's responsibility to report an absence and communicate the reason for the absence within 48 hours by calling our Attendance Line at 754-323-2102 or through the Online Reporting Form available at our website.

# Back to School Online Forms

Welcome to the new school year. Parents/Guardians can now fill out your child's back-to-school forms, online. The forms are easy to complete and all data is protected and secure. For families with multiple children attending Broward County Public Schools, some information will only need to be entered once.

Please use the following link to register for the Focus Parent Portal.  
[Focus Parent Portal](#)



## The Code Book for Students Conduct & Discipline Matrix

The Code of Student Conduct, Policy 5.8, provides specific information regarding the rules that all students are expected to adhere to, as well as consequences for violations. Important among these rules are consistent and timely attendance, respect for people and property, appropriate dress, technology usage, student publications, student activities, student records and the right to appeal, including grievance procedures. The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approves and affirms its support of the Code of Student Conduct, Policy 5.8.

[Code of Student Conduct Link](#)



# Tardy Policy



- First Offence: Will serve as a warning and will be used to inform students that they must be in class prior to the second bell.
- Second Offence: Student will be issued a second final warning.
- Third Offence: Student will be issued an after-school detention.
- Fourth Offence: Student will stay in Internal Suspension for the remainder of the block.
- Fifth Offence: Student will be assigned (1) day of Saturday school or 1 day of Internal Suspension.

# Dress Code Policy



- Revealing clothing or clothing that exposes the torso is not allowed.
- Clothing which is not worn properly or has tears that are indecent will not be permitted. All trousers must be secured at the waist.
- Garments which were traditionally designed as undergarments, sleepwear or beachwear may not be worn as outer garments.
- Leggings without overblouses (long shirts) will not be allowed.

Students have the right to wear stylish clothes of their choice as long as those clothes are appropriate for school and are not dangerous to health and safety and do not create a substantial disruption of the school.



# Student ID Policy



Students must wear a Stranahan High School Student Identification Badge (Student ID) at all times while on campus.

1. Student ID must be visible and not in book bags, pockets or under clothing.
2. The Student ID must be replaced when lost or damaged beyond recognition.
3. Students must request a new Student ID from the Media Clerk and pay \$5.00 to be issued a new permanent ID. If a student is unable to pay an obligation will be created for them.
4. Temporary Student IDs: In the event students forget their identification badge, they will be provided with a temporary ID badge.
5. When the fifth request for a temporary badge is received, the student MUST purchase a new, permanent identification badge at a cost of \$5.00.

Please note student ID badges must be used to purchase breakfast/lunch.

# Student Parking

Students who are eligible to drive to school will need to purchase a Student Parking Decal in order to park in the designated parking area. Decals can be purchased for \$60.00 from Mr. Fanfan, Security Specialist.

## **Drivers must provide the following documentation:**

1. Valid Driver's License
2. Registration
3. Proof of current car insurance



# Stay Connected



**Follow us on social media:**

**Instagram:**

**@PrincipalPadura**

**X (formally known as Twitter):**

**@PrincipalPadura**

**@StranahanDragon**

**Important Numbers:**

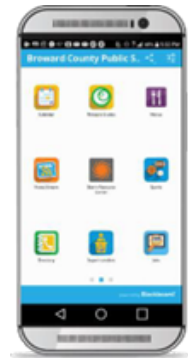
**Main Office- 754-323-2100**

**Attendance: 754-323-2102**

**Guidance: 754-323-2111**

**Website:**

**<https://www.browardschools.com/stranahan>**



# Safety & Security



**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.**

**Be a Broward Buddy, Report a Tip!**

The safety and security of our students and staff is our number one priority. “Safety and security don’t just happen; they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear.”

**- Nelson Mandela**



**Call Us Anytime**

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](tel:754-321-3500)



**Send Us an Email**

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](mailto: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 reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.

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

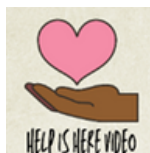


**SaferWatch**

Submit a tip via SaferWatch (**download is required**). Visit SaferWatch using the link below. Your tip will reach law enforcement.

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

*Help is Here*



There is help and support available to you at school. Watch this video and find the right people to talk to as a student. If you have a problem, help is here. For more information and resources, click :

[Help is Here](#)



# Transportation

## Rider Registration

- All eligible students needing bus transportation for the upcoming school year must register for a bus assignment. Use Add a subheading to register and guarantee a bus assignment for the first day of school.
- Any student who registered for a bus last year and did not use the service, must register for a bus using their student 06 account.
- Eligible students must be registered by June 28, 2024, to reserve a bus seat for the first day of school on Monday, August 12.

**NOTE:** Transportation registration processes for programs such as ESE, 504, Foster, Homeless, and Teen Parent has not changed and will continue.

\*Unregistered students waiting at a bus stop without a parent/guardian present, will be transported to school and turned over to an administrator. Unregistered students will not be transported home after school. This will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

\*

Select the school year you would like to register for

Register  
**Before June 28, 2024,**  
guaranteed a bus seat  
for the  
**first day of school.**

Log in with a student account and student password, e.g: [06XXXXXXXX@my.browardschools.com](mailto:06XXXXXXXX@my.browardschools.com)

Register  
**By July 12, 2024,**  
will be assigned a  
**bus seat no later than**  
**the second week of**  
**school.**

Answer the corresponding question(s)

[Register2RideLink](https://www.browardschools.com/register2ride)