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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Principal's Message



Dear Everglades High School Community,

I want to begin my message by welcoming and expressing my heartfelt gratitude to all the Everglades High School community members who participated in the 2023 Harvest Drive. Due to your generosity, the Harvest Drive was a great success and we were able to help provide food to members of our community. Ms. Florio's study hall class collected the most items for the Harvest Drive and will be treated to an ice - cream social, congratulations!

It is hard to believe that it is the month of December! The school year is more than 1/3 of the way through, which means we are only a few weeks away from completing the first academic semester. As we approach the final weeks of the semester, it can be difficult for students to keep their focus on learning. We will work hard at school to teach and learn right up to the final day before winter break.

Midterm exams are scheduled for December 19 - December 22. Students will complete 2 exams each day and will be dismissed at 11:40 a.m.. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to exempt up to three eligible exams. Please be on the lookout for information regarding the exemption process that will be sent through Parentlink and will be posted to the school website. Students must submit their Exam Exemption Form from December 6 - December 13. We appreciate you helping your student to work hard and check Pinnacle Gradebook frequently. Thank you in advance for your support.

As we look forward to the holiday season and the start of a new year, let us continue to support each other and work towards our goals with renewed determination and enthusiasm. I encourage you to take some time to rest and recharge, we all deserve a chance to relax and spend time with loved ones. I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season and a prosperous new year. We look forward to continuing our work together in the new year!

Warm regards,

Mr. Sean Curran
YOUR PROUD PRINCIPAL

Happy Holidays

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 12/19 - 12/22: Midterm Exams
- 12/23 - 1/7: Winter Break

IN THIS ISSUE:

- School Counseling Updates
- Safety and Security
- Important Information
- Plus so much more

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

EHS ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Principal - Mr. Curran
9th Grade Administrator - Mr. Henry
10th Grade Administrator - Ms. Roman
11th Grade Administrator Ms. Thompson
12th Grade Administrator Mr. Smith

EHS SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Cambridge Grades 9-12 - Ms. Tyson-Romeo, 754-323-0563
Grade 9 - Ms. Powell: 754- 323-0525
Grade 10 - Ms. Gooden: 754- 323-0523
Grade 11 - Ms. Swain: 754- 323-0551
Grade 12 - Ms. Lysaght-Marikos: 754- 323-0514
Guidance Director - Ms. Gina Finn: 754- 323- 0510

Family Counselor – Mr. Fitz-Henley
Social Worker – Ms. Perez
Psychologist – Ms. Golovin

BRACE

Grades 9th -12th, Ms. Pommell: 754-323-0518
Student Assessment Specialist - Mr. Lanfranco:
754-323-0545

CAMBRIDGE CORNER



Thank you to all EHS families that attended our Cambridge Parent Night. The evening was certainly a success!

Why is it important to earn your AICE diploma?

One of the most asked questions that is heard when we talk about the Cambridge AICE Diploma is "Why?" Earning an AICE diploma requires you to take 7 different rigorous courses and pass their corresponding college-level exams within 3 school years. If you polled our current AICE diploma seeking students at EHS, almost all of them would tell you that they are working towards their AICE diploma for 3 reasons:

1. Our rigorous AICE courses help to prepare them for college.
2. Each passed AICE exam earns at least 3 college credits, so an AICE diploma means leaving EHS with at least 21 college credits.

3. The AICE Diploma is an automatic qualifier for the Bright Futures Scholarship (with the completion of 100 hours of community service), regardless of SAT/ACT score.

Stay connected with everything AICE/ Cambridge Related by joining the Band App:



EHS~Cambridge

📢 Attention all Cambridge Students! Stay in the loop and never miss a beat with our...

Scan this QR code and join!

Contact the Cambridge Coordinator, Ms. Tyson-Romeo for more information at

gabrielle.tyson-romeo@browardschools.com

BRACE UPDATES

The Florida Financial Aid Application (Bright Futures application) is now available. Follow the FFAA quick guide on the BRACE Canvas page for instructions on creating an account and completing the application.

Bright Future - The BRACE Department will be meeting with all seniors to give them information regarding the Bright Future's process.

*Please visit our College and Career Center during your lunch time located in Room 320

SAFETY & SECURITY

- **ID badge must always be worn and visibly displayed by students, faculty, and staff while on campus**
- Upon entry to campus, all visitors must be cleared through the Raptor system. This includes but is not limited to, parents, district staff, vendors, volunteers, and members of the public. 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.
- **Food deliveries by outside companies (i.e. Uber Eats) are prohibited.**

TARDY POLICY

- School starts at 7:40am.
- Please make sure students are in class before the start time.
- Administration and security will make every effort to guide students to class.
- Students that arrive late to school for 1st and 5th period will be marked tardy by the front office. These students will be issued a tardy pass and sent to class as soon as possible. A warning bell will ring one minute before the final bell to encourage students to get to class on time.
- Hall passes will not be issued the first or final 15-minutes of class. This includes Study Hall classes.

ANONYMOUS TIP REPORTING

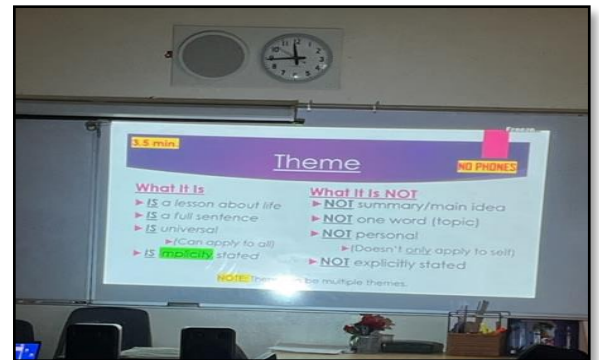
Anonymous Tip Submission via:

- www.Browardschools.com/SecurityTips
- Call the District Security Operations Center (DSOC) at 754-321-3500 (reporter can remain anonymous)
- Email to SecurityTips@Browardschools.com (reporter can remain anonymous)
- FortifyFL at www.GetFortifyFL.com
-NO DOWNLOAD Required
- Alyssa's Alert: SaferWatch—DOWNLOAD REQUIRED a free mobile app that can be used as a mobile duress alarm.

GATOR STAR TEACHERS

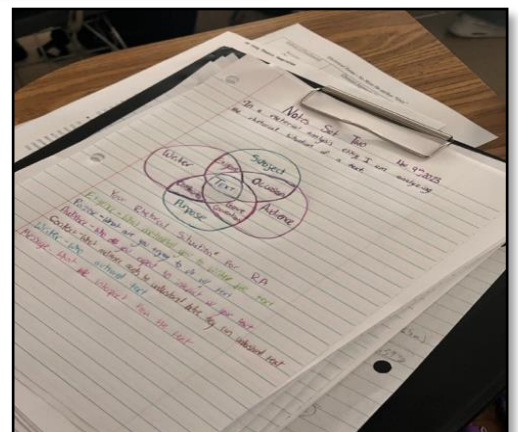
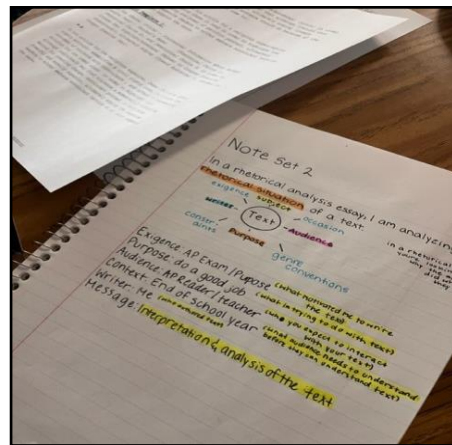
Ms. Tiffany Gordon

Ms. Gordon did a great lesson on Theme vs. Main Idea. The teacher paused during her lesson to engage students and gave them time to take notes on the lesson being taught.



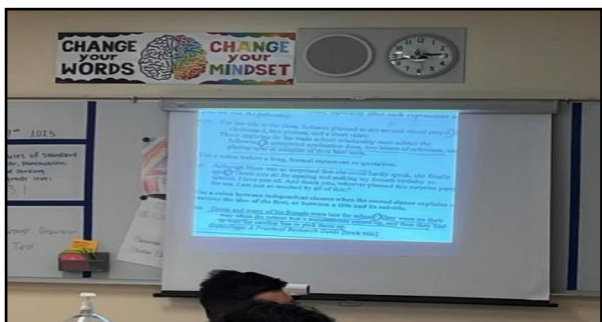
Ms. Erin Constransitch

Ms. Constransitch did a great job with engaging her students on a rhetorical analysis lesson. Students were focused, and Ms. Constransitch made sure to check for student understanding, while teaching the lesson.



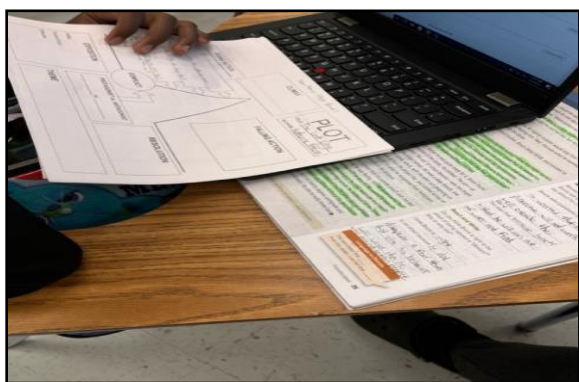
Ms. Precila Losenara

Ms. Losenara did a great job with her lesson on independent clauses, commas, and semi-colons. Students were in collaborative groups and participated in a discussion based on the lesson.



Dr. Willamae Noel

Dr. Noel did a great job with having her students use annotations and a plot diagram to analyze the story they were reading.



Congratulations

AFTER SCHOOL PEER TUTORING

- **Tuesday:** National Science Honor Society in Room 451 at 2:45pm.
- **Wednesday:** Mu Alpha Theta Math tutoring in Room 359 at 2:45pm

F.A.S.T. & EOC REVIEW SESSIONS

EVERGLADES HIGH SCHOOL
GATOR AID
EOC PREP SESSIONS

BIOLOGY
Room 456
TUESDAYS

U.S. HISTORY
Room 330
WEDNESDAYS

LANGUAGE ARTS
Room 477 - Grades 9/10
Room 372 - Grades 11/12
WEDNESDAYS

ALGEBRA - Room 359
GEOMETRY - Room 350
Beginning 11/30
THURSDAYS

U.S. HISTORY
Room 330
Beginning 12/9
Weekdays 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM
Saturdays 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
SATURDAYS

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS

Tuesday December 5	Wednesday December 6
FAST ELA Retake	B.E.S.T. Algebra 1 EOC
Grade 11 and Grade 12 students who have not met the Reading testing graduation requirement.	Grade 11 and Grade 12 students who have not met the Algebra 1 testing graduation requirement.
Thursday December 7	Friday December 8
B.E.S.T. Algebra 1 EOC	Biology 1 EOC & US History EOC
Grade 9 and Grade 10 students who have not met the Algebra 1 testing graduation requirement.	Students who need the Biology 1 or US History EOC for course credit.

SWAMP CELEBRATIONS

- Congratulations to our **State Champion Swimmer Javier Comenares!**
- Congratulations to the **Everglades High JROTC Raider teams** for placing first in their October regional meet. The male, female, and mixed teams all emerged victorious. The team's outstanding performance and dedication led to this exceptional victory!
- The **National Honor Society (NHS)** has fundraised for the adoption of 10 children through the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program. Through the 2022 and 2023 Jeopardy Nights, the NHS raised over \$1500 and have provided gifts ranging from \$150-200 per student. The Salvation Army will be picking up the donations on Monday, December 4th.
- The **Everglades High School Debate Team** had an amazing weekend of competition at UF's Blue Key Speech and Debate tournament in late October.

A special congratulations to the following members of the Debate Team:

- **Isaiah Romeo** - Champion (1st place) in Dramatic Interpretation.
- **Skylar Hunter** - 3rd place in Dramatic Interpretation.
- **Mia Fernandez** and **Christopher Kaden** - *Octo finalists.*



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Greater Together


DECEMBER EVENTS

- December 2: Wrestling at Hialeah Gardens
- December 4 – December 8: Inclusive Student Week
- December 4: Home Basketball v South Broward
 - Varsity Girls at 4:30 p.m.
 - JV Boys at 6:00 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:30 p.m.
- December 5: Band Winter Concert
- December 5: Wrestling at Cardinal Gibbons
- December 6: PTSA Bolay Fundraiser
- December 6: Away Soccer at Coral Springs at 5:00 p.m.
- December 6: Away Basketball v Somerset Academy Charter High
 - JV Boys at 5:30 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:00 p.m.
- December 8: Soccer Home v Somerset at 4:00 p.m.
- December 12: Home Basketball v Cypress Bay
 - Varsity Girls at 4:30 p.m.
 - JV Boys at 6:00 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:30 p.m.
- December 13: Legacy Choir Winter Concert
- December 14: Away Basketball v Flanagan
 - JV Boys at 4:30 p.m.
 - Varsity Girls at 6:00 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:30 p.m.
- December 18: Home Basketball v West Broward
 - Varsity Girls at 4:30 p.m.
 - JV Boys at 6:00 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:30 p.m.
- December 19 – December 22: Midterm Exams
- December 19: SAC Meeting at 3:00 p.m. in Room 320.
- December 20: Home Basketball v Pompano Beach HS
 - Varsity Girls at 4:30 p.m.
 - JV Boys at 6:00 p.m.
 - Varsity Boys at 7:30 p.m.
- December 23 – January 7, 2024: Winter Break

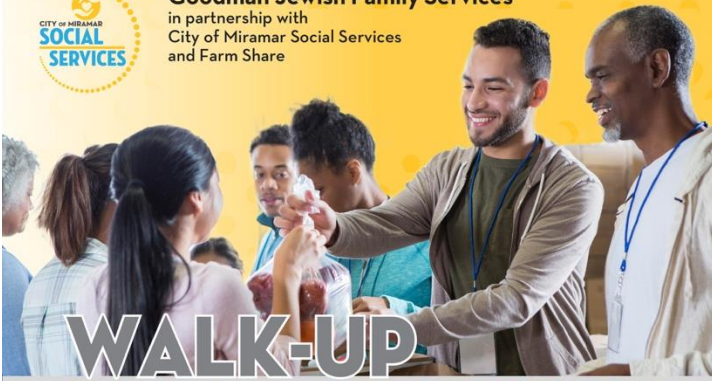
LOOKING AHEAD

- January 8: Track and Field 1st day of practice. All paperwork must be submitted in the DragonFlyMax App. Practice will begin at 3:00 p.m. on the track. See Mr. Truesdale if you have any questions.

UPCOMING FOOD DISTRIBUTION EVENTS



Goodman Jewish Family Services
in partnership with
City of Miramar Social Services
and Farm Share




WALK-UP FOOD DISTRIBUTION

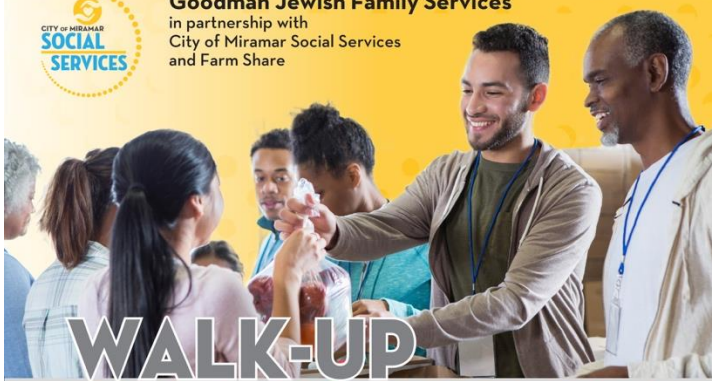
Tuesday, December 19th
12pm to 2pm or until all food has been distributed

Multi-Service Complex
6700 Miramar Parkway, Miramar, FL 33023

For more information, please contact 954-889-2722.



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**SUMMER YOUTH
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2023-2024 EVERGLADES HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULES

REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

Periods 1/5	7:40 AM - 9:13 AM	Homeroom
Periods 2/6	9:19 AM - 10:51 AM	
Lunch A	10:51 AM - 11:24 AM	
Periods 3/7	11:30 AM - 1:02 PM	
Periods 3/7	10:57 AM - 12:29 PM	
Lunch B	12:29 PM - 1:02 PM	
Periods 4/8	1:08 PM - 2:40 PM	
92-Minute Classes	6-Minute Passing	33-Minute Lunch

PROFESSIONAL STUDY DAY SCHEDULE

Periods 1/5	7:40 AM - 8:37 AM	Homeroom
Periods 2/6	8:43 AM - 9:38 AM	
Periods 3/7	9:44 AM - 10:39 AM	
Periods 4/8	10:45 AM - 11:40 AM	
Grab-and-Go Lunch	11:40 AM - 11:50 AM	
55-Minute Classes	6-Minute Passing	10-Minute Lunch

EARLY RELEASE DAY SCHEDULE

Periods 1/5	7:40 AM - 8:52 AM	Homeroom
Periods 2/6	8:58 AM - 10:08 AM	
Periods 3/7	10:14 AM - 11:24 AM	
Periods 4/8	11:30 AM - 12:40 PM	
Grab-and-Go Lunch	12:40 PM - 12:50 PM	
70-Minute Classes	6-Minute Passing	10-Minute Lunch

EVERGLADES HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 SILVER/BLACK CALENDAR

AUGUST					SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER				
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
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21	22	23	24	25	18	19	20	21	22	ERD	24	25	26	27
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NOVEMBER					DECEMBER					JANUARY				
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FEBRUARY					MARCH					APRIL				
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19	20	21	22	23	18	19	20	ERD	22	22	23	24	25	26
26	27	28	29		25	26	27	28	29	29	30			

MAY					JUNE					CALENDAR CODES				
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F					
		1	2	3	3	4	5	6	7	No School	Report Cards			
6	7	8	9	10	ERD	11	12	13	14	Teacher Planning Day	Interims			
13	14	15	16	17	17	18	19	20	21	Midterm/Final Exams	First/Last Day			
20	21	22	23	ERD	24	25	26	27	28	Silver Day: Periods 1-4	29D - Early Release Day 12:40 PM Dismissal			
27	28	29	30	31						Black Day: Periods 5-8	PSD - Prof. Study Day 11:40 AM Dismissal			
										Day of Service and Love	11:40 AM Dismissal			

Second Period Personalization | 9th and 10th Grade Students

Sixth Period Personalization | 11th and 12th Grade Students



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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



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ALYSSA'S ALERT



Mobile Duress Alert App

Alyssa's Alert is a mobile duress alert application that empowers staff members to immediately notify first responders in the event of an emergency. Receive potentially life-saving aid with the push of a button.

Speed Crisis Response

Upon activation*, local first responders & District personnel receive an immediate notification of the emergency.

Easy to Use

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