

# THE COLONEL NEWSLETTER



2023

AUGUST

Plantation High School  
6901 NW 16th Street  
Plantation, FL 33313

## OUR MISSION

The mission of Plantation High School is to meet the needs of all its students by providing an education balanced by academic excellence, career pathways, community service and extracurricular activities.

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

### PRINCIPAL

Parinaz Bristol

### ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Gia Roberts - 9th Grade

Alin Andre - 10th Grade

Horatio Major - 11th Grade

Sylvia Rios - 12th Grade

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you in good health and excited for the new year. As we gear up for another exciting academic year, we are thrilled to welcome you and your high school student to the 2023-2024 school year at Plantation High School.

Our dedicated faculty and staff have been working tirelessly over the summer to prepare an engaging and enriching educational experience for your child. We are committed to fostering an environment that encourages intellectual growth, personal development, and meaningful connections.

### Important Dates:

- Plantation Preview for 9th graders and new students is August 17, 2023, at 9:00 am
- First Day of School: August 21, 2023, classes start at 7:40 am
- Back-to-School Night: September 12, 2023, 9 at 5:15 with a resource fair in the gym

We encourage every student to explore extracurricular activities that align with their interests and passions. Our clubs, sports teams, arts programs, and community service opportunities provide a well-rounded education beyond the classroom. We value your involvement in your child's education journey. If you're interested in volunteering, supporting school events, or joining our School Advisory Council meetings, please reach out to our front office at 754-322-1850.

As partners in your child's education, your input is invaluable. We invite you to participate in our upcoming surveys and feedback sessions, enabling us to continuously improve the educational experience we provide.

Here's to a successful and inspiring academic year!

Parinaz Bristol

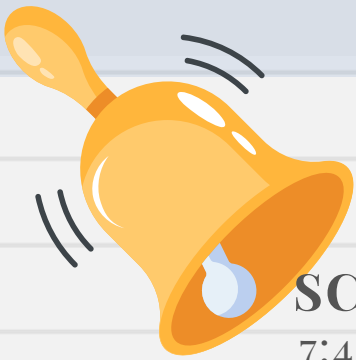
Principal

Motivate, Educate, and Graduate



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## SCHOOL HOURS

7:40 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

- Classes will begin promptly at 7:40 a.m. each morning
- Arriving on time is crucial to student academic success
- Please do NOT drop students off before 7:10 am and please make sure students are picked up no later than 3:00 pm.

## STUDENT SCHEDULES

Plantation operates on an  
A/B Schedule

- Students will attend four classes per day.
- Each class will be 90 minutes in length and will meet every other day.
- ½ credit in each class may be earned every semester.
- 1/2 credits are earned every 18 weeks with the exception of EOC Courses which receives credits at the end of the years after EOC after scores are released.
- High school students can earn 7 credits in a year.



Excuse your child's absence online at  
<https://www.browardschools.com/domain/16534>

Or

call our Attendance Line @ 754-322-1852

## OUR AMAZING PROGRAMS

- Cambridge
- Gifted Academy
- International Baccalaureate



## GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

GUIDANCE DIRECTOR

Tracy Greenbaum

SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Gabrielle Bailey

Michelle Doriah

Anika Lynch

## MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S GRADES AND ATTENDANCE



Parents and students can use Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV) to check grades.

To access the Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV), go to

**<https://gb.browardschools.com>**

Username: Student#@my.browardschools.com

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

**Parents should make a habit of checking students' grades regularly.**

## HOW TO ACCESS VIRTUAL COUNSELOR FOR STUDENT SCHEDULES & TRANSPORTATION

Virtual Counselor gives parents and students access to:

- Interim Reports
- Test Scores
- Schedules
- Transportation information and much more!

To access Virtual Counselor, go to **[Browardschools.com/virtualcounselor](https://Browardschools.com/virtualcounselor)**

Click on "**Student**"

Username: Enter the student's 10-digit student identification number

Password: MM/DD/YEAR (Your date of birth typed exactly as shown including the slashes).

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## FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



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## IMPORTANT DATES

### August

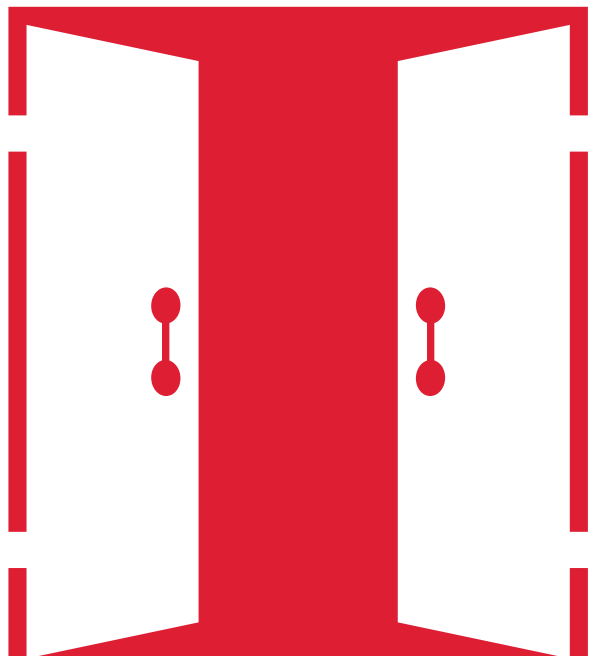
17th - Plantation Freshman Preview  
21st - First Day of School

### September

4th - Schools Closed  
12th - First SAC Meeting  
12th - Open House  
25th - Schools Closed

September 12th

Open  
House





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### 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](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 immediately reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.  
[GetFortifyFL.com](https://www.getfortifyfl.com)

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## JOIN SAC & SAF

### School Advisory Council & School Advisory Forum

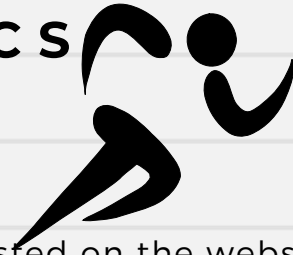
- School Advisory Council (SAC): SAC is a committee of parents, community members, and teachers who meet to discuss and monitor our School Improvement Plan. The focus of SAC is primarily student achievement but many issues are discussed that affect the school. SAC has an official elected membership but all are welcome to attend each meeting.
- School Advisory Forum (SAF): SAF is an open forum to discuss any school or community issue. While SAC focuses on the School Improvement Plan, SAF is the place to get more information, address any other concerns, or share ideas that impact the school. SAF meetings are held back to back with our SAC meetings.
- The SAC committee provides a place for parents to voice their opinions and make suggestions. SAC also gives the opportunity for parents to actively participate in setting goals and making plans to achieve those academic goals. SAC allows for parents to identify issues that need to be addressed concerning the school climate.

## School Supplies

If you would like to send your child to school with general school supplies (pens, pencils, notebooks, folders, etc.,) then you may. However, each one of their teachers will provide students with specific supply lists for each subject.



## CLUBS & ATHLETICS



Information regarding clubs and athletics will be posted on the website and shared on the announcements. Students are encouraged to join at least one club. Sports have very strict dates. Tryout dates are shared in the announcements. Any student who plans to play any sport is required to have completed paperwork and a physical prior to any tryouts. It is suggested that you submit the paperwork at the beginning of the year—regardless of the sport, to ensure you are ready when tryouts arrive. The link to access the paperwork is <https://www.browardschools.com/domain/22759>

Questions related to athletics can be sent to the Athletic Director, Laura Keeler @ [laura.keeler@browardschools.com](mailto:laura.keeler@browardschools.com)

## TRANSPORTATION

Any student that wishes to ride a bus **MUST** register to ride through the following website <https://www.browardschools.com/register2ride>.

There are safety protocols on the bus that students will need to follow. If a student miss their bus after school, a parent or guardian **MUST** pick them up. Riding the school bus is a privilege and misbehaviors on the bus may result in these privileges being revoked.





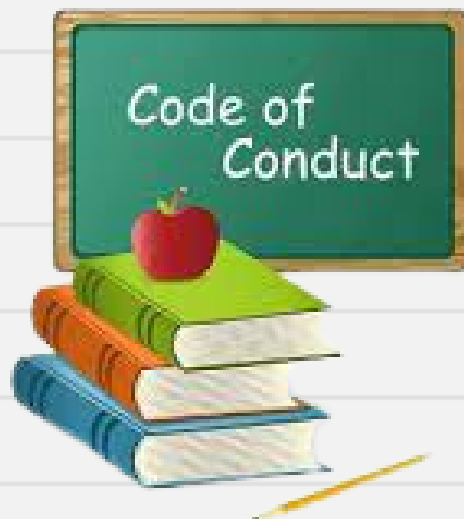
## Student Code of Conduct

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."

The Student Code of Conduct book is available online at:  
<https://www.browardschools.com/codeofconduct>

It is required that parents and students review the contents of this publication and sign the online acknowledgment form.

We are looking forward to a great year!



## Dress Code

Parents, please ensure that your student follow Broward County Dress Code Policy.

Plantation High School requires students to wear their ID Badge visible each day.

Students may NOT wear jeans with holes in them above the knee. They must be appropriately dressed for school each day.

No hats or head wear are to be worn unless approved by the Broward County Dress Code Policy. If students are not appropriately dressed, parents will be contacted to resolve the issue.



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## On Campus Safety & Security.

We are committed to ensuring the safety of all students. We have a security team that comprised of school resource officers, campus security managers, security specialist, and a team of campus monitors.

All guests enter campus through the single point of entry via buzzer system after proper vetting which includes visitors sharing their purpose in being on campus and showing their ID through the camera. All students, staff, and guests must wear ID Badges. Guests are to be escorted by staff members. Perimeter gates remain locked and security checks are conducted school-wide frequently. All staff and students are trained on emergency preparedness procedures. Drills are conducted frequently. There are digital real-time security cameras surveilling the entire campus.

Please be advise that persons entering the property are subject to screening by metal detectors for weapons and other dangerous objects. Screening is not a promise of security - School Board Policy 2010

## Professional Study Days

Plantation High School will have  
four Professional Study Days for the  
2023-2024 school year

October 3, 2023

November 2, 2023

February 1, 2024

April 4, 2024

### School Board Members:

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