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Principal's Message

Hello Dillard High School Family,

I would like to extend a warm welcome back and Happy New Year to all families. May this year bring you, and your family great joy, peace, harmony, good health, and prosperity.

We thank you for your caring support and partnership as we prepare your child to be college and career-ready. The New Year is a wonderful time for families to discuss their own family values and how to make a difference in the lives of others. Discussions will set the tone for effective communication throughout the New Year.

Families are encouraged to seize the opportunity to celebrate personal achievements and to set individual and family goals. We continue to enjoy working with you, and your children. We invite you to schedule an appointment any time to meet with your child's teachers and/or school counselor to discuss your child's needs and/or educational progress for the remainder of this year and/or planning for their next academic school year. Once again, Happy 2021 Panthers!

Thank you,

Casandra D. Robinson, Principal

"Together We Make Great Things Happen!"

Happy
New
Year

Dillard High 6-12 Alma Mater

We fling thy standard on the air,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
The gray and blue so pure to flair,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
We'll keep it proudly floating there
An emblem of thy watchful care
And for thy sake we'll do and dare
Dillard High, my Dillard High.

Our loyalty we now proclaim
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Our hearts are glowing with its flame
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
O, may we live to guard from shame
The purity of Dillard's name,
And all thy virtues wide proclaim,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.

O Alma Mater, strong and free
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Thy loyal sons we'll ever be
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
May our young hearts inspired be thee
Beat warmly for humanity
And in defeat or victory
Be true to thee, my Dillard High

IMPORTANT Information



SCHOOL HOURS

7:40 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.

- Classes will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. each morning
- Arriving on time is crucial to student academic success

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Dillard will continue to operate on a 4x4 A/B Schedule

- Students will attend four classes per day (one personalization period).
- Each class will be 90 minutes in length and will meet every other day
- ½ credit in each class may be earned every semester.
- High school credits are earned every 18 weeks.
- High school students can earn 7 credits in a year.

Important Dates



January

7th - Early Release Day
 15th - Professional Study Day
 Jan. 18th - No School

February

4th - Professional Study Day
 15th - School Closed
 18th - Early Release Day

Guidance News

"The Happy Department" End of Course Exams

End of Course (EOC) Exam RETAKE SEASON is in motion. If you are in need of retaking any of the EOC tests listed below, please make plans to be present. For more information, contact your School Counselor. The EOC for Geometry, Biology, US. History and Alg I Retake Makeup for students to meet graduation requirements will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, January 27 & 28, 2021. Testing will start at the beginning of first period in room 361.

EXAM



RESPECT

Six Ways to Teach Respect:

Do as I do - Children learn from the example show them.

Do as I say - Do as I say will be better received after "do as I do" has been taken care of.

Show them respect - Respect is not only about showing people who are older than you regard. It's about establishing in everyone's mind the dignity of the human person.

Teach them at an early age - It's never too late to teach and model respectful behavior but always start as soon as possible.

Negative and Positive Responses - Learn to show disapproval when they talk or act disrespectfully to others. When they act respectfully ALWAYS show your appreciation or approval of their actions.

Monitor their environment - When people come to your house, let them know that bad manners are strongly discouraged. The goal of your home is to make everyone feel respected.

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DEPARTMENT OF EQUITY & DIVERSITY

presents:



Youth Forum – Engagement, Academics & E-Learning



Friday, January 29, 2021



[Click Here To Join](#)



1:15 p.m.



Series IV

The purpose of the Young Voices Matter Youth Forum Series is to provide students the opportunity to safely engage in conversations with their peers and adults on a variety of topics that resonate with them. The YVM Youth Forum is designed to address student concerns in a platform that is student driven and accessible to all students. Currently, all YVM Forum activities are being provided through Microsoft Teams.

This has been a challenging year for students. Student engagement is predicated on the belief that learning improves when students are inquisitive, interested or inspired. This fourth in the series of Young Voices Matter Youth Forums will focus on Student Engagement, Academics and E-Learning to provide students with an opportunity to share their experiences this school year. How are students performing academically? What challenges are they facing? What has been the impact of E-Learning on student's ability to connect with their schools, their teachers and each other? How can we create a culture where school pride extends beyond the school building so that students can remain engaged regardless of the physical environment? This forum is designed to give voice to student's concerns and provide students with an opportunity to share their suggestions for what is working and what can be improved upon.

We encourage all students to participate in the Youth Forums as attendees or participants. To join us for this month's youth forum, please notify your mentor program coordinator or contact us at mentoringacrossbroward@browardschools.com and provide your name and student number.



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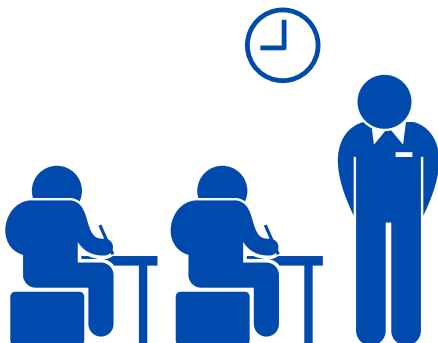
Upcoming Exam Dates:

WIDA Testing
(World-Class Instructional
Design Assessment)
January 25th - March 19th

BSA
(Broward Standardized
Assessment)
February 1st - February 12th

FSA ELA Retake
(Florida Standards Assessment
English/Language Arts)
February 8th - March 6th

SAT School Day
March 3rd



HOW TO ACCESS TEST SCORES & GRADES (FSA, FCAT 2.0, ETC...)

STEP 1- Log on to your student's Single Sign-On Username: Student Number
Password: P00/00/0000. Check with the student to see if the password has been changes.

(You will land on their CLEVER homepage.)

STEP 2 - Click on the "Virtual Counselor" option. (If you do not see the Virtual Counselor option type "Virtual Counselor in the search bar at the top.)

STEP 3 - Under "Student Info" choose the **Test Scores OR Grades** to see your student's test scores and/or report cards.

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