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Principal's Message

Hello Dillard High School Family,

This is the month that our nation has set aside as a month of gratitude and thanksgiving. During the month of November, we as a nation also take a moment to say thank you to our veterans who have served out country. I want to take this opportunity to share just a few things that I am thankful for as we reflect during this time of year.

Let me begin by saying thank you to our veterans who have selflessly served our country. We have quite a few members of the Dillard High School 6-12 faculty and staff who served our nation honorably. We salute you and honor your service, commitment, and dedication to our country. We are grateful for your service.

I am thankful for my health in the midst of a world-wide pandemic, with which I am able to do serve the students, faculty, and staff of the Dillard community. I am thankful for our students who remind us daily of my purpose. I am thankful for the parents and alumni that make Dillard High a wonderful community. I am thankful for the teachers, paraprofessionals, clerical, custodians, security team, bus drivers, nurses, lunchroom aides, support staff, therapist, and administrators who come together as a team on a daily basis on behalf of our students.

Finally, I am thankful for the parents who entrust us with their most precious commodities and hold us accountable for their child's educational success.

Wishing you a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving holiday.

Thanks,

Casandra D. Robinson, Principal

"Together We Make Great Things Happen!"



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



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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



November

3rd - Teacher Planning Day
11th - No School
23rd - 27th -No School

December

3rd - Professional Study Day
15th - 18th Exam Days
21st -Jan. 1st -No School

Guidance News "The Happy Department"

10 Minutes of Mindfulness and SEL



(from: <https://www.browardschools.com/Page/35264>)

10 Minutes of SEL/Mindfulness is intended to support the social & emotional learning of our students and staff by cultivating the ability to be aware of the present moment with compassion and kindness toward oneself and others. Teachers or staff will provide students with a minimum of 10 minutes of Mindfulness and SEL activities every day. Families are invited to participate as well to receive the benefits that mindfulness and SEL activities might offer.

Parents and guardians can access the SEL & Mindfulness Toolkits [using the web address above].

CITIZENSHIP

Broward County Public Schools celebrates the **Citizenship** character trait during the month of November.

Citizenship Defined:(1) Being involved in trying to make the world a better place, engaged in big and small ways in helping others. (2) Actions and attitudes which reflect pride in being part of a community; showing good citizenship means being law-abiding and involved in service to school, community and country.

Character Check

- In what ways do you feel that you show the qualities of good citizenship?
- Which quality of citizenship is the most difficult for you? Why?
- How have you helped make your community a better place?
- How can you encourage your child to demonstrate the qualities of a good citizenship?

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Meet the DHS Campus Security

The safety and security of our students, staff and visitors is one of our highest priorities at Dillard High School 6-12.

"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

School Resource Officers

Officer Jackson
Officer Lockwood

Security Specialist

Kenneth Scott
Daryl Williams

Campus Monitors

Brandon Adams
Douglass Adams
Sherwin Brown
Nicholas Davis
Davidson Gill
Cynthia Love
Demetris Mincey
Ruby Nelson
Jimmy Tobias

Department News

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Department Chair: Ms. Gianna Faustin



Nearpod is a district approved and supported, research-based interactive-media learning platform that give teachers and students instant formative assessment data while engaging students in the learning process. The Science department utilizes Nearpod as one of its learning tools to engage students and give teacher valuable one-the-spot data that helps to drive instruction as evidenced by student performance.



edpuzzle

EdPuzzle is another digital learning platform utilized in the Science department that allows teachers and students to "watch and engage with videos while the teacher gathers data throughout the lesson."

Club Spotlight

WOMEN OF TOMORROW[®]



MENTOR & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Women of Tomorrow is specifically designed to meet the needs of at-risk teenage girls in our nation's public schools and help them turn obstacles into opportunities by providing the exposure, motivation, confidence and opportunities required to create a better future for themselves, their families, and society.

Mission Statement: The Women of Tomorrow mission is to inspire, motivate and empower at-risk young women to live up to their full potential through a unique mentoring program with highly accomplished professional women and scholarship opportunities.

If you are interested in your child participating, please reach out to Ms. Mckinzie, School Counselor at Miriam.Mckinzie@browardschools.com
Meeting Times: Every 3rd Thursday after school. Next Meeting: December 10th



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MAGNET OPEN HOUSE - EMERGING COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

DIGITAL ART & DESIGN • PHOTOGRAPHY
ROBOTICS • PROGRAMMING • GAME DESIGN
FILM • ENGINEERING • ANIMATION • ENTREPRENEURSHIP
MARKETING • BUSINESS LEADERSHIP • DEBATE



EMERGING COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY DIGITAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE
NOVEMBER 30, 2020 AT 6:30
[TINYURL.COM/OPENHOUSENOV30](https://tinyurl.com/openhouseNov30)

HOW TO ACCESS TEST SCORES (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** to see your student's test scores.

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Broward County
Public Schools

You Are Invited!

A public forum designed to engage the community in discussing educational strategies and next steps for the District.



Make your
voice count
by attending.



Students earn
community
service hours.



Engage with School
Board Members,
Superintendent and
Senior District Leadership.

Presented in English, Haitian Creole, Portuguese and Spanish.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2020

9 a.m. to noon

Register at browardschools.com/edtalk

Deadline: Friday, December 4

This is a virtual event. The Microsoft Teams meeting link will be sent during the week of the event.

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Meet our Department Chairs

English/Language Arts

Ms. Davenport

Math

Mr. Woodburn

Science

Ms. Faustin

Social Studies/History

Ms. Ellis-Barnett

Foreign Language

Mr. Serra

Physical Education/JROTC

Ms. Pinder

Digital and Occupational Technology

Ms. Butler-Overstreet

Emerging Computer Technology

Magnet Coordinator

Ms. Swanson

Fine/Performing Arts

Magnet Coordinator

Mr. Charles

Reading

Literacy Coach

Ms. Lee-Wright

Exceptional Student Services

Ms. Smith

Guidance/School Counseling

Ms. Hankerson



FREE MEALS FOR THANKSGIVING BREAK

Broward County Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services is offering FREE Grab-and-Go meals for children to ensure they have access to nutritious meals over the Thanksgiving Break. Meals will be distributed to children 18 years of age or younger on Tuesday, Nov. 17, and Thursday, Nov. 19, during curbside distribution at all elementary, middle and high schools.

All children – whether they're engaged in face-to-face learning, eLearning and even if they don't attend a Broward County Public School – are encouraged to take advantage of the free meals.

Meal distribution times vary by school location during the school day.

Visit www.browardschools.com/food-service, call 211 or contact a school near you for individual service times.

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Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, (ADAAA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.

