DILLARD HIGH SCHOOL 6-12 CASANDRA D. ROBINSON, PRINCIPAL



Panther Pride Quarter 4 Edition March – June 2024

"TOGETHER WE MAKE GREAT THINGS HAPPEN"



Administrative Staff

Principal Casandra D. Robinson

Assistant Principals

Joshua Philpart Middle Grades

Robert Levinsky 9th Grade

Nichola Gayle 10th Grade

Tracie Latimer 11th Grade

Patrick Lowe 12th Grade

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings Panther Family!

As The Proud Principal of Dillard High School 6-12, I would like to thank you for entrusting us with your student for 3 quarters and ask for your continued support for the 4th quarter. Our aim is to consistently provide wrap around services to ensure your student is supported academically and socially.

We are heading into the final lap of the 2023-2024 school year. During the 4th quarter, teachers and staff will be focused on providing academic support for students. This support will equip students with skills and strategies needed to do their absolute best on the upcoming state exams. The window for administering exams will begin April 1, 2024 and end May 31, 2024. Students have been our main priority at Dillard High School 6-12, and we are confident our results will show our hard work.

We will continue to equip our students with the knowledge and skills needed for College and/or Career.

If you have any questions or suggestions, we are always a phone call away. Please remember that the safety and security of your child is our main priority. As a reminder, If you see something, say something.

Thanks, Casandra D. Robinson Principal





We require ALL students and staff to always wear identification (ID) badges while on campus.

ID badges have been issued to all students free of charge. A replacement ID badge will be needed if a student loses their ID badge. The fee to reprint and reissue an ID badge is \$5, after the fourth badge. If a student cannot pay the replacement fee for the ID badge, the fee will be recorded as an obligation until the amount is paid.

Students not wearing an ID badge are subject to disciplinary action, as the School Board of Broward County mandates this requirement.

Students' ID badges must be visible and not in book bags, pockets, or under clothing.

Student ID badges must be replaced immediately when lost, damaged beyond recognition, or unavailable during the school day. ID replacements are done in Student Affairs throughout the school day.

Student ID BADGES MUST BE USED FOR BREAKFAST AND FOR LUNCH

We will require all visitors to check in with the Star System at the Single point of entry. All visitors must wear the temporary ID badge provided throughout their visit. Safety is our first priority, and we must rely on everyone's cooperation to continue providing the best educational experience for our students.



School Hours 7:33 am - 2:40 pm

Visitors

ALL VISITORS MUST ENTER AND EXIT THROUGH THE SINGLE POINT OF ENTRY "ONLY"

Student Pickup

Student pickup is not allowed after 2:10 pm

Daily Attendance

Daily attendance is important for student success. Students are expected to arrive to class on time



STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL



FortifyFL





SaferWatch



Attention Fire Drills and Lockdown Drills are conducted monthly!!!

Outside visitors are not allowed on campus during drills. Parents and guardians will be notified of all drills. Make sure your contact information is up to date in our system.

Please join us for Dillard High School 6-12's monthly SAC meetings for the 2023-2024 school year. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm in the Performing Arts (PA) Building Conference Room. Listed below are the remaining dates for you to remember:

Wednesday, May 1, 2024



Guidance Counselors

Guidance Director

Maryland D. Hankerson

9th Grade Guidance Counselor

Marsha Monroe

10th Grade Guidance Counselor

Miriam Mckinzie

11th Grade Guidance Counselor

Maryland D. Hankerson

12th Grade Guidance Counselor

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Middle Grades

Louna Bellot

BRACE Advisor

Jimmy Witherspoon

SUPPORT STAFF

ESE Specialist

ESE Counselor

Alma Guerrier

Lauren Orozco

Social Worker

Family Counselor

Florence Saint-Louis

Cindy Philippe

School Psychologist

Lindsay D'Amico

PANTHER SCHOOL COUNSELING

Welcome to the Xello Family Portal!

The District has created a Xello Family account for you, you'll receive an email. The email will include a link to activate your account within 7 days of receiving it. All you'll need to do to get started is set a password.

If you haven't received the activation email, it may have redirected to your spam folder. Make sure to remove "xello.world" from your email spam settings to receive this and future messages from Xello.

If you forget your password:

- Visit https://login.xello.world/
- 2. Click Having trouble signing in?
- 3. Enter your email address and click Send Email.
- 4. You'll receive an email to reset your Xello Family password.

If you don't have a Xello Family account, ask your child's teacher to create one for you.

Your child will need the support of caring adults to achieve their dreams. One of the ways you can support their future is through Xello Family.

The dashboard is the first page you'll see when you log in. From here, you can manage your personal account, check out your child's work, and access the demo account.

1. Manage your personal account

Customize your personal account. Access your profile menu in the top right corner of any page. Upload a profile image, add a mobile number, or change the language.

2. View your child's work

Check out the work your child has completed. Click on their name to begin. If you have more than one child using Xello, they'll each have their own profile that you can review.

3. Try Xello yourself

Select a grade and start exploring. Use this opportunity to experience firsthand what your child is working on in school. Try a Lesson, complete an assessment, or explore careers!



REQUESTING TRANSCRIPTS

Dillard High Students may now request transcripts through Xello. Students can request their transcript be sent to an institution and educators can action these requests, including those transcripts sent via FASTER. This provides students visibility into the status of their transcript requests, while helping educators manage and keep track of transcript requests all in one place. Visit the Panther School Counseling Canvas for instructions on how to request a transcript in Xello.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Now is the time to explore dual enrollment options and deadlines. Keep an eye out in the Panther School Counseling canvas for the most updated information. Also, see below for information regarding University of Florida "Happiness" course.

UF Happiness Course for Dual Enrollment
The Spring 2024 application for the University of Florida Happiness Course is now available at https://dualenrollment.dce.ufl.edu/happiness/Links to an external site.

The course continues to be a great success to students throughout the county! sophomores are encouraged to apply also!

The deadline to apply is November 15, 2023.

State Scholarship and Grant Programs Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Updates

College Entrance Exams: OSFA will evaluate students based on official ACT*, SAT*, and CLT test scores obtained directly from the three national test companies through the state test repository. PERT scores will continue to be reported on the high school transcript for each student. For Early Evaluation, OSFA will use tests taken through January 31, 2024.

Students graduating in the 2023-24 will be able to take the ACT*, SAT*, and CLT until August 31, 2024, as authorized by rule 6A-20.028, Florida Administrative Code, for the Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

Service Hours:

The service hour requirement for a specific BF program may be satisfied by completing the statutory required number of volunteer service hours, paid work hours, or 100 hours combined. The combination of volunteer service hours and paid work hours must equal a minimum of 100 total hours to fulfill the service hour requirement. Eligible paid work hours completed on or after June 27, 2022, may be included retroactively in the calculation of the student's total paid work hours completed.

Financial Aid Updates

The Free Application for Federal Student Financial Aid (FAFSA) will be available after December 1, 2023, for the 2023-24 High School Senior Class 2. The Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) will be available on October 1, 2023, for the 2023-24 High School Senior Class

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Safety and Security

• For the safety and security of our students, all Broward County Schools have been designed to have a single point of entry. As a result, visitors entering or exiting our campus must enter and exit through the single point of entry only. PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO early dismissal after 2:10 PM.

Visitors

• Any parent or visitor wishing to enter the Dillard 6-12 campus must bring a current and valid driver's license to be scanned in our Raptor Security System to be granted admission.

Tardy Policy

• Students who arrive at school late, but before 8:00 AM, must report directly to class. They will receive a consequence from the classroom teacher. Students who arrive at school late, after 8:00 AM, will report to Student Affairs and receive an administrative consequence.

<u>Breakfast</u>

•Students must have their IDs to eat breakfast. Students who intend to have breakfast on campus must arrive at school early enough to eat breakfast and report to their first class of the day on time.

Parent Conferences

• If you need to schedule a parent/teacher conference, please reach out to our guidance department to schedule a conference. Ms. Sly, Guidance Secretary will be glad to assist you at (754)322-0800





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!



Excuse your child's absence online at https://www.browardschools.com/domain/16454 or call our Attendance Line ® 754-322-0802



All eligible students needing bus transportation for the school year must register for a bus assignment at Use https://tfsweb.browardschools.com/ride

DOWNLOAD BCPS FREE MOBILE APP





DILLARD SIGMAC@T ROBOTICS

Dillard High School was the 3rd highest performing team in Florida at Regionals in Tallahassee

Dillard High was the highest performing team in Broward County at Regionals in Tallahassee Dillard High School placed in the top 6% of FRC teams in the world at Regionals in Tallahassee World CHAMPIONSHIPS Houston, Texas April 2024



DILLARD CULINARY ARTS

JOIN US FOR

DILLARD HIGH SCHOOL'S COOKING COMPETITION!

Come join us at Broward College at the LA Lee YMCA for a fun-filled morning of culinary creativity and delicious dishes. in-person event This showcase the culinary students at Dillard High School as they make fabulous dishes using ingredients grown right here in Sistrunk! If you want to learn more about locally grown fruits vegetables, and support talented youth, and taste their creations, this is the place to be!



9:30 AM-12:00PM 1409 NW 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

To register for the event:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sistrunk-eats-youth-cooking-competition-tickets-868288031877?



Dillard High School 6-12 students placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the event above.

1st Place – 6 Dillard Students 2nd Place – 6 Dillard Students 3rd Place – 4 Dillard Students



"Just Do It" District Awards



Torrick Pierce

Congratulations to our 11th grader, Torrick Pierce, who was selected as the high school recipient of the 'Just Do It' District Award on March 6, 2024 at the Arthur Ashe campus. The Just Do It...I Dia! Awards Program is a districtwide celebration presented by the Exceptional Student Education Division to honor the exemplary achievements of students with disabilities. This year's event recognized the accomplishments of more than 300 BCPS students in a variety of categories, their families, and their peer partners. It also honored the work and commitment of teachers and administrators in ensuring their schools are inclusive and meet the needs and diversity of all learners. Torrick has demonstrated excellence in his academic, social, and extracurricular activities since enrolling at Dillard 6-12. Torrick has made the honor roll, passed rigorous Industry Certification exams, is a member of the Dillard Swim team, and serves as a student leader for the First Priority Club which is a student led Christian club on campus. Outside of school, he has excelled in the world of swimming. Specifically, he has placed in school, District, local, and Special Olympics swimming competitions. Torrick is also an involved member of the First Baptist Fort Lauderdale student youth groups and often initiates random acts of kindness to those in need. Torrick was nominated by Ms. Demetria Rawls, Speech Language Pathologist at Dillard High. Congratulations to Torrick and to his village and greatest supporters, especially his mom Torri Telfair who also works at Dillard 6-12. Job well done.

Important Dates

April 4, 2024

Professional Study Day

May 24, 2024

Early Release Day

June 10, 2024

Early Release Day Last Day of School

Schools Closed

April 10, 2024

Schools & Administrative
Offices Closed

May 27, 2024

Employee Planning

June 11, 2024



Upcoming Testing Dates

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ACT NCR - Grade 12

AICE Exams

FAST ELA – Grades 6-10

FAST Math – Grades 6-8

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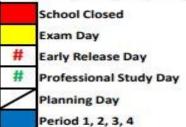


Dillard High School 6 -12

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