



Dillard 6-12

Newsletter

# Panther Nation

August 2024 Issue

## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

### Principal

Alfred L. Broomfield II

### Assistant Principals

Nichola Gayle – Middle Grades

Marie Duperval – 9th Grade

Robert Levinsky – 10th Grade

Horatio Major – 11th Grade

Patrick Lowe – 12th Grade

### School Hours

7:40 am – 2:40 pm

### Phone Number

754-322-0800



## Principal's Corner

Dear Panther Nation,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2024-2025 school year. It is an absolute honor and privilege to serve as your new Principal here at Dillard High School 6-12. I'm extremely excited to serve such a great school and community. I look forward to an exciting school year full of excitement, life changing experiences, and a motivation for student engagement. Dillard is known for its rich history, lasting traditions, and a school and community with a sense of enormous pride. I am extremely excited to collaborate with such an involved community of parents and stakeholders to provide our scholars the highest quality of academic educational experiences.

As I enter my 20th year in education, I understand all too well, it has increasingly gotten more and more challenging. I am committed to collaborating with our community and parents, to provide our scholars a real world 21st century learning experience. Here at Dillard High School 6-12, we will continue to provide our scholars rigorous college preparatory strategies that prepare our scholars for college; and experiential learning opportunities to ensure they are prepared for life after high school.

Over the summer, our staff have worked extremely hard preparing their curriculums, and the campus environment for an exciting year of teaching and learning. The success and accomplishments of the school has been something to truly be proud of. Our teachers prepared our scholars to make tremendous gains in all core areas last year, including our end of course exams. As a result of their hard work, we can feel good about contributing to a historic year of district, and school grades. For the first time in forever, our district not only has been rated an "A" district, but there are no reported "D" or "F" graded schools here in Broward County. To continue this momentum, this year, we will place a strong emphasis on academic achievement and high-level expectations. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of our incoming Panthers; and supporting them in all that they do within the school and community. I challenge each of our Panthers to get involved and be an active member of our school community by supporting athletics, clubs, JROTC, performing arts, as well as engaging in volunteer opportunities. I look forward to being actively engaged and visible within the school and community. Until we meet, let us understand, a panther continues to strive to be the best, and never settles for less; because anything else is unacceptable. Failure is Not an option. We are one nation, panther nation striving for Excellence, No Exceptions, No Excuses! Sincerely,

Alfred L. Broomfield II, Principal

<https://www.browardschools.com/dillardhigh>

# Panther Nation: Road to a “B” Rating



## 2024 STATE ASSESSMENT *RESULTS*

*ELA increased from 28% to 31%*

*Math increased from 19% to 32%*

*Science increased from 30% to 42%*

*Social Studies increased from 44% to 64%*

**We were 3 percentage points from earning a “B” rating  
This is a testament to the hard work of our staff and  
students. Let’s continue on our path to Excellence.**

**“Excellence...No Exceptions, No Excuses!”**

# What's New at Panther Nation



## IMPORTANT SECURITY UPDATE Metal Detectors

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) students, parents and staff, starting on the first day of school, August 12, 2024, all students and visitors entering BCPS high schools must pass through metal detectors monitored by security personnel and school staff.

The District asks parents and families to support this initiative by ensuring that students are aware of the system and prepared to follow new procedures. Beginning this year, high school entry points have been consolidated to ensure all students are screened for weapons prior to entering the school.

Students must wear their IDs to pass through the detectors. They can carry their backpacks or bags and will not need to empty pockets or remove shoes, cellphones, keys, metal on clothes or belts as those items will not alert the system. Some items will result in an alert and must be placed on adjacent tables to be screened by security staff. These include laptops, large eyeglass cases, musical instruments, umbrellas and 3-ring binders. These items can be collected once students are cleared for entry.

This added security measure at high schools may result in slight delays at entry. Parents and students should plan accordingly.

For additional information on the newly installed metal detectors at high schools, please visit [browardschools.com/metaldetectors](https://browardschools.com/metaldetectors)

We look forward to welcoming students back to school on Monday, August 12.  
Thank you.

# Panther Nation: Year at a Glance



## Dillard High School 6 -12

2024 - 2025 **BLUE** / **GRAY** DAY CALENDAR

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
<del>5</del>	<del>6</del>	<del>7</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>9</del>
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

SEPTEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
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OCTOBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
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28	29	30	31	

NOVEMBER				
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DECEMBER				
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30	31			

JANUARY				
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FEBRUARY				
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MARCH				
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31				

APRIL				
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MAY				
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JUNE				
	T	W	TH	F
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	School Closed
	Exam Day
#	Early Release Day
#	Professional Study Day
<del></del>	Planning Day
	Period 1, 2, 3, 4
	Period 5, 6, 7, 8



# Panther Nation: Expectations

## Student ID Policy: Policy 5.8

Broward County Public Schools' Code of Conduct requires students to wear their official, unaltered, and current school-issued ID badge at all times while on campus and on school-sponsored transportation. The ID must be visible on the front of the student's person and worn to enter campus each day. If a student's ID is lost or stolen, they can get a replacement for a cost of \$5.00.

Visitors to Broward County Public Schools campuses must also wear a district-issued ID badge, volunteer badge, or site-based visitor badge at all times. Visitors who don't have a badge must either leave campus or get the appropriate badge right away.

### STUDENT ID POLICY

**Identification badges are an important part of the Dillard 6-12 School plan to increase campus safety. All students are expected to wear their ID badges at all times during the school day.**

### ID Badges and Replacements

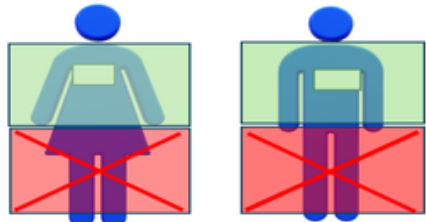
Each scholar will be issued a new Student ID badge during the first week of the new school year at no cost to the student or parent. Students who forget/misplace their ID Badge will be allowed to replace their ID Badge for \$5.00.

### Monitoring Plan (Consequences)

Failure to wear the student issued ID badge in accordance with policy 5.8 is a violation of the SBBC Code of Student Conduct. ID Badges are apart of Dillard 6-12 Unified Dress Code Policy and must be worn around the neck at all times, and is needed to enter each classroom.

Repeated offenses are subject to progressive disciplinary according to our discipline matrix which includes detention, in-school suspension (ISS), and/or out of school suspension (OSS).

Senior scholars with repeated offenses may be prevented from participating in school activities such as homecoming, prom, Grad Bash, pep rallies, athletic events and other similar school related activities. Failure to follow the ID Badge policy.

WEAR IT!	LOST OR FORGOT IT!
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Always (during school hours)</li><li>2. During school related events</li><li>3. Above your waist</li><li>4. Visible at all times</li><li>5. Unaltered</li><li>6. Lanyard or Clipped</li></ol>	
<p><b>USE IT!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. During Lunchtime</li><li>2. During restroom breaks</li></ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replacement after = \$5</li><li>• Restricted access to campus</li><li>• No homecoming, prom, grad bash, special events</li><li>• IS, or external suspension for repeated offenses</li></ul>

# Panther Nation: Need to Know

**DILLARD**

**6-12**

## UNIFIED DRESS

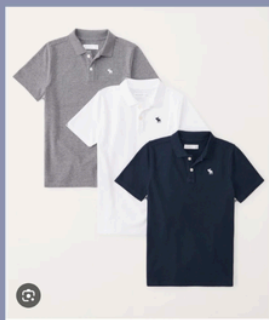
CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT, POLICY 5090



### TOPS

SOLID COLOR POLO STYLE SHIRTS WITH A COLLAR, SHORT OR LONG SLEEVED,

- DARK/NAVY BLUE
- WHITE
- GRAY



### BOTTOMS

UNIFORM PANTS, SHORTS, OR SKIRTS IN

- DARK/NAVY BLUE
- KHAKI



### SHOES

- DRESS SHOES
- SNEAKERS

Mental Health services are available for all Dillard 6-12 students. The services provided by our mental health professionals include, but are not limited to, educational information and planning, academic placement, test score interpretation, as well as personal/social counseling.

## MEET OUR COUNSELING TEAM

Guidance Director  
Maryland Patterson

Guidance Counselor  
Marsha Monroe  
Miriam Mckinzie  
Louna Bellot

BRACE Advisor  
Jimmy Witherspoon

SUPPORT STAFF  
ESE Specialist  
Alma Guerrier

ESE Counselor  
Lauren Orozco

Social Worker  
Florence Saint-Louis

Family Counselor  
Cindy Philippe

School Psychologist  
Lindsay D'Amico

## Dillard operates 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.
- Half 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.



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School District



# Panther Nation: Safety

## STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL



HOLD



SECURE



LOCKDOWN



EVACUATE



SHELTER

Dillard High School 6-12 continues to use the “SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING” initiative, which encourages individuals to help protect our campus through awareness. Parents and students are also encouraged to use the FortifyFL and Safer Watch apps to report suspicious behavior.



FortifyFL



SaferWatch



Attention

**Monthly Fire Drill and Lockdown Drill!!!!**  
Staff will review safety procedures with students prior to the drill. 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.]

**BROWARD**  
County Public Schools

### 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 card to our Anonymous Tip Submission Box **located throughout the district**. Provide as much detail as possible, including names, of people involved, physical descriptions, addresses, social media handles, etc.  
[Browardschools.com/SecurityTips](https://browardschools.com/SecurityTips)
- Call Us Anytime (Even on Holidays)**  
Call our Customer Security Department (CSD) at 954-355-3333 or 954-355-3334. If you are a Broward County resident, call 954-355-3333. If you are a Broward County resident, call 954-355-3334. If you are a Broward County resident, call 954-355-3333. If you are a Broward County resident, call 954-355-3334.
- Send Us an Email**  
Submit a tip using the email address below. Although your email address is required when using this reporting method, you can choose to remain anonymous by email requesting it to be removed.
- FortifyFL**  
Submit a tip using the FortifyFL app. The app is available for download on the App Store and Google Play. Visit [browardschools.com/SecurityTips](https://browardschools.com/SecurityTips) for more information.

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# Panther Nation: Dates to Remember



## 1st Quarter Happenings

- **August 12 - First Day of School**
- **August 16 - Varsity Football Game @ Booker T. Washington**
- **August 23 - Varsity Football Game @ Plantation**
- **August 30 - Varsity Football Game @ Stranahan**
- **September 2 - School Closed**
- **September 6 - Varsity Football Game @ Northeast**
- **September 13 - Varsity Football Game vs Boyd Anderson @ Dillard**
- **September 20 - Varsity Football Game @ Miramar**
- **September 27 - Varsity Football Game @ Suncoast**
- **September 27 - Interim Reports Issued**
- **October 3 - School Closed**
- **October 10 - Varsity Football Game vs Garcia @ Dillard**
- **October 14 - Teacher Planning**



# Panther Nation: Need to Know

## Get Focus(ed)! Student Information System

[browardschools.com/focus](http://browardschools.com/focus)



BCPS is excited to introduce Focus, the new Student Information System for the 2024/25 school year! Focus offers parents easy access to school information, student schedules, attendance, grades, and more. To get started, register and create an account for the Parent Portal. Don't forget to download the BCPS Connect App for even more convenient access to all your child's school information on the go. Stay connected and informed with Focus!



- All eligible students must register for bus transportation. This ensures that each student is assigned to a route, allowing for efficient planning and safety.
- Visit [browardschools.com/register2ride](http://browardschools.com/register2ride). The registration process is simple and essential for a smooth start to the 2024/25 school year.
- Note for ESE Students: If your child is enrolled in an ESE program, they do not need to register through this platform. Instead, reach out directly to your ESE Specialist at the assigned school to arrange transportation services.
- View your Bus Assignment: Bus Assignments will be available the second week of August via the Focus Parent Portal.
- Use the Here Comes the Bus App to track your bus daily



Here Comes The Bus



The Code of Student Conduct, Policy 5090, 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 5090.

