August Newsletter

BLANCHE ELY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Tiger Family,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2019-20 school year. My staff and I have been hard at work preparing the curriculum and our campus for an exciting year of teaching and learning. While we maintained a C-Grade this year, we are confident that our plans for student success during this year will see us moving up. Moving forward, I want to assure you that the safety of your child continues to be my number one priority. Details regarding new safety protocols are included in this letter. Please consider partnering with us to improve Tiger success toward Destination Excellence by joining our SAF and SAC Committees. We are focused on meeting the individual needs of each and every student in order for them to graduate College, Career and Life Ready. I look forward to sharing with you the many successes in the year ahead.

With warmest regards,

Dr. Karlton O. Johnson, Principal

Single-Point-of-Entry

For Students:

1) From Buses: Students must wear their Student ID Badges when boarding the bus each morning. Security personnel will check for IDs ensuring students who belong on our campus are the only ones entering.

2) Front Gate (6th Ave): Students must wear their Student ID Badges when walking on campus each morning. Security personnel will check for IDs ensuring students who belong on our campus are the only ones entering.

For Parents/Visitors:

All parents/guardians/visitors wishing to access our campus will be stopped at the 6th Avenue Gate and asked for Driver's License/other ID. All visitors will then be directed to our Single-Point-of-Entry for Check-In.



Upcoming Events

August 14

First Day for Students, Morning Bell 7:30 AM, Late Bell 7:40 AM

August 20

SAF/SAC Meeting 6:00/6:30 PM

August 22

Back-To-School Online Forms Confirmation Due to Student's 1st Period Teacher

August 28 August 29 August 30

Grade-Level Discipline Assemblies

September 10

Open House 5:45 PM JLJ Auditorium

Important Announcement

Access to Our Campus



Everyone who comes to Blanche Ely High School must wear an ID Badge before entering the campus! 1) Staff

2) Students

- 3) District Personnel
- 4) Vendors
- 5) Visitors

Please Check-In at the Front Gate before being directed to the Single-Point-of-Entry located in the 600 building.



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More Important News



Tardy Policy

Tardiness disrupts class instruction and also counts toward establishing a pattern of nonattendance that may indicate early signs of truancy. A pattern of non-attendance may be established by an accumulation of tardiness, absences (excused & unexcused), and early sign outs that exceed (5) days in a marking period or (10) days in two (2) marking periods. Students who have 15 unexcused absences within 90 calendar days are considered Truant from school; Students who are habitually truant may lose certain privileges under FL Law.

- The expectation is that <u>ALL</u> students be on time to <u>EVERY</u> class, <u>EVERY</u> day.
- The tardy procedures begin on Monday, August 19, 2019 for <u>ALL</u> blocks of the day.

Procedures:

(1st or 5th Period) Students who are tardy at the start of the day, after 8:00 am, must enter with parent/guardian through the Single Point of Entry. They will receive a date/time stamped pass from the office to be admitted to class. Teachers will allow students into class without an office pass until 8:00 am.

(Remaining periods of the day) Students have six minutes of crossing time. The expectation is that students arrive to class before the tardy bell. Teachers will give a consequence to students who are tardy to class as outlined below.

All late students without an Excused Tardy pass, including late arrivals from 7:40-8:00 AM:

TARDY #1:	Warning
TARDY #2:	Parent Notification
TARDY #3:	Detention for 30 minutes
TARDY #4:	Detention for 60 minutes
TARDY #5:	Referral to Administrator

Absences

Please call the Attendance Hot Line at **[754] 322-0952** to excuse your child's absence. Per School Board Policy 5.5, Parents/Guardians have 48 hours to excuse an absence. Students must be in school unless the absence has been permitted or excused for one of the reasons listed below (F.S. 1003.24(4), 1003.26):

1. Illness of student.

- 2. Illness of an immediate family member.
- 3. Death in the family.
- 4. Religious holidays of the student's own faith.
- 5. Required court appearance or subpoena.

6. Special event. Examples of special events include important public functions, educational enrichment activities, conferences, state/national competitions, college/university campus tour/visit as well as exceptional cases of family need.

7. Scheduled medical or dental appointment.

8. Students having, or suspected of having, a communicable disease or infestation which can be transmitted.

Early Sign-Outs

Parental Permission is required prior to a student being dismissed early from school. Parent/Guardian must fax a copy of their Driver's License to [754] 322-1020. Students will only be released to individuals listed on the Emergency Contact Record.



In the Community

School Advisory Forum (SAF)

August 20, 2019 6:00 PM BEHS Amphitheater

School Advisory Council (SAC)

August 20, 2019 6:30 PM BEHS Amphitheater



Upcoming Meeting Date SAF/SAC

September 17, 2019 Time TBA

Back-to-School Online Forms

Please sign all Back-to-School Forms and update all Records for your student(s) ONLINE: 1) Emergency Contact Information 2) Code of Student Conduct Acknowledgement 3) Media Release 4) Opt-Out

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