# August Newsletter

# **BLANCHE ELY HIGH SCHOOL**

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Dear Tiger Family,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2018-19 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. In light of recent events, 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 and Career 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 (6<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Gate and asked for Driver's License/other ID. All visitors will then be directed to our new Single-Point-of-Entry for Check-In.



# **Upcoming Events**

#### August 15

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

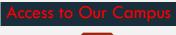
#### August 17

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

#### August 28

Open House 5:45 PM JLJ Auditorium

# Important Announcement





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 New Single-Point-of-Entry located in the 600 building.



# **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 27, 2018 for <u>ALL</u> blocks of the day.

## Procedures:

(1st or 5th Period) Students who are tardy at the start of the day, after 7:55 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 7:55 am.

(Remaining periods of the day) The expectation is that students arrive to class before the 7:40 AM tardy bell. Teachers will allow students into class and 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 7:40-7:55am:

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

August 21, 2018 6:00 PM BEHS Media Center

## **School Advisory Council**

August 21, 2018 6:30 PM BEHS Media Center



# Upcoming Meeting Date SAF/SAC

September 18, 2018 6:00 PM

# **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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