

DISTRICT 4

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Lori Alhadeff | Chair and Certified School Board Member

Dear BCPS Community,

As we embark on a new academic journey, I am delighted to extend a heartfelt welcome to each of you. The start of the school year is a time filled with anticipation, excitement, and the promise of new opportunities.

We are proud to announce that Broward County Public Schools had earned an "A" rating, a testament to the hard work, dedication, and excellence of our students, staff, and community.

I invite you to stay connected with us through our newsletters, social media channels, and school events as we embark on this journey together. Thank you for being a vital part of our Broward County Public Schools family.

Here's to a year filled with learning, growth, and endless possibilities!

Warm regards,



Lori Alhadeff
Chair and Certified School Board Member, District 4

ATTENTION District 4 is hosting **CONNECT** with District 4
Monday, September 23, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at
Parkland Bagels • 7111 N. State Road 7 • Parkland, FL 33067

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2024 SCHOOL GRADES CELEBRATING OUR “A” RATED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND DISTRICT 4 RESULTS!

I am proud that Broward County Public Schools earned an A rating from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for the first time since 2011! Even better, BCPS had zero D or F graded schools for the first time since the state implemented school grades in 1999.

District 4 schools also received strong grades from the FLDOE. Sixteen schools received A grades, including five that were new to the “A List”.

- Maplewood Elementary School
- Forest Hills Elementary School
- Sawgrass Springs Middle School
- Coral Springs Middle School
- Ramblewood Middle School



- Ten District 4 schools reported higher grades versus last year.
- Just six schools received C grades, the fewest of any district at BCPS.

District 4 School	Grade 2024
BROADVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	B
CHALLENGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	B
CORAL GLADES HIGH SCHOOL	B
CORAL PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
CORAL SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	C
CORAL SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL	B
CORAL SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL	A
COUNTRY HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
EAGLE RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
FOREST GLEN MIDDLE SCHOOL	B
FOREST HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
HERON HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
J. P. TARAVELLA HIGH SCHOOL	B
JAMES S. HUNT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	C
MAPLEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL	A

District 4 School	Grade 2024
MILLENNIUM 6-12 COLLEGIATE ACADEMY	B
MORROW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	C
NORTH LAUDERDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	B
PARK SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
PARK TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	B
PINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	C
RAMBLEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	C
RAMBLEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL	A
RIVERGLADES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
SAWGRASS SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL	A
SILVER LAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL	C
TAMARAC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	B
WESTCHESTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	A
WESTGLADES MIDDLE SCHOOL	A

These results reflect the hard work of our students, the commitment of our teachers, the dedication of our administrators and staff and the tireless support of our parents and families. Congratulations! Keep up the great work!

CONGRATULATIONS!

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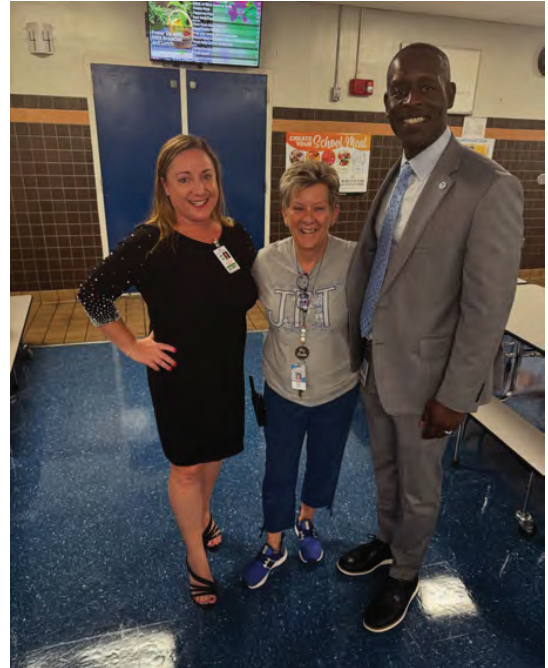
Monday, August 12, 2024



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



On the bus early in the morning on the first day of the 2024/25 School Year! From left, Vice Chair Debbi Hixon, Chair Lori Alhadeff, our wonderful bus conductor, and Superintendent Dr. Howard Hepburn.



Mrs. Alhadeff and Dr. Hepburn flank Marilou Raham from J.P. Taravella High School



Mrs. Alhadeff joins the cafeteria assembly line at J.P. Taravella High School on the first day of school.



Dr. Hepburn joins Vice Chair Hixon, Chair Alhadeff and Countywide At-Large Board member Dr. Allen Zeman, plus members of the cafeteria team at J.P. Taravella High School on the first day of school.

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SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT



J. P. Taravella High School

What is the school known for?

Taravella is a diverse family of students, parents/guardians, faculty, staff, community members, and business partners. It is home to many outstanding programs in both academics and career tech, offering AICE/Cambridge, AP & Dual Enrollment for College Credit, Engineering, Early Childhood, Culinary, Health/Science, VEI Business/Entrepreneurship, Fashion, Gaming/Animation Programming, Art, Drama, Photography, Band, all the traditional HS programs, and much more. Please visit their website at: www.browardschools.com/taravella for more information.

What is J.P. Taravella proud of right now?

During the 23/24 School Year J.P. Taravella moved the lever on its school grade going from a C to a B. It is now a proud "B" rated school and just 25% shy of an "A". School staff is diligently working on ensuring that they move the lever again in the 24/25 School year and are committed to making the "A".



Left to right: School Board Vice Chair Debra Hixon, Chair Lori Alhadeff, Superintendent Dr. Howard Hepburn, Principal Marietta DeArmas, and Todd LaPace

From Principal DeArmas:

On August 12, 2024, the first day of school, JPT had the pleasure to welcome Superintendent Dr. Howard Hepburn, and School Board Members Lori Alhadeff and Debra Hixon, as well as other District personnel. Dr. Hepburn interacted with students, was very warm with our faculty and staff, and emitted Trojan Pride.

We could really tell that Dr. Hepburn and the School Board Members are elated about BCPS being an "A" District. As they walked around school, they provided Q&As for students regarding the Cell Phone Policy, Metal Detectors, and more. We at JPT are a FAMILY and it was very nice to see that our Superintendent feels the same way. We are very blessed to have Dr. Howard Hepburn at the helm.

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DISTRICT UPDATES



Metal Detectors



As an added layer of security, metal detectors have been added at all BCPS High Schools and a majority of centers. Despite initial implementation challenges on the first day of school, the school entry process has improved significantly and is now a seamless operation. This is a major investment approved by the School Board and a huge step forward in ensuring we keep weapons from coming on campus.

Students from West Broward High School created a terrific video to highlight the easy process of passing through metal detectors. Watch their video at <https://www.eduvision.tv/I?RtyyDgm>, or click the image above to view.

Updated Wireless Device Policy

The School Board has taken a bold step by updating its wireless device usage policy across all grade levels.

Effective on August 26, 2024, students cannot use their wireless communications devices during the entire school day, including lunch or between classes. All devices must be powered off or placed in airplane mode, silenced and stowed away as directed by the classroom instructor.

We believe this action will serve our students in the long run by helping them focus on learning, reconnecting with their peers and limiting the time they spend on social media during the school day.

Disconnect To Reconnect

**POWER
OFF**



**AIRPLANE
MODE**



To learn more about the updated policy, visit browardschools.com/wirelessdevices

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Focus Parent Portal

Enrollment
Parent Portal Registration & Mobile App

Register for BCPS' Focus Parent Portal

Student's ID Number:

The Focus Parent Portal account gives parents/guardians convenient, secure, anytime, anywhere access to your student's school information.

Note: Before creating your account, you will need an email address. If you do not have one, you can create a free email account at gmail.com or microsoft.com.

Create an Account
Log into this site or use the QR code:
<https://browardschools.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/auth/>

Click **Create Parent Portal Account**.

Enter all the required fields with your own information and click **Submit**.
(Each parent/guardian will need to set up their own individual account)

Please enter your name exactly as it appears on your driver's license as well as a valid email address:
Parent/Guardian First Name: (Required)
Parent/Guardian Last Name: (Required)
Email Address: (Required)
Create Password: (Minimum 8 Characters)
Re-type Password: (Required)
☐ I'm not a robot

Select **I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled**.

Students
You do not have any linked students at this time.

Enter the Student's ID number (begins with '06') and Student's birthdate, then Select **Add Student**.

Please enter your student's information:
Student ID: (Required)
Student's Birthdate: January 1 2023 (Required)
☐ I'm not a robot

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is excited to introduce Focus, a new Student Information System (SIS) for the 2024/25 school year. This system provides easy access to school information, student schedules, attendance, and grades.

For more information visit,
browardschools.com/focus

Enrollment
Parent Portal Registration & Mobile App

To add another student, select **I would like to ADD A CHILD who is already enrolled** and repeat the steps above as necessary. If you are done adding students to the portal, select **I am FINISHED adding students. Please take me to the Portal**.

Students

Download the Mobile App

Focus' BCPS Connect App provides teachers, students, and parents a streamlined way to access student information.

Note: Before downloading the app, you must follow the steps to **Create an Account** found on page 1.

Then go to Google Play or Apple Store and search for BCPS Connect App.



District 4 Parents,

It's easy to enroll and register your students with the new FOCUS app.

As a reminder, legacy systems including TERMS, Virtual Counselor and Pinnacle will no longer be maintained. FOCUS integrates everything you need in one location.

Sign up and sign in TODAY!

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YOU ARE INVITED



Join School Board Chair and District 4 Representative

Lori Alhadeff

to

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Monday, September 23, 2024

10 a.m. to Noon

at

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7111 N. State Road 7

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DISTRICT 4 FACILITIES UPDATE



SMART projects remain major priorities for the District. Click on the link or images below to review the latest news and updates on District 4 Smart renovations.

bcpssmartfutures.com/district4



Below is the latest quarterly update on SMART Program projects for District 4. Simply click on the image to review updates through March 30, 2024.

