

Dr. Paul A. Fetscher, Principal

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Principal's Message:

Welcome back Gators:

Welcome to the class of 2015. And to the class of 2012, this is the school year we have been waiting for.

As incoming freshmen you are responsible for your education. You are now responsible for scheduling, course selection, time management, and for preparing yourself for life beyond school. And, you are responsible to keep your parents informed about your progress toward a diploma.

Parents, please remain vigilant in regard to your child's progress by viewing Pinnacle, staying in contact with all your child's teachers and with your child's guidance counselor. Please bear in mind that because of budget cuts, Everglades High School is working with nineteen less staff members than we had at this time last year. These cuts have affected us in all departments and it may result in longer waits than you have experienced in the past to respond to your requests. Please know that customer service will remain our highest focus, and we will appreciate your patience while we work through this difficult period.

Our staff looks forward to seeing you at our "Open House" on August 30 at 6:00 PM.

Go Gators,

Dr. Paul A. Fetscher

Principal, E.H.S.

Important Contact Information:

Main Office - 754-323-0500

Attendance – 754-323-0502

Guidance – 754-323-0509

South Area Transportation– 754-321-4150

School Web Site - www.broward.k12.fl.us/evergladeshigh

Important dates:

August 15 – 19, 2011 – Employee Planning

August 18, 2011 – Student orientation, 1:00 PM in the gym followed by a transportation open house in the cafeteria

August 20 – 21, 2011 – Transportation Open House at the Central West Transportation Office

August 22, 2011 – Students report, 1st day of school

August 30, 2011 – Open house. PTSA at 6:00 in the media center. Classrooms at 7:00 PM

September 5, 2011 – Holiday, no school

September, 12 – 15, 2011 – District benchmark testing

September 22, 2011 – Early release

September 23, 2011 – Interim reports

September 29, 2011 – No school

October 10 – 14, 2011 – Fall FCAT reading and mathematics SSS retakes (Grades 11 – Adult)

October 12, 2011 – PSAT/NMSQT

October 26, 2011 – Midterm exams, early release

October 27, 2011 – Midterm exams, early release, last day of the 1st quarter

Class Sponsors:

Grade 12 – Mr. Borzen

Grade 11 – Ms. Gould

Grade 10 – Ms. Romero

Grade 9 – Mr. Riddick

Code of Conduct Information:

The Code of Student Conduct Handbook is being distributed electronically for 2011-2012. The Code of Student Conduct Handbook is now posted for review on the Broward Schools Website in English, Spanish, Creole, and Portuguese at www.browardschools.com.” A condensed version will also be sent home with your student on the first day of school. Please take time with your child to familiarize yourself with the information contained in the code of conduct booklet. There have been some changes to the code of conduct this year and we want to be sure that everyone is informed.

After reading the handbook, parents/guardians and students must sign the required acknowledgement forms and return them to the school.

If you have any questions regarding the code of conduct, please call the school and ask to speak to your child’s administrator.

Guidance Department:

Welcome Gators to the 2011/2012 school year!

The Everglades High School Guidance Department welcomes the opportunity to work with students and their families to assist in developing the skills, attitudes and abilities that lead to success. Students will be assigned to a Guidance Counselor based upon their last name and grade level. Students, please feel free to make a Guidance appointment during your lunch period in the Guidance office to discuss your graduation status, courses for college, class schedule, and/or personal related situations.

*Remember, you will be given your schedule in your first block class. It is very important to follow your schedule, as every course taken will be on your transcript. If you feel you have been placed in the wrong course level (academic misplacement), please discuss this with your teacher. However, if you wish to request a schedule change for any other reason, the forms will be available in Guidance on the second day of class until Friday August 26. Keep in mind that schedule changes are seldom granted for any reason other than an academic misplacement.

This year, Everglades High School will be offering Dual Enrollment courses on our campus. If your child meets the Broward College requirements, please have them sign up with their guidance counselor. Everglades will be offering ENC 1102 and Psy 2012 in the Spring. Also, APEX will be held only during the day with limited spots reserved for juniors and seniors. This will serve as credit recovery for those students lacking in meeting graduation requirements. Lastly, all incoming 9th grade students for the 2011/2012 school year must take and pass one course delivered through an online format. This course can be a 1/2 credit course through FLVS, BVED, or another online provider.

Lastly, if your child has not received a copy of their FCAT, ASVAB, and/or EOC score report, please have your child stop by Guidance during his/her lunch.

Thank you and I am looking forward to a new and exciting school year!

Gina Alvarez
Guidance Director

Lunch Information:

Students are being issued new lunch numbers for the 2011 – 2012 school year. The new lunch numbers will appear on the student's schedules. Students are asked to please memorize their new number to expedite our lunch periods.

Prices for 2011-2012

- Student - Breakfast - \$1.20 - Lunch - \$2.40
- Student (reduced) - Breakfast - \$0.30 - Lunch - \$0.40
- Adult - Breakfast - \$1.70 - Lunch \$ - 2.65

Apply online for free/reduced meals @ www.applyforlunch.com

Parents may make online payments to their child's meal account by going to www.broward.k12.fl.us/foodservice/ or to www.schoolpaymentsolution.com/

There you can not only make payments via your credit card, but also check your child's balance, see what your child is eating and receive account balance alerts.

Parking:

Parking decals for seniors will go on sale from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM starting August 16, 2011. The cost of a decal is \$75.00. You must possess a valid driver's license, current auto registration, proof of insurance and have at least a 2.00 GPA in order to purchase a decal. Applications are in the front office, guidance and online at the school's website.

PTSA:

PTSA will have a sign up table at the open house and will hold a short meeting in the media center at 6:00 PM on 8/30/2011 prior to open house. Please come early and get involved. The first general meeting of the year will be held in the media center on 9/13/2011 at 7:00 AM. PTSA will sponsor the volunteer breakfast at Everglades H. S. on 9/13/2011 at 10:00 AM. PTSA will also be hosting a gathering of gourmet food trucks at the school on 9/03/2011 from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. Bring your lawn chairs and your appetite and get ready for a new dining experience. Contact Ms. Cheryl Steinlauf through the school for more information on any of these events.

School Advisory Council:

Please get involved with our school advisory council (SAC). We meet every 4th Tuesday of each month at 3:00 PM in the media center. Call Mr. Gonzalez at the school (ext. 2084) for more information.

Senior Class:

ATTENTION PARENTS and SENIORS - IMPORTANT

Seniors must have an appointment for senior portraits with **Bryn-Alan Prestige Portraits**.

Call immediately (1-800-749-2796) for an appointment for your senior pictures or visit www.Prestigeportraitsfl.com. **The studio is located at: 12699 W. Sunrise Blvd. (in Sawgrass Plaza)** If you cannot keep the appointment date, call for another appointment. Appointments will continue until the deadline Friday, September 17. **Be aware that if you choose to wait for the last minute you may NOT: get an appointment, get an appointment until after the September 17 deadline, or get to select the portrait you want to go into the senior section of the yearbook.** Keep in mind Bryn-Alan Prestige Portraits takes senior pictures for many high schools in Broward County. We are not the only school! **You may not use any other photographer for senior pictures.** Remember, if you want your senior picture to appear in the senior section of the yearbook, **you must adhere to the Friday, September 17, 2011 deadline.** All senior pictures taken after September 17, WILL NOT appear in the senior section of the *Omnibus 2012* yearbook. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS! Please do not wait until the last minute.

Sports/Clubs:

Check out the school's web site for updates on current sports and club activities.

Transportation:

Parents, it is VERY important that the school has your new and current home address. If your address has changed during the summer, please come by the school and change it on your child's records. The District's Transportation Department will be using that data to send bus information to the homes of students who qualify for bussing (2 or more miles from the school) the week of August 15, 2011. If you have any questions/problems with your child's bussing situation, or you do NOT receive a notice, please contact the Central West Transportation office @ 754-321-4150. They will also have an Open house on Saturday and Sunday, August 20 & 21, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. @ 2320 College Ave. Davie, Fl. 33314. Issues and questions will be answered and dealt with at that time.

Tutoring:

Welcome Back Gators- **Let's talk Tutoring**

As you switch gears back into the academic success mode, I just want to remind you that Everglades offers several different tutoring options to provide you with the support you need to perform at your best. The Gator Café is open during both A and B Lunches, Monday through Thursday, in room 483 to get those last minute questions answered before the test, to hear a concept you learned in class explained another way, or to simply get a jump on your homework! Bring your lunch so you can take advantage of this great opportunity.

Everglades also offers afterschool tutoring with some of our teacher experts and members of the student National Honor Society. This is offered Monday through Thursday and is held in room 320. You don't have to come every day, but why not make a commitment to invest in your future by coming 2 days per week? You can even earn points for the Incentives for Excellence Program when you attend! Sounds like a great deal to me!

Mrs. Toeller

Student Obligations:

Student and parents can view their obligations through virtual counselor at Browardschools.com. Please remember that all obligations must be cleared to participate in field trips and other activities.

Volunteers:

Make a difference. Volunteer!!!

Become a volunteer and be part of the EHS team. If interested, please go online and register at WWW.getinvolvedineducation.com and contact Mr. David Gonzalez, Intern Principal, at 754-323-0576.

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