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BAYSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
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M-F 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

THE BEAR TRUTH



PARENT CHECKLIST

1. **GET AND STAY CONNECTED.** Register and access our online parent access software, monitor your child's progress on a weekly basis and communicate with your child's teachers if you have questions, concerns, or if you'd like to request additional information regarding resources that may help your child master course standards. Be aware of what's happening in your student's school life and *TALK ABOUT IT*. Your interest and involvement has a tremendous effect on your student's performance and attitude at school.
2. **ESTABLISH A SOLID HOME STUDY ROUTINE.** Encouraging and supporting this vital activity will improve your student's attitude and performance at school and instill a work ethic that endures for a lifetime. **SET A SCHEDULE.** Establish a regular timeslot for this important daily activity. Seek your child's agreement and commitment to reserve this time each day for homework and study. Encourage this discipline. **CREATE THE ENVIRONMENT.** Students can be easily distracted. Teach them to create an atmosphere conducive for concentration. Minimizing social media access, loud music, and other detractors will improve effectiveness and retention. Having a defined study area works with some students but not all. The most important factor is the discipline of doing it every day. **OBSERVE AND ENGAGE.** Psychologists suggest that it takes three weeks to break or establish a habit. Commit three weeks to assisting with your student's daily routine. Make good homework practices a habit for both of you.
3. **MAKE DAILY ATTENDANCE THE EXPECTATION:** Very few things have as much negative effect on academic performance as poor attendance. Be clear in your attitude towards attending school every day. In the working world, attendance is equated with dependability.
4. **ENCOURAGE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY:** Involvement in any of our many clubs, sports, and arts programs improves academic performance, attendance, and discipline issues. We have something for everyone. Participation in these activities enhances school life and looks good on career and college applications. Also, help your child plan and execute community service, which is a requirement for earning Bright Futures scholarship money.
5. **HELP YOUR STUDENT PLAN FOR POST-GRADUATION:** Talk to your student about career interests and passions. Many free online career assessment questionnaires are available that may help. Assist with a search for training programs or colleges that will prepare them for a career that interests them. Learn the entrance requirements and costs associated with attending those programs. They should be asking questions about career opportunities but may not know the right questions to ask. Our guidance counselors can help. No matter what they dream of doing after graduation, planning for the next step is a wise choice. Post high school education contributes to a better quality of life. But whether or not they go on to a college, university, career or technical school, the information and skills they learn in high school will always be important in the working world. Everyone, in every kind of job, needs to be able to write and speak clearly, listen carefully, understand what is written and spoken, and use math effectively.

PRISM

PRISM Concert is December 7th and 8th at 7:00 PM in the Theater and December 9th at 1:00 PM.

CULINARY COMPETITION

Culinary competition team goes to Regionals in Daytona December 8th.



BAYSIDE HIGH SAC MEETINGS 2017-2018

Monday, December 11th	4:00pm
Monday, January 8th	4:00pm
Monday, February 12th	4:00pm
Monday, March 12th	4:00pm
Monday, April 9th	4:00pm

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TEACHERS AND STAFF DONATE TO HUMANE SOCIETY

Teachers and staff donated over \$300.00 worth of goods to the Humane Society during the month of October. The students in Ms. Dowling's class collected the goods over the duration of the month, then the class went to the Humane Society on November 3rd and delivered the goods to a very happy collection of pets in need! Thanks to all who supported this worthy cause. FYI: There were lots of beautiful pets there ready for adoption!

BAYSIDE'S ANNUAL CHICKEN PROJECT IS UNDER WAY

Mr. Lies' science classes began the annual Chicken Project during the month of October. The classes started with 32 eggs in their incubator on 10/16, and they began hatching on Sunday, 11/5. Seven eggs have hatched so far, with more to come over the next two days. Mr Lies kept the chicks in class for 3 weeks after hatching so the students could see the product of their hard work.

YEARBOOK NEWS

Yearbooks are on sale for \$80.00 and can be purchased during Power Hour in room 752 or online at yearbookforever.com. The last day to purchase a yearbook is March 30th.

The deadline for senior tribute ad reservations is November 30th. Space is limited so do not delay. The final day to pay for the ad reservation will be December 30th.



A few spots are left!



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Bayside High School

BAYSIDE BARGAINS

Bayside High School Cafeteria

1901 DeGroot Rd SW, Palm Bay

This year's sale is April 21st, 2018

8:00a.m. - 12:00p.m. (noon)

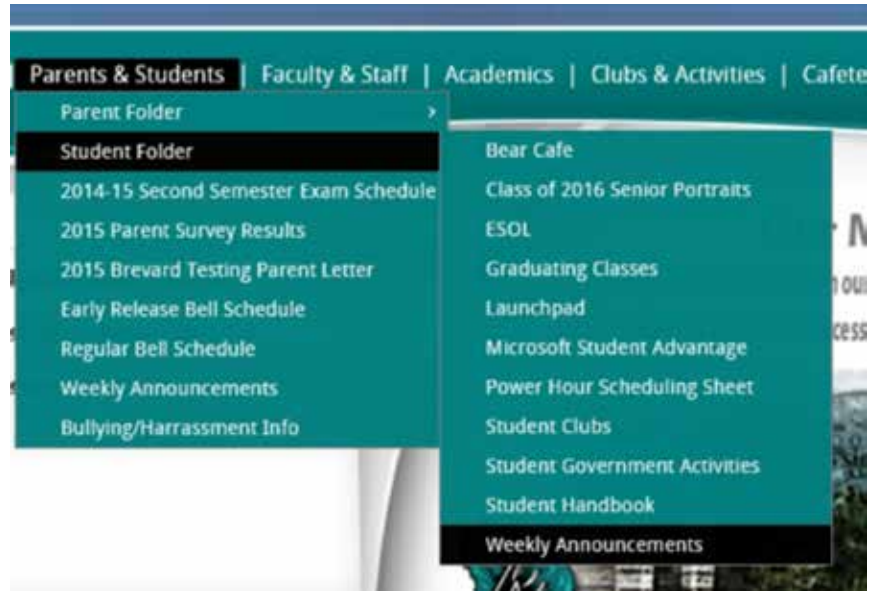
Bayside Bargains is a large "garage" sale run by the students in Ms. Decker's exceptional education program at Bayside HS. We sell new and quality used items that are sold at bargain prices. Items include furniture, baby clothes and baby items, toys, household goods, holiday items and much more.



Throughout the year, we accept new and quality used items to put together a large bargain sale. This bargain sale takes 3-4 weeks to organize and requires a hands-on learning environment. Students work very hard during these weeks and gain many valuable work and life lessons. This program was developed to teach real-life job skills, as well as academics. Students learn about: pricing items, selling items, working as a team member, appropriate social interaction skills, money skills, reading directions, making signs, technology skills, and much, much more.

The ACT[®]

The next ACT will be administered at Bayside High on Saturday, December 9, 2017. The ACT is for juniors and seniors who are trying to meet college admissions requirements, scholarship requirements, and high school graduation requirements. The deadline to register for the next test is January 12th. Students who are on free and reduced lunch and students who are in foster care can see their high school counselors about possibly taking the test for free. Students who have an IEP or 504 plan and students who are ESOL eligible might be able to apply for accommodations.



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SPORTS



Conditioning and Open Court will be held on the following dates:
1/8, 1/9, 1/11, 1/16, 1/18/ 2018 from 4 – 6 pm.

Try-outs will be held 1/22 and 1/23/2018 from 4 – 6 pm.

All students who wish to participate must have a completed physical packet turned in to Coach Rouveyrol prior to coming out to the court. If you have any questions, please see Coach Rouveyrol during Power Hour B.

ANNUAL DODGEBALL GAME

This year's dodgeball match is being put on by the Class of 2020 on Dec. 8th. The cost of tickets is \$4.00.

