



# FALCON

## FLIGHT PLAN

**BUILDING A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE**  
FOR THE PARENTS, STAFF, STUDENTS & COMMUNITY OF EAST RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Falcon Families,

As the new principal of East River High, I am happy to welcome you back to the Falcon Nest; where we are building a legacy of excellence by focusing on literacy, resilience and relationships. As we look forward to the new school year, I want to challenge you by asking three questions:

1. What are you reading?
2. When was the last time you modeled grit for our students?
3. What are you doing to build relationships with all stakeholders within this awesome community?

These questions will be the guiding questions/ challenges issued to all of the members of the East River High School community and I personally challenge you to ask me these questions when you see me. Our community has a story to tell; a story of excellence, resilience and relationships.

As we begin the new school year, we face changes- a new principal, new teachers, and for some, a new school. With any change comes apprehension. While I cannot promise there will not be bumps in the road along the way, I can assure you that we are here to support and listen. We will do all we can to make the transition as smooth as possible, and above all else we will keep our focus on learning.

Please note the following dates:

#### Digital Distribution:

Designated days from 11 am-3 pm in the Media Center

- August 9th (APEX, Band Camp, Fall Sport Teams, and Seniors)
- August 10th (Juniors, Sophomores)
- August 11th (Freshmen)

\*\*August 12th (Make up Day) 9:00 am-12:00 pm

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**PLEASE NOTE:** Students MUST be present with an ID in order to get a laptop. Parents may not pick up devices without the student present. Students who are unable to attend will receive their laptop during the first week of school. This will not impact their ability to participate in any class.

I am looking forward to an amazing year. Thank you all again for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Dale Valente

Principal

## CALENDAR

August 14, 2017	First Day of School
August 21-22, 2017	Fall Play Auditions 2:30 pm - 5:30 pm
September 4, 2017	Labor Day Holiday
September 26, 2017	Open House 6:00-8:00 pm
October 5-7, 2017	Fall Play Performance
	October 5 - 7:00-9:00 pm
	October 6 - 7:00-9:00 pm
	October 7 - 2:00-4:00 pm & 7:00-9:00 pm
October 13, 2017	End of 1st Nine Weeks
	Homecoming Tailgate 4:00-7:00 pm
	Homecoming Dance 7:00-11:00 pm
October 16, 2017	Student Holiday/Teacher Work Day
October 17, 2017	Begin 2nd Nine Weeks



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The College and Career Center (CCC), located within the Guidance office, has a wealth of information for our students who are looking at opportunities after high school. Jacqueline Maddron will continue as our College and Career Specialist working in the

CCC this year. Students will be able to come in and receive help applying to colleges, writing college essays, researching scholarships and careers, and much more. Look for more information about upcoming College and Career Center events on the East River website (erhs.ocps.net) or contact Ms. Maddron directly @ Jacqueline.Maddron@ocps.net Follow us on twitter @EastRiverCCC.

## FALL ATHLETICS CONTACT INFORMATION

Hello Falcon Family,

The fall sports season is quickly approaching and we are very excited about this upcoming year. Below, you will see the contact information for all of the coaches of fall sports at East River High School. If you need further assistance, please contact AP Daniel.Abalo@ocps.net or A.D. Kristopher.Klein@ocps.net.

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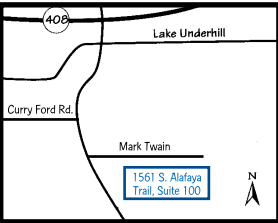
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## PTSA HAS YOU "COVERED" THIS YEAR!

Welcome Back Falcons!

The PTSA is excited to welcome everyone back and is looking forward to a great year!

As ERHS continues with digital this year, the PTSA will be there to help students, parents, teachers, administration, and staff, complete this transition as smoothly as possible. If you haven't heard about the digital transition or you have questions, please visit [digital.ocps.net](http://digital.ocps.net) for more information. We will have a sign-up table for PTSA at digital device checkout and our goal is to at least double the number of memberships this school year. We have already increased the number of teacher memberships and know that as a community, we can make this goal happen. One great reason to invest in PTSA is for our seniors.

Seniors with a paid individual membership will have the opportunity to submit an application for our PTSA, OCCPTA, and Florida PTA scholarships; which is an opportunity for free money to attend college. Seniors, please remember to retain your membership card as they are required when submitting these applications. We CANNOT re-issue membership cards.

Your membership and spirit item purchases allow PTSA to provide scholarships, student assistance, faculty assistance, and funding of special PTSA events. Additionally, donations to the PTSA are accepted and will help us reach our goal of awarding more scholarships to ERHS students. Donations are tax deductible.

Our PTSA meetings are held in the media center on campus and we want to invite all parents, students, teachers, and staff to join us. Our meetings begin at 6:00 pm on the second Tuesday

of every month, with the exception of holidays. Please mark your calendar with the following dates and feel free to attend:

- September 12th
- October 10th
- November 14th
- January 9th, 2018
- February 13th
- March 13th
- April 10th

No additional commitment is required, and you will learn a lot of interesting school and PTSA information to help you navigate your way through the year. Please note, meeting dates and times are subject to change and these changes will be announced via Facebook, Twitter, and email.

If you do have a few hours to spare and are interested in helping with any PTSA committees or events, please contact us at [erhsptsal@gmail.com](mailto:erhsptsal@gmail.com). We will be happy to answer any questions you may have and provide information on how you can help. Any time you can give is appreciated and will help ensure the success of PTSA and our events!

We look forward to welcoming our students and parents this year, especially if you are new to ERHS! Please be sure to find our PTSA table at device distribution each day on campus in August. Laptop accessories, other spirit items, and memberships will be on sale. We will accept cash, checks payable to ERHS PTSA, and are happy to accept your credit card payments as well! Let's get the year off to a great start-- together! If you have any further questions, please contact our PTSA president, Richard Templin at [temprcz@aol.com](mailto:temprcz@aol.com). *Go Falcons!*

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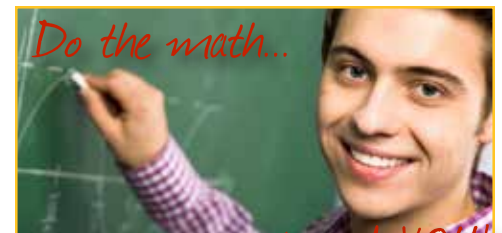
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