

Principal's Message

Dear Seahawks,

We are halfway through the school year, Seahawks! Seniors, you are almost to Graduation Day, but there is still so much left to do. Here are some key dates for Seniors:

- April 4: Grad Bash to Universal: leave school at 10am and arrive back at 5:00am on the 5th
- April 17: Senior Picnic 8:00am-1:00pm
- April 25: Prom at the Alderman House in downtown Fort Myers 7:00pm-10:00pm
- May 14: Senior breakfast and graduation practice 8:00am-12:00pm
- May 18: Graduation at Alico Arena (FGCU) at 7:00pm

There are still seniors who have not purchased their cap and gown. Please visit the following website to get your order in ASAP. www.gradproinc.com

Now is a great time to get back to the basics as we begin a new semester. As a friendly reminder, please take a moment to review some of our policies and procedures.

- All cell phones, air pods, and headphones are off and in bookbags during class. No exceptions to this.
- Hoodies, beanies, hats, etc. are off during the school day.
- Chromebooks charged every day.
- The late bell is 7:05am. Students, you need to be in class and ready at 7:05am.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Ryanjj@leeschools.net. We look forward to a great second semester!

Respectfully, Ryan Jackson, *Principal*

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Counseling Department

Dual Enrollment at FSW

Did you know that you can earn college credits while you are in high school? Qualified high school students can earn college credits to fulfill high school graduation requirements. These same credits can be used toward an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree at Florida SouthWestern State College. You can do all of this without paying for the courses yourself! Dual enrollment registration for the Fall 2025 semester opens in April. Students interested in qualifying for dual enrollment should reach out to their school counselor as soon as possible to make sure they qualify in time for registration.

FGCU ACE

The Accelerated Collegiate Experience (ACE) at FGCU is designed to bring a unique and scholarly experience to qualified high school junior and senior students who are seeking an advanced study option through full-time dual enrollment. A student may earn college credit through coursework taken at FGCU while simultaneously completing the high school diploma. Refer to this link for more information on qualifying and applying for this program: https://www.fgcu.edu/admissionsandaid/ace/

FAFSA and Bright Futures

- 1. The FAFSA is a free application for Federal Student Aid that is used to determine students' eligibility for post- secondary financial aid. We encourage all our seniors to complete this application to see if they qualify for financial assistance to help pay for college or a technical program. The website is: https://fafsa.gov/
- 2. The Florida Department of Education, Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA), administers a variety of state-funded grants and scholarships to assist Florida residents with the cost of their postsecondary education. This Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) can be submitted at: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHOME/SAPHOME Completing this application serves several purposes, including applying for all the various levels of the Bright Futures Scholarship. For more information regarding each respective level and it's requirements please go to: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPBFMAIN/SAPBFMAIN Students need to attain a certain GPA, SAT/ACT test scores, and work hours/community service hours to qualify for the various levels of the Bright Futures Scholarship. They should meet with their school counselor to discuss submitting hours.

The FAFSA will open sometime in December and the FFAA application will open October 1st. Please reach out to your student's school counselor if you have any questions or concerns.

Counselor Contact Information:

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Important Google Classroom Codes:

College, Scholarship, and Career Google Classroom: 5b4n7mf
Class of 2025 (Seniors): vg4bxc4
Class of 2026 (Juniors): vfj2og5
Class of 2027 (Sophomores): hgpskqh

Class of 2028 (Freshmen): f6gq75n





Important Dates

February 17, 2025 President's Day - NO SCHOOL

> February 24, 2025 **FULL DAY OF SCHOOL**

March 14, 2025 Quarter 3 ENDS - FULL DAY OF SCHOOL

> March 17-21, 2025 Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April 18 & 20, 2025 Good Friday & Easter Monday -NO SCHOOL

Asbestos/AHERA Notice

Notification of the Possible Presence of Asbestos-Containing Materials in the School Cape Coral High School, February 2025.

In 1986 Congress created AHERA (The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act). This act requires all school districts to put the below information out to parents, students, and possible visitors. All district sites have a current AHERA (The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act) Inspection and most have a letter of exemption on file from the architect. Certain asbestos-containing materials or assumed asbestos-containing materials such as: fire doors, roofing materials, or other building materials could still contain ACBM and are monitored for no damage. In the School District of Lee County there is an active management plan for each district site. The report listing the location, quantities, and condition of any or all known materials, is available at the school's front office for inspection during normal school hours. Copies of the school's asbestos file can be supplied to you at a cost.

School **Advisory Council** (SAC) Meetings

The 2024-2025 School Advisory Council (SAC) meetings will be approximately once a quarter. These meetings will be held via Microsoft Teams. A link will be sent out through school messenger to all parents and staff to invite them to attend the meetings. The upcoming meeting dates are:

Day/Date	Time
Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025	6:00 pm via Teams
Thursday, April 24, 2025	6:00 pm via Teams



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The Class of 2025 has been busy over the holidays raking in more scholarship money. They have a total of \$10,072,560 in scholarship offers! When you see them, congratulate them!

Students can join google classroom: 5b4n7mf for a list of available scholarships, updates about college and career opportunities, and college visits.





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Seahawk Freshman Academy

Please congratulate November's

Students of the Month:

- 1. Hayli Parker
- 2. Hadessa Fanelus
- 3. Diesel Cummings
- 4. Kaylani Dawson
- 5. Luis Gonzalez

These students are chosen by teachers within the academy for having characteristics that make them good students and good citizens.







School Wide Testing

Please note the following testing dates and check your calendars for conflicts. They are also important to keep in mind when scheduling appointments.

February 20th CLT test for juniors and seniors in need of their math or ELA graduation requirements

March 10-13th Benchmark readiness testing in Algebra 1, Biology, Geometry and US History

March 25, 26, 27th CT test for juniors and seniors in need of their math or ELA graduation requirements (non-college reportable)

April 1st is BEST Writing grades 9 and 10

April 10th CLT test for juniors and seniors in need of their math or ELA graduation requirements

April 16th SAT for Grade 11 (college reportable), and seniors in need of their math or ELA graduation requirements (non-college reportable)

2024-5 AP, SAT, and ACT Testing

Registration deadlines are approximately a month before the test. Students can use concordant scores for graduation requirements when it comes to the FAST ELA or Algebra 1.

SAT: 3/8/25, 5/3/25, and 6/7/25

ACT: 2/8/25, 4/5/25, 6/14/25, and 7/12/25

CLT: 1/25/25, 2/20/25, 3/15/25, 4/10/25, 5/10/25, and 6/18/25

IEP or 504: Parents or guardians of a student with an active Individual Education Plan (IEP) or 504 plan; did you know that your student is able to apply for their IEP or 504 accommodations on the SAT, AP, CLT, and ACT exams? If you are interested in starting this process, please email Chelsea Gamache at ChelseaG@ Leeschools.net for more details about the process. In order to submit your request, we do need a signed permission form to release your student's IEP or 504 plan, so your participation is key.

AP courses

The deadline for submitting a request to the College Board for accommodations on Advanced Placement (AP) Exams is January 24th. Any requests College Board receives after this date may not be approved in time for the May exams. Please contact Mrs. Chelsea Gamache (ChelseaG@ Leeschools.net) if you need assistance with an accommodation request.

The AP exam dates are set by the College Board and students enrolled in an AP course are expected to take the May assessment. If a student misses the exam on the original test date, there may be a fee that needs to be paid before the student is registered for a late exam. Please view the CCHS Late AP Exam Policy for more information at https://shorturl.at/6SHCL.

Date	Exam(s)
Monday, May 5	-European History
Tuesday, May 6	-United States Government -Human Geography
Wednesday, May 7	-English Literature
Thursday, May 8	-World History
Friday, May 9	-Macroeconomics -United States History
Monday, May 12	-Calculus AB / BC
Tuesday, May 13	-Precalculus -Environmental Science
Wednesday, May 14	-English Language
Thursday, May 15	-Spanish Language
Friday, May 16	-Psychology
Monday, May 19 – Friday, May 23	-Late Exams





Out of Field **Teachers**

Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Cape Coral High School are certified but may be assigned one or more classes outside their areas of certification and are required to take appropriate steps to comply with the statutory regulation. The following teachers are engaged in training to add English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL):

El estatuto de la Florida 1012.42 reconoce que los maestros algunas veces tienen que ser asignados a una clase fuera de su área de certificación. El siguiente maestro/a en la escuela Cape Coral High School está certificado/a, pero se le pudiese haber asignado a enseñar una o más asignatura/s fuera de sus áreas de certificación y son requeridos/ as que tomen los pasos apropiados para que cumplan con el reglamento estatuido. Los siguientes maestros están participando en entrenamiento para añadirles Inglés para Hablantes de Otras Lenguas (por sus siglas en inglés ESOL):

ESOL

Jacqueline Davis Kelly DeFord Khrystyne Graves Alexis Ignac Grace McNutt Amy Myers Michelle Williams

IB Program

IB Program applications for the 2025-2026 school year will be accepted between January 21st and February 2nd. Applications must be completed through the FOCUS Parent Portal. Further details can be found on the CCHS website.

The IB Senior CAS Scholarship Night will be held on Tuesday, February 25th. Our IB seniors will be showcasing their CAS portfolios to community judges in hopes of being awarded \$500 scholarships. If you own a business or know of a business who would like to donate a scholarship, please reach out to the IB Coordinator. We encourage the community to join us at 7:00pm to see the amazing Creative, Active, and Service-oriented experiences our IB seniors have been involved in!

IB English Literature Orals will be taking place February 10th through the 21st. IB World Language Orals will be taking place March 3rd through March 13th. IB seniors will be given a scheduled day and time and need to be prepared and in attendance for these required IB assessments.

Our IB Sophomore Family Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 27th at 6:30pm. It is strongly encouraged for all IB Program sophomore families to attend this meeting as we will discuss the IB Diploma Program course requirements and options so that students can make informed course registration decisions for the 2025-2026 school year.

Our IB Visual Arts senior exhibition opening reception is on Friday, March 28th, from 5:00-7:00pm in the CCHS art hallways. Please stop by to see the incredible pieces that our seniors have been working on over the last 2 years.

Our IB Junior and Senior Pinning Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, April 9th at 6:30pm. We encourage all IB juniors, seniors, and their families to attend this celebration of their accomplishments in the IB Diploma Program!

We are quickly approaching the May IB exams for our IB seniors. Please make note of the IB exam schedule posted on the CCHS website and ensure that your IB senior does not have any conflicts with the required exam dates. Exam participation is mandatory for IB students to graduate and there are no make-up IB exams.



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CCHS Interact Club

Interact is kicking off the new year by making a "Pawsitive Change" collecting new pet toys to donate to the Cape Coral Animal Shelter. Collection boxes will be in rooms 145 and 113.

To find out ways you can help and additional service opportunities, join the Google Classroom: jdemf27 or contact Mrs. Recupito (jessicare@leeschools.net) or Mrs. Engh (DawnKEn@Leeschools.net).





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CCHS Band

Marching Seahawk Band traveled to Fort Myers High School to perform for our Music Performance Assessment in November. At MPA, more than 15 bands travel to receive their respective ratings. The ratings are Poor, Fair, Good, Excellent, and Superior, the highest result possible. This weekend, Cape High received the following:

Visual Performance -Excellent

Percussion - Excellent

Music 1 - Excellent

Music 2 - Superior

General Effect - Superior

Color Guard - Superior

Thank you all for the continued support!



CCHS Chorale

Congratulations!

The Cape Chorale is proud to announce the admission of senior student Gianna Treglia into the 2025 Florida All State High School SSAA Honor Choir. This choir was directed by the esteemed composer Andrea Ramsey. The concert performance took place on January 10th, at 7:30 PM in the Tampa Convention Center during the Florida Music Education Association's annual conference.

The Cape Chorale is also proud to announce the admission of three students into the 2025 Lee All County High School Honor Choir: senior Braylen Laureano, sophomore Marin Sammons, and senior Gianna Treglia. This choir was directed by Dr. Bryan Anthony Ijames, of the FGCU Choir department. The concert performance took place on January 22nd, at 6:30 PM at Fort Myers High School.

Important Upcoming Dates

- March 3rd, 4th (TBD) The Cape Chorale will sing at the Lee County Music Performance Assessments (MPA) at Cypress Lake High School.
- April 3rd and 4th Prism Concert performances! Band, Choir, and Dance will showcase their talents with two different performance nights, each starting at 6:30 PM in the CCHS auditorium. Tickets will be required for this event.
- May 8th we will have our first ever Vocal Showcase Concert! This is intended to be a night of solo and small group performances. The performance will be at 7:00 PM in the CCHS auditorium. This event is free of charge.
- May 14th Our annual Choir Awards Banquet will be held in the CCHS auditorium and cafeteria from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Open to all choir students and their guardians.



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CAPE CORAL HIGH SCHOOL Athletics Department

All interested players must complete their athletic paperwork prior to the start of participating in any practice or game. Please go to www.athleticclearance.com to complete the necessary forms. You will also need to turn in a copy of your birth certificate and EL3 form, upload a current physical, and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher.



Athletics - Activities Department Coach and Sponsor List

Team	Coaches	
FALL SPORTS		
Football Coaching Staff	Jaylen Watkins and Tyler Murphy	
Bowling (B)	Lamar Bryant	
Bowling (G)	Anthony Foster	
Cross Country (B)	Christian Cabrera	
Cross Country (G)	Stacey Green	
Volleyball	Jamie Sanchez jaimefs@leeschools.net	
Golf (B)	Joelle Frantz	
Golf (G)	Ben Uphoff	
Swimming (B)	Kristen Tedhams	
Swimming (G)	Dianne Kimble	
Cheerleading	Victoria Molloy victoriamol@leeschools.net	
WINTER SPORTS		
Basketball (B)	Bobby Ebbert	
Basketball (G)	Kevin Carr kevin_carr4424@yahoo.com	
Wrestling	Austin Trebisovsky Austinmt@leeschools.net	
Soccer (G)	Dan Gross	
Soccer (B)	Thomas Pound	
Girls Weightlifting	Anthony Foster	
SPRING SPORTS		
Girls Beach Volleyball	Jamie Sanchez	
Track (B)	TBD	
Track (G)	TBD	
Tennis (B)	Melissa Phelps	
Tennis (G)	Melissa Phelps	
Lacrosse (G)	Dianne Kimble and Joelle Frantz	
Baseball	Mike Gorton	
Softball	Corey Hernandez tencorey@hotmail.com	
Girls Flag Football	Robert Gamache	
Boys Weightlifting	Matthew Abel	



Unified Basketball Tournament

On October 30th, Gamache and Coach Ebbert were thrilled and deeply grateful to host a unified basketball tournament for our Lee County Special Olympic athletes. The event was more than just a competition, it became a true celebration of community, diversity, and teamwork, bringing together players from all backgrounds, abilities, and experiences on one court. Our goal was to create a space where everyone felt welcomed, valued, and empowered to play the game we all love, regardless of their skill level or background.

BONJOUR

French National Honor Society

The French National Honor Society met on Thursday, December 5th. The club's officers planned a fun activity for members and discussed an upcoming service project. The activity was an excellent way for those in the club to learn more about each other, which is vital for working together. The club's next service project is to host a Zoom meeting with the French students at Trafalgar Middle School, to talk to them about how French is at the high school level. They want to be able to answer any questions the middle schoolers may have about French, IB, or high school in general. Overall, the French National Honor Society's December had a very successful meeting.



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CCHS Twitter Accounts

In addition to CCHS' webpage, you can find information and photos of the students in action at the official Twitter accounts for some of our clubs, athletic teams and grade levels. A few of the main ones are listed below, but there are many others!

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Cape High Seahawks (Athletic Department)
Cchscouselors (School Counseling Department)

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