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CLEARWATER HIGH SCHOOL HOME OF THE TORNADOES

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

Welcome, or welcome back to Clearwater High School! For those that are returning, I would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" for your continued support of our school and its initiatives. To those that are new to CHS, "welcome aboard", and we would love to see you get involved in our school! Participation and communication are key factors to success, and we would like to share how you can be a part of our team!

As you are aware, we have been under construction for a couple years but are very excited to share that almost through it and will be done by the middle to end of September. Currently, we will be opening the school year with about 94% completion, with only the gymnasium and building 12 having work left. Words cannot truly express how excited we are to share these new spaces with our students and community.

We have a wonderful PTSA and SAC that would appreciate your involvement, and we would love to see you volunteering! Please contact our school, and ask for Ms. Andrea Watson, our College and Career Center Manager to find out how you can become a mentor, tutor, or a PTSA or SAC member! Also, please join us for the annual Back-to- School Night, Monday, August 29th, at 7 p.m. Our first PTSA meeting will begin at 6 p.m., right before our Back-to-School Night festivities!

To stay up to date with our school's activities and events, visit our website, www.pcsb. org/clearwater-hs, and like our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/myclearwaterhigh. Our weekly "Etornado mail" electronic newsletter has moved over to Peachjar! Peachjar is our district and school's communication platform that streamlines vital school updates and community resources directly to parents as digital flyers. All you need to do is go onto your Focus account, and make sure your email is correct. Additionally, starting August 1st, you will be able to fill out all of your student information documents online via Focus as well!

Clearwater High School believes in the philosophy of continual improvement. Over the last few years, we have made numerous enhancements to our programs. Our AICE, advanced placement, and dual enrollment continue to grow and outperform. Dual enrolment opportunities are available to our student through Saint Petersburg College and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. The Advanced International Certificate of Education program (AICE) is an innovative and accelerated method of academic study offered solely through the University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), a division of the University of Cambridge, Cambridge, England. Please see your counselor if interested in these wonderful programs.

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AND COUNSELORS

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ATHLETIC COORDINATOR Mr. Kris Foote (x2309)



Principal's Message continues...

As we all know, students are more engaged with technology than ever before! For years, we have been compelled to utilize the concept of "Bring Your Own Technology" (B.Y.O.T.) and now with the PCS Connects initiative, all students are provided a device. Please know, as a result of new state statutes, students are still able to utilize their laptops and tablets, but cellphones are no longer permited during classroom instruction time unless approved by their instructor. Students are expected to engage their district provided PCS Connects device for researching, gaining access to digital materials, reviewing grades and attendance, and much more! If necessary, please go to our website to find out more information regarding the rules and policies for appropriate technology use while on our campus.

To ensure and improve student performance, Clearwater High School implemented a sweeping change from traditional school enrollment to Wall-to-Wall Academies with industry certification options, truly preparing our students to be college and career ready! These academies function as small leaning communities and are centered on key interest areas of our Clearwater High students. This "academy environment" offers each student more personalized attention, recognition and care from teachers, staff, and peers. Integral to this "Academy Methodology" is the interest and career- themed approach designed to engage all students with learning that is rigorous and relevant. All of our academies have been commended as "Academies of Distinction" through the National Career Academy Center (NCAC) and our own Pinellas Education Foundation. **Our Academies:**

- BLIS Academy of Business, Leadership, & International Studies (includes CAICC & ROTC)
- **STEAM** Academy of Science, Technology, Engineering, Aeronautics, & Mathematics
- FAME Academy of Fine Arts & Media Education
- SHARE Academy of Sports, Hospitality, and Recreational Education

Please encourage your child to come to our events, ask questions, and get involved. We have numerous clubs and sports programs that your child can be a part of! Check out our website for more information! Thank you again for all of your continued support. I look forward to seeing you at Clearwater High School.

Sincerely, Eric Krause Principal



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PHOTO DEADLINE

September 30th

CLEARWATER HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR PORTRAITS

Seniors must be photographed over the summer by Leonard's in order to be in the senior section of the yearbook. You will receive an email from Leonard's with your access code to book your appointment. Pinellas location available in June & July, so book now, Pricing varies depending on the session booked (starting at \$20).

STUDIO SESSION

Various dates & locations available

OCTOBER 18TH

Retakes @ CHS in GYM lobby by app't.

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Yearbooks

2023 Yearbook Pre-Orders are available for pickup in the front office or room 08-103. Copies are still available to purchase for \$75 cash only until sold out.

Report Card Schedule

		EL	EMENTARY (Grades K-5) STUDENTS	
Mid Period Report (for those students needing a mid-term report- see note below)	End of Report Period	# of Days	Final Grades and Comment Codes Due in Portal	Report Cards Distributed
Tuesday	Friday	45	Friday - 4:00 p.m.	Thursday
September 12, 2023	October 13, 2023		October 20, 2023	October 26, 2023
	Notif	y Parents of	Potential Retention by Friday, February 9, 2024	
Tuesday	Thursday	43	Friday - 4:00 p.m.	Thursday
November 14, 2023	December 21, 2023		January 12, 2024	January 18, 2024
Tuesday	Friday	42	Friday - 4:00 p.m.	Thursday
February 6, 2024	March 8, 2024		March 22, 2024	March 28, 2024
Monday	Wednesday	50	Wednesday - 4:00 p.m.	Wednesday
April 22, 2024	May 29, 2024		May 22, 2024	May 29, 2024
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Note: Mid-Term Progress reports are distributed to high school and middle school student who have a current grade of D or F. Some schools choose to send Mid-Term Progress Reports to all students. Midterm grades are not entered into Focus.

Earl P. Santos, DMD



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2023-2024 Student Calendar

Date	School Info		
Aug. 10, 2023:	All schools open. First Day for Students. All Pre-k and postsecondary schools' classes begin		
Sept. 4, 2023:	Labor Day holiday – No school for students		
Sept. 25, 2023:	No school for students. (a) *Possible hurricane make-up day)		
Oct. 13, 2023:	End of first quarter		
Oct. 16, 2023:	No school for students. (a) *Possible hurricane make-up day)		
Nov. 20, 2023 - Nov. 24, 2023:	Thanksgiving holiday week – No school for students. (a) * November 20- 21, 2023 Possible hurricane make-up days)		
Dec. 21, 2023:	End of second quarter		
Dec. 22, 2022 - Jan. 5, 2024:	Winter holidays - No school for students		
Jan. 8, 2024:	All PreK-12 and postsecondary schools' classes resume. Second semester begins		
Jan. 15, 2024:	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No school for students		
Feb. 16, 2024:	No school for students. (a) *Possible hurricane make-up day)		
Feb. 19, 2024:	No school for students.		
Mar. 8, 2024:	End of third quarter		
Mar. 11, 2024 - Mar. 15, 2024:	Spring holidays - No school for students.		
Mar. 29, 2024:	No school for students.		
Apr. 26, 2024:	No school for students.		
May 27, 2024:	Memorial Day holiday – No school for students.		
May 29, 2024:	End of fourth quarter. Last day for all students. Students will be released two hours early.		

(a) Hurricane make-up days

If 4 days needed, those days will be: 10/16, 11/20, 11/21 and 2/16





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Remember to complete Part 1 and Part 2 of the summer reading assignment. Instructions are on the CHS website.

You are welcome to email Ms. Balcombe, Mrs. MacLellan, Ms. Salvo or Ms. Strother with questions.



Bell Schedule 2023-2024



Period 1: 7:25 - 8:12 Period 2: 8:17 - 9:04 Period 3: 9:09 - 9:56 Period 4: 10:01- 10:48 **1st lunch 10:48 - 11:18** Period 5: 10:53 - 11:40 *11:23 - 11:40 ALL STUDENTS ARE IN CLASS* **2nd lunch 11:40 - 12:10** Period 5: 11:23- 12:10 Period 6: 12:15 - 1:02 Period 7: 1:07 - 1:55

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