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## Principal's Message

Dear All,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your family had a wonderful winter break! Our staff continues to work diligently to prepare our students for the FAST assessment and EOC examinations that will occur at the end of this semester, and we are anticipating great results!

We have had a GREAT first semester and have so much to be proud of! Listed below are just a few highlights:

- CHS attained a 95% Graduation rate for the 2022-23 school year!
- 88% of our senior class graduated with at least 1 college credit (highest in the district for the 5th year)
- Our students earned almost 900 Industry Certifications in 2023!
- The Clearwater High School Athletic Hall of Fame is having its second induction ceremony this month. We are excited and proud of our second inauguration class.
- The Pinellas Education Board has named our Career Academy for International Culture and Commerce (CAICC), a "Academy of Distinction with Honors"!
- All four of our school wide academies, BLIS, FAME, SHARE, and STEAM have been named "Academies of Distinction" by the Pinellas Education Foundation.

Our School Improvement Plan continues to focus on highest student achievement, school safety, and reducing the gap for our underachieving students. With your input and involvement, we can continue to look for new ways to deliver material, content, and school wide processes, which will help your child be successful.

Thank you for your continued support of our initiatives, and the "Herculean" efforts you give our school to make it the best it can be! We have made great strides in the areas of industry certifications, increased rigor (AP, AICE, and Dual Enrollment), and continue to focus on increasing the learning gains in our lowest 25%! We are excited to share that based on current testing with the English FAST assessments (PM1 August and PM2 December), the data shows 59% of our students have already made a learning gain this year! Our students and teachers are working so hard and I am so proud of them.

As we move into second semester, and we start preparing for next year, I encourage you to meet with your children's counselor to make sure they are registered for the proper classes for next year.

Parents and guardians, there is no doubt that you can make a difference! We continue to encourage you to be involved with our school. If you have not already, please contact our volunteer coordinator and get involved! Our PTSA, continues to provide "Top Notch" programs such as our college and career fairs, our SAC does an outstanding job assisting us with key initiatives such as our school improvement plan, and our booster organizations do an incredible job taking care of our programs!

I am very proud of our accomplishments, and I know we will continue to increase rigor, relevance, and relationships; thus, providing the best educational experience possible for our students! Thank you for your commitment and dedication to Clearwater High School!

Go Tornadoes!

Sincerely,  
Eric Krause, Principal



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## ADMINISTRATORS AND COUNSELORS

### PRINCIPAL

Mr. Eric Krause

### SECRETARY TO THE PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Angie Tanton (x2005)

### ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Mr. Russell Denton (x2017)  
SHARE Academy & AICE

Ms. Janeen Watkins (x2015)  
FAME Academy

Mr. Leslie Hopkins (x2018)  
CAICC and BLIS Academy

Ms. Jennifer Chenier (x2016)  
Share Academy

### ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE CLERK

Mr. Victor Hernandez (x2014)

### GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Ms. Kelly Pawling (x2065)  
STEAM Academy & AICE

Ms. Tashevia Glenn (x2071)  
FAME & CHANGE Academies

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Ms. Toni Howard (x2006)

### ATHLETIC COORDINATOR

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# YEARBOOK BUZZ



2023-2024 INFORMATION

Yearbook Adviser: Mrs. Aliberto

Contact: alibertok@pcsb.org

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

**SENIORS:** schedule portrait with Leonard's at [www.leonards.com/scheduling](http://www.leonards.com/scheduling) OR CALL 1-800-215-4852 Studio location: 12479 Telecom drive tampa, fl 33637. On campus date is Oct. 18th for retakes. Cap & gown photos by appointment only held in gym lobby on March 4th.

**STUDENTS 9TH - 11TH:** school photos Sept. 22nd & retakes on Nov. 14th. Order forms will be distributed prior to picture day with pricing & ordering information.

## SENIOR ADS

Senior ads may be purchased from August - February online at [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com) or on campus in room 08-103.

Prices vary by sizing:

**Block** [1-3 photos & message] = \$50

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## 2024 Pre-Orders

The 2024 yearbook is on sale now  
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or in person in room 08-103

## PREVIOUS BOOKS

We have copies of previous editions of the yearbook available for \$35 cash only while supplies last. The 2023 book is \$40 cash only unless part of the 2024/2023 combo. Stop by room 08-103 to purchase yours today.

## Support the PROGRAM

Consider supporting the yearbook program by purchasing a yearbook, advertising your local business in our publication, or making a sponsorship donation. Contact alibertok@pcsb.org

## 2024 Aqua Clara Yearbook Order (Room 08-103)

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I do \_\_\_\_ / I do not \_\_\_\_ plan to participate in May Commencement Exercises.

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DATE

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DATE

The GRADUATION FEE (\$100.00) MUST BE PAID WHEN THE APPLICATION IS FILED. Most of the fees will be applied to the commencement site rental and related commencement costs. (Diploma cover and medallion included.)

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## NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?



### Attend a FAFSA Completion Night near you!

The FAFSA, or Free Application for Federal Student Aid, is an application that can help you secure scholarships, grants and loans to pay for college. Pinellas County Schools is here to help you complete your FAFSA and answer any questions you may have at a FAFSA Completion Night! All events are open to Pinellas County Schools students.

#### Where to Go:

Please arrive no later than 60 minutes prior to the end of the event. All events are located in the school media center unless otherwise specified below.

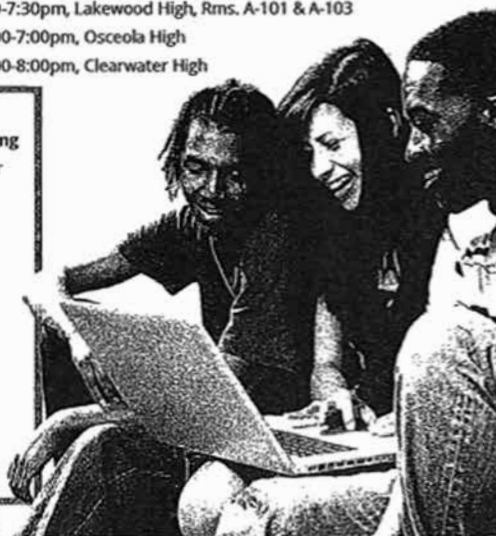
Jan. 10, 5:00-7:00pm, Tarpon Springs High	Jan. 29, 5:30-7:30pm, St. Petersburg High
Jan. 11, 5:30-7:30pm, East Lake High, Downstairs in Building 3	Jan. 30, 6:00-8:00pm, Pinellas Park High
Jan. 17, 5:30-7:30pm, Dunedin High	Jan. 31, 5:30-7:30pm, Northeast High
Jan. 18, 6:00-8:00pm, Boca Ciega High	Feb. 1, 5:00-7:00pm, Largo High
Jan. 22, 6:00-8:00pm, Gibbs High	Feb. 6, 5:30-7:30pm, Palm Harbor High, Admin. Bldg., Rooms 1-116 & 1-144 DATE CHANGE!
Jan. 23, 5:30-7:30pm, Countryside High	Feb. 7, 5:30-7:30pm, Seminole High
Jan. 24, 5:30-7:30pm, Hollins High	Feb. 8, 5:30-7:30pm, Lakewood High, Rms. A-101 & A-103
Jan. 25, 5:30-7:30pm, Richard O. Jacobson High, Bldg. 1-2nd Floor Computer Labs	Feb. 12, 5:00-7:00pm, Osceola High
	Feb. 15, 6:00-8:00pm, Clearwater High

#### What to Bring:

Students AND their parent/guardian should each bring

- Social Security Number or Alien Registration Number (if applicable)
- 2022 federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of money earned
- Bank statements and records of investments (if applicable)
- Net worth of businesses & farms (if applicable)
- Records of 2022 untaxed income (if applicable)
- Child support received from last complete calendar year (if applicable)
- FSA ID (must create one ahead of time at <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>)

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# Senior Class of 2024



## Senior Fees

Senior Fees are \$100 and will increase to \$120 on Monday, February 12, 2024! Fees can be paid in the bookkeeping office or also online via the school website! See Ms. Howard in the office or Mrs. Banks in 9-106 with questions.

## Application for Graduation

Application for graduation (Attached to this paper) MUST be submitted at the time of payment. If you choose to pay online, you must bring your application to Ms. Howard in the bookkeeping office or Mrs. Banks in 9-106.

## Cap and Gown

Cap and Gown can be purchased through Herff Jones. The website is [www.herffjoneswestcentral.com](http://www.herffjoneswestcentral.com). Make sure to order your cap and gown early because the price will increase as we get close to graduation.

## Senior Week & Parking

Senior Week will be Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Activities to be announced later.

Parking on campus and don't have an assigned spot? See Mrs. Banks in 9-106 to get a spot!

## Grad Bash

Grad Bash is Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be \$180. Grad Bash tickets will go on sale on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. You MUST have paid your senior fees prior to purchasing your grad bash ticket.

## Social Media

Be sure to follow the senior class on Instagram to stay up to date on all the senior info! @ClearwaterHigh2024. Also, scan the QR code at the top to join the Senior Class Remind and get important information sent right to your phone!

Graduation Ceremony is Monday, May 20, 2024 at The Sound at Coachman Park. More information to come at our graduation assembly in the Spring!

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# Athletics



The legacy of Clearwater High School's football program extends far beyond local fields, with former players leaving indelible marks at the collegiate level. Two standout athletes, Censere Lee and August Salvati, exemplify the resilience, talent, and determination forged on the gridiron at Clearwater High.

## **Censere Lee: Shining Bright at Western Carolina and Beyond**

Censere Lee's journey from Clearwater High to Western Carolina University has been nothing short of spectacular. His freshman season with the Catamounts showcased a young player with immense potential. A true freshman wide receiver, Lee made an immediate impact, playing in all 11 games and securing three starts.

The stat sheet tells the story of a rising star – 36 receptions, 634 receiving yards, and six touchdowns for his freshman season. Lee's ability to consistently make game-changing plays was evident in two impressive 100-yard receiving games. Honors, including being named to the 2022 Southern Conference All-Freshman team, underscored his impact on the national stage. In 2023 he took it even further – 46 receptions, 792 yards, and 8 TD leaving him with an impressive career total at Western Carolina of 82 receptions with over 1400 yards.

And now, the journey continues as Censere Lee has committed to the University of Pittsburgh. The Panthers, known for their storied football program, have gained a player whose versatility, skill, and determination make him a formidable force on the field. Lee's commitment to Pitt not only solidifies his position as a top-tier athlete but also marks the next chapter in a promising collegiate career.

Before the collegiate spotlight, Censere Lee left an indelible mark at Clearwater High. His high school stats paint a picture of a dominant force on the field – 57 receptions, 1,262 receiving yards, and an impressive 22 touchdowns in his senior season alone. As a multi-sport athlete, Lee showcased his versatility, leaving a legacy that paved the way for his continued success at the collegiate level.

Censere Lee was a 1,000 point/1,000 yard receiver for Clearwater High. His speed and athleticism was a weapon on the hardwood as well as the gridiron

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## August Salvati: The Unconventional Path to Success

August Salvati, another product of Clearwater High School, took the road less traveled on his journey to success. As a defensive lineman, Salvati faced a different set of challenges but approached them with determination and grit.

Before his impactful years at Kilgore College, Salvati made his mark at Clearwater High with 10 sacks over two seasons. His high school stats highlighted his prowess on the defensive line – a testament to his skill and commitment. Now, committed to Florida Atlantic University, Salvati returns close to his Clearwater roots, ready to make an impact on the Owls' defensive line.

Salvati is leaving Kilgore College after an all-conference honorable mention sophomore season and headed to more familiar territory at sunny Florida Atlantic University

In the recent past season, Kilgore College, where Salvati honed his skills, achieved an impressive 9-2 record. Salvati's tenacity on the defensive line contributed to this success, earning him recognition as honorable mention all-conference. His stats spoke volumes – 7 sacks and 29 tackles – showcasing his disruptive presence on the field.

Now standing at 6'3, 245 lbs, Salvati's journey has come full circle. Committed to Florida Atlantic University, he returns close to his Clearwater roots, ready to make an impact on the Owls' defensive line.

### ## The Clearwater High Legacy

The stories of Censere Lee and August Salvati highlight the enduring impact of Clearwater High's football program. As these former Clearwater standouts continue to make waves, their journeys serve as inspiration for aspiring athletes within the Clearwater community. Whether taking the conventional route or facing the road less traveled, the lessons learned at Clearwater High have laid the foundation for success at the collegiate level and beyond.



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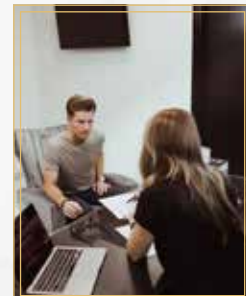
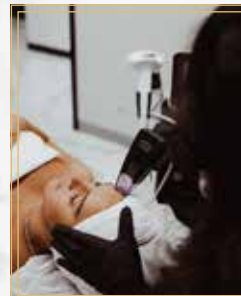
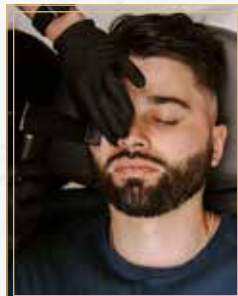



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