



PIRATE COUNTRY NEWS

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Letter from the Principal

Dear Pirates,

The 2020-2021 school year is off to a different but wonderful start! Thank you for the many calls and contacts welcoming me back. I am honored to return to Crystal River High School as Principal and am truly inspired by the commitment and dedication of our faculty and staff during these times. Our freshmen appear to be transitioning well to high school life. We sincerely appreciate your continued support in assisting us with consistently implementing and enforcing the Citrus County Code of Student Conduct.

Each year we ask for your assistance in helping to improve student attendance and this year is no exception. As you know we have both virtual and regular brick and mortar students this year. Your child should be actively attending classes and completing schoolwork each day. This commitment also applies to our Citrus Virtual students. All class work for both groups of students is available daily through Canvas. Please make attending school a priority for your student. We are approaching the end of the first 9 weeks of school. Alerts as well as phone calls are going out to notify parents of any student who has D's & F's. We are finding a high percentage of virtual students are not completing work. This is a critical situation as these grades are factored into their overall GPA. If you feel virtual learning is not a successful fit for your child, you may contact your child's guidance counselor to request they return to our regular brick and mortar schedule. The resources offered on campus may be a better fit for your child. Please check your child's grades n Skyward and contact your their guidance counselor if you wish to make a change. We once again ask for your assistance in ensuring that your student progresses academically in preparation for graduation.

Fall is an exciting time of year. Homecoming week was a wonderful success. Volleyball, football, golf, and cross county are in full swing. As always, we welcome your involvement and hope you will make plans to join us as we strive to provide your student with a positive and memorable high school experience here at Crystal River High School!

Sincerely,

Janet Tuggle
Principal

For the parents, staff, students and community of Crystal River High School

SCHOOL INFORMATION

CRYSTAL RIVER HIGH SCHOOL
 Address: 3195 Crystal River High Drive
 Crystal River, FL 34428
 Telephone: 352-795-4641
 Fax Number: Main Office 352-249-2106
 Guidance Office 352-249-2105
 Email Secretary: Martin-KendrickM@citris.k12.fl.us
 Principal: Janet Tuggle
 Assistant Principals: Brian Lancaster, Phillip McLeod
 & Robert Miloscia
 Dean of Students: Cliff Dyer
 Activities Director: Robert Verlato
 Volunteer Coordinator: Robert Verlato
 Chaperone Coordinator: Sally Brown
 Student School Hours: 7:50 am - 2:40 pm
 Teacher School Hours: 7:15 am - 3:00 pm

SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Citrus County School's School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) is a group that meets quarterly to provide advocacy for school health and identify needs and opportunities to maximize community resources. We welcome parent and community involvement. The meetings are held quarterly at the Technology Resource Center on the Lecanto campus. For any questions, please call Student Services at 527-0090, and ask for the Student Health Specialist.

PARKING APPLICATIONS

Students who want the privilege of parking on campus must apply by completing the Student Parking Application and completing the Teen Driver Challenge Program through the Citrus County Sheriff's Department. Students who have not completed this free defensive driving program will not have a parking permit issued until the course requirements have been satisfied. Student Parking Applications are available during the summer months with instructions and information about what you will need to provide to obtain this privilege.

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

November 11, 2020 Veterans Day – No School
 November 21–29, 2020..... Thanksgiving Holidays – No School
 December 19–31, 2020..... Christmas Vacation – No School
 January 1–3, 2021..... Christmas Vacation – No School
 January 4, 2021 Teacher Workday
 January 5, 2021 Students Return to School
 January 18, 2021 Martin Luther King Day – No School
 February 15, 2021 Presidents Day – No School
 March 27–31, 2021 Spring Break – No School
 April 1, 2021 Spring Break – No School
 April 2–4, 2021..... Good Friday/Easter – No School
 April 23, 2021 Student/Teacher Day Off – No School
 May 20, 2021 CREST Graduation
 May 21, 2021 Last Day for Seniors
 May 24, 2021 WTC Graduation
 May 25, 2021 Citrus High Graduation
 May 26, 2021 Lecanto High Graduation
 May 27, 2021 Crystal River High Graduation
 May 31, 2021 Memorial Day – No School
 June 3, 2021 Teacher Workday – Early Dismissal
 June 4, 2021 Last Day for Students/Teacher Workday – Early Dismissal



TESTING INFORMATION

TESTING DATES	ASSESSMENT	STUDENTS TO BE TESTED
October 26 – October 30	FSA ELA Reading/Writing Make-ups	Citrus Virtual Juniors
November 2 – 6	Algebra 1 EOC Make-up Testing	Freshman & Sophomores having previously passed Algebra 1
November 9 – 10	US History & Biology EOC	Students seeking Merritt Scholar Designation having previously passed US History or Biology.
November 12 – December 11	FSA ELA Reading/Writing Make-ups	Sophomores
December 16 – 18	FINAL EXAMS **	All Students

**Please note, Final Exams are a percentage of students' final course grade. Students are expected to be on campus the day of the scheduled exam. If there is an extenuating circumstance, it is the responsibility of the student to notify the teacher and make arrangements to take the exam prior to Winter Break.

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SCHOOL ADVISORY ENHANCEMENT COUNCIL

The SAEC welcomes all parents, students and community members who would like to take an active part in assisting with the development, monitoring and evaluation of school improvement goals. Meetings will be via Zoom on the following dates:

- 11/2/2020 @ 5:30
- 01/25/21 @ 5:30
- 04/26/21 @ 5:30

Please contact Sheli Martin-Kendrick at martin-kendrickm@citruschools.org if you have any questions or would like to attend these meetings. Any revisions to this schedule will be posted on our school calendar of events.

TEACHERS TEACHING OUT OF FIELD

Crystal River High School is proud that all of our teachers and administrators who work with our students are certified by the State of Florida or other governing board. We appreciate the following teachers who have volunteered to teach a subject outside of their primary certification and are currently taking classes to obtain certification in the area they are teaching out-of-field.

Teacher	Course/Class
Amanda Amato	ESOL
Raymond Lay	Digital Media; Digital Media Production
Shannon Wilson	Earth Space Science, Physical Science
Melissa Sweeney	Liberal Arts Math
Ryne Leake	Reading
Vernon Owens	ESE Inclusion
Maria Moya	Chemistry
Allison Olmstead	English I
Charles Ramsey	World Cultural Geography
Andrea Barnes	Dental Aide 3
Bridget Barton	Early Childhood

Each of these teachers has both experience and coursework in the area they are teaching. They are excellent teachers and we appreciate the extra effort they are putting forth on behalf of our students.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLINIC

Parents, please review the "medication policy" and necessary medication forms on Citrus County Schools Website. To insure an easy transition, medication forms can be downloaded for completion by the parent and health care practitioner prior to the first day of school. All completed forms and/or Doctor orders can be faxed to CRH @ 352-249-2105.

Volunteers

CHAPERONES & VOLUNTEERS

To all who chaperoned, volunteered, or mentored students this past year, a huge THANK YOU! Your service is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to chaperone this upcoming school year, a new application form must be filled out with a legible clear photocopy of your current driver's license attached.

Volunteers and mentors, please check in at the front office each time you are on campus with a CCSB ID badge.

For more information on CCSB Volunteer and Mentoring Program classes, contact Bernadette Salmaggi at 726-1931 x2233. Contact Sally Brown at 785-4641 x4810 for chaperone and concession stand applications or go online to download a copy at www.c2cschools.com/downloads.

SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES

Citrus County Schools is now hiring for all substitute positions (Teacher, Support (Aide), Custodian, Food Service and Bus Drivers). If you are interested or have any questions please call 352-726-1931 Ext 2295 or go to <https://skyfin.citrus.k12.fl.us:444/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsFin/rappljoblst484.w> select the substitute position(s) you would like to apply for, click on apply for selected position(s) and fill out all the required information/application.

Join us Sundays...

Contemporary Service 8:30am
Traditional Service 11:00am
Bible Study 9:45am

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pastortim@firstbaptistcr.org

Cliff Ford, *Student Pastor*
cford@firstbaptistcr.org



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A MESSAGE FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

The counselors and staff in the Guidance Department diligently strive to serve the needs of each student and help them reach their full potential while enrolled at CRHS. From the student's first day of enrollment until graduation, our guidance department is designed to help students understand their academic options, set personal goals and achieve academic and vocational success. Students can find help in discovering the many choices and opportunities available to them by visiting our guidance office frequently throughout the school year. Questions students and parents may have regarding careers, scholarships, testing, exams, college applications, and course requirements can be acquired from our staff.

Guidance Google Classroom – The Guidance Department has created Google Classrooms for each grade level to more easily distribute information for students. Once connected students can browse through Classwork to find information on some of the following topics:

- ACT and SAT
- College Information
- Community Service
- FAFSA
- Florida Bright Futures Scholarships
- Graduation Requirements
- Homeroom Information
- Mental Health and Wellness Resources
- NCAA
- Senior Scholarships
- ...and much more.

All students need to do to join is go to their Google Classroom on their iPad, log in with their School e-mail, and input the proper code to join their grade level. The codes are:

- Freshmen – kp6ry6u
- Sophomores – 6hq4n3j
- Juniors – hbk5wzn
- Seniors – wz3564z

FAMILY ACCESS

Skyward Family Access allows parents and guardians of Citrus County students to be part of the educational process by using state-of-the-art encryption technology to provide a secure Internet link, allowing parents and guardians the opportunity to monitor educational progress, view student information, and communicate with teachers. Sign up online at www.citrus.k12.fl.us/skywardfa. Follow these simple steps:

Step 1: Complete the Skyward Family Access Verification form and follow the instructions on the form. Only one form per family should be completed. Return the form to any school that any child in the family attends. (Note: This form may require installation of the free Adobe Reader.)

Step 2: Once Family Access has been enabled, you will receive an email providing you with your Login and a link to obtain a Password.

Step 3: Use the Family Access Link on the district web site under the Schools tab to access Skyward. There is also a link to the Family Access User Guide. Family Access Signature forms are also available through any guidance department in the district. If you have questions or need help, please contact our guidance department, extension 4816 or 4814 for assistance.

HOMEROOM

Each Thursday, homeroom is held for all grade levels. The homeroom teacher on your schedule will be your "home base" during the school year. This is the place where important announcements will be made, midterm reports and other materials distributed and where you can ask questions that come up during the course of the year.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for various scholarships are kept on file and are available for student access whenever they visit the guidance office. A list of these applications can also be found on our school website under Student Links/Scholarships.

BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS

Bright Futures online application process began on October 1, 2020. Students should log on to <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org> to complete the application. You must apply before graduation to be considered.

FAFSA


Free Application for Federal Student Aid – Application process began October 1, 2020 Register online at <http://fafsa.ed.gov>

COMMUNITY SERVICE


Pick up a new log sheet and a new "Community Service Facts" booklet explaining the specific types of community service that qualifies seniors to receive Bright Futures Scholarships. You must work and record 200 hours of community service in order to receive a gray cord to wear at graduation. Log sheets must be completed and turned into the guidance department by the end of third quarter of the graduation year.

ONLINE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

Students are required to complete an online learning course as part of the 24 credits for high school graduation. Please visit <http://www.flvs.net/> for more information or see your guidance counselor for online course recommendations.



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WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES

For more Sports schedules, please check our school calendar at <https://crh.citruschools.org/cms/>.

GIRLS BASKETBALL			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
11/17	Hernando	Away	6:00/7:30
11/20	Citrus	Home	6:00/7:30
12/01	Springstead	Home	6:00/7:30
12/02	West Port	Home	6:00/7:30
12/04	Lecanto	Away	6:00/7:30
12/07	Wildwood	Away	5:30/7:00
12/08	Central	Home	6:00/7:30
12/11	Nature Coast	Away	6:00/7:30
12/14	Carrollwood Day	Away	6:30 – Varsity Only
12/15	Weeki Wachee	Away	6:00/7:30
12/18	Citrus	Away	6:00/7:30
01/05	Springstead	Away	6:00/7:30
01/07	Carrollwood Day	Home	6:30 – Varsity Only
01/08	Hernando	Home	6:00/7:30
01/12	Central	Away	6:00/7:30
01/13	West Port	Away	6:00/7:30
01/15	Lecanto	Home	6:00/7:30
01/19	Weeki Wachee	Home	6:00/7:30
01/21	Dunnellon	Home	6:00 – Varsity Only
01/22	Nature Coast	Home	6:00/7:30
01/25	Wildwood	Home	5:30/7:30
02/02	Districts	TBD	

GIRLS SOCCER			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
11/10	Weeki Wachee	Away	6:00/7:30
11/13	Hernando	Away	6:00
11/16	River Ridge	Home	6:00/7:30
11/18	Lecanto	Home	5:30/7:00
11/20	Citrus	Home	5:30/7:00
11/30	Nature Coast	Away	6:00/7:30
12/02	Springstead	Away	6:00/7:30
12/04	Central	Home	6:00/7:30
12/07	Springstead	Home	6:00/7:30
12/09	Citrus	Away	5:30/7:00
12/11	Nature Coast	Home	6:00/7:30
12/15	Weeki Wachee	Home	6:00/7:30
01/05	Lecanto	Away	5:30/7:00
01/07	Central	Away	6:00/7:30
01/08	Hernando	Home	6:00/7:30
01/14	River Ridge	Away	5:30/7:00
01/25	North Marion	Away	5:30/7:00
01/28	North Marion	Home	5:30/7:00

BOYS BASKETBALL			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
11/27	Thanksgiving Shootout	Dunnellon	TBA
11/28	Thanksgiving Shootout	Dunnellon	TBA
12/01	Springstead	Away	6:00/7:30
12/04	Lecanto	Home	6:00/7:30
12/08	Central	Away	6:00/7:30
12/11	Nature Coast	Home	6:00/7:30
12/14	Weeki Wachee	Home	6:00/7:30
12/18	Citrus	Home	6:00/7:30
01/01-03	Holiday Tournament	Hernando	TBA
01/05	Springstead	Home	6:00/7:30
01/08	Hernando	Away	6:00/7:30
01/12	Central	Home	6:00/7:30
01/15	Lecanto	Away	6:00/7:30
01/16	Chris Nichols Classic	Lecanto	TBA
01/19	Weeki Wachee	Away	6:00/7:30
01/20	North Marion	Home	6:00/7:30
01/22	Nature Coast	Away	6:00/7:30
01/26	Hernando	Home	6:00/7:30
01/29	Citrus	Away	6:00/7:30
02/02	North Marion	Away	6:00/7:30
02/04	Williston	Away	6:00/7:30
02/05	Dunnellon	Away	6:00/7:30

BOYS SOCCER			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
11/10	Weeki Wachee	Home	6:00/7:30
11/13	Hernando	Away	7:30
11/16	Fivay	Away	6:00/7:30
11/18	Lecanto	Away	6:00/7:30
11/20	Citrus	Away	5:30/7:00
11/30	Nature Coast	Home	6:00/7:30
12/02	Springstead	Home	6:00/7:30
12/04	Central	Away	6:00/7:30
12/07	Springstead	Away	6:00/7:30
12/09	Citrus	Home	5:30/7:00
12/11	Nature Coast	Away	6:00/7:30
12/14	Weeki Wachee	Away	6:00/7:30
01/05	Lecanto	Home	6:00/7:30
01/07	Central	Home	6:00/7:30
01/08	Hernando	Away	6:00/7:30
01/11	PK Young	Home	6:00
01/14	South Sumter	Away	5:30/7:00
01/18	District Tournament	TBA	TBA



GENERAL INFORMATION

Citrus County Schools previously developed an Asbestos Management Program for all facilities. Required re-inspections of the facilities are performed at six month intervals. Information from these re-inspections, along with that from the original Management Plan, is available for review at each facility.

ABSENCES

When a student has been absent from school, the parent/guardian is required to send a note with the student's legal name, date of absence(s), and reason for the absence(s) signed by the legal parent/guardian to the attendance office within two (2) days of the student's return to school. If the written statement is not provided by the parent, the absence(s) will be unexcused. After 10 days of excused or unexcused absences, a written statement from a licensed health care practitioner will be required for subsequent absences due to illness indicating they are under the supervision of the physician.



CELL PHONES

Students are allowed to have cell phones on **ONLY BEFORE SCHOOL, BETWEEN CLASSES, DURING LUNCHESES, AND AFTER SCHOOL.** Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action.

EARLY DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

Please make sure your child knows about any scheduled appointments, or has pertinent family information before he/she leaves for school to avoid miscommunication, missed appointments, to help us keep classroom interruptions to a minimum. There will be no early dismissals taken over the phone. The administration strongly encourages appointments be made outside of school hours but, if an occasion arises that a student does need to leave campus early, please follow this early dismissal procedure:

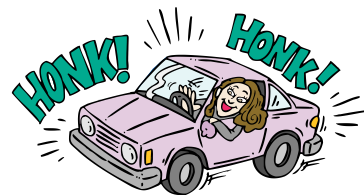
1. Students must come to the attendance office prior to the first bell with a written note from home and to receive a school issued early dismissal pass.
2. The note from home should contain the following information: student's full legal name, student ID #, reason for leaving school, the date and time student is to be released, parent's/guardian's name and a phone number for verification.
3. No student will be dismissed without an adult signing him/her out in the front office and showing proper identification.
4. Students who leave campus between classes without a note will have unexcused absences recorded for the remainder of the day and face disciplinary action.

ATTENDANCE

Regular school attendance promotes student achievement and is crucial for academic success, where an academic year is compressed into four months. The Citrus County Attendance Policy requires mandatory school attendance for students 16 years of age and younger. State laws have also been written that govern school attendance. Parents or guardians are responsible for following the compulsory attendance laws and communicating with the school when problems arise so that the school and parent can work together to ensure their child's success. Parents, if at fault for jeopardizing their child's academic success, may be held legally responsible which may include court hearings, fines and/or placement of the child in youth shelters where school attendance is insured. Please call Ms. Richardson at extension 4802 if you have any questions or concerns.

DRIVING PRIVILEGES

Students who fail to comply with attendance requirements per Florida Statute, Section 322.091 will have their driver's license revoked by the state if they accumulate 15 unexcused absences in a period of 90 calendar days.



DELIVERIES

Delivery of non-school related items, e.g. balloons, flowers, fast-food delivery, etc., will not be accepted by the front office. We will attempt to get assignments, school projects, change of clothes, school books, and other school related items, delivered by parents, to their students.

DRESS CODE

Appropriate school attire for students is explained on pages 33 - 34 in the Citrus County Code of Conduct.

ZERO TOLERANCE

The expectation of the CRHS Administration and Staff is that while you are on campus, you make choices that will positively improve your education and high school experience. The following non-negotiable rules have been adopted by our discipline committee and will be implemented by teachers and staff. Violations will result in disciplinary action.



- Controlled Substances/ Drugs & Alcohol
- Theft / Stealing
- Bullying / Fighting
- Dress Code
- Electronic Devices
- Tardiness
- Insubordination
- Profanity
- Disruptive Behavior
- Excessive Public Display of Affection

TARDY POLICY

Students are to be in their classroom **BEFORE** the late bell rings. An unexcused absence will be recorded if a student is more than 20 minutes late to class. If a student accumulates 9 tardies overall during a nine-week grading period, the student will receive a discipline referral. Students who have multiple tardies, attendance and discipline issues may lose privileges of participating in extra-curricular activities.

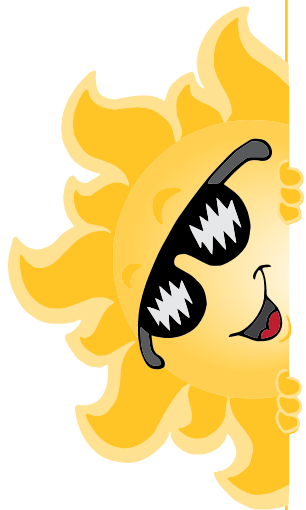
Athletes are to be in attendance no less than half of his/her classes to be eligible for scheduled practices or games.

ARE YOU AWARE?

The requirements are changing for students who enroll full time at an NCAA Division I school after August 1, 2016. Students must graduate high school and meet ALL the following requirements:

- Complete 16 core courses:
 - ◊ Four years of English
 - ◊ Three years of math (Algebra 1 or higher)
 - ◊ Two years of natural/physical science (including one year of lab science if your high school offers it)
 - ◊ One additional year of English, math or natural/physical science
 - ◊ Two years of social science
 - ◊ Four additional years of English, math, natural/physical science, social science, foreign language, comparative religion or philosophy
- Complete 10 core courses, including seven in English, math or natural/physical science, before the seventh semester. Once students begin their seventh semester, they may not repeat or replace any of those 10 courses to improve their core-course GPA.
- Earn at least a 2.3 GPA in their core courses.
- Earn an SAT combined score or ACT sum score matching their core-course GPA on the Division I sliding scale, which balances their test score and core-course GPA. If students have a low test score, they need a higher core-course GPA to be eligible. If they have a low core-course GPA, they need a higher test score to be eligible. If they have a low core-course GPA, they need a higher test score to be eligible.

For more resources regarding these changes, visit NCAA.org/student-athletes/play-division-i-sports or the Division I Academic Requirements Guide.



HEAT RELATED ILLNESS

As the school year is ending and the Florida heat has returned, we must all be aware of the dangers that heat exposure can cause for our students and ourselves during daily activities. Normally when the temperatures are high, our bodies cool themselves by sweating. When the weather is extremely hot and humid the body's ability to cool itself is impaired. Please pay close attention to our students as they are outside for recess, PE, ROTC, sports, band, or other special events. The following are some tips to help prevent heat related illness:

- Drink plenty of fluids
 - ◊ Do not wait until thirsty to drink
 - ◊ Take frequent water breaks anytime there is outside activity
- Keep students out of direct sunlight as much as possible
- Monitor children closely

If you have any concerns about a student who is feeling ill after exposure to the heat, please contact the clinic and/or your school nurse as soon as possible.

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