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**Principal's Message**

Dear Parents,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Right now, the focus of your student should be on a strong finish **and you can help**. Your attention and involvement in this effort will reinforce the importance you place on your child's education. **Please take the following steps to support your student during this critical time.**

- 1. Reinforce positive and successful school habits.** Attention in class, homework, test preparation, and attendance are key factors.
- 2. Access and review your student's progress, attendance, and test schedules** on *Parent Portal*.
- 3. Help your student to create a plan** to improve current weaknesses and prepare for final exams.
- 4. Be aware of tutoring and study assistance** classes available at the school and encourage your student to participate.
- 5. Re-establish your student's home-study routine.**
- 6. Help your student to stay focused.** 'Coasting' is a natural, but deadly tendency.

Your involvement is a tremendous positive factor for a strong finish. Your interest, willingness, and dedication to helping your child succeed provides an unmistakable message. Your child will thank you for it - someday.

Thank you for a great year,  
Dr. Robert Butz



Dr. Robert Butz

**School Public Accountability Report**

School Public Accountability Report (SPAR) and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report are available on the FMHS website and also in the front office.

**Mission Statement**

Each student can learn. Each student is capable of reaching his/her academic potential. Each student has an inherent right to receive the finest education possible for his or her future and for world class citizenship.

Therefore, it is the mission of Fort Myers High School to create and maintain an orderly business-like environment with an equitably enforced, uniform-standard discipline policy in which each student may discover his/her respective potentials and bring them to fruition. Excellence at all performance levels shall be recognized and celebrated.



## News from the Guidance Department

With the school year winding down and summer break right around the corner, it is a great time to be thinking about opportunities for community service. Students can use the community service hours to meet the Bright Futures requirements. As a reminder, the Bright Futures packets are in the counseling office and need to be approved prior to starting a service activity. Once the hours have been completed, the student will turn the packet into the counseling office with a letter on letterhead from the agency documenting the number of hours the student volunteered.

Bright Futures is a scholarship that is available to any student graduating from a Florida high school and can be used at any Florida college. The requirements to obtain the scholarship can be found in the Bright Futures Handbook: <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/BFHandbookChapter1.pdf>. Students may take the ACT and SAT in June after they have graduated to get a qualifying score. The community service hours must be completed by graduation of their senior year.

AP and IB exams are around the corner! If your son or daughter is in an AP or IB class the schedule will be posted soon on the Ft. Myers High School website.

## Academic Boosters

Thank you once again to the members of the academic booster club. Due to the support of the following members, we recently assisted students and faculty with transportation costs to various conferences. It is not too late in the school year to join. If interested please fill out the membership form and return to the school office or send through the mail.

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## The Positive Behavior Support (PBS) Team Needs Your Help!

We reward students for positive behaviors in an effort to build character and good habits to encourage them to be successful.

We need your donations to continue our mission. Donations can be a check made out to FORT MYERS HIGH PBS, or \$5 gift cards to DUNKIN DONUTS, MCDONALDS, TACO BELL, ETC.

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## A Few Reminders...

### School Board Policy (4.16(3)(e)...

**(e) Early Sign-Outs** – Early sign-outs are defined as a parent or guardian signing out a child before the end of the school day.

1. No student shall be released within the final 30 minutes of the school day unless the principal/designee determines it is an emergency.
2. All schools shall establish procedures for early release that ensure that all students are treated consistently.
3. Excessive early sign-outs will be addressed on a case-by-case basis to determine if there is a pattern of non-attendance.
4. Unless excused under the provisions of this policy, accumulated early sign-outs will be recorded as unexcused absences.

### New Entry Procedure for ALL Visitors to FMHS

During school hours all visitors must “ring” before entry.

1. Visitors must ring the doorbell
2. Identify yourself, provide reason for visit (Student’s name, etc.)
3. Show a valid Photo ID (hold up to camera lens)
4. Please do not allow individuals not in your group to enter behind you

### Search and Seizure

- If there is reason to believe that a student is concealing stolen or illegal property, alcohol, drugs, weapons, tobacco products or contraband, an administrator may search the student, locker and vehicle. Students found guilty of these infractions are subject to discipline consequences.

### Out of Area

- Student parking lots are off limits during both lunch shifts. If students are found in the parking lot during lunch without permission, student and vehicle will be searched.

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## Know of Any Incoming 9th Graders...

Our New Student Open House will be held in the FMHS gymnasium on Monday, April 15th from 4:30PM to 7:30PM. Many of the clubs and athletic teams will have displays to inform you about upcoming practices and events.

Course scheduling for all incoming 9th grade students will also take place during this time. This registration session is a necessary step to ensure that your child is enrolled in the appropriate classes to satisfy graduation requirements and experience a relevant and rigorous academic program. Enclosed are descriptions of ninth grade electives for you to preview. Please bring a copy of your child's most recent report card to the registration session for reference.

Please plan to report to Fort Myers High School any time between 4:30PM and 7:30PM on April 15th and park near the gymnasium. **If you are unable to attend the Open House**, please visit the school website at [fmh.leeschools.net](http://fmh.leeschools.net) and print the appropriate 9th grade Course Selection Form. Please fax or email the completed form to [ChristinaMBE@leeschools.net](mailto:ChristinaMBE@leeschools.net).

Our school counselors look forward to leading you and your child through this exciting and important process. We are pleased you are joining us at Fort Myers High School – *where excellence is a tradition.*

## Science Fair

The following students competed in the 60th Thomas Alva Edison Regional Science and Engineering Fair and were awarded the following:

- Ceaser Rodriqu -Special Award US Metric Association
- Heidi Kinsey -2nd Place Animal Sciences
- Sofia Herro & Olivia Galvano- Invitation to Compete in the Stockholm Junior Water Prize and Earth and Environmental 3rd Place
- Alexandra Polk- Specail Awards AAUW Women in Stem, 2nd place Earth and Environmental
- Jackon Wlnthorst -Special Award US Navy/ Marine Corp, 1st Place Intelligent Machines, Robotics & systems Software Runner Up Grand Award Winner
- Cynthia Sheng- Special Awards- STEM Technology Award, 1st place Cellular/ Microbiology, Grand Award Wnner 1st Runner up
- Dahlia Dry- Special Awards Mu Alpha Theta, Special Award Intel Corporation Special Award Florida Association of Science Teachers, Mathematics and Computational Sciences 1st Place 1st Place Grand Award Winner
- Jackson, Cindi and Dahli will go on to compete not only go on to STATES but also to the International Competition in Pheonix Arizona Congratulations and a special Thanks to Dr. Polk who helped out by encouraging students to compete in the Invention Fair, being their mentor, transporter, judge and awards giver along with helping to pass out trophies at the science fair.

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## The Edison Regional Inventors Fair

- Arthur Barrera Granada won 2nd place for 11th grade
- Kelsea Parris won 4th place for 11th grade
- Kevin Morales won the "Humanitarian Award" as part of the Edison Innovators Association Award for his invention regarding school safety.



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## Help Celebrate Teachers

It's that time of year again! School is almost over, and we all start thinking about ways to thank our teachers for another fabulous school year. During the month of May, we celebrate our dedicated teachers by hosting TICKET TUESDAY. We did this last year and the teachers were thrilled! Every Tuesday in the month of May, teachers are given a ticket to place in a basket for a gift card. Winning tickets are selected at the end of the day and the winning teachers gets the gift card. Each week we give away 2-3 gift cards. A donation of a gift card would be greatly appreciated. You can choose to contribute whatever amount you'd like to. If you choose to donate a gift card for teacher appreciation, please feel free to drop it off to Michele Stanford, Assistant Principal in Student Affairs. If you have any questions, please contact Michele Stanford at 239-332-3488. Thank you!



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## Great Month for LITERACY at FMHS!

Senior Rolf Julmisse placed fourth in the regional branch of the English-Speaking Union's National Shakespeare Competition! FMHS was one of only two Lee County schools to compete, and Rolf represented us well!

Lots of Greenies were winners for the LCTE Aspiring Authors Contest. These students were recognized on March 2nd at the Reading Festival downtown at the Fort Myers Regional Library campus, and their work displayed.

### 2019 Aspiring Authors Winners

#### 9 Poetry

- 1st Place: Claudia Bullon, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 2nd Place: Leila Monahan, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)

#### 9 Fiction

- 1st Place: Anna Wells, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 2nd Place: Leila Monahan, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 3rd Place: Claudia Bullon, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)

#### 9 Memoir

- 1st Place: Nicole Miller, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 2nd Place: Claudia Bullon, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 3rd Place: Zachary Syska, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)

#### 10 Poetry

- 3rd Place: Tim Giang, Fort Myers High School (Mr. Riis)

#### 10 Fiction

- 1st Place: Lilah Wilcoxson, Fort Myers High School (Arciero)
- 2nd Place: Ann Cowart, Fort Myers High School (Riis)
- 3rd Place: Caitlin Crowell, Fort Myers High School (Riis)

#### 10 Memoir

- 1st Place: Jacob Halgrim, Fort Myers High School (Mr. Arciero)
- 2nd Place: Madeline Anderson, Fort Myers High School (Mr. Riis)
- 3rd Place: Rebecca Congress, Fort Myers High School (Mr. Riis)

#### 9/10 Overall Winner

- Claudia Bullon, Fort Myers High School

#### 11 Poetry

- 2nd Place: Zoe Yingling, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Jones)

#### 11 Fiction

- 2nd Place: Zohair Alam, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Jones)

#### 11 Memoir

- 2nd Place: Natalie Del Sol, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Jones)

#### 12 Poetry

- 2nd Place: Suvanti Meraney, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Holzinger)

#### 12 Memoir

- 1st Place: Mathew Spychalski, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)
- 2nd Place: Alexis Queen, Fort Myers High School (Ms. Tomlinson)

### If Your Child is a Senior...

- Graduation practice will be May 17, 2019 at 10:30 am
- Senior breakfast will be held on April 30, 2019
- Senior meeting will be held April 3, 2019 at 7:45 a.m. in the auditorium. Important dates will be reviewed as well as graduation, graduation practice, fees/fines, Chromebook return, senior exams, senior awards, Grad Bash, etc.
- Fees/fines must be paid prior to graduation practice. Students with outstanding fees/ fines will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.

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## Thespians

Over the break Troupe 0334 traveled to Tampa for State competition. We went to Bush Gardens, saw incredible shows, took workshops from industry professionals, got in touch with many colleges, and met some incredible people, we even helped work the festival as door keepers and time keeper. The students also competed in the following categories: Monologues, Pantomime, Costume Design, Playwriting, Makeup Design, and Ensemble Acting. Seniors Rolf Julmisse and Julian Nieto both received Superior Rating in this category! Senior Isabella Arroyo received Superior in her Costume Design. Seniors Scotty Wells, Rudy Oropesa, Emily Licata and Juniors Marian Hanlon, Javarius Brown,



Layla Simmonds -Short and freshman Krista Tyre and Gabby Steinborn all received an excellent for their original pantomime. Junior Rayleen "Sowie" Jose received an Excellent in her Playwriting piece. Freshman Krista Tyre represented District 6 (our district) in the "Face On" competition, which is a makeup and hair design challenge that the 15 districts compete in and her makeup design received 3rd place! This is the first time that District 6 has ever placed in the competition and she won

a professional makeup kit. Finally, senior Emily Licata and juniors Isaiah Wright, Marian Hanlon, and Gabby Alvarez received a superior for their Ensemble Acting, not only that but they received a "Top Honors" medal for being the best ensemble piece overall the highest honor a piece can get! (only 3 other schools in our 5 county district received this distinction and we were the only non arts school in our district to receive it).

Please congratulate these students when you see them, they accomplished a lot and represented FMHS so well at the state level.

## Check It Out!

Ms. McKisson's Life skills Classroom had a great time on their CBI (Community Based Instruction) Field Trip to the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. The students learned about hospitality, amenities and what to do as a guest at a hotel.



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## Testing Schedule and Information

### Spring Testing Dates

### PBS Committee

PBS is in need of funds to meet the needs of our students for the remainder of the school year. Events are planned to recognize positive behaviors as well as student success and we need your help. Donations of cash or gift cards would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support of our students. \*\*\*\*The goal of PBS (Positive Behavior Support) at Fort Myers High School is:


To maintain a campus-wide program supporting positive behavior with the purpose of:

- Increasing attendance
- Improving academic performance affecting a positive and calm environment
- Reducing behavioral disruptions and referrals

PBS is a general term that refers to the application of positive interventions to achieve socially acceptable behavior which will lead to becoming a "prompt, productive, positive, polite, and prepared" citizen.

Date	Test	Date	Test	
May 1	FSA English Language Arts	May 15	AP English Language & Comp	
May 2	FSA English Language Arts		AP Macroeconomics	
May 6	AP Environmental Science		Biology EOC	
	AP Government & Politics, US	IB Math HL - paper 3		
	US History EOC for Seniors	May 16	AP Comparative Government & Politics	
	Algebra 1 EOC		AP Statistics	
AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based	AP World History			
AP Spanish Language & Culture	IB English HL - paper 1			
May 7	Geometry EOC	US History EOC	May 17	AP Computer Science A
	IB History HL - papers 1 & 2	AP Microeconomics		
	IB Music HL - paper 1	AP Music Theory		
	IB Music SL - paper 1	May 20	IB English HL - paper 2	
May 8	Algebra 1 EOC		IB Physics SL - papers 1 & 2	
	AP English Literature & Comp		May 21	IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL - paper 1
	Geometry EOC			IB Physics SL paper 3
	IB Global Politics HL - paper 1	May 22	IB Environmental Systems & Societies SL - paper 2	
IB Global Politics SL - paper 1	IB Spanish HL - paper 1			
IB History HL - paper 3	IB Spanish SL - paper 1			
May 9	AP Chemistry		Alternate AP Computer Science A	
	AP Psychology		Alternate AP Microeconomics	
	IB Biology HL - papers 1 & 2	Alternate AP Physics C:Mechanics		
	IB Biology SL - papers 1 & 2	Alternate AP Psychology		
	IB Global Politics HL - paper 2	Alternate AP Statistics		
May 10	IB Global Politics SL - paper 2	IB Chemistry SL - papers 1 & 2		
	AP Computer Science Principles	IB Spanish HL - paper 2		
	AP US History	IB Spanish SL - paper 2		
	IB Biology HL - paper 3	May 23	Alternate AP Biology	
	IB Biology SL - paper 3		Alternate AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based	
IB Psychology HL - paper 1	IB Chemistry SL - paper 3			
IB Psychology SL - paper 1	IB Further Math HL - paper 1			
May 13	AP Biology		May 24	Alternate AP Calculus AB
	AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	Alternate AP Calculus BC		
	AP Physics C: Mechanics	Alternate AP English Literature & Comp		
	IB Math HL - paper 1	Alternate AP Human Geography		
	IB Math SL - paper 1	IB Further Math HL - paper 2		
	IB Math Studies SL - paper 1	Week of 5/27 (Based on College Board Approval)	AP Biology Exception	
IB Psychology HL - papers 2 & 3	AP Statistics Exception			
IB Psychology SL - paper 2	AP Physics C: Mechanics Exception			
May 14	AP Art History		AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism Exception	
	AP Calculus AB		AP Psychology Exception	
	AP Calculus BC		AP Chemistry Exception	
	AP Human Geography			
	IB Math HL - paper 2			
IB Math SL - paper 2				
IB Math Studies SL - paper 2				

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## Testing Schedule and Information

### Senior Exam & Semester 2 Exam Schedules

2018-2019 SENIOR EXAM SCHEDULE				
Monday May 6 <sup>th</sup> <small>Last instructional day</small>	Tuesday May 7 <sup>th</sup> <small>Periods 6 &amp; 8</small>	Wednesday May 8 <sup>th</sup> <small>Periods 5 &amp; 7</small>	Thursday May 9 <sup>th</sup> <small>Periods 2 &amp; 4</small>	Friday May 10 <sup>th</sup> <small>Periods 1 &amp; 3</small>
Monday May 13 <sup>th</sup> <small>Exam make-ups</small>	Tuesday May 15 <sup>th</sup> <small>Exam make-ups</small>	Wednesday May 15 <sup>th</sup> <small>Exam make-ups</small>		

2018-2019 Semester 2 Exam Schedule			
Friday, May 24 <small>Green Day</small>	Tuesday, May 28 <small>White Day</small>	Wednesday, May 29 <small>Green Day</small>	Thursday, May 30 <small>White Day</small>
<b>Period 1 Class</b> 7:05-7:58	Brunch 7:05 - 7:50	<b>Brunch 7:05 - 7:50</b>	Brunch 7:05 - 7:50
<b>Period 3 Exam</b> 8:05 - 9:50	Period 2 Exam 7:55 - 9:40	<b>Period 1 Exam</b> 7:55 - 9:40	Period 6 Exam 7:55 - 9:40
<b>Period 5 Class</b> 9:57 - 11:43 <small>1st Lunch: 9:50 - 10:18 2nd Lunch: 11:15 - 11:43</small>	Passing Time 10 - Minutes	Passing Time -10 Minutes	Passing Time 10 - Minutes
<b>Period 7 Exam</b> 11:50 - 1:35	Period 4 Exam 9:50 - 11:35	<b>Period 5 Exam</b> 9:50 - 11:35	Period 8 Exam 9:50 - 11:35

### Congratulations...

Junior Blake McGarry, took 2nd in the regional National History Day competition in the individual documentary category!



Senior Sammie Henderson and Junior Hayden Henke were awarded the Pediatric Angel Award on Wednesday, Feb. 27 at Lee Health's Regional Cancer Center's Fashion Show and Luncheon. FMHS is proud of their "Mad About Pediatric Cancer" campaign the past two years. In the spring, they held a Mad Hatter Tea party for the pediatric cancer patients at Golisano and their families. They also made a donation to the hospital as the result of their events and fundraisers. Good job girls!

On February 25th, Mrs. Gwinnett Gittens, Chair of the Lee County School Board, addresses Mr. Whitlock's American Government Honors class. Mrs. Gittens, who is also the first black member in the school board's history, was invited to speak to this senior class on the candidacy process of running for office in a local election.



## Greenwave Band Department

### Notes from Mr. Deeter

In February, The Jazz Band received Straight Superior Ratings at their Music Performance Assessment (MPA...our equivalent of the FSA). This qualified us to participate at the State level in March.

A few days later, we participated in Solo and Ensemble where we had 5 Excellent Ratings and 13 Superior Ratings, 12 of which qualify for State Contest. Additionally, all of our Dance and Colorguard students received Superior Ratings at their event as well as also qualify for State Contest.

On March 2nd, The FMHS Orchestra participated in their MPA for the first time in 10 years and received an Excellent on their prepared music and a Superior in Sight-reading (Where they have 5 minutes to look over a piece and then play it for a rating).

On Wednesday, the Concert Band participated in their MPA and received an Excellent rating overall. This group is made up primarily of Freshmen and first or second year players and really have improved from the beginning of the year.

And to cap it off, the Wind Ensemble, our top ensemble, received Straight Superior Ratings at their MPA last evening, qualifying them for the State level as well.

I am truly humbled to be a part of this amazing school and that I am provided the opportunity to work with these wonderful students every day. Thank you all so much for your support this year and I look forward to continuing this positive streak for years to come.

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## IB Art Exhibit

The Fort Myers High School 2019 International Baccalaureate Visual Arts Exhibition proudly presented the creative works of 43 Seniors in fulfillment of their 2019 International Baccalaureate Visual Arts Program. Works of art exhibited at the Sidney & Berne Davis Arts Center explored a wide range of visual media including traditional and traditional darkroom and digital photography, acrylic and oil painting, printmaking, fiber arts, sculpture, ceramics, and more. The exhibit was on view from March 1 – March 13. The opening reception was a huge success! Students enjoyed sharing their work with the many guests at Art Walk that evening. Check out Senior Bryce Hagen showing off his talent!

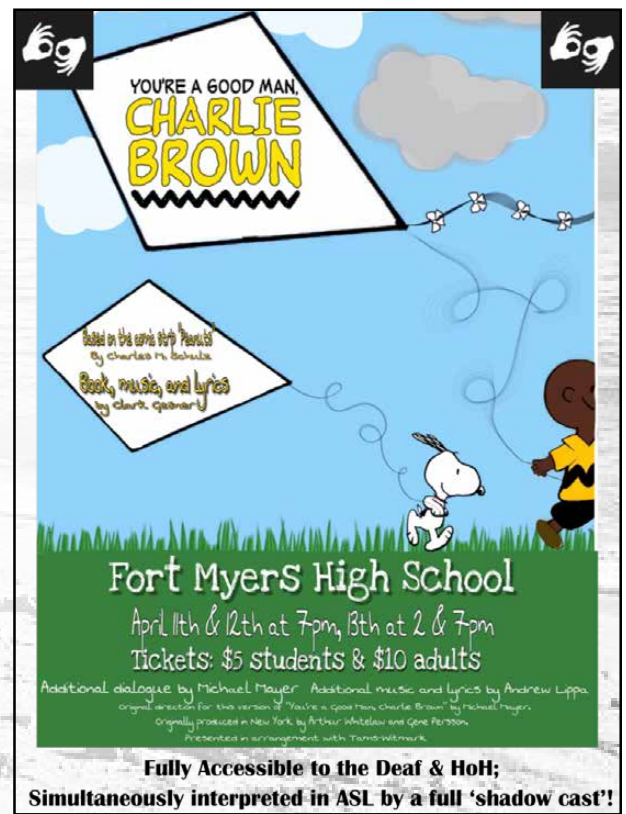


## Take Stock in Children Scholarship Winner!

Justin Antoine is the recipient of the 2019 Take Stock in Children Scholarship. The New Scholar contract signing will take place on March 29, 2019 at the Broadway Palm Theater.

The Take Stock in Children is a scholarship and mentor program that offers eligible Lee County District public school 9th graders a four year tuition scholarship to a state university or college in Florida. Plus, a caring mentor who will assist and encourage their mentee to achieve their goals.

Please congratulate Justin Antoine when you see him! For additional TSIC Scholarship information contact: joaneb@leeschools.net.  
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