# **Fort Myers High School**

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## 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.

#### Dear Green Wave Family,

I hope you are all enjoying your summer, staying safe, and getting ready for a fantastic school year. Here at Fort Myers High, we've been working hard to ensure everything is in place for our students' return on August 12, 2024. Upcoming Events:

- Back-to-School Open House:
  - Date: August 7, 2024
  - Time: 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
  - Details: This is a great opportunity to meet teachers, explore classrooms, and learn more about what the new school year has in store. We encourage all families to attend!
- First Day of School:
  - Date: August 12, 2024
  - Details: We look forward to welcoming all students back to campus. The building will be open at 6:40 am as school starts promptly at 7:05 am. Be sure to arrive early to find your classes and reconnect with friends.
- Senior Sunrise:
  - Date: August 16, 2024
  - Details: A special event for our seniors to mark the beginning of their final year at Fort Myers High. Join us for a beautiful sunrise and a memorable start to senior year.
- First Pep Rally:
  - Date: August 30, 2024
  - Details: Show your school spirit and join us for our Sam Sirianni Pep Rally. It's a great way to support our sports teams and build community spirit.
- Homecoming Week:
  - Dates: September 16-21, 2024
  - Details: Get ready for a week filled with fun activities, themed dress-up days, and the much-anticipated Homecoming Dance on September 21st. More details will be shared as we get closer to the event.

We have many more exciting events and activities planned throughout the school year. Stay tuned for updates and additional information.

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## **Mission Statement**

To provide a safe, student-centered culture where each student achieves his/her highest potential through a tradition of excellence.

Vision

To become the highest performing public high school in the State of Florida

Core Values Integrity, Excellence, Tradition, Consistency, Respect Chris Engelhart Principal

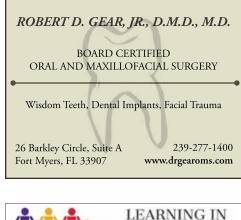


As we prepare for the new school year, please ensure you have all the necessary school supplies, completed any required summer assignments, and reviewed our school policies and procedures. Our goal is to create a safe, supportive, and enriching environment for all students.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We are here to help and support you in any way we can.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we look forward to seeing you all in August!

Best regards, Chris Engelhart Principal





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### **IB Newsletter Update**

As we approach the end of another remarkable schc year, we would like to take this opportunity to reflect on our achievements and share important updates from our IB program. Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm have made this year a tremendous success, and we are excited to celebrate our collective accomplishments.

## **Celebrating Student Achievements**

First and foremost, congratulations to our IB Diploma candidates! Your commitment and perseverance throughout the year have been truly inspiring. We are proud of your academic and personal growth and look forward to celebrating your success at ( upcoming graduation ceremony.

A shout-out to the students who participated in/completed the CAS

projects and IB core components. Your creativity, initiative, and service to the community have set a high standard for future IB students. Highlights from this year include:

- CAS Highlights: Our students have engaged in various meaningful projects, including, community outreach programs and creative arts showcases. Your contributions have made a significant impact on our local and global communities.
- **Extended Essays:** We have seen a wide array of fascinating research topics this year. From scientific investigations to literary analyses, our students have demonstrated exceptional critical thinking and research skills.
- Theory of Knowledge (TOK): The TOK presentations and essays showcased our students' ability to question knowledge and explore complex concepts critically. Your reflections and discussions have enriched our academic environment.

#### **Upcoming Events and Important Dates**

- As we transition to the summer break, please mark your calendars for the following important dates:
- EE Deadline: Please ensure that 2,000 words were completed and submitted by <u>May 31st</u>.
- CAS Experiences: Students should be working on uploading experiences in Managebac. Tutorials on how to do so, the IB CAS guidelines, and the IB CAS Handbook has been posted in the IB junior GC.
- All CAS experiences are due in December.

### Looking Ahead to Next Year

We are already planning exciting initiatives for the next academic year to enhance our IB program further:

- Results Reunion- We will welcome back the class of 2024 to reunite and celebrate their accomplishments with their peers. This is a potluck event and students will be able to retrieve their IB diploma/results.
- **EE Showcase/IB Pinning Ceremony:** We are thrilled to celebrate our IB seniors with an EE showcase for the dignitaries in our community, as well as an IB Pining/Hoodie ceremony. This will take place sometime in November/December.

### **Thank You and Best Wishes**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our teachers, parents, and community members for their unwavering support and dedication. Your involvement and encouragement play a crucial role in the success of our IB program.

To our students, enjoy your well-deserved summer break! Take this time to relax, recharge, and pursue your passions. We look forward to seeing you refreshed and ready for another successful school year in the fall.

Have a wonderful summer!



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#### **Counselor Corner**

Juniors and Seniors: Please join the Colleges/Careers/Scholarships classroom. Code: 2emuxrv

## ACT Test Dates 2024-2025

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	
September 14	August 9	August 25	
October 26	September 20	October 7	
December 14	November 8	November 22	
February 8	January 3	January 20	
April 5	February 28	March 16	
June 14*	May 9	May 26	
July 12	June 6	June 20	

## SAT Test Dates 2024-2025

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	
August 24	August 9	August 13	
October 5	September 20	September 24	
November 2	October 18	October 22	
December 7	November 22	November 26	
March 8	February 21	February 25	
May 3	April 18	April 22	
June 7*	May 22	May 27	

Register online at www.actstudent.org



ACT Registration

Register online at www.sat.collegeboard.org



Students are responsible for checking the admission requirements of the college(s) they are applying to before registering to test so they know if the ACT writing section is necessary.

- Students needing fee waivers can check if they qualify automatically, or obtain a fee waiver application packet, from Mrs. Butts in the Counseling Office.
- Fee waivers are only available to students in 11th and 12th grades.
- Students may receive up to 2 ACT fee waivers and up to 2 SAT fee waivers. Fee waivers cover late registration fees for the ACT test.
- \* June 30 marks the end of the permitted time to earn an ACT or SAT score for Bright Futures. These are the last test dates in the window.

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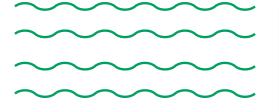


## **Speech Sparks Corner FMHS**

» Practical communication tips «

Speech	Language	Voice	Social skills
Is the <b>sound</b> of spoken language.	Functional communication & Effective communication	Speak <b>loud</b> and <b>often</b> to be heard.	Be social with friends and family.
From the inception of sounds to		If you have ever had	-
create words, and rhythmic vibrations	Tips for improving your	People say "what" when you are	Have a picnic at the beach or a
that flow which ignite the language	communication skills	speaking – use a good breath and	pool party.
we speak to get our wants and		then speak.	
needs met.	you from communicating well.	Designation was to be been d	
• Speak with nurness	<b>Tip 2:</b> Be an active listener.	Project your voice to be <b>heard</b> .	
<ul> <li>Speak with purpose.</li> <li>Say all words completely with</li> </ul>	<b>Tip 3:</b> Pay attention to nonverbal signals.	Hydrate your vocal folds with water	
all syllables and sounds.	<b>Tip 4:</b> Relax when speaking.	for good speech.	
<ul> <li>Express yourself using more</li> </ul>			
words in a sentence.		Healthy habits eating good food,	
Speaking clearly will add success		exercise for your body's strength	
and improve comprehension.		and wellness.	
	Have a wonderful summer!!		

Suzanne Roskow - Speech Language Pathologist M.Ed., MS CFY SLP







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## **National Honor Society**

National Honor Society is a prestigious organization devoted to serving the community. This school year, we were able to obtain over 1,000 inclub hours from the juniors and seniors involved. Additionally, 68 seniors earned the number of hours required to gain a cord at graduation. We also voted for new officers for the 2024-2025 school year. Candidates were required to present a speech to win over the members and display their dedication to the society. The results concluded with the new President,

Jaya Parsa; Vice President, Sidrah Zuberi; Secretary, Lorelai Wite new President, Patel; Historian, Shenard Williams; and Parliamentarian, Annabelle Marsh. This new set of officers are excited to make this year the best one yet. We will brainstorm fundraising ideas to benefit the National Honor Society directly, so we are able to donate back to our community. Upcoming juniors and seniors are encouraged to apply beginning in the fall of 2024. To be eligible, you must: be in two other academic or service organizations, have a minimum of ten service hours, have a minimum GPA of 3.5 (weighted), and write a letter of intent. Applications will be found in the guidance office at the beginning of next school year. Current members are encouraged to participate in the upcoming service projects this summer. For more information or any questions about the NHS, please contact Mrs. Grossman, our sponsor, at elisaag@leeschools.net.



COMMONDA



## Fort Myers High School Greenwave Marching Band

## **Summer Band Camp Dates**

- 1. Monday-Friday, July 22nd-July 26th 9am to 5pm/Guard and Dance Only
- 2. Monday-Friday, July 22nd-July 26th 1pm to 5pm/Drumline Only
- 3. Friday, July 26th 9am to 5pm/All 1st year members of the Marching Band
- Monday-Friday, July 29th-August 2nd 9am to 5pm/Full Marching Band (Band, Dance and Color Guard)
- 5. Monday-Friday, August 5th-August 9th 6pm to 9pm/Full Marching Band
- 6. <u>Friday, August 9th</u> 7pm Parent Meeting/Performance (End of Band Camp)
- 7. Monday, August 12th-First Day of School

\*Starting the first week of school thru the month of October, our marching band rehearses EVERY Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30pm to 5:30pm! \*\*All Band Camp and Afterschool rehearsals are MANDATORY \*\*\*All Events take place in the Fort Myers Band Room

## Greenwave Marching Band to Perform at College Football Playoff Game

Your Greenwave Marching Band will go bowling in December to take part in the 2024 Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl in Atlanta, Georgia. This once-in-a-lifetime trip happen over our winter break from **Sunday, December 29th-Thursday, January 2nd**.

If you are interested in taking part in this trip, you MUST be a member of the Greenwave Marching Band and attend band camp this summer. The total cost for the trip is **\$1,500** and you will have the opportunity to fundraise.

For any further inquiries, e-mail the Greenwave Band Director, Mr. Lederian Townsend at LederianJT@LeeSchools.Net.















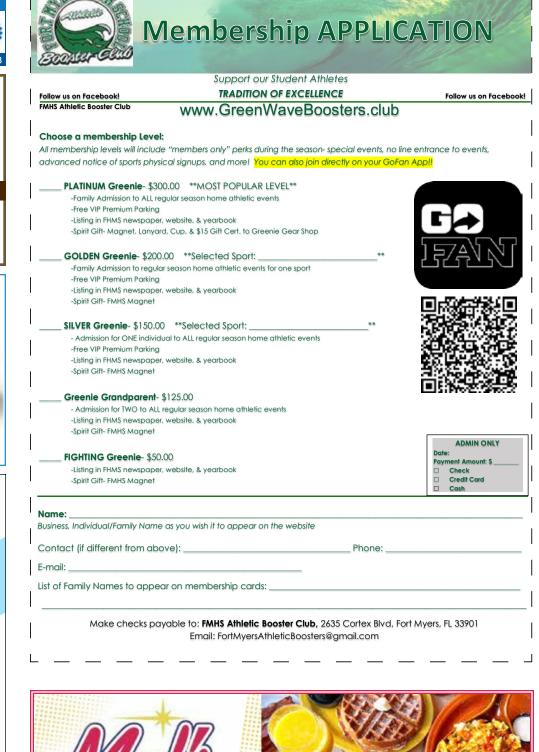
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## **Athletic Photos**

If you would like to purchase individual or team photos from the past year, please visit the link below to view options.

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## **Underclassmen Yearbook Photos**

Underclassmen Picture Day will be Thursday, September 12th from 7:00am-1:35pm in the auditorium during your students' English class. Information regarding the purchase of school pictures will be distributed in your students' English classes sometime in September. Picture Retakes will be October 29th from 7:00am-1:35pm in the Media Center.





## **Senior Yearbook Portraits**

Booking is OPEN for senior sessions for the Class of 2025 with CADY, who provides a onestop shop for your senior portraits. You must be photographed by CADY to be in the yearbook. Get photos for grad announcements, senior yearbook ads, and flawless Insta posts. There is a \$25.00 sitting fee for the basic grad session.

Book now at cady.com/schedule.

Senior portrait sessions will fill up fast. Remember to book your session with CADY to be included in your yearbook. Attached is a Senior Photo Prep checklist to help you get ready.

Senior portraits aren't just for the yearbook. When you book with CADY, you will have the choice of a wide variety of sessions for the experience you want and need. Visit your local studio and see the difference with:

- 3D, built-in scenes not boring backdrops
- High-energy music, encouraging staff, and the perfect environment to make you feel special
  Changing rooms, hair, and makeup stations

Anyone not photographed by <u>Saturday, November 2nd</u> will NOT be included in the Senior Portrait section of the yearbook.

## **Buying a Yearbook**

If you would like to purchase a yearbook for the 2024-2025 school year, you have the following options:

- VIA CREDIT CARD: Go online to Jostens.com, choose yearbooks, and search "Fort Myers High School." From there, you may choose the yearbook and any extras you would like to purchase.
- VIA CASH OR CHECK: Your student can drop off cash or check (made payable to Fort Myers High School or FMHS) in an envelope with their name on the front to B207 OR you can mail the payment to: Jenna Jungferman, 2635 Cortez Blvd., Fort Myers, Florida, 33901.

#### Yearbook Prices:

- Open House Special (8/7): \$70.00
- First Quarter (8/12-10/11): \$75.00
- Second Quarter (10/12-01/06): \$80.00
- Second Semester (01/07-04/30): \$90.00
- After May 1st/Upon Arrival: 100.00 (CASH ONLY)





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## National History Day Fair

Congratulations to Benjamin O'Brien, Luke Scrabis, Shawnak Shenoy, and Shenard Williams! They finished 2nd Place in the Senior Group Presentation at the National History Day Fair, a National Contest in Washington, D.C. this summer!



#### Chess

Students worked countless hours to present their handmade chessboards to students and staff. Each student chose a theme and crafted the board and pieces to match that theme. Here are just a few pictures showcasing the talent displayed.

