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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 Greenies,

It is hard to believe, but we are quickly approaching the start of the 2nd quarter. We are off to a strong start, and it has been a pleasure getting to know our students, families, staff, and local community members. The tradition of excellence at Fort Myers High School is well-established and our goal is to continue building on that tradition. While we are early in the year, I'm proud to share that much has already been accomplished. While the list could go on and on, I wanted to highlight a few:

- The following students have received national recognition from College Board because of PSAT and AP exams: Manny Alicea, Andrea Aragon-Lopez, Cristina Baten-Hernandez, Adriana Bromley, Kailani Casazza, Gabrielle Garcia, Lindsay Garconvil, Madeline Mantifel, Elsa Marcet, Amy Miquel, Jason Nanda, Alexander Sareh, and Shenard Williams!
- Congratulations to John Stamatopoulos, who is one of only six Lee County students to be selected as a National Merit Semifinalist!
- The following students received Letters of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program: Nathanael Burdzy, Lily Carr, Jason Nanda, Anthony Pham, James Spencer!
- Our athletic programs have gotten off to an amazing start! Our teams currently have a combined record of 32-15 and our cross-country teams have had multiple top-5 finishes!
- Our students have already volunteered hundreds of hours of their time to serve the local community!
- Our music program has put on several impressive performances both here at the school and out in the community!
- Our JROTC program has been involved in several local celebrations and events and put on a great Patriots' Day ceremony here at FMHS!

Once again, these are only a few examples of the many successes our students have experienced, and we look forward to celebrating many more as we progress through the year!

Go Greenies!

Chris Engelhart, Principal



Mission Statement

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

Vision

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Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Fort Myers High School are certified but may be assigned one or more classes outside their areas of certification and are required to take appropriate steps to comply with the statutory regulation.

Erin Christmas – Math (10-12) DarEll Hoskisson – Reading Endorsement Neil Murray – Engineering and Technology Education Leslie Nichols – Reading Endorsement Orion Wright – Social Science

In addition, the following teachers are engaged in training to add English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) to their certificates.

> Jessica Anthony Makenzie Carner Michael Durgin Sakeena Estevez Ligia Forbes Diana Michel Justin Midgett Leslie Nichols Kindra Taylor Desotell Sharon Trosiek Teneka Williams Lyons



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Important Yearbook Information!

Mark your calendars for the following dates:

- Underclassmen Retakes Wed. October 25th
- Last day to take Senior Portraits (through Cady Photography) – Sat. November 4th

To purchase a yearbook: Visit Jostens.com and search Fort Myers High School to pay with a credit card or you can pay with cash or check in B207 with Ms. Jungferman.

First Quarter (8/10-10/16): \$75.00

Second Quarter (10/17-01/08): \$80.00

Second Semester (01/09-05/03): \$85.00

After 05/03 or Upon Yearbook Arrival: 90.00 (CASH ONLY)

Senior Portrait Information

We hope your rising senior has enjoyed their first month of summer. We are reaching out to you as a friendly reminder to your students. On May 9th, information was emailed to them and posted on the school website regarding the scheduling of senior portraits. We use Cady Studios for the senior yearbook portrait.

Booking is OPEN for senior sessions for the Class of 2024 with CADY. You must be photographed by CADY to be in the yearbook. A student must at least participate in the "Simple Session" that includes their yearbook portrait, a cap & gown portrait, and a casual picture. There is a \$29 fee for the simple session. You are more than welcome to add additional images and/or upgraded sessions, if you so choose.

Book now at http://home.cady.com if you haven't done so already. (Search Fort Myers High School and follow the prompts.) It's one item that your senior can check-off their "Senior Check-off List."

Senior portrait sessions will fill up fast. Anyone not photographed by Cady Photography by Saturday, November 4th will NOT be included in the Senior Portrait section of the yearbook.

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Jungferman, the yearbook adviser, at jennalj@ leeschools.net.



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Counseling Corner

From Our Counselors

Our Guidance Department would like to welcome our Greenie Scholars and Families to the 2023-2024 school year. A "greenie" welcome to our new School Counselors, Ms. Evenson and Mrs. Moore. Our Counseling team offers school base support here at school, to help meet the needs of our scholars whether academically, and or social/emotional. Along with our four counselors, we have a School Social Worker, Licensed Mental Health Professional, College and Career Specialist and School Psychologist.

Scholars will need to make an appointment through Calendly to meet with their counselor. Calendly is only for student appointments. Please check your emails for confirmation or communication from your counselor. Parents/guardian will need to contact their child's counselor preferable through email, to schedule meetings or address concerns. School Counselors will be meeting with students



through individual, small or whole group throughout the semester.

level google classroom, as well as the FMHS announcement and College and Career google classroom. A lot of important information is posted in google classroom, so students can keep abreast of what is happening.

in Dual Enrollment please check the FMHS announcements and grade level GC for information.

Seniors can meet with their

SAT QR CODE

All students should join their grade

Juniors and seniors interested

counselor or Mrs. Butts regarding college applications. Appointment is needed.

WHO IS		OL COUNS	ELOR?
9TH GRADE	10TH GRADE	11TH GRADE	12TH GRADE
Last name A-K	Last name A-K	Last name A-K	Last name A-K
<u>Ms. Higginbotham</u>	<u>Ms. Evenson</u>	<u>Ms. Higginbotham</u>	<u>Ms. Evenson</u>
Last name is L-Z	Last name is L-Z	Last name is L-Z	Last name is L-Z
<u>Ms. Moore</u>	Ms. Wallace	<u>Ms. Moore</u>	<u>Ms. Wallace</u>
Join your grade-l	evel Google Classroom! Here you ordinator, or College and Career	OGLE CLASSR(will be able to schedule a meeting Specialist, receive important inform portunities, and so much more! CLASS OF 2025	with your School nation, learn about
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Our College & Car	eer Specialist	COLLEGES, CAREER	<u>S, SCHOLARSHIP</u>
is <u>Mrs. I</u>	Butts	2emu	ixrv

Fall ACT Test Dates

Our IB Coordinator

is Mrs. Orlins

Test date-Oct 28 - Registration deadline - Sept 22 - Late registration deadline - Oct 6 Test date-Dec 9- Registration deadline - Nov 3 Late registration deadline- Nov 17

IB SENIORS

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Fall SAT Test Dates

Test date - Oct 7 - Registration deadline - Sep 7 - Late registration deadline - Sept 26 Test date- Nov 4- Registration deadline - Oct 5- Late registration deadline - Oct 24 Test date -Dec 2 – Registration deadline – Nov 2- Late registration deadline – Nov 21

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IROTC Color Guard

On 15 September, the JROTC color guard presented the colors for the FGCU Women's Volleyball season opener. This was in recognition of military and first responders Salute to Heroism.







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Fort Myers NHS News

Thomas Alva Edison Chapter of National Honor Society at Fort Myers High School is proud to be preparing to hold its 66th Induction Ceremony on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Over 130 applications were received and reviewed by the NHS Faculty Advisory Committee and invitations to attend the Induction ceremony will be sent out during the latter part of September. The executive officers have been hard at work encouraging members to

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organize service projects for members to earn their "in chapter" hours. Seniors must log their volunteer hours on the form in the NHS Google Classroom. It is important to note that the 15 "in chapter" hours must be earned and logged by the time we break for the Winter holiday vacation in December. The additional 35 hours, that can be gained from outside projects,



can be used from the Bright Future volunteer hours. Members should be checking the varied opportunities posted on the NHS Google Classroom; time often escapes Seniors so please encourage all NHS members to get their volunteer hours competed.

If you have a project that you think our members can assist you with, please email our faculty sponsor, Mrs. Elisa Grossman at elisaag@leeschools.net.





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Academic Booster Club

You can join Academic Booster Club by printing the form from school website, emailing us, message us on Facebook. Send Cash or check in to the school.

Facebook: **FMHS Academic Booster Club** Email: FMHSAcademicBooster@gmail.com Contacts/co-chairs: Robyn Orndoff and Jamie Hill

Academic Booster Club helps to bridge the gap between district and state funding for varying teacher and student classroom/academic needs. Our primary source of income is through memberships; however, we do some fundraisers such as donut sales and "greenie" pure vida bracelet sales. We have a new fundraiser this year: "holiday grams" where students and teachers can spread kindness by sending a little note and treat for each holiday to someone who needs encouragement or "just because". We are always looking for new ideas on fundraising and hope to get corporate sponsors involved at some point to fund some of the larger needs.

SGA 2023-2024

President: Keira Seneca VP: Kristian Schafer Secretary: Hadley Lewis Treasurer: Kathryn Wendland

Class of 2024

President: Isabella Castillo VP: Bryan Fitzgerald Secretary: Elsa Marcet Treasurer: Daphney Pierre

Class of 2025

President: Shenard Williams VP: Luka Koridze Secretary: Lorelai Witenko Treasurer: Mahika Patel

Class of 2026

President: Maxwell Epstein VP: Ashanza Patel Secretary: Teali Torres Treasurer: Noah Pruss

Class of 2027

President: Anna Boggs VP: Zoe Chuang Saladin Secretary: Amaya Battle Treasurer: Alexia Boby

Vocal Arts Department Presents: a Fall Concert

Friends, Family, Faculty, and Staff! Our Vocal Arts department is putting on a concert, HERE in the FMHS Auditorium at <u>7pm on</u> <u>Tuesday, October 24th</u>. Join us for a night of entertainment featuring our choir classes, Greenwave Singers, Chamber Tsunami Singers, and extracurricular Symphonic Orchestra. Entry will be for donations only!

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to the Vocal Arts Director, Mrs. Angelie Agramonte via email angeliekb@leeschools.net.

Volleyball Update

Varsity Volleyball is 11-2! Ashlee Tenkley was selected to the All-Tournament Team at Charlotte High Invitational.

Home games:

- Sept 28 vs St John Neuman, JV at 6, V at 7 (Hawaiian Night)
- October 3 **SENIOR NIGHT** vs Cypress JV at 6 V at 7 (Pink Out- Cancer Awareness) October 12 vs
- Charlotte- JV at 6, V at 7 (USA)
- District Tournament begins Oct 16





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Athletics Update

Fall sports are in full swing and will be heading into post-season starting in October. Winter sports also begin in October.

Winter sports start dates and coaching information:

Sport	Start Date	Coach	Email
Girls Weightlifting	10/9/23	Patrick Casey	patricksc@leeschools.net
Girls Soccer	10/17/23	Brian Buesing	docksideyachtcare@yahoo.com
Boys Soccer	10/17/23	Chris Reid	reidchris7@yahoo.com
Girls Basketball	10/30/23	Marvin Bradley	marvinlb@leeschools.net
Boys Basketball	10/30/23	Keeth Jones	keethgj@leeschools.net
Girls Wrestling	10/30/23	Ashley Stowell	ashleynst@leeschools.net
Boys Wrestling	11/6/23	Zeke Direnzo	stevenc@leeschools.net

Ways to Support Fort Myers High School

Stadium Renovation: Lifetime membership- We are still in the process of raising funds for the stadium renovation project as we want to continue to upgrade our stadium and facilities. One way to get involved and support the project is to become a lifetime member. Contact FMHS Athletic Director Steven Cato - stevenc@leeschools.net.

Athletic Booster Club: Joining the athletic booster club is one of the best ways of supporting your child and the athletic programs at Fort Myers High School. There are many different options available. The **Platinum Booster Club Pass** provides free admission to all regular season home events for your immediate family. Contact Membership chair Angela Cervio - cerviofamily@ gmail.com

Student Spirit Pass: Get into all the action. The **FMHS Student Spirit Pass** is a one-time fee of \$50 and it allows for free admission into all regular season events. This is exclusively for Fort Myers High School students. Can be purchased directly through GoFan or from the athletic office - Contact FMHS Athletic Director Steven Cato - stevenc@leeschools.net.





Fundraisers:

- 10/14- Fishing Tournament Inshore Classic tournament and banquet
- 10/28- Haunted Walk 7-9 pm at Fort Myers High School





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A huge THANK YOU to Mrs. Nithya Sharma, mother of 11th grade IB student Dhruva Sharma, who was gracious enough to bring in traditional Indian cuisine as enrichment for the 12th grade IB novel *The Namesake*. It was a wonderful experience, and we are so grateful!

Congratulations!!! Our September Learner Profile nominations for <u>CARING</u> were...

	Chavez-Polania	Juan
	Fatima	Kaniz
	Johnson	Dona
Pandolfini		Roy
	Ramsey	Emma
-	Reid	Madison
1	Sareh	Alex
	Zuberi	Sidrah

Important Dates:

- September 18th-19th: IB Testing Registration (in TOK classes). It is important to be at school this day.
- September 22nd: <u>12th graders ONLY</u>: EE IS DUE AND NEEDS TO BE UPLOADED in ToK Class.

Students that are caring show empathy, compassion, and respect towards the needs and feelings of others. They have a personal commitment to service, and act to make a positive difference to the lives of others and the world around them.

ATL Focus for Quarter 1: Self-Management: The ability to set goals, manage time and tasks effectively, and manage your state of mind, self-motivation, resilience, and mindfulness. Please ensure your students are practicing these skills at home.







