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The Mission of Gulf Coast High School is to provide a safe learning environment in which students have the opportunity to receive the highest quality education to facilitate future academic and career success

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FOR THE PARENTS, STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY OF GULF COAST HIGH SCHOOL

From The Principal's Desk

Gulf Coast Shark Families,

Welcome back to the 2019-2020 school year. I am proud to announce that Gulf Coast High School was graded an "A" school for the 2018-19 school year. We are excited about the start of a new academic year. We continue to strive to be the best high school not only in Southwest Florida, but also in the state.

There are some new additions and faces that you will see on campus this year. They include:

- Tess Schumacher English
- Jenny Font Spanish
- Malinka Philson French
- Alan Dozer Testing Coordinator
- Courtney Demnicki MC3
- Glenn Stanford Engineering
- Cameron Brown Math
- Nicole Gallegos Guidance Counselor
- Kathy Torres Reception
- Cari Eikel APC Secretary
- Joleana Chandler Assistant Secretary

As the year moves forward, we are going to email a weekly newsletter in the beginning of each week titled: 5 Things Happening at Gulf Coast. In order to receive the weekly email, please make sure that you have updated your contact information in the Parent Portal located in the District's main website.

As always parents, if you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email. Thank you for trusting us to educate your child.

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Administrative Team

Mr. Joe Mikulski, Principal
Mr. Eric Nelson, Assistant Principal, Curriculum
Mrs. Caroline Hylemon, Assistant Principal
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Mrs. Jocelyn Jones, Assistant Principal
Mr. Greg Maniscalco, Instructional Support Specialist
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Important Dates



Welcome Fresh Fins(Incoming Freshmen/New Students)	August 9th	9:00am-10:00am
Freshman/ Sophomore Parent Night	September 16th	6:30pm
New Student Orientation	August 12th	6:30pm -8:30 pm
First Day of School!	August 13th	
GCHS Club Rush(tentatively scheduled)	September 11th	During Lunch
Junior/Senior Parent Night	September 24th	6:30pm
Financial Aid Night	October 7th	6:30pm
Senior Award/Scholarship Night	April 27th	6:30pm

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	12th Grade	9th -11th	
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Mrs. Gallegos		CAS-CL	
Mrs. Giles	CO-D, SA	CO-D	
Ms. Minsker	E-J	E-HO	
Ms. Szilagyi	K-M	HU-MAF	
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Tips for Preparing for the New School Year

By Grace Fleming



To set yourself up for a successful school year, you can establish some standards and guidelines to follow through the entire year. A great plan may start with a simple conversation with parents, which will lead to clear family communication, and it could include tools like checklists, which will help you stay on track and prepare for tests and due dates.

A good plan will reduce tension in the home, free up time for extracurricular activities, and ensure that you get your homework done in time.

1. Identify a Time Management Tool

Great time management requires very little in the way of investment, but the payoff can be priceless! A few simple tools will keep students on track and on target all year long. A simple wall calendar and a few colored stickers will do the trick:

- Simply place the big wall calendar in a prominent place near your regular study space.
- Then come up with a color code for your classes (like green for math and yellow for history).
- When you have a big due date or a test date, place the appropriate colored sticker on that date for all to see.

The big wall calendar is just one tool that you can use in your time management tool kit. Find a few tools that are right for you and you'll see how easy it is to stay on top of your work.

2. Preview the Expectations

It's always a good idea to preview the material that you will cover over the coming months. Take a look at the topics you'll cover

in math, science, social science, and language areas—but don't get nervous or overwhelmed by what you see. The idea is simply to establish a mental framework to follow.

3. Get Organized With Color

Many students (and parents) can use some help when it comes to staying organized. Color-coding is one of the best tools for keeping homework, folders, and school supplies organized.

- You may want to start with a pack of colored highlighters, then find folders, notes, and stickers to match them.
- Assign a color for every school subject.
- Use coordinated colors when highlighting notes, compiling research, and filing in folders.

You will find that your homework are much easier to track when you stick to the color-coding method.

4. Stop the Madness with Homework Checklists

Are school mornings chaotic in your household? A checklist might cut down on the madness. The school morning checklist reminds students to finish all tasks, from brushing teeth to packing assignments into the backpack. You can use a checklist for every assignment to stay on track!

5. Consider a Homework Contract

There are many benefits to establishing a clear set of rules. A written contract between students and parents can clear up any potential confusion when it comes to expectations. A simple document can establish:

- What time of night serves as the homework deadline
- What students must do to keep parents informed of due dates
- What tools and technology the student can expect and not expect parents to supply
- What reward parents and students can expect for meeting expectations

Students can reap the benefits of weekly rewards, and parents can relax by avoiding the unexpected interruptions and arguments at night.

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- 1. Go to www.WheresTheBus.com
- In the "Parents" section on the left of the screen, click on the "Set up account" button
- 3. When prompted select Collier County (FL)
- 4. Enter student information (Birth Date and Student ID#)
- 5. Once your information is validated, you will receive an e-mail with instructions and app download information



Instructional Materials Notification for Parents

Parents may review their children's instructional materials at the school site. Parents may also schedule an appointment to review currently adopted instructional materials at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Administrative Center. Please contact Julia Lorenzo. Instructional Material Manager at LorenzJu@collierschools. com or 377-0103.

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Testing Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

A student with a documented disability may be eligible for accommodations on national college exams including ACT, SAT, PSAT, AP, and/or Certification Exams including Adobe, Microsoft, Autodesk, QuickBooks and ServSafe Exam.

ACT and SAT Accommodation Request must be started early and the request process may take up to seven (7) weeks and does not begin until all required documentation are received. For guidelines and documentation requirements see the following testing links:

- College Board: SAT, PSAT, AP: https://www.collegeboard.org/students-with-disabilities
- ACT: https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/ accommodations.html
- **Certiport, Certification Exams:** http://www.certiport.com/PORTAL/desktopdefault.aspx?page=common/pagelibrary/Disabilities.htm#Process
- ServSafe Exam: https://www.servsafe.com/ServSafe/media/ServSafe/Documents/SSFS_ Exam_Accomodation-1-3-2018.pdf

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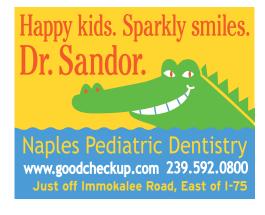
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Accommodations Request Deadlines

Test Date	Accommodation Request Deadline	
SAT October 5, 2019	August 16, 2019	
PSAT/NMSQT October 16, 2019	August 27, 2019	
SAT November 2, 2019	September 13, 2019	
SAT December 7, 2019	October 18, 2019	
SAT March 14, 2020	January 24, 2020	
AP Exam May 4-15	January 17, 2020	
SAT May 2, 2020	March 13, 2020	
SAT June 6, 2020	April 17, 2020	







Attendance & Discipline

It is time to buy school clothes! Please remember the dress code! Dress for success!

2019- 2020 Student Dress Code

The following dress and grooming requirements are to be followed by all students. The Principal shall be the arbiter of student dress and grooming in his/her building. Individual Principals in consultation with their School Advisory Council (SAC) may make other requirements to avoid disruption of the educational process. The requirements listed in this Code are considered the minimal requirement for each school.

- Safe footwear shall be worn at all times. No rubber flip-flops or bedroom slippers.
- Halter-tops, tube tops, short shorts, muscle shirts, midriff or backless shirts and blouses shall
 - not be worn. Shoulder coverings must be at least two inches in width. A complying shirt must be worn under a basketball iersev. Tops must be three inches below the waistband or remain tucked in so that the midriff area is not exposed. No bare skin should be exposed at the waist or abdomen area. Clothing must cover



- the chest area to ensure that cleavage is not exposed. (See examples above)
- Hats, hoods, or other head coverings shall not be worn in the school building except for approved areas identified by the Principal. Exceptions may be made by the Principal for head coverings worn for religious purposes.
- Intentionally altered clothing or unbuttoned and ill-fitted garments are not acceptable. Ill-fitted garments include but are not limited to garments that are too small so as to reflect immodesty or too large so as to appear to be falling off the body. Clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the orderly learning environment is prohibited. Mesh or see through clothing may not be worn without other appropriate clothing underneath (FS1006.07 (2)(d)).
- Clothing shall be free of inflammatory, suggestive, or other inappropriate writing, advertisement, or artwork.
- The wearing or display of flags on our campuses has historically and currently caused dissension along with a potentially unsafe and hostile learning environment for our students. In an effort to provide safe schools and prevent potential disruption, the following flags are the only ones that may be displayed and/or worn on Collier County Public Schools campuses and at off campus school related activities: (1) the United States and POW/MIA flags; (2) the State of Florida flag; and (3) official school flags. In addition, any related symbols may not be displayed or worn on campus and at off campus school-related activities. Exceptions to this rule may be made for national flags on special occasions or in designated areas consistent with the learning objectives of the District and at the discretion of the Principal.
- Body adornment (e.g., adornments which pierce flesh) in any visible body part other than the ears shall not be displayed if such display presents a health or safety issue or if such

- adornment interferes with the educational process in the reasonable discretion of the Principal.
- Items that may be used to do harm are prohibited. (e.g., large belt buckles or finger rings that cover two or more fingers.
- The length of skirts/dresses and shorts shall reflect modesty and good taste and be monitored by regulations enforced at each school. If a student's fingertips touch skin when the arms are held straight at the sides, then the clothing item is too short and may not be worn.
- 10. Costumes, sleepwear or other clothing/ adornment that creates a distraction is not permitted.
- 11. Shorts/pants must be fitted or cinched so as not to slip, thereby showing undergarments (see also number 5 above).
- 12. Gang clothing, symbols, or other items associated with gangs may not be worn, displayed or carried.

Disciplinary Action: Options include but are not limited to, call to home requesting change of clothes, offer of change of loaner clothes from office, ISS, OSS, ineligibility to participate in extracurricular activities.

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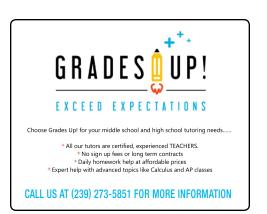


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WHAT ARE EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES?

ECAs are anything you do outside of your school work that is not directly class-related.

Most Prominent ECAs



Fun Fact



one office in a club or organization during college

DOES THAT MEAN THAT ECAS ARE THE KEYS TO SUCCESS?

Gulf Coast High School Club Rush will happen early this year! Clubs are a great part of a students' high school experience!

Join A Club: 5 Reasons Why!

Student clubs and organizations have a lot to offer. Whether you join, create or lead one, participating in an extracurricular activity will not only enhance your school experience, but also help prepare you for life and your future endeavors!

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#1 Making friends

Fitting in isn't as natural for some as it is for others. That's okay. We all socialize differently. Joining a club or organization is an easy way to meet people who have the same interests as you. What better way to spark a new friendship than to talk about something you know you both already enjoy? Because of the similar interests, you'll feel more comfortable to really be yourself!

#2 College Admissions

When it comes to college applications, admissions boards like to see students who are diverse in their interests both inside and outside of the classroom. No club or organization is better than the other, so choose something that truly ignites your passion. What's important is that you can demonstrate commitment to a cause, group, or interest; and how your impact helped it grow.

That doesn't mean you should run off and join every club at your school. Involvement and achievement with one or two solid clubs or organizations are enough to show college admissions boards how well rounded you are.

#3 Skill Development

Clubs and organizations are a great way to help develop your character and the skills that will benefit you in school, your career and in life. Skills like commitment, leadership, effective communication, and being able to work successfully in a group all come from participating in a club or organization

#4 Networking

Your network is a group of people you are connected to for various reasons. When you make a new academic, personal or professional connection with someone or start a new relationship we call it networking. If you are looking for new opportunities, a job, a recommendation, a favor or anything along those lines, the people in your network can help you.

#5 Build Your Resume

A resume is a brief document that lists your education history, experience, skills and other attributes that make you the perfect candidate for the job you are pursuing. If you have never had a job before, a good way to show experience is to join a club or organization and use your involvement as proof of proficiency.



Welcome Back Sharks!

We are gearing up for the new school year! Adding to our past success, Gulf Coast cemented its place as one of the elite athletic programs in the state of Florida. For the 3rd consecutive year, Gulf Coast claimed the All-Conference trophy for the best allaround athletic program in Collier County. In doing so, Gulf Coast claimed 2 Regional Championships, 9 District Championships, and 8 County titles. Yes, there is reason to fear the Sharks!

With the new school year upon us, we are starting all over on our quest for success. Below is a list of sports by season offered at the school:

Fall Winter Spring Basketball Baseball Cheerleading Cross Country Cheerleading Lacrosse Football Soccer Softball Golf Wrestling **Tennis** Swimming & Diving Track & Field Volleyball

If you are interested in participating in sports this year, you need to create your account on the NEW website we will be using, athleticclearance.com. You must get all the needed paperwork uploaded to the website prior to participating in any sport. If you have questions, please contact the Activities Office at 239-377-1428.



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