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A Message from the Principal

Hello Warhawk Families,

As I write this message, we are only one day away from the Thanksgiving break. I am extremely grateful to our Faculty, Staff, Students, and the Seminole Community for a fantastic Quarter 1! Fall sports were in full swing and we are so proud of our athletes and coaches. The Warhawk Swim Team has 5 State finalists! Our Performing and Visual Arts Departments presented incredible performances and installations, with The Warhawk Marching Band earning State Finalist acclaim at the Bands of America Super Regional! Our Academic Team is in the midst of a competitive season led by Mrs. Susan Wolodkowicz, and our SHS National Honor Society Chapter initiations were presented by new Advisor Ms. Anne Pekrul.

Seminole High School had an amazing Homecoming Spirit Week, bringing back Spirit Days, Battle of the Classes, the most highly attended football game in our school's history, and culminating with the beautiful Homecoming Dance! We even had a schoolwide Homecoming Pep Rally where our student athletes, cheerleaders, and marching band brought the student body together that segued into a dance party!

Seminole High School was honored to have been chosen as the site for the launch of Governor Ron DeSantis and First Lady Casey DeSantis' initiative "The Facts. Your Future." This program is key in battling substance abuse and addiction in adolescent lives. The Warhawk Nation has also hosted a Magnet Fair, as well as a school wide Discovery Night to welcome our incoming Freshmen for 2022!

Our Support Staff Employee of the Year is the incredible Front Office staff member Mrs. Michele Grego! The Emerging Teacher of the Year for SHS is fantastic e-Commerce Academy teacher Mr. Daniel Kennedy! And our Teacher of the Year for 2021-2022 is the fantastic CEL Academy Director Mrs. Deanna Russo! Mrs. Russo now has the distinction of having been named a Top 10 Finalist for Pinellas County Schools! Congratulations to our phenomenal award winners! As Principal, I am thankful for our Faculty, Staff, Students, and the Seminole Community for your support of, and advocacy for, Seminole High School! Wishing you the best during this holiday season! **Go Warhawks!**

Jane Lucas
Principal, Seminole High School



Cell Segment

The CEL seniors have been volunteering in our community at several schools including Anona, Bauder, Oakhurst, Seminole Elementary and Seminole Middle. The feedback from the teachers and students has been very positive. This month our focus has been on understanding the importance and the impact of differentiating instruction for students.

“In CEL 4, we have been working with not only younger kids, but some kids our age. As we do this, we get to experience the fact that everyone has a different learning style. Some kids pick up faster than others just because they learn differently.” - Kelsey Bendever, CEL Senior

“My experiences helped me understand the importance of differentiating instruction to support the learning needs of all students because while interning at Bauder, I have been able to see the different types of instruction and techniques used to help all students. Since all students are different, I have seen how some need more help than others on certain subjects.” - Julie Haywood, CEL Senior

“Differentiating instruction means teaching all students even though some of them might struggle with the way the majority of the other students learn... I enjoy helping the students learn because I know it is hard for some of them, and whatever I can do to help is extremely beneficial. This is why understanding learning differences in the classroom is a good way to teach students.” - Michael Conitz, CEL Senior

“I think that it is very important for teachers to be able to accommodate to the needs of their students. Each student in a class learns in their own way and some students might need different help than others. This could be in the form of different hands-on learning options or different ways for people to take tests. Some students might be better

at taking tests with paper and pencil while others might be better able to demonstrate their understanding by teaching it to someone else.” - Kyleigh O’Brien, CEL Senior

Many CEL 3 students have been volunteering with the Health Information Project or HIP to help teach health and wellness lessons to freshmen students. This nationally recognized program is new to SHS, and the CEL 3 student trainers are helping to get it off the ground while also getting authentic teaching experience an essential members of the HIP team!

CEL 3 students are preparing themselves for professionalism by learning to use Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, and Excel as well as Nearpod to create presentations, resumes, and class plans for a variety of different subjects and age levels.

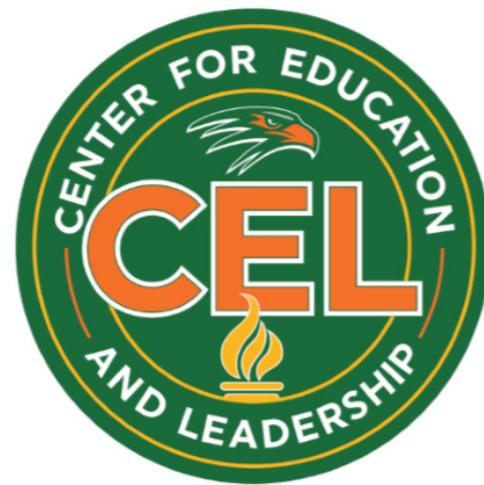
Sophomore CEL 2 students are participating in the “egg baby” project to help them gain an understanding of the fundamental principles of the human development process and learn practices that contribute to a healthy learning environment.

“So far, I have learned that parenting, even for eggs is difficult. It takes constant attention. I have also learned that it is not for everyone, in the sense that some are not up for the responsibility. The best part of the egg baby experience has been talking with my friends about it. We are all in CEL, so we all have egg babies of our own; everyone relating and talking has been the best part. Children are a lot of work. The amount of responsibility is astounding. Not only does a parent have to be responsible for their own life and work, but also another person’s well-being.” ~ Isabella Koenigs

CEL 1 has been working on teamwork and leadership skills by creating seasonal storybook

lessons to help teach responsibility, the character trait for the month for November. Some of the lessons they developed were then actually delivered to real groups of elementary students by the CEL seniors within their internship classrooms! Talk about teamwork!

All in all, there are great things happening in CEL! Keep up the good work, Warhawks!



Testing Dates

Mark your calendars!

Upcoming Assessments:

- January: ELA Classes APM Cycle 2
- February: FSA ELA Retakes
- March 2: In School SAT (all juniors)
- March 8: In School ACT



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3pm

World Image High School Exhibition

Congratulations to Aaliyah Gray 12th grade and Alexis Gniewosz 12th grade for their art work being selected to represent the Warhawk Nation in the World Image High School Exhibition.

Other News

- The SMAC (Seminole music appreciation club) is starting in A21 after schools on Tuesdays
- On Sunday, December 5, 7:30 - 8:30 pm, performing groups from SHS will play holiday music in front of the Studio Movie Grill at Seminole City Center as the Seminole Christmas Parade ends at that location. Come out to hear all of your favorite holiday songs, plus some special surprises!!

National Merit Scholarship

Congratulations Megan Arbuckle for being named a Commended Student in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. Megan is being recognized for exceptional academic promise. As a Commended Student Megan placed among the top 50,000 students who entered the 2022 competition by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.



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Battle of the Classes 2021

Let's celebrate! SHS student government put on an amazing Battle of the Classes during spirit week, where all four grades competed against each other in different field games and a final powderpuff football game.

Seniors somehow managed to win all "Battle" games but somehow gave up points on PowderPuff. Congratulations to the sophomore class for winning powderpuff!



Senior class and their 2022 sculpture!



Junior class and their 2023 sculpture

New King & Queen Crowned At Football Game!

Seminole High School once again had a fantastic homecoming football game! During halftime, the court announcer, Julie Haywood, had the honor to announce the 2021-2022 homecoming king and queen. Congratulations to Jordan Shkuratoff and Isabella Conner! Thank you to all the court members, their families, and student council officers for making such a fun event possible!



Jordan Shkuratoff and Isabella Conner



Court members pose for a picture!

Homecoming Dance A Night To Remember

Saturday, November 6th, student government put on an incredible Déjà vu themed homecoming 2021 dance! With a sold-out event hosted at Banquet Masters in Clearwater, the Seminole High School students were able to enjoy a night of great music, dancing, and fun. A big thank you to our student council officers for making the dance come to life!



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National Honor Society

National Honor Society celebrated the departure of Mrs. Wolodkowicz as adviser and the induction of the virtual members from last year with the 51 high achieving applicants for the 2021-2022 school year. Thank you to the student leadership: Katherine Repka, President; Briana Hodavance, Vice President; Julie Haywood, Secretary; Tressa Fuller, Treasurer; McKayla Janetos, Parliamentarian; and Sarah Reed, Historian.

2021 Inductees:

Diana Alonso
Aiden Barrett
Alexa Behn
Megan Bishop
Emma Bottjer
Jackson Bradley
Madison Brown
Cayden Bulino
Hanna Coll
Isabella Conner
Caitlyn Cope
Kendall Davis
Kylie Dumas

Nina Egeler
Keaton Fisher
Sarah Gabold
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Madison Leiner
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Dominic Slavic
Bianca Stephens
Claire Timberlake
Mekayla Trudgen
Randi Tubbs
Joshua Walker
Tyus Walker
Reaghan Williams
Mikaela Wright

Yearbook

SENIORADS- Buy your senior a gift that lasts forever. Dedicate a space in the yearbook to your graduate with your favorite childhood pictures and timeless messages. Senior Ads are now available on the Warhawk Shop!

SENIOR PICTURES- Prestige Portrait has added one last date for Senior Portraits on campus: December 8th. To sign up, you may go online to www.prestigeportraits.com/fa or call 813-402-3500. Senior pictures taken after December 8th or by another company will NOT be published in the yearbook.

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Academy Of E-Commerce Take To The Parks And Beaches!

In September and October, the students of the Academy of E-Commerce rolled up their sleeves, put on some gloves and went into the community to clean up parks and beaches. Over 50 students and Academy teachers spent hours at local beaches and Millennium Park, picking up trash and debris. As Academy students, they understand they have a responsibility to the community, and this was their way of showing it.



Over 30 students take group picture, while Senior Davia Schweitzer and Nicholas Shanks search for debris.

Academy Of E-Commerce Students Attend Leadership Conference

On November 10th and 11th, over 40 students attended an E-Commerce Leadership Conference. Topics included public speaking, making a great first impression, understanding your worth, risk taking, recognizing opportunities and so much more. The conference was led by Mr. Barron Johnson, former corporate trainer for Dale Carnegie and television reporter.



Students learn valuable tools to help them be great leaders



Seniors Matthew Gluchowski & Drew Miller Participate in an exercise while attending Leadership Seminar.



Students take time for a group shot.

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Daniel Hollingsworth, Peyton Reynolds and Jacob Walker show their certificates.

Academy Of E-Commerce Students Start The Certification Process!

Seminole High School and Academy students are demonstrating they've got the skills. Students in multiple classes have begun the certification process in programs such as Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Entrepreneurship and Operating Fundamentals. Certifications not only demonstrate mastery of skill but provide employment opportunities and college credit.

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Academy Of E-Commerce Opens The Warhawk Shop Plus

After almost 2 years, the Warhawk Shop Plus has finally opened. Pictured above are staff and students stopping in to pick up everything from Warhawk gear to school supplies. Warhawk Shop Plus is located in the front lobby of the school and is 100% operated by E-Commerce Students.



Lily Rivera welcomes shoppers to coffee and donuts on opening day.

Educators Rising

The new club, Educators Rising in conjunction with the Livefree! Club would like to thank all of the AR classes who participated in the Halloween Door decorating contest to promote living a drug free life. There were over 45 doors decorated on campus, and some of them were absolutely AMAZING! The teachers in D Hall worked together to create a Wizard of Oz themed hallway with some of the BEST doors on campus! Enjoy these pictures of some outstanding Halloween doors!

We also awarded our first ever "Terrific Teacher Tribute" to Mr. Scales. This will be awarded to one teacher each month who the students choose as just being overall terrific! The golden podium trophy was awarded to Mr. Scales at the end of October, and we will be awarding it to another terrific teacher right after Thanksgiving Break. There will be a QR code for students to send in their votes during AR class.



Rho Kappa

Rho Kappa students produced several amazing segments for the AR/SEL periods this past month. The Veterans Day team created a beautiful slideshow tribute with photos collected from students and teachers of their family members who had served or are still currently serving in the military. Our Early College students also shared photos showing how Veterans Day is celebrated on the SPC Seminole Campus. Thank you to all who shared photos with us! The slideshow can still be viewed on the SHS Facebook page.

Rho Kappa students also produced a segment about November's character trait, responsibility. They worked together and created a Kahoot! challenge game for all of the AR/SEL classes to compete using their knowledge of what it means to be a responsible high school student. Mrs. Crawley's class was the top winner of the challenge, and Rho Kappa wants to thank all of the teachers who participated with their AR classes!

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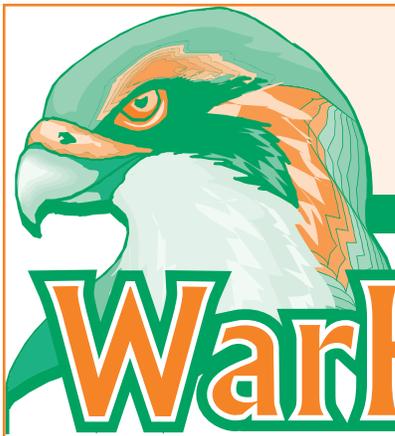
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Random Acts Of Kindness Club

Random Acts of Kindness club meets monthly to spread the ripple of kindness throughout our school. Monthly is a different act of kindness. September we complimented people. October was a lot of fun with reverse trick or treat where we brought 10 classrooms or areas at SHS candy. November, we partnered with our own 10th grade student Jo'el Rivera and his non-profit – Warm Hearts; we collected blankets to be distributed to the homeless in Pinellas County. December is another fun one where Jollyanna the elf on the shelf brings 10 days of Christmas a gift to 10 teachers and visits the classroom for the day, before they run back nightly to tell Santa all about the good little SHS students. We have a lot more planned too. Students who would you like to join RAK Club, stop by B2 (Ms Harkins) or check out the TV announcement for our next meeting. If you are a parent who would like to give a monetary donation to help spread the ripple of kindness, make a check out to SHS but in the memo say “RAK club” or donate an item (drop off in front item with Harkins name on it) Thank you ahead of time. Here are some future events and items needed:

- Pet food and toy drive (1st one is dogs for Seminole’s own dog rescue organization – All Paw’s Rescue; cats for SHS cat rescue called -)
- Valentine’s for Freedom Square residents – pink and red copy paper
- Gratitude shamrock bulletin board with affirmations completing “I am lucky because....” - Green copy paper




School Health Guidelines for Exclusion

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