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WarHawk News

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A Message from the Principal

Hello Warhawk Families!

Happy New Year! Welcome to the 2023 Semester! The "Warhawk Way" continues to prevail throughout our campus and in our classrooms, as well as on our fields, in the gymnasium, and performance halls of Seminole High School! Here are the incredible highlights and exemplars for Quarter 3:

An incredible Hall of Fame Ceremony in January honoring the Warhawk Nation's latest honorees and inductees! Our Athletic Director Josh Walker; APA Lawson; esteemed Coaches Haight and Killalea are to be commended for the prestigious ceremony! And many thanks to Brennan Mazzei and Gracie Tubbs, our incredible student emcees for the evening!

- At press time, our Lady Warhawks Soccer Team were the #1 seed in the district and went on to win the District Championship!
- Dr. Lucas and AP Fisher presented at the National Franklin Covey "Leader in Me" National Conference. The work that sponsor Mrs. Deanna Russo, as well as our student leaders, and Center for Education and Leadership (CEL) students was featured on a global stage!
- For the 2nd year in a row Seminole High School has a Top 10 Finalist for Pinellas County Schools "Teacher of the Year!" Mr. Jerry Cantrell will be celebrated at the Mahaffey Theatre for his contributions to the field of education. Emerging Teacher of the Year, Melissa Brandenburg will also be featured in this honorary ceremony taking place in February!
- Meaningful Winter Sports & Activities Senior Nights & Honor Society Inductions are happening this quarter, whereby hundreds of students and their families will be recognized for their dedication and accomplishments.
- Seminole High School was recognized in a recent media blitz for recognition as a Leader in Me "Lighthouse School;" one of only a handful in the Nation!
- Abigail Ralph and Mekayla Trudgen have the elite distinction of being named "Commended Students" for the 2023 National Merit Scholar Scholarship Program!
- Principal's Secretary, Barb Farmer, was honored by Superintendent Hendrick and Dr. Lucas for her herculean efforts in ensuring Cultural Competence for all students and staff at Seminole High School!
- The Warhawk Nation was featured in Tampa Bay Times and Seminole Beacon where both articles featured the elevation of our school grade and the myriad accomplishments of our students and faculty!
- 11 All County Band students represented the Warhawk Nation in a special concert at the Mahaffey Theatre in January.
- Angel Kelley and Abigail Ralph, Visual Art students of Mr. Barden, have the honor of their artwork being selected for the 2023 Student Surrealist Exhibit at The Dali Museum!
- The Warhawk Nation is a National PTA School of Excellence
- The Warhawk Marching Band is the #1 Marching Band in the State of Florida! This is the 2nd time in the past 5 years that Mr. Madrinan and his amazing musicians have achieved this distinction
- Our National History Day was a resounding success, with several students moving on to District and State Competition. Kudos to Mr. Roberson and Mrs. Pierce for their leadership.
- Seminole High School is a Positive Behavior Implementation System (PBIS) Platinum Award Winner – The only High School in the Tampa Bay Area to receive this distinction!
- Angel Kelley, Arianna Howell, McKenna Koehler, Abigail Ralph, Ava Ambrose, Emily Vogelsang, Kenna Stulce, and Mason Derks were recipients of the Pinellas County Council PTA/PTSA 2022-2023 Reflections Awards for their visual, photographic, as well as choreography artistic creativity. These talented Warhawks will be moving on to state and national competitions!

Seminole High School continues to demonstrate strong academic growth while promoting more rigorous course work, in tandem with innovative support systems for all learners, as we seek to engage each student in finding a connection. To live your life with purpose, respect, and grit is the "Warhawk Way." We, as the Warhawk nation, claim this vision with a relentless team spirit, each day. Thank you for your support, and as always: "GO WARHAWKS!!!!!"

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Save Club & St. Vincent De Paul

Our SHS Save Club collected book bags, books, and socks to drop off at St. Vincent De Paul to provide for people in need of these supplies.

Marching Band State Champs!

Our Seminole Warhawk Marching Band is the 2022 Florida Marching Band Class 3A State Champions! On Sunday, November 20th in Miami, Florida, your Warhawks gave the performance of a lifetime against the top nineteen Class 3A marching bands in the entire state and emerged victorious. It was a windy, rainy day in South Florida, and the students did not flinch as they captured caption awards for best Percussion, Music, General Effect and the overall highest score: 93.35. This is Seminole's 5th state championship in the circuits 25 years (2006, 2011, 2012, and 2018) and our highest gold medal score in the school's history.



Scholastic Art & Writing Awards

Congratulations to the 17 talented students listed that won an award for their hard work and creativity!

Dierba	Erin	11	The Friendly Neighborhood Ghost	Photography	Gold Key
Howell	Arianna	10	Growing Weirly	Photography	Gold Key
Kelley	Angel	12	I am Enough	Photography	Gold Key
Kelley	Angel	12	Hazed	Photography	Gold Key
Kelley	Angel	12	WannaBe	Photography	Silver Key
Kelley	Angel	12	Blossom	Photography	Silver Key
Lesniak	Collin	11	Sleepy Hollow	Photography	Honorable Mention
Lloyd	Madison	12	Blue self portrait	Drawing & illustration	Gold Key
lord	taopan	9	Fungay	Photography	Silver Key
Ralph	Abigail	12	The Judgement From Within	Photography	Silver Key
Ralph	Abigail	12	Stadium Stares	Photography	Honorable Mention
Schmader	Rissa	11	Shadowed	Photography	Gold Key
Stulce	Kenna	10	Fading Away	Photography	Honorable Mention
Tarr	sadieth	12	Inner Self	Photography	Honorable Mention
Uquhart	Jordan	10	Tread Lightly	Photography	Silver Key
Vogelsang	Emily	11	Hiding Behind my Knights	Digital Art	Gold Key
Zwoski	Olivia	12	Torn Apart	Drawing & illustration	Honorable Mention



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CEL

In CEL news, one of our senior interns, Zachary Pincine, has been nominated as student volunteer of the year for his amazing efforts at Oakhurst Elementary! We are so proud of “Mr. Zach”, a name given to him by his adoring kindergarten students in Mrs. Fulle’s class. Zachary is an exemplary CEL intern, volunteering to work with students in the classroom and even out on the PE field. Congratulations to Zachary on this well-deserved recognition!



Other CEL seniors are making a huge difference in the lives of students at Bauder, Seminole Elementary, Anona, Seminole Middle and Osceola Middle where they are interning or mentoring every week. They are also participating in various leadership activities across our own campus, taking the lead as officers of HIP (the Health Information Project), Educators Rising and Leader in Me.

The CEL juniors are doing an amazing job delivering the HIP curriculum to groups of freshmen. Several CEL 3 and 4 students also volunteer weekly to assist in AVID classrooms on campus and at Seminole Middle.

The sophomores in CEL 2 are currently learning about Adolescent Development and how that affects learning in the middle and high school classroom. They are working in groups to create imaginary theme parks with rides and attractions that show their understanding of the different stages of development and the issues associated with them.

In CEL 1, students have just presented a research project on a great leader - living or dead - of their choice. Students had to write interview questions and research how that leader would have answered the questions based on available source material. They then presented the interview in either a live or recorded format. They are now looking forward to practicing mock job interviews in upcoming weeks

Educators Rising would like to congratulate our first Terrific Teacher Tribute winner for the new semester, Mr. Roberson! The golden podium was presented to Mr. Roberson during AR on January 26th. All students are given the opportunity to vote for this award, and Educators Rising delivers the golden podium to the winning teacher each month. Congratulations, Mr. Roberson! The students at SHS think you are TERRIFIC!

The Leader in Me student group continues to create content for AR using the Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens. This month they collaborated to create a presentation for Habit #5, and then they volunteered to go into AR classrooms and present it to them. They also worked with NHS to create tutoring sessions during the Academic Workshop weeks of AR.



Model Water Towers In The Capital

Some of model water towers created by students in Mr. Cantrell’s class were displayed in the state capital building for the FSAWWA and FWEA Utility Council Fly in. The American Water Works Association is working with the state to support initiatives that further education and may benefit students in PCS. Only SHS model towers were represented!



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Paula Thomas - "Paula is the most knowledgeable psychologist I have worked with in my 12 years in the district. She is reliable and cares about her students' academic and emotional needs. She provides support to teacher so they can teach, and to students so they can learn. Seminole High School is lucky to have her as part of their team." – Acknowledged by Beth Kelzer

Laurie Vaughn-Grantges - "Mrs. Vaughn runs a Women in STEM club at SHS. We had an opportunity to host a delegation of female STEM leaders from other countries through the World Partnerships program and the U.S. Department of State. Mrs. Vaughn organized a tour of Seminole High School, question and answer session for the students, and luncheon for the participants, who came from seven different countries. It was valuable learning opportunity for our students, and she went above and beyond in making it happen." – Acknowledged by Catherine A. Mullins

Alana Lawson - "As the lead for Child Study Team, Alana has embraced the new system and worked to develop a team and processes to utilize this new resource to improve attendance practices at SHS. This is not only my opinion, I also have the data to back this claim!! Alana truly embraces the district initiative and has accomplished significant improvements in the way CST functions at SHS. Alana, you should be proud of your hard work; I am." – Acknowledged by Beth Kelzer

Kerri Rohrer - "Kerri is a new member of the AVID family at Seminole High School and continues to closely align herself with the other members of the AVID team and has created external partnerships to ensure student success. As a part of the First Year AVID Teacher PLC, Kerri was the only teacher to attend this month, showing her undeniable dedication to her students' success and to honing her craft. The AVID family is so very lucky to have Kerri and the students of Seminole High School are better because of her." Acknowledged by Hannah Graziano

Gina Gibbs - "Gina truly cares about the well-being of her students and their families - she is Queen of resources and making sure that people get the help they need." – Acknowledged by Steena Facey

Jessica Fisher - "Ms. Fisher is always the consummate professional. However, these past several weeks she has exemplified the true core value of commitment to children, families, and the community in exemplary ways. From serving others through her hurricane shelter duties, to overseeing a flawless and phenomenal school wide PSAT/SAT test day, to taking over, at the last moment, the facilitation of the ACT in school

assessment facilitation. Jessica Fisher's dedication, tireless work ethic, support of her colleagues, and care for students and our community is unparalleled!" – Acknowledged by Jane Lucas

Maya Berrios - "Ms. Berrios coordinated the 2022-2023 High School All-County Chorus Concert that was held last night at Ruth Eckerd Hall. Ms. Berrios showed great commitment to children, families and the community by organizing 5 after-hour rehearsals, 1 full-day rehearsal with a world renowned clinician (Frances Fonza Smith), and a phenomenal concert complete with solos, instrumentalists, and a faculty choir. BRAVO on your accomplishment this year!" – Acknowledged by Brigitte Poulson

Deanna Russo - "Deanna Russo, along with the LiveFree! Club she sponsors, eagerly participate in LiveFree! awareness weeks and activities. This year during Red Ribbon Week, the club hosted a PSA video contest, sponsored a pledge table during lunch, and handed out Red Ribbon Week supplies. Deanna is a creative sponsor and goes above and beyond to create a healthy, substance-free climate at Seminole High." – Acknowledged by Brooke Smith

Stephanie Davis - "Her unfailing assistance for our Access student in the classroom shows enormous dedication and caring. She continually strives to help the student be the best he can be, and her help is greatly appreciated!" – Acknowledged by Patricia Johnson

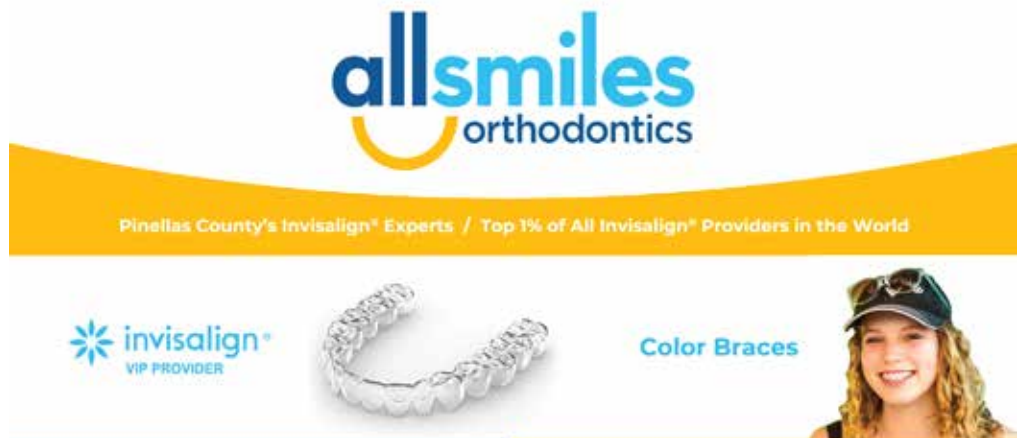
Katrina Allred - "It's appreciated that Katrina goes to other schools to make sure that screenings are covered." – Acknowledged by Susan Todd

Barbara Farmer – "Principal's Secretary, Barbara Farmer, is the true embodiment of cultural competence, as she understands individual student differences and ensures all students at Seminole High School are highlighted, by emphasizing the unique qualities and diversity they bring to our campus. Mrs. Farmer honors the values, rights, and responsibilities of our students by showcasing the achievements, awards, accolades, and acts of service of every student at SHS. From her creative editorial work on our marquee, to the digital mastery of the content on our hallway monitor screens, Barb Farmer champions our Warhawk students each day. By coordinating calendars for the Principal and her Leadership Team, along with creating exciting morning announcement commentary, Mrs. Farmer helps to create an environment that is celebratory, motivating, and inclusive. Barb Farmer is an exemplar of true cultural competence." – Acknowledged by Jane Lucas



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SHS Book Club Book Drive

Because the Seminole High School Book Club has a love and passion for reading, we held a book drive this holiday season. Boxes and boxes of new and gently-used books were donated by students, parents, teachers, and our wonderful Seminole community to give to three Fort Myers elementary schools impacted by Hurricane Ian. Book club leader/members sorted through the books and divided them into three sets for the three separate schools.

The schools were extremely grateful and sent thank you emails telling our club that many of the books went to kids who had no books in their homes. Another school used the books to create packages for the pre-K and kindergarteners to take home for the holidays.

This was such a great success that we plan to make this an annual tradition. We love to read and want to make sure that all students can share in that passion. Thank you to those who donated,
Mrs. Drake



Teddy Bear Drive

The SHS Girlfriends Club made flyers asking students/staff to donate a new stuffed animal during the month of December. All stuffed animals collected were donated to Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital for the holiday season. This was a great success at SHS, we collected about 200 stuffed animals in total.



Women In STEM

Our Women in STEM club is closing the gender gaps in STEM education and encouraging young women to pursue science, math, engineering, and technology subjects. The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) has been tracking STEM major gender enrollment since 1994. In 1994, women made up 34% of students majoring in STEM fields, then up to 40% in 2010, and in 2020 women have made up 45%. Women have made great progress in the STEM areas throughout the years, yet enrollment in some fields still shows large gender inequalities: physics, computer science, economics, and engineering.

So far, our club has made glue from milk, used toothpicks and gummy bears to make a bridge, used Coulombic forces of attraction to make tinsel fly with PVC pipes, and so much more! We recently volunteered at the STEM Explorer Fest at Largo Central Park where we assisted all the vendors and made sure they had all the food, drinks, and supplies they needed.

Also, we volunteered at the PCSB Showcase at Hollins High School where Mr. Cantrell and Mrs. Vaughn were able to demonstrate the STEAM academy and the students were able to see all the programs and academies Seminole High School has to offer. We would like to expand into the community by planning a school-wide Q&A with local professionals in the STEM field. This will be open to all females interested in the STEM world. Students will be able to ask questions face to face and will be given opportunities for volunteering, camps, and jobs for the summer and beyond. Women in STEM is open to all females of any grade level and will continue into the next school year starting in early August. Our goals for this year are coding and 3-D printing! The Instagram for Women in STEM is: shswomeninstem.

Written by: Isabella Cadogan

Terrific Teacher Tribute

The Educators Rising club would like to congratulate Mr. Madrinan (October), Ms. Harkins (November), and Mr. Roberson (January) on winning the Terrific Teacher Tribute. All students have a chance to vote for their favorite teacher during AR/SEL.

Every month students will be able to vote to have their favorite teachers recognized with this fun and exciting award! The Educators Rising club wants our Warhawk teachers to know that they are amazing, and students notice! Be sure to watch and see who will win the Golden Podium next month!



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Warhawk History Day

Every year students throughout the nation submit projects in one of several categories on a topic of their choosing (related to that year's theme) to their school history fairs, potentially moving up to regional, state, and national competition. At Seminole, every student in AP US (Mr. Roberson) or AP European History (Ms. Pierce and Ms. Partin) completes a project. This year's theme was "Frontiers: People, Places, and Ideas". The top two finishers in each category below will represent Seminole High School at Pinellas History Day next month (with 3rd place earning the right to serve as an alternate). Without further ado, the winners for each category are:

Group Performances:

1. Jack Bradley, Carter Durgin, Aaron Montchal, & Micah Pierce- *Mustard Gas in World War I*
2. Kayla Harrelson, Madison Russo, & Graci Tubbs- *The Triangle Factory Fire*
3. Alex Nasso & Christian Roeser- *Martin Luther & the Reformation*

Individual Performances:

1. Brendan Black- *Mr. Rogers*

Group Documentaries:

1. Lauren Basara & Hailey Westfall- *The History of Jazz*
2. Brittany Gingrich & Kate McClellan- *Women in Baseball*
3. Maggie Bailey, Isabella Koenings, Abby Coll- *T.L.O v. New Jersey*

Group Websites:

1. Sean Arbuckle, Kayden Jenkins, & Devan Tenney- *The Panama Canal*
2. Brooke Bonser, Patrick McCombs, & Dutch Urquhart- *Ford Model T*
3. Hailey Bellingier, Briza Moreno, & Amelia Narcisi- *Edward Jenner's Smallpox Vaccine*

Individual Websites:

1. Symphony Kight- *Jazz During the Great Depression*
2. John Coughlan- *World War I*
3. Denis Molo- *The Collapse of the Soviet Union*

Research Papers:

1. Maisey Greenway- *Yellowstone: The Beginning of National Parks*
2. Andrew Villamauga- *Lewis & Clark*
3. Takayah Johnson- *The Hays Code & LGBT in Media*

Group Exhibits:

1. Ella Kunish & Brennan Mazzei- *A Fight For Their Rights: The Women's Suffrage Movement*
2. Erin Dzierba & Armanee Gary- *Apollo 8*
3. Savana Chicarell & Madison Davis- *The Declaration of Independence*

Individual Exhibits:

1. Liam McFarlane- *Cloning*
2. Cayden Hausdorf- *Roman Aqueducts*
3. Kaeci Wagner- *The Industrial Revolution: the Invention of the Sewing Machine*

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AVID Fun Days

On January 17th, our Seminole High School AVID Coordinator, Mrs. Brandenburg, invited Warhawk freshmen and sophomores with GPA's between 2.5 and 3.3 to learn about the AVID elective course. AVID juniors and seniors volunteered to sit on a student panel to share their experiences as AVID students and to answer questions.

Why take the AVID elective? As students journey through high school, they add a lot of tools and learning to their "backpacks." AVID helps students organize their backpack and develop skills that lead to success in college and career. With a focus on WICOR (writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading), AVID students develop critical thinking skills, deepen their understanding of their academic courses, and build perseverance.

January 18th and 19th, the AVID juniors hosted our second round of AVID games this school year. The juniors helped plan, orchestrate and judge the January games. Arianna Sterling and John Eisenhart, AVID juniors, reflected on the purpose of the event and their experience:

- AVID games are made to encourage and improve collaboration, communication and teamwork. Personally, our experience of playing the AVID games was great. We enjoyed playing the team games and even winning a few of them. It's fun to hang out with your friends and just relax and have some fun. AVID allows students to make new friends and find solutions with other students.
- We can't wait for our upcoming AVID field trip to the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg and Stetson University College of Law in Gulfport on February 13!

Sincerely Arianna Sterling and John Eisenhart
11th grade AVID Students



Cookie Challenge: The goal is to move a cookie from your forehead to your mouth using only your facial muscles.



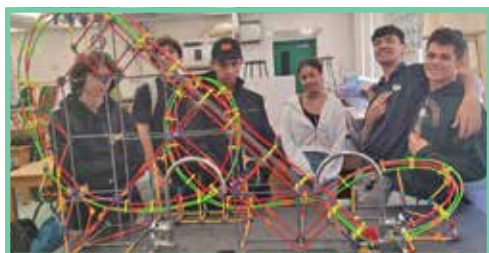
The Human Knot Game



Group Juggling

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Hawk Talk 1st place

Congratulations to the editors of the *Hawk Talk* magazine (Abigail Ralph, Jordan Keener, and Emily Nichols) for winning 1st place from the American Scholastic Press Association!



Gilbert's Corner

- **SAVE NOW!** Pre-Order Your 2023 Yearbook at Balfour.com for \$85!
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All State Performances

Congratulations to these talented students on their performance (and representing SHS) in each of these concerts:

- All-State Popular Music Collective - Alejandro Alonso
- All-State TTBB & Reading Honor Chorus - Nicholas Andreadakis
- All-State Honors Orchestra - Serafim Fitzgerald, Cole Kountoupis, Maddox Struckhoff
- High School Honors Band - Lauren Basara