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#### For The Parents, Staff, Students & Community Of Seminole High School

# WarHawk News

## **Mission Statement**

An organization where the faculty and staff work to build meaningful relationships through relevant academic and extracurricular activities. A place where students grow intellectually and lead successful, fulfilling lives through rigorous training and modeling.

#### Vision All students are able to learn and experience success leading to postsecondary and career readiness.

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## A Message from the Principal

Hello Warhawk Families!

Congratulations to Seminole High School's Graduating Class of 2021! Your true embodiment of the "Warhawk Way," as you lived your lives with purpose, respect, and grit, was an inspiration to all during a school year like none other. It was a joy to celebrate with our Seniors during their Senior Week '21 with a BBQ Bash, spirited dress up days; school-wide scavenger hunt; movie night; our University & Military signing event - "Decision Day;" culminating in a special Senior Breakfast



& Awards Ceremony held in our Warhawk Stadium! From Grad Nite at Busch Gardens; to the Yearbook reveal; and Cap & Gown distribution; this exciting season will crescendo to the crowning event: Graduation 2021 at Tropicana Field, Thursday, June 3rd at 10:15 a.m. Much appreciation goes out to Senior Sponsor Mr. Scales and his student leaders for their hard work. 2021 Graduates, we salute you and your families as you achieve this milestone in your lives!

Our Yearbook has been named a National Sample once again, and is being featured in the 35th edition of Balfour's Yearbook's Yearbook. Thank you, Ms. Gilbert and Editors Lena Conway, Faith Pierce, and Isaac Dang! The Lady Warhawks Softball Team are the 5A District Champions, and their Coach, Shannan Tyson, is Pinellas County's Softball Coach of the Year! Our Girls Tennis Team are District Champions! The Warhawk Boys and Girls Tennis Teams are State Semi-Finalists; and Senior Frankee Hendricks is the 1st Place State 3A Singles Champion, as well as Runner Up Overall State Champion! Our Performing & Visual Arts students, guided by 4A Academy Director, Gerard Madrinan, continue to shine with our Jazz & Big Band giving us a weekend send-off every Friday; Vocal and Wind Ensemble members Displaying their talents at Graduation '21; our Color Guard capturing the State Title; and our Band Receiving Straight Superiors in a National competition! Jacob Chase, student of Coach Parker, achieved 2nd Place in the Entrepreneurial Pitch Contest with his innovative investment mode!!

Each of the accomplishments above would never have been possible without the incredibly talented and highly qualified Faculty & Staff at Seminole High School. Their dedication and relentless drive are the powerful generators to our students' academic, athletic, artistic, social, and emotional success. Because of this, I am proud to announce that SHS is one of only 3 schools in the nation (& the only 1 in Florida) to be chosen for a Stanford University study on "Bright Spots" in equity, access, and rigor. The Warhawk Nation is serving as a model for their Design Lab School!

Wishing you all a restful, fun, & rejuvenating Summer! GO WARHAWKS!

M. Jane Lucas, Principal

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## **Important Phone Numbers**

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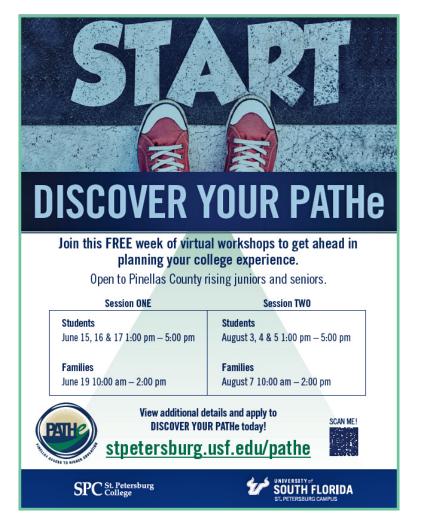
#### Hello Rising Juniors and Seniors!

Are you considering going to college or are you not sure about what your next steps are after high school? You should attend one of the **FREE** summer virtual workshops provided by Pinellas County's PATHe program. PATHe stands for Pinellas Access to Higher Education. These workshops include information about how to explore your options, key tips regarding test taking strategies, how to pay for college and more! You will also be able to ask questions and hear stories from students currently in college.

There are **TWO** sessions for students. The first sessions are June 15-17 from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm . The second sessions are August 3-5 from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Again all of these are virtual and **FREE** and all students that attend will receive a gift package!

Register today before spots fill up by following this link: www.stpetersburg.usf.edu/pathe.

If you have questions please email your school counselor. You can also find more information by viewing the attached flyer.



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## Teacher & Staff **Appreciation Week**

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week. It was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without you!

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- Sunken Gardens

- Publix
- The Hustle & Heart Group Re/MAX

• Chipotle



## Interact Club 2020-2021

Thanks to all the members of the SHS Interact Club who continued onward this year! We met on Teams & sometimes in A18. We contributed to: campus and beach cleanups, Interactmas, gardening at the Good Shephard church, POTS Pi day run, SPCA donations, Thank you notes to Seminole Firefighters, "Spring has sprung" happy cards for the elderly at Vineyard Inn, and soda tabs for Ronald McDonald house.



CONGRATS to our dedicated SENIORS! Especially our hard-working, dedicated officers: Melanie Grantges, Dara Cadzow, Tori Foltz, Lauryn Fox, Kristy Perez, and Carley Pritchard! Our 2021-22 president: Katherine Repka

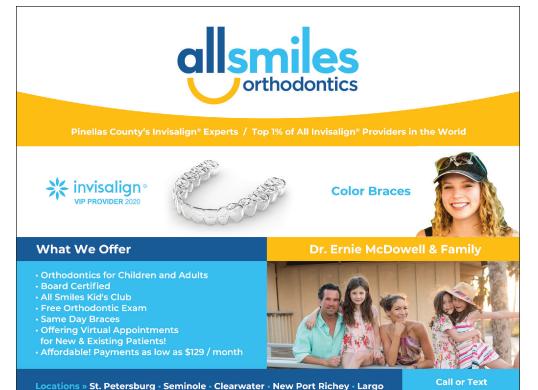


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## Year Book

We are incredibly proud to announce that our 2020 yearbook, *Hindsight*, is being featured in Balfour's 35th edition of *The Yearbook Yearbook*. As noted below, "the 2021 *Yearbook Yearbook* showcases exceptional work in theme development, design and photography from publications across the U.S. and overseas."

We are so grateful for the leadership of last year's editors: Lena Conway, Faith Pierce and Isaac Dang.



## Battle of the Books

Help SHS defend our title of reigning champion of the Pinellas County Schools Battle of the Books. Joining the fun is as easy as reading the books. Get a jump start on next year with the ebooks now available in Sora. The book list and more information can also be found in Clever.





## Movies & TV Based on Books

In this new crazy world right out of a dystopian society, where places of entertainment are closed for the unforeseen future, and even the actors and performers are affected by organized chaos, we have learned to adapt. Production for blockbuster movies have halted completely. The rich and the poor, the famous and the meek, all learning to survive in this new reality. You asked this avid reader 15 months ago, what I just described, I would have said, "the next best-selling, sci-fi book I am going to read!" You could not have gotten me to Barnes and Noble fast enough. But instead, this is not fiction but our lives. There are, however, a few places that have thrived once mandatory quarantine began – streaming venues and authors. While in quarantine, authors like Stephanie Meyers (Twilight), Suzanne Collins (Hunger Games) and Victoria Aveyard (Red Queen) really stepped up and wrote prequels or sequels to their series (plus many others). And, while Hollywood and Broadway came to a complete stop, Netflix, Disney+, Hulu, Starz, and other streaming venues did not. In fact, it seems that producers have done a lot of reading while in lock down, because come January 2021, there seems to be a flood of books made into streaming films/series. Here are some newly release seasons or films that started as a book. Just remember the books are ALWAYS better. In 2021, these novels will become adapted to streaming TV shows

#### Starz:

- Outlander. Book 6 (books 1-5 are already released) Claire is suddenly transport back 200 yrs to 1700's.
- Claire is suddenly transport back 200 yrs to 1700's. She must learn how to survive as a woman in Scotland. 10/10 (book 6 in SORA)

#### Netflix:

- Shadow and Bones. Alaina is an orphan that doesn't realize her magical abilities until almost too late. It is about doubting who to trust or not.
- Gentleman's Thief
- Tiny Pretty Things (in Sora)
- Firefly Lane
- Behind Her Eyes
- The Selection Series (in Sora)
- Jupiter's Legacy
- Chasing Hilary (nonfiction book) = Girls on the Bus (film)
- Gone for Good
- Always and Forever



#### Amazon Prime/ Disney+/Hulu/Apple TV:

- The Mysterious Benedict Society (in sora)
- Stephen King's Lisey's Story
- The Eye of the World
- The Foundation
- 9 Perfect Strangers (this has a star-filled cast)
- The Underground Railroad



Dr. Seuss may have said it best, "The more that you read, the more you will know The more you know, the more places you will go."

## **Medication Pick Up Process**

The school year ends on June 9th. Pinellas county School policy does not allow up to send medication home with student or store it over the summer, even if your student is returning for Summer Bridge.

Please arrange to come to school to pick up any unused medication, including inhalers and Epinephrine Devices.

Any unclaimed medications will be disposed of on Wednesday, June 9th by 12:00 noon without expectations.



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## Class of 2021 Celebrates During Senior Week Student Council and the Senior Class hosted "Senior Week"...A fun filled week of events celebrating their accomplishments. Some of the events included: Senior

BBQ, Senior Scavenger hunt, Senior Acceptance Day, Senior Awards and Senior Breakfast.









Mr. Lally & Mrs. Wolodkowicz addresses the Senior Class at Senior Breakfast



With all safety protocols in place Senior Celebrated at Senior Breakfast on the Football Field.





Senior Scavenger Hunt



Joey Greenwood poses with Wally at Senior BBO



Joey Russo & Nick McClure





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## SHS E-Commerce Student Place In NEXT GENERATION ENTREPRENUER Competition

2 Academy of E-Commerce students place in the top 5 after competing in the Next Generation Entrepreneur competition throughout Pinellas County. With over 30 competitors from around the county, both Jacob Chase or Emma Bottjer place in the top 5. Jacob moves on to the finals!!

## Academy Of E-Commerce Awards Scholarship

The Academy of E-Commerce is pleased to announce they have awarded over \$6000.00 in Scholarships. Recipients include: Paxton Cavanaugh, Issac Dang, Nick McClure, Joey Russo, Frankee Hendricks, Melanie Grantges, Zach Murray, Liam McCarthy, Dawson Avila, Andre Brensel, Cole Wegner, Delaney Doehleman and Lena Conway.

WARHAWK SHOP

"Everything Seminole" https://warhawk-shop.myshopify.com/

## Warhawk Shop Surpasses \$500,000

The Academy of E-Commerce and originators of the first and only on-line school store (The Warhawk Shop) recently celebrated topping a  $\frac{1}{2}$  million dollars in sales. The Warhawk Shop is 100% student, created and student run. Everything from Grad Fees, Class Shirts, Accessories and more are sold on the store. Profits generated from the store go directly back to the E-Commerce students in the form of scholarships.

## Kiwanis Recognize Digital Design Students & Academy of E-Commerce

Peyton Huffman, Savannah Berry and Matthew Wellman as well as the Academy of E-Commerce were recently recognized for their hard work in helping design and create the most recent "Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Seminole" book. In addition to the students recognition, a donation was made to the Academy.



## Academy of E-Commerce & FBLA Give Back

Students of the Academy of E-Commerce and FBLA volunteer to give back through "Operation Military Matters". Care packages for our military were collected, packaged and sent to our soldiers all over the world.





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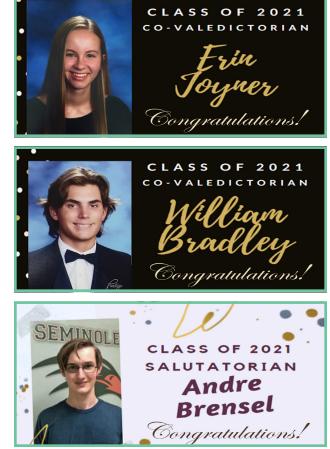
Our environmental awareness project will enable students to take ownership in designing, creating, and maintaining natural gardens around SHS. Students will have an opportunity to earn service hours, Bright Future hours, and become leaders within the school community.

#### We could use your support!

If you're interested in providing a lending hand, sponsoring a garden, or simply want to help students learn how to garden, please let us know.

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