For the parents, students, staff, and community of Spanish River Community High School

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The Spanish River Vision

Our vision is to create a nationally known high school highly regarded for its academic excellence, while helping all students prepare for and be accepted into post secondary education or careers.

A Message from the Principal

Shark Nation,

It's been a challenging start to 2022 but we're doing our best to ensure our students are successful. Please remind your child to check their teachers' Google classroom in the event they must miss school. GPAs for most classes are updated at the semester time, so please check SIS to ensure your child is on track to graduate. Our graduation date has been announced as May 19th at 1:00 PM. There will be no school that day for students.



We are looking forward to hearing about our seniors' college acceptances and scholarships next month. Congratulations to our Class of 2022 Valedictorian

Max Reichstein. Spanish River's 2022 Salutatorian is Dylan Cohen. These two students both earned over a 5.5 H.P.A. while at Spanish River. We look forward to recognizing them with all of our seniors on May 19th. Next month, we will showcase the names of River's Top Twenty.

We are gearing up for testing season so please be on the lookout for emails from the testing coordinator. Our testing schedule is published on our website as well. Course selection for SY23 has begun so students should be ready to choose their courses for next year.

Winter sports are wrapping up and we are moving into our Spring sports. Our chorus students are participating in district competition and our theater students are busy preparing for their Spring Musical. Almost 200 of our DECA students qualified for the state competition in March. We are sending numerous students to the state Science Fair and HOSA competition in Orlando. These are just a few things that come to mind when I think of our last few months at River. As difficult as this past year has been, I consider myself fortunate to be surrounded by such an amazing school community.

Best,

Mrs. Allison Castellano, Principal



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French-American Exchange Postponed to Fall 2022

This February SRHS was planning to host 20 students and 3 teachers from Soissons, France for two weeks. Reciprocally our French sister school was planning to host a group of River students in March during our spring break. Unfortunately due to the latest outbreak of coronavirus we postponed our respective trips to the fall. The current dates are:

- French students in the US from October 17 31.
- American students in France from November 18 28 (Thanksgiving Break.)

This is an incredible opportunity to expand your horizons. Whether you're interested in hosting a French student in your home in October, or going to France during Thanksgiving Break to live with a French family, contact Kris Earle (kris.earle@palmbeachschools.org) for more information and updates. Our mission for this exchange between Léonard de Vinci and Spanish River High School is to:

- promote cross-cultural understanding and friendship
- explore the natural beauty and culture of the students' respective communities
- develop insights into the challenges each community faces by investigating programs working to restore and improve the environment



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Please watch your email for details regarding our SAT and ACT Bootcamp on February 22nd & 24th for select 11th and 12th graders.

We will begin the ePat testing on February 22nd. The ePat is a practice test for students taking the upcoming FSA and EOC (End of Course) Exams.

All 11th graders, and select 12th graders, will be taking the SAT on March 2nd. We will have the following altered bell schedule on that day.

March 2, 2022 Daytime SAT 11th and select 12th Graders

Period 7 TESTING or holding room Non-testing students will	7:30 - 11:24 report to the theater.
Lunch	11:24 - 11:59
Period 4	12:05 - 12:56
Period 5	1:02 – 1:53
Period 6	1:59 – 2:50

**Testing students that want to leave campus after the SAT is over MUST submit the google form prior to the testing day to receive their pass to leave after testing.

Counseling Corner

Students' Last Name	Counselor
College & Career Coach	Dr. Daniel Keller Daniel.Keller@palmbeachschools.org
ELL Students	Mrs. Mariliana Abramowicz Mariliana.Abromowicz@palmbeachschools.org
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L-Z 9th Grade	Ms. Natalie Havens Natalie.Havens@palmbeachschools.org
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Counseling Corner... continued

<u>Class of 2022</u>

Seniors, please make sure the following items are completed prior to May 1, 2022!

- 20 hours community service documented in school records
- One Virtual Course

School Counselors Updates Coffee with the Counselors

We have two remaining virtual meetings for this year; February 18th and March 4th. Please join us live at 8am using this Google Meet code: <u>meet.google.com/qmu-noic-tha</u>.

If you are not able to make it live you can view the recordings on our website.

Recognition Program

Your School Counselors are working hard to motivate & reward your students with our quarterly recognition program. We will be recognizing any students who have earned honor roll (A's and B's) in the second quarter as well as students whose GPA improved by a quarter of a point or more from first to second quarter. These students will receive a treat ticket so we can celebrate them during the first and second lunch at a table with treats for them to take. We are so proud of them!



Is your student struggling academically? There are free tutoring options available!

The National Honor Society offers free peer tutoring every lunch.

- 1st Lunch/ Blue Lunch: MEDIA CENTER
- 2nd Lunch/ Silver Lunch: 1153D

The Math Club offers free peer tutoring Tuesday and Thursdays.

- 1st Lunch/ Blue Lunch:
 Ms. Kuluslu's Room (8-115)
- 2nd Lunch/ Silver Lunch: Ms. Sullivan's Room (Portable 8)

Also, Palm Beach County School District has partnered with Paper to provide unlimited, 24/7 high-impact tutoring to all 6-12th graders at no cost to students. With writing feedback, study support, and homework help in four languages across 200+ subject areas, students always have access to help when, where, and how they need it. They simply login to their Paper account on their student portal where they can request live help in real time or submit a piece of writing for review!

<u>New for Students!</u> Friday Freshmen Table Talk

The first Friday of each month, there will be tables set up in the gymnasium lobby. Our 9th grade School Counselors will be there to provide an open area for conversations and to help answer any questions Freshmen may have.

Counselor Tip of the Week

Tell your student to watch out for the Counseling Tip of the Week on the morning announcements. We'll be addressing executive functioning skills such as selfregulation, study-skills, time management and positive self-talk. Students Outstanding Performance Congratulations to our QuestBridge Scholarship winner, Michael Brouse!



QUESTBRIDGE QuestBridge National College Match Scholarships

The following students earned recognition because of their academic achievements in school and outstanding performance on the PSAT/NMSQT[®], PSAT[™] 10, and/or AP[®] Exams.

- Zahira Ballistreri
- Antonio Celi
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- Channing Cook
- Catalina Echeverria
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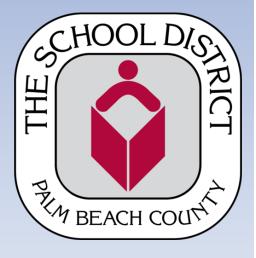




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