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For the Parents, Students, & Community

April 2024

Principal's Message

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Dear Green Devil Families,

It's hard to believe we are approaching the end of yet another amazing year at SPHS. It has also been a truly great year with our students performing at the highest level both academically and in extracurricular events. With that in mind, our staff and community organizations have the inspiring but difficult task of selecting students from a talented field for a variety of end of year awards and scholarships. These awards recognize not only academic achievements, but also persistence, strength of character, leadership, and community services. I am looking forward to seeing our students at the annual Awards Night on April 22nd at 6pm in the auditorium.

Our graduation ceremony is scheduled for May 18th at 8am at Tropicana Field. Information regarding seniors is included in this newsletter as well as being posted on our school website. The entire staff looks forward to family members and friends joining us in the celebration of the class of 2024 walking across the stage. We are closely monitoring seniors who are in jeopardy of not graduating. If you have any questions related to your senior's progress, please call the counseling office or Assistant Principal, Anthony Bryant, at 893-1842, ext. 2017. Please encourage your student to attend school every day for the remainder of the school year so our teachers can prepare them for end of the year exams and state testing.

On behalf of the staff, I want to thank our Green Devil families for their unwavering support of the school in all areas. Your support contributes to make SPHS a special place for our students and staff.

Go Green Devils!

Sincerely,
 Principal Darlene Lebo



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| Ms. Diaz | (9th-11th) G to Z | Ext. 2016 |
| Mr. Bryant | All Traditional Seniors | Ext. 2017 |
| Ms. Kaur-Barrett | (9th-11th) A to F, All IB | Ext. 2018 |

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

| | | |
|-------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Mr. Clark | Last names D to O | Ext. 2062 |
| Dr. Hallas | Last names A-C, P-Z | Ext. 2063 |
| Ms. Johnson | All IB students | Ext. 2060 |



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The School Board generally meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. and the fourth Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the conference hall of the administration building, 301 Fourth St. SW, Largo. The public is invited and may speak by signing up at the meeting. The meetings are televised Wednesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. for two weeks following the meeting date on WPDS-Ch. 14, Bright House Cable Ch. 14, and Verizon Americast Ch. 14. For information, contact the board office, 588-6402, or information services, 588-6000. For more information about Pinellas County Schools, check out the website at www.pinellas.k12.fl.us.

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2024 VALEDICTORIANS AND SALUTATORIANS

Congratulations to our Valedictorians and Salutatorians for the Class of 2024.

- IB Valedictorian- Han Nguyen (Not pictured)
- IB Co-Salutatorian- Campbell Miller
- IB Co-Salutatorian- Kristin Rasmussen
- Traditional Valedictorian- Arthur Oganisyan
- Traditional Salutatorian- Tate Keber



Pictured left to right: AP Kaur-Barrett, Principal Lebo, Campbell Miller, Kristin Rasmussen, Arthur Oganisyan, Tate Keber and AP Bryant. Not Pictured: Han Nguyen.

NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST

Congratulations to our National Merit Finalist!

- Maya Matheny, Santiago Suarez, Ethan Ruffing and Gavin Gershon



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Bryce Beyer-Carson, Principal Lebo and Sophie Deson



FEBRUARY:
Sarah Blackett and Kendrick Lang

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MEDICATION INFORMATION

All students that plan to carry and self-administer an inhaler, epi-pen, pancreatic enzymes, or diabetic medication must have an Authorization to Carry Form per PCSB medication policy. Physician and parent signatures are required. The forms are available in Student Services, room 1-135, or contact the school nurse.

SENIOR WEEK INFORMATION

CLASSES OF 2024

April 15th through April 19th

- **Monday, April 15th, Senior Sunrise** - Meet on Stewart Field before school. Wear your PJ's (in dress code) & bring a blanket to sit on to enjoy Breakfast with your friends. Breakfast from Chick Fil A will start at 7:30 am. Students will be released back to class at 8:30 am.
- **Tuesday, April 16th, Move Up Assembly** - Our Tradition Continues! We will have Move Up Assembly during the school day. Seniors will bring and wear caps and gowns. (Seniors will be released start of 2nd period). Assembly will start around 9:30 am.
- **Wednesday, April 17th, Drive-In Movie Night** - Seniors come to the student parking lot. Bring a chair and your Senior Class friends. We will have the Kona Ice Truck there so bring some money! The movie will start at sunset. Gates to parking lot will open at 7:30 pm.
- **Thursday, April 18th, Decision Day! (College/Military/Future)** - Show off your next steps! Wear your new College/University Shirt, Military or Career Shirt. Come to the Gym during Lunch to celebrate with friends and fun!
- **Friday, April 19th, Prom** - If you purchased a ticket(s) the dance will be at the Coliseum from 8:00 pm to Midnight.

BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

Thank you to all our business partners for your support! If you would like to become a business partner or even would like to contribute your time, talents or treasures with SPHS, please contact Kaneshia Howard, College and Career Readiness Coordinator, at (727) 893-1842 ext. 2331. These partnerships are developed to provide services, support, and opportunities to improve student learning and build stronger families and communities. Partnerships can include businesses; community members such as retirees and college students; and service organizations donating time, talent, or financial resources to our school.



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We continue to have a need for Take Stock in Children Mentors. TSIC is an initiative of the Pinellas Education Foundation that offers students the opportunity to secure a scholarship for college tuition or technical training. TSIC candidates must meet with a trained mentor at least 15 times over the course of the school year and have additional criteria they must meet.

All volunteers **must** be in the PCSB database and complete a background check to volunteer for any PCSB event. You must complete an electronic volunteer registration form at www.pcsb.org/volunteerregistration. Please upload your driver license or a legal photo ID. DO NOT use a mobile device.

If you are an existing volunteer but need to reactivate your profile, please use a Google Chrome browser and go to <https://focus.pcsb.org/volunteer>. Again, do not use a mobile device. Enter your user name and password:

- **User ID** would be V.last name,first initial. Example: v.smithb (all lower case and no spaces)
- **Password** would be your last name and birth year. Capitalize only the first letter of your last name and no spaces followed by your four-digit birth year. Example: Smith1990. Common last names may have additional characters or symbols as part of the user ID. Please contact the Family Community Liaison for assistance: (727) 893-1842 x2045

We do need volunteers for spring sports, mentoring, assisting staff with filing, and other tasks. For questions please contact Betty Greene, Family and Community Liaison, at 727-893-1842, ext. 2045 or greenbe@pcsb.org. A big THANK YOU to all volunteers; we appreciate your dedication and support.

JROTC PROGRAM

The SPSHS Air Force Junior ROTC program initial year will soon be coming to an end. We have 40 students already enrolled, with a goal of reaching 100 cadets next year. Openings are available for 9th-12th graders interested in sharpening life skills to prepare for future challenges. Whether your child is college bound, headed into the work force, or planning on joining the military, this program is designed to prepare students to become productive members of society after graduation. There is no obligation to join the military, however, if your child is interested in serving their country, the SPSHS AFJROTC program will offer students a head start on becoming LEADERS of tomorrow. Over the past year we have participated in orientation flights at Albert Whitted Airport, took a tour at MacDill Air Force Base, volunteered for community service, listen to various career speakers, launched model rockets, and participated in numerous academic and physical activities. If interested, please contact Lt Col Tomaseski (TOMASESKID@pcsb.org) or CMSgt Fowler (FOWLERF@pcsb.org)



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Please refer to scholarships posted on your TEAMS page for all opportunities to get \$\$\$.

You can also stop by guidance and to look through the scholarship opportunities, as well as the SPHS web site.

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

If you haven't applied yet, then you should do so as soon as possible. Please go to: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org.

REMEMBER: NO APPLICATION = NO FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES \$.

Volunteer/ Work HOURS

Seniors must have their completed forms turned in to their school counselor by **May 16th** so that the information can be recorded. Seniors who qualify and have applied for Bright Futures will be notified of their award status late July or early August for the Fall semester.

Students who would like to start their volunteer/work hours over the summer break are asked to email/check-in with their school counselor.

Qualifying test scores are required to receive for Florida Bright Futures. Students will need to register at either of the following websites:

ACT: www.actstudent.org SAT: www.collegeboard.org
HIGH SCHOOL OR CEEB CODE: 101530

TEST PREPARATION:

www.SATpractice.org www.ProfRobBob.com www.kaptest.com/quizbank www.act.org

Seniors should strongly consider registering and taking either or both tests, so they are ready for the college application process at the beginning of their senior year.

CREDIT RECOVERY

Edmentum and tutoring are offered after school for students needing to recover D's and F's in core academic graduation requirement courses. The hours are after school on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2pm – 3pm (select locations) and Saturdays (credit recovery only) 9 to 12. See your counselor for details.

AWARDS NIGHT

Our annual Awards Night will be on April 22th at 6pm in the auditorium! Please mark your calendars.

TESTING, TESTING, TESTING

The state of Florida has determined testing "windows" for End of Course Assessments. Students who are enrolled in: US History, Biology, Algebra 1, or Geometry will be taking an EOC. Students will be notified of the date, time, and location for each test that they are taking. It is vital that students show up on time and put forth their best effort on their exams. Parents can support their students by encouraging them and making sure that they are well rested and on time.

SPC DUAL ENROLLMENT

The deadline to sign up for Summer DE is April 30th and the deadline to sign up for Fall DE is May 29th. Students who are doing Dual Enrollment on SPHS' campus and/or at St. Petersburg College campus this summer/next year must have an unweighted 3.00 GPA, required test scores, and obtain an SPC ID. For classes at SPC, registration paperwork must be completed. Please contact your counselor for more information.

PTC DUAL ENROLLMENT

Be sure to see your counselor to complete the PTC application before the fall availability fills up.

SENIOR CLASS INFORMATION – CLASS OF 2024

Senior year is full of events and activities that we don't want anyone to miss! Make sure you have joined the remind text group. Seniors, you will also be added to a Class of 2024 Teams Page as an active student at the start of the year. Please make sure you check that page at least once a week as it is the easiest place to communicate information with you all at once. Information will also be posted on the school website under the senior tab as it is released throughout the year. Don't miss out on anything!

SENIORS – REMIND TEXTS

Seniors and their parents can join the following "Remind Text Groups" to get information sent out directly to your phones. Don't miss important information throughout the year. Please join the group attached to the starting letter of your last name.

Please text/send the following group code to the number 81010

- Last names starting with A-D @agfhfa
- Last names starting with E-J @ghh8d96b
- Last names starting with K-O @f64dfg4
- Last names starting with P-Z @g499d4C

SENIORS - GRADUATION NEWS

Graduation will be held at Tropicana Field on May 18th at 8am. More specific details will be posted to the school website as the date gets closer.

Payment of your Senior Fees are due now to be able to pick up your cap and gown. We will be delivering them on campus on April 3rd. If you haven't paid your fees, you will not be able to pick up at that time.

If you are on campus, you can bring in exact cash or check made out to SPHS. The cost is now \$125 per graduate. The easiest way to pay, will be to use the direct link that will be posted on the school website and is also listed below.

The online option will allow you to pay by credit card.

Your dues cover all MANDATORY costs. These cost include, but aren't limited to the following: (any items listed below are for the graduates to keep)

- Cap, Gown and one tassel
- Medallion to be worn at graduation
- Diploma Cover
- Yard Sign
- Graduation Ceremony

Any questions please speak to Mrs. Anderson in room 1-124 or you can email andersonand@pcsb.org.

To Pay Online: <https://pcsb.revtrak.net/High-Schools/st-petersburg-high/sphs-senior-class-dues/>.

SENIOR GRADUATION ITEMS

If you are interested in purchasing any additional graduation items, you can go directly to Herff Jones website. The link is www.highschool.herffjones.com and includes access to class rings, graduation announcements and more. None of these are required, but they are offered in case your family wants to purchase them.

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PROM 2024

Juniors and Seniors should join us at the Coliseum for A Starry Night Prom on April 19th, 2024 from 8:00pm - Midnight. Tickets will go on sale on March 27th. Prices will be as follows:

- March 25th – April 5th - \$40.00
- April 8th – April 12th - \$50.00
- April 15th – April 19th - \$60.00

Guests will need to be juniors, seniors, or not over 20 years old before April 19th. All guests will be required to have a completed guest form prior to students purchasing tickets.

There will not be any tickets sold after 2:30pm on April 19th. Tickets will not be available at the door.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING SCHEDULE

Tutoring Times are from 2:00-3:00 Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and Saturday 9 till noon unless noted otherwise. Tutoring locations are below.

| SUBJECT | MONDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | SATURDAY |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Math | Fish, room 1-202 (2:00pm – 2:45pm) | Rozell, room 1-117 | Hester, room 1-139 | |
| Science, Credit Recovery | White, Media Center | White, Media Center | White, Media Center | |
| Social Studies | Krummerich, room 5-119 | Hyypio, room 5-304 | Beam, room 5-308 | |
| Test taking strategies | Alexander, room 1-146 | Alexander, room 1-146 | Alexander, room 1-146 | |
| Credit Recovery, GEP, English | | | | Keim, room 5-203 Enter through 25th St. gate by bus circle |

*Students, please speak with your teachers to see if they offer lunchtime or after school tutoring in their classrooms beyond the names listed above. If not, all students can attend the sessions listed above to receive tutoring help.

COLLEGE VISITS FOR SENIORS

Do you plan on visiting a college? If so, you must stop by the Guidance Office in room 1-221 and pick up a College TDE form. You will need to have all your teachers and a parent/guardian sign the form; return it to room 1-221 three days prior to your visit. Make sure to read the directions on the TDE. You will need to bring back a letter on letterhead from the college you visited, stating the date you attended. The letter will need to be turned in to room 1-221 within two days of your return. Your absence will then be corrected. College visits do not count as an absence for exam exemptions.

ETHICS BOWL

In January, Ms. Broughton and Mr. Aziz took our Ethics Bowl team to the SPC Seminole campus for the 16th annual Ethics Bowl competition and our team was one of the finalist. We ended up in Third place this year! Congratulations to these students who worked very hard.

Congratulations to: **Han Nguyen, Arthur Oganisyan, Matthew Pentolfe, Sasha Kelley, Olivia Moore and Keeley Kaplan.**

YEARBOOK NEWS

Parents, if you ordered a yearbook, please let your student know so they can pick it up during distribution.

Yearbook pre-orders are now closed but we will have a limited supply of extra yearbooks on sale for \$100 during distribution. Contact Ms. Flanigan with questions flanigana@pcsb.org.

PALMETTO & PINE NEWSPAPER

The *Palmetto & Pine* student newspaper is published weekly! Go to <https://sphspalmettoandpine.com> today to read the freshest local and community news, arts and entertainment reviews, and other exciting student journalism. The *Palmetto & Pine* is written by students for students, so visit [SPHSPalmettoandPine.com](https://sphspalmettoandpine.com) to stay in the know. KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR OUR QUARTERLY PRINT EDITION COMING OUT SOON! If you would like to support student journalism and advertise your business in the *Palmetto & Pine*, please contact Mrs. Flanigan at flanigana@pcsb.org.

2023-2024 TRADITIONAL BELL SCHEDULE

| Blocks | Periods | Start/End |
|--------------|---------|-------------|
| 1/2 | 1 | 7:25-8:12 |
| | 2 | 8:17-9:09* |
| 3/4 | 3 | 9:14-10:01 |
| | 4 | 10:06-10:53 |
| 5 | 5 | 10:58-11:45 |
| LUNCH | | 11:45-12:15 |
| 6/7 | 6 | 12:15-1:02 |
| | 7 | 1:07-1:55 |

- *IB schedule will continue to be on a 3-day rotation*
- *Students in block classes MUST remain in class for both periods.*
- *There is ONE school wide lunch.*

2023-24 STUDENT CALENDAR

- April 26, 2024: No school for students
- May 27, 2024: Memorial Day – No school of students
- May 29, 2024: End of fourth quarter. Last day of school. Students released 2 hours early.



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2023-24 EXAM WAIVER DATES

SENIORS:

- May 1 - Seniors can pick up exam waiver forms in IB or guidance office.
- May 3 - Firm deadline is 2:00pm to turn in your exam waiver form to the IB or guidance office.
- May 9 - There will be an exemption list emailed to teachers.

UNDERCLASS:

- May 13 - Underclass can pick up exam waiver forms in IB or guidance office.
- May 15 - Firm deadline is 2:00pm to turn in your exam waiver form to the IB or guidance office.
- May 21 - There will be an exemption list emailed to teachers.

Seniors are eligible to exempt all exams that are not mandatory if they have an A or a B in each grading period for the course.

Underclass students (grades 9-11) may not waive any exam that they selected to waive first semester or that they do not have an A or a B in each Semester 2 grading period for the course.

Report Period 4 are provisional grades as of the date the teacher signs the waiver form.

Some exams are mandatory (cannot be exempted).

HEAD of the CLASS!



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EARLY CHECK OUT PROCEDURES

Parents requesting early check-out of their student can call the school at 727-893-1842, ext. 2306 for the student to get a Permit to Leave slip. This alleviates any wait time for you when you come to pick up your student. If you come in, please understand that we do need time to get your student for you. Please allow at least 30 minutes. This will give the school the opportunity to look up the student's schedule and send for them to meet you in the main office. Parents, it is important that we check the driver's license of anyone picking up your student early from school; this is done to ensure the safety of your child. After 1:30 pm there will be no permission to leave slips written, due to the time constraints of using the proper method of getting your child from class before school is dismissed.

ABSENCES

If you are absent from school, a doctor's note, phone call (727-893-1842 Ext. 2008), or written excuse from the parent must be emailed to StPetersburgHS.Absence@pcsb.org within 48 hours of the absence. The email should include the student's name, reason for absence, and parent's telephone number. A parent may excuse five days in a semester; further absences cannot be excused without a doctor's note. Absences should be for the following reasons: student illness, family emergency, death in family, medical appointments, and religious holidays.

Note: The Florida Legislature has enacted requirements that schools report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) the names of students who fail to satisfy the attendance requirements. This refers to students who accumulate 15 unexcused absences (excludes out-of-school suspension) within 90 calendar days. Students who fail to satisfy attendance requirements will be INELIGIBLE for driving privileges.

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Did you know that if the school sends you a letter it will NOT be forwarded to your new address? If you've recently moved, please do the following to change your address:

1. Go to www.pcsb.org
 2. At the top of the page on the right side click on Login
 3. Click on FOCUS (Student Information).
 4. Type in the Parent User Name and Password.
 5. On Left hand side click on Student Reservation and complete the change of address.
 6. Email your two proofs of address to fowlerti@pcsb.org or meltonp@pcsb.org; acceptable proofs of address include a copy of a lease and a utility bill (electric, water, cable) or two utility bills
- If you should have any issues/questions please give us a call at 727-893-1842, ext. 2008.

PARKING HANG TAG SALE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

Students must have a current SPSHS Hang Tag to park in the student lot. Hang tags for the 2023-2024 school year will be sold in the **IB Office (room 157)** on the following dates:

- **SENIORS (Class of 2024):** Can purchase a tag on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, from 2:30pm – 3:30pm.
- **JUNIORS (Class of 2025):** Can purchase a tag on Thursday, May 23, 2024, from 2:30pm – 3:30pm.

To purchase a tag, you **must** have:

- A copy **we can keep** of your valid driver license (no learner permits).
- A copy **we can keep** of your car registration.
- **\$6.00 EXACT CHANGE CASH ONLY! We cannot make change.**

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We will have tags available during the summer for students who have a summer birthday or who are not able to be here during sale dates.

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GREEN DEVIL'S PANTRY AND CLOSET

The Green Devils Pantry & Closet is closed over summer break. Please follow us on Facebook @green.devils.closet for thank you shout outs and lists of items needed next year. We also have a page on the school website that provides links to news stories. Our mission statement is "To provide food, household/school supplies, SPSHS merchandise, and other needed items to any member of the Green Devil family without question or judgment to promote success in school, at work, and in the community." Founded in 2006 by teacher and alum Tracey Keim, our slogan says it all "Promoting dignity and modeling benevolence." Direct questions to Keimt@pcsb.org or 727-709-9841.

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SUMMER BRIDGE INFORMATION

EXPECTATIONS:

- Students with excessive absences will be removed from the program
- Students are expected to be on time to their classroom (all classes are face to face on campus)
- Transportation information is coming
- It is an opportunity and privilege to attend the Summer Bridge Credit Recovery Program. Students must follow all school rules and policies, as defined by the PCS Code of Student Conduct.

Summer Bridge programs listed below will be offered here at St. Pete High School, Mondays through Thursdays from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

See below for the different options for Summer Bridge/Credit Recovery programs for Summer 2024.

REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER BRIDGE: Login to FOCUS, click on Student Reservation System to register for Summer Bridge only (not for Credit Recovery).

- **Algebra 1 Course Recovery - Dates: June 17th – June 27th**
 - For all current 9th and 10th grade students who need to earn credit for the Algebra 1 course.
- **Algebra 1 EOC Prep - Dates: July 1st – July 11th (No school July 4)**
 - For current 9th and 10th grade students who need to prepare for the Algebra 1 EOC.
 - Helps students prepare for the state's Algebra 1 EOC test, learn skills they need to succeed in high school and earn credits they need to graduate. There are no credits earned during the High School Summer Bridge Algebra 1 EOC Prep. This course is a test prep only.
- **ACT Prep (English or Math) - Dates: July 1st – July 11th (No school July 4)**
 - Students must register for the ACT Prep by June 16th to use the FREE voucher from your school. Students are responsible for paying for the ACT, including the late fees, after the June 16th deadline.
- **Credit Recovery (Core Academic Subjects) - Dates: June 3rd - July 18th (No school July 4)**
 - This program is for current 9th-12th grade students who have failed a core academic course that is required for graduation. Students who need to recover credits use a program called Edmentum, which allows them to make up failed courses at their own pace, so they can get back on track to graduate. Information on how to register for Credit Recovery will be coming out soon.



ACADEMIC TEAM NEWS

Congratulations to the St. Pete High Academic Team for winning the district-wide Superintendent's Academic Challenge on March 1st, bringing home the gold to the Green Devils for a third year in a row. Your 2023 - 2024 Academic Team members are: **Han Nguyen, Santiago Suarez, Caiden Schuller, Brody Whiteside, Sarah Blackett, Kaylee Mostellar, Milan Shim-Huang, Arthur Oganisyan, Nestor Martinez, Natalia Gaudino, Ellie Ko and Sophia Mendoza.**

They deserve a big congratulations for a job well done.

If you'd like to get involved for next year, see Mr. Piechocki in Building 4 Room 101. Remember: it's not about the destination, it's about the friends you make along the way."



CROSS COUNTRY

Any student interested in participating in Cross Country this upcoming school year should contact the coaches: Boys, Coach Trunk at trunkj@pcsb.org and Girls, Coach Dunn at dunnri@pcsb.org to get information on required paperwork to participate. Summer conditioning starts in June for those athletes that have their paperwork in.

FBLA NEWS

St. Pete High School's FBLA was very successful at the FBLA District Competition this year. We qualified 28 students for the State Competition, including 7 first place winners (winning 2 of the 3 largest divisions). Our kids not only competed well but conducted themselves in an extremely impressive manner and had a blast.

Last year we had only 4 members, this year we have 51. Our President Sophia Julian, VP Briana Destoppelaire and Secretary Anna Nguyen have really been super stars bring this club back to life. The teamwork and enthusiasm of our members have shown this year has been inspiring. Also, a big shout out to Mr. Waterkeyn and Mr. Stroud, the co-sponsors for this club.

Congratulations to the following students: **Cecelia Clodgo, Antonino Gurrieri, Cole Landers, Nicholas Michael, Maysie Rollins, Davis Houston, Paul Stoici, Eleanor Koh, Thomas Gross, Onnie Jordan, Tzevi Johnston, Alexis Phanphilathip, Alexander Smith, Anderson Dell, Marin Repka, Anna Nguyen, Riley Clos, Reese Honsigner, Pearl Savavong, Briana Destoppelarie, Jake Hamilton, Sophie Krikstanas, Sophia Julian, Kimberly Bogran, Raymond Do, Julian Muetzel, Quinlyn Dalyander, Hudson Brown and Kai Lopez.**

ART NEW: SCHOLASTIC REGIONAL WINNERS

The regional awards for Scholastics (a national competition) were announced in January. Over 2,000 student submissions in 14 media categories were adjudicated by a panel of art judges over a two-day period. Currently, 411 regional awards have been earned: 109 Gold Keys, 88 Silver Keys, and 214 Honorable Mentions. Gold keys have a chance to go to the National Level and earn a trip to NYC this summer.

- Congratulation to our SPHS Winners: (26 awards, 10 Gold Keys, 1 Gold Key and 1 Silver Key Portfolio)
 - **GOLD KEYS:** Stella Bartlett, Isabella Hobbs, Xavier Licudine, Mia Montes, Pearl Salavong, Alana Smith, Olivia Tucker, Ella Connelly, Gloria Pravis
 - **SILVER KEYS:** Ella Connelly, Hope Meister, Sarah Rowland, Mia Willix, Pearl Salavong
 - **HONORABLE MENTIONS:** Ella Connelly, Anderson Dell, Hana Geltzer, Miles Gorham, Sophia Julian, Owen Lindenburg, Julia Reed, Olivia Sonberg, Kira Greene

THEATRE NEWS

Please congratulate the following students who participated and represented SPHS at this year's State Thespians Festival. The following students spent their spring break taking over downtown Tampa with other proud student Thespians. Students spent from Wed. through Sat. watching one-acts, competing, as well as attending and participating in workshops at the Tampa Theatre, Straz and Patel that were presented by famous and well-known Broadway and television performers. Below you will see the name of the event and the ranking they received out of all the competitors from the state.

ENSEMBLE ACTING – EXCELLENT RANKING

- Savannah Walker, Ava Masi, Abigail Weidenfeller - "Memory of The Water"

DUET MUSICAL - EXCELLENT RANKING

- Rein Uy & Newton Arcilla - "When I Drive"

DUET MUSICAL - SUPERIOR RANKING

- Jocelyn Lioe & Ellie Papataros - "End of The Line"

PANTOMIME - SUPERIOR RANKING

- Gavin Gershon & Bryan Shedden - "Bottom Chef"

SOLO MUSICAL - SUPERIOR RANKING

- Taliya Smart - "Your Daddy's Son"

SOLO MUSICAL - SUPERIOR RANKING

- Hope Meister - "I Love Play Rehearsal"

Rafael Faraci attended and participated, although he did not compete, he joined the troupe supporting his fellow Thespians.

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SPRING MUSICAL – LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

Please join us **April 11th and 12th at 7pm and April 13th at 1pm** for the Spring Musical, Little Shop of Horrors!!

Please be advised the show does contain violence, frank talk of death, suicide, substance abuse, adult language, adult situations, gunshot sound effects and flashing lights for lightning. Purchase tickets on gofan.co, adult tickets are \$12 and student tickets are \$8. Don't miss out on an evening filled with laughs, live music, surprises and life lessons.

You may remember the movie ending but the musical has a completely different ending! And don't forget Ms. Broughton, the Theatre Director, is always looking to add her unique flare to every story. The story is still centered around Seymour, Audrey, and an out-of-this-world star!!!

This year we were gifted with the Musical and Vocal direction of Kevin Prina, a private vocal contractor through Pinellas County Schools and resources provided by the Fine Arts Department and Ajori Spenser. We also have the pleasure of having a former Green Devil alumni, Larrisa Walker, as our choreographer. Larrisa is the owner of a local dance studio

We have a great cast of characters, see the cast list below:

CAST

- Seymour - Rafael Faraci
- Audrey - Ellie Papataras
- Mushnik - Newton Arcilla
- Orin - Gavin Gershon
- The Plant/Wino #1/Interviewer - Bryan Shedden
- Voice of The Plant - Jocelyne Lioe
- Crystal - Saada Baumfeld
- Ronnette - Hope Meister
- Chiffon - Taliya Smart
- Customer 1 - Brennan Boismier
- Customer 2/Mrs. Luce - Adalyn Ball
- Mr. Bernstein - Cayden Toronski
- Skip Snip - Cole Barnes
- Patrick Martin - Vincent Arsenault
- Ensemble - Brennan Boismier, Adalyn Ball, Cayden Toronski, Cole Barnes, Vincent Arsenault

LSOH Crew

- Set - Isaiah Nickey, Damien Schwerin, David Martez, Jerez, La'Javien Smith
- Lights - Gaige Carman, Tzevi Johnston, Owen Lindenburg
- Sound - Gwendolyn Connors, Milo Hill, Tylea Calhoun
- Props - Valerie Mai, Jiah King, Kylee Paradis

- Costumes/Makeup - Lacey Bendorf, Z'Riah Bailey
- House - Zoe Sullivan, Iyanna Green

LSOH Crew Chairs

- Director - Kiya Broughton
- Co-Student Directors - Abigail Weidenfeller, Rein Uy
- Assistant Student Director - Ava Masi
- Music Director - Kevin Prina
- Choreographer - Larissa Loren
- Band Director - Katie Aucremann
- Stage Managers/Set Chair - Addison Miller, Shyann Fly-Schultz, Evan Verbinnen
- Set Design Chair - Addison Miller
- Lights Chair - Rein Uy

The cast will be joined by a SPHS Student Pit Band, led by the wonderful Katie Aucremann. Please see the pit members below.

LSOH Pit

- Reed 1 - Lily Alfaro
- Reed 2 - Nicole Warren
- Trumpet 1 - Mia Willix
- Trumpet 2 - Kai Lopez
- Drums - Zach Ratkiewicz
- Bass - Joe Rozelle
- Piano 1 - Brody Whiteside
- Piano 2 - Paul Stoici

CHORUS NEWS

Congratulations to three of our seniors who auditioned and were accepted into the American Choral Directors Regional Conference Honor Choir held in Louisville, KY. **Mallory Holden, Joanna Samuel** and **Taliya Smart** were accepted into this choir which included 300 high school students from nine of the southern United States. The girls performed during the ACDA Regional Conference this past February. During their performance at the Kentucky Performing Arts Hall, Taliya was chosen as a featured soloist.

This was especially significant because each of the girls have also performed at the ACDA State level conference but were never accepted into the Regional Conference, until their senior year. Each of the girls have excelled in choral music and this was a perfect culmination to a stellar high school career.

Congratulations to our vocalists who performed at the FVA District Solo and Ensemble Festival this past February. **Joanna Samuel, Taliya Smart** and the Pitchforks each received a superior rating for their performance. At this festival each performer presents two songs for an adjudicator. A rating is given along with a mini workshop to offer suggestions for improvement.

The Chorus recently traveled to Orlando where they participated in Orlandofest, a choral competition combined with a day at Universal Theme Parks. The choir received 2nd place and Joanna Samuel received the Outstanding Soloist Award. The choir sang three songs for 3 adjudicators and enjoyed a 20-minute workshop highlighting areas of improvement. The choir will present their Spring Concert on Friday night, May 17th at 6:00pm.