



# PANTHER NEWS

Heritage High School Newsletter

6th Edition, Volume 6

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## Panther Pride

January was quite the month for our Panthers. We started many new initiatives with our clubs on campus to get the students involved. We were able to successfully have our Faculty/ Student basketball game, start game Fridays, and kick off our Black History month celebration with our BSU fundraiser.

On January 30th, our Freshman class was about to see Erik Weihenmayer talk about his No Barriers challenge to our students. His message was to keep climbing and overcome challenges. He expressed that no one is climbing alone and we are here to support each other. It was an amazing message from a man who has overcome so much.

Our February is packed with opportunities for our students to learn and celebrate Black History month. The calendar of events is on this page and within the newsletter. Our BSU really came together to plan out events during our lunch period for all students to participate in. Students will see amazing performances, hear from community members, and showcase their own talents.

Here is hoping February is just as incredible as January!

## Go Big Blue!

*Stephen Link*

Principal, Heritage High School



### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- February 1st: BSU Pie a Teacher's Face before school (Mr. Link, Mr. McGee, and Ms. Sharp—all pied)
- February 2nd: BSU Photo Booth
- February 5th: Blackout Day
- February 5th: FASFA Help Session at EFSC Cocoa Campus 3PM-6PM
- February 6th: African American Heritage/Culture Day
- February 7th: Throwback Hip Hop Day
- February 7th: Curate Hope Presentation
- February 7th: HBCU Information and Fair at Viera High School
- February 8th: HBCU Day
- February 9th: Class Colors Day and Block Party during all lunches
- February 12th: FASFA Help Session at EFSC Melbourne Campus 3PM-6PM
- February 13th: College Fair at Viera High School 6PM-8PM
- February 13th: BSU Panel Discussion 11:45AM-1:15PM
- February 14th: Valentine's Day Photobooth during all lunches
- February 16th: Drum Line Performance during all lunches
- February 19th: No School—Teacher Workday, Student Holiday
- February 22nd: College Preparedness Lesson by Mike Cadore during all lunches
- February 23rd: Choir Performance during all lunches
- February 27th: Block Party during all lunches
- February 29th: Fashion Show during all lunches

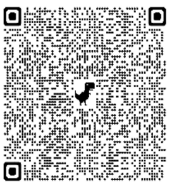


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We are now on Facebook—Heritage High School (@HHSGoBigBlue)  
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# PANTHER-PREP



Monday – Thursday  
3:45pm – 4:45pm

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# SCHOOL INFORMATION AND EVENTS:



## IMPORTANT COLLEGE/CAREER INFORMATION

**Seniors who have not met the reading or math graduation requirement should register now for the March 9th SAT and April 13th ACT. See Ms. Jameer for ACT waivers if you are on free and reduced lunch. SAT waivers should be in your College Board account. Those of you taking the February 10th ACT should be practicing daily.**

If you missed our FASFA workshop, EFSC is having their help sessions on February 5th at their Cocoa campus and February 13th at their Melbourne campus. Sessions start at 3PM and end at 6PM. Financial aid experts will be there to assist.

You can create those accounts at <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>.

There is an HBCU Fair at Viera High School on February 7th, 6PM-8:30PM.

There is a College Fair at Viera High School on February 13th, 6PM-8PM.

## Free and Reduced Lunch Information:

Please [click here](#) for the online application for Free/Reduced Lunch. This application MUST be filled out every year. Students that participated in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program may eat for the first few days of the school year on the prior year status, but it is important that all eligible students fill out a new application as soon as possible.



## FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

### QUICKLY AND EASILY SUBMIT A TIP

By accessing FortifyFL, students can provide a description of the threat, share pics and videos and optionally submit their contact information.

**Anonymous or Non-Anonymous**

You decide whether you want to include your name and contact information.

**Convenient**

Submitting a tip is quick and easy using our mobile app or website.

**Include Photos and Video**

You can also include photos or video with your tip report.

### QUICKLY SEND TO AUTHORITIES

FortifyFL automatically routes your tip report to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



**Your School Officials**

The tip report goes to your local school officials when submitted.

**Local Law Enforcement**

Your local police department or sheriff office receive copies of your tips automatically.

**State-Level Officials**

State-level officials also have access to your tips to make sure proper steps are taken.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Major Steneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

**#FORTIFYFL**

**GETFORTIFYFL.COM**






## CTE News

Congratulations to the following students who have earned their CTE Industry Certification:

**AutoDESK AutoCAD Certified User:** Kailey G., Tanan P., Noah P.

**AutoDESK Inventor Certified User:** Ali S.

**Unity Certified User: Artist:** Leo C., Winston E., Michael H., Aidan K., Brandon L., Xavier P., Madalyn P., Hayden S., Alex T.

**Unity Certified User: Programmer:** Connor A., Michael H., Matthew O., Warren W.

## Out of Field Teachers:

Shernette Alaman, ESE  
 Kathryn Betcher, Math  
 Gregory Gage, School Counselor  
 Richelle Lierman, School Counselor  
 Jennifer Moton, ESE

## ESOL Out of Field Teachers:

Luke Brix  
 Natasha Chamber-Collins  
 Matthew D'Avis  
 Victoria Kain  
 Rebecca Morgan  
 Ameer Peck  
 Shonda Peller



Upcoming Choir Performances

Monday, February 12 - Valentine's Show

- 6 pm in the Cafeteria, \$5 admission

Friday, February 16 - ICHSA A Cappella Competition

- 7 pm at Trinity Prep in Winter Park

Thursday, February 22 - Pre-MPA Concert

- 7 pm in the HHS Auditorium



Congratulations to our All-County Choir students: Gene B, Ashlynn B, Jalen E, Lolah F, Austin H, Matthew K, Kristina L, Olivia M, Mackenzie O, Morris P, Michael S, Alex U, Emmanuel V, Maurica W



# February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
					ESSAY CONTEST, DOOR DECORATION CONTEST, PIE A TEACHER'S FACE (11:21-12:51)	B.S.U. PHOTOBOOTH
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
	BLACKOUT DAY	AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE/CULTURE DAY	THROWBACK HIP HOP DAY	HBCU DAY	CLASS COLORS DAY & BLOCK PARTY (10:43-12:12)	
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
NOTHING HAPPENING		PANEL DISCUSSION 11:45-1:15	VALENTINES DAY PHOTOBOOTH (11:21-12:51)	NOTHING HAPPENING	DRUM LINE PERFORMANCE W/ DANCERS (10:43-12:12)	
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NOTHING HAPPENING	NOTHING HAPPENING	COLLEGE PREPAREDNESS LESSON (MIKE CADORE) (11:21-12:51)	CHOIR PERFORMANCE (10:43-12:12)	
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>		
	END OF DOOR DECORATION CONTEST	BLOCK PARTY 11:45 AM-1:15	HARRY T. & HARRIETTE V. MOORE CULTURAL COMPLEX/ MUSEUM (FIELDTRIP)	B.S.U. PRESENTS: MET GALA FASHION SHOW WITH DANCERS (11:21-12:51)		



# TESTING INFORMATION:

## SAT Test Dates for 2023-2024

U.S. deadlines apply to students testing in the United States and U.S. territories.

U.S. registration materials that are mailed must be postmarked by the U.S. deadlines. The deadlines expire at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, U.S.

[Additional fees](#) apply if you register late, change your test center, change your test date, or switch from taking the SAT to taking a Subject Test after registering. Find out [how to make registration changes](#) and get deadlines.

Your registration options will be limited if you aren't [taking the SAT for one of its main purposes](#).

Test Date	Deadline	Late Deadline
March 9, 2024 (Digital)	February 23, 2024	Check College Board Site
May 4, 2024 (Digital)	April 19, 2024	Check College Board Site
June 1, 2024 (Digital)	May 17, 2024	Check College Board Site

## ACT Test Dates for 2023-2024

Here are the future ACT dates, registration deadlines, and photo upload dates for 2023-2024

All of the test dates are according to ACT, Inc. (though they are subject to change); the deadlines and score release dates are based on PrepScholar projections.

Test Date	Deadline	Late Deadline	Photo Upload Deadline
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024	April 5, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024	May 31, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024	July 5, 2024

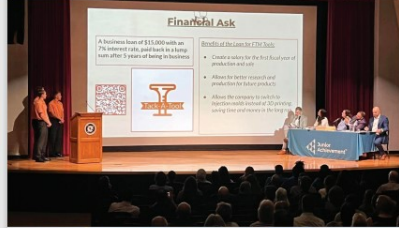
### Need SAT Help? Khan Academy is Here!

If you are in need of some SAT prep, please visit Khan Academy. Khan Academy can provide you with practice problems based on the subject areas of SAT. You can link your College Board account with Khan Academy and get targeted help. Visit [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) for all your SAT practice needs!





# FLYERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



2024 JA OF THE SPACE COAST

**THE CLASS** JA Be Entrepreneurial is a reimagined, modular program that teaches students about the mindset and the skillset needed for success by entrepreneurs and innovators. Module one teaches students to learn and apply Design Thinking, an innovative process for problem solving and brainstorming customer-centric ideas. In module 2, students develop a mindset that enables opportunity identification, innovation, value creation, and problem solving. In module 3, students learn about Lean Canvas by developing a streamlined, one-page, business plan. Participating students can compete in a national virtual competition as well as our local challenge.

**BPS teams have taken 2nd place at the JA USA National Competition twice in the past three years! Open to every team, invited finalists will travel to Washington, DC, to compete in person.**

**THE WHY** Challenge winners, Garth Savage and Vance L. Mcleod Jr. took advantage of the Florida Tech scholarships. They had this to say about their experience. "The Challenge has changed our lives tremendously. Along with giving us the drive to start our own business, we've had with the opportunity to attend Florida Tech with the scholarships we won. In our eyes, it was not only a gift, but an open door we faced and charged through. Your students will learn so many aspects of the business world."

**The JA Social Innovation Challenge actively encourages students to play to their strengths, to work in a team, to better the world, and to create and defend intellectual ideas in a public forum.**

**THE CHALLENGE** Students will compete for Florida Tech scholarships, a Women in STEM Scholarship, a National Estuary Prize for innovation focused on the Indian River Lagoon, cash prizes, billboards from Clear Channel Outdoor, a pro bono patent attorney consultation from Wideman Malek, a marketing consultation from Rock Paper Simple, and the opportunity to work with some of Brevard's premier business and community leaders.

**FIRST ROUND** EFSC, March 7, 2024, 8am-1pm

**FINAL ROUND** Florida Tech, March 13, 2024, 6pm-9pm

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Brevard Public Schools Presents:  
3rd Annual  
**HBCU**  
HISTORICALLY  
**BLACK**  
COLLEGE  
UNIVERSITY



**Information Session & Fair**  
and Celebration of Black  
History Month

Save the Date  
**February 7, 2024**

Location: Viera High School  
Time: 6:00-8:30 PM

#BrevardHBCU2024

For information, visit:  
<https://tinyurl.com/hbcu2024>

Open to all middle and high school students in Brevard!

There will be special performances, prizes, college recruiters, scholarship information, and more!



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