

Wildcat Weekly

August 30th, 2024

Principal's Update

Can you believe it...we have already completed three weeks this school year. We are actually only 7 school days from the 1st interim!

Thank you to our PTA Board for hosting a great 1st general meeting on Tuesday and thank you to all of the parents that showed up to support our school.

Thank you to our amazing student-services team for hosting our annual senior parent night last night in the auditorium, there was a great turnout and there was so much powerful information—shared with our seniors and their parents. Thank you to all in attendance.

I want to congratulate our Cross-Country team for a strong showing last Saturday at the meet held at Wickham Park. Both our girls and boys team took 2nd place at the meet. I would also like to congratulate or Lady Wildcat Varsity Volleyball team for their resounding victory against a very strong Heritage team on Wednesday night. Just a reminder, there is no school on Monday, due to Labor Day. Please enjoy your much deserved 3-day weekend.

We Are Unrivaled!

Mr. Clark

Interesting Update From the NCAA

NCAA Makes Major Change to D1 Scholarship Limits

All D1 athletic scholarships are now Equivalency Scholarships. D1 Scholarship Limits increase, in some cases, substantially:

D1 Equivalency Sports

These sports may provide partial scholarships. The numbers below represent the TOTAL number of scholarships that can be divided amongst a team annually. This does not mean that every team provides this number of scholarships. It represents the total number they can divide amongst their entire team annually.

Men

- · Baseball (34)
- · Basketball (15)
- · Cross Country (17)
- · Fencing (24)
- · Football (105)
- · Golf (9)
- · Gymnastics (20)
- · Ice Hockey (26)
- · Track (45)
- · Lacrosse (48)
- · Rifle (12)
- · Skiing (16)
- · Soccer (28)
- · Stunt (65)
- · Swim (30)
- · Tennis (10)
- · Volleyball (18)
- · Water Polo (24)
- · Wrestling (30)

Women

- · Basketball (15)
- · Beach Volleyball (19)
- · Bowling (11)
- · Cross Country (17)
- · Equestrian (50)
- · Fencing (24)
- · Field Hockey (27)
- · Golf (9)
- · Gymnastics (20)
- · Ice Hockey (26)
- Track (45)
- · Lacrosse (38)
- · Rifle (12)
- · Rowing (68)
- · Skiing (16)
- · Soccer (28)
- · Softball (25)

- · Stunt (65)
- · Swim (30)
- · Tennis (10)
- · Triathlon (14)
- · Tumbling (55)
- · Volleyball (18)
- · Water Polo (24)
- · Wrestling (30)

Back in Time...

West Shore campus in the 1950's...when it was still Eau Gallie Jr. High School



Eau Gallie Junior High School



West Shore Lady Wildcats Varsity Volleyball



Alice Lin



Kiera Lee and Sela Horgan



Kiera Lee







Tala Rukab

Tala Rukab

Team Huddle

West Shore Cross-Country Team



West Shore Traffic Management Plan

I want to thank everyone for their cooperation with our pick-up and drop-off traffic management plan. It serves to protect our students, respect our neighbors, and get you in and out as fast as possible.

Please remember, avoid arriving early, when possible, do not block the roadway, private driveways or entrances into businesses and the county courthouse when waiting to enter the loop.

If needed, please review the West Shore Traffic Management Plan Below. It contains detailed information for student drop-off and pick-up.

September Staff Birthdays

09/04 Derrick Hamilton 09/06 Jennifer Staton 09/14 Mike Drake 09/15 Alexandra Stewart 09/28 Kristen Ross



Powderpuff T-Shirt Sale Starting Next Week!

Powderpuff Shirt Sales are Wednesday, September 4th thru Monday, September 9th!!

They will be on sale during Power Hour in the Courtyard – Shirts are \$15 each (Cash or Check ONLY) Checks should be made out to West Shore Jr./Sr. High.

You may purchase multiple shirts and both colors if you want. BUT... if you are playing football, you MUST wear the blue shirt for the game, if you are dancing you MUST wear the pink shirt for the game.

Student Government is offering a mentoring program for all new students!

Student Government Association (SGA) is offering a mentoring program for all new students (7th-12th)!

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Those who are interested can fill out the Google form link above, telling us about your student. Once SGA receives your completed form, your student will be matched with an upperclassman mentor who shares similar interests. Your student will be able to contact their mentor throughout the year with any questions they may have, whether related to academics, extracurriculars, or school events. SGA is committed to making sure your student will feel like a valued member of the Wildcat community.

Chorus Spirit Night is Out of This World!

Who: ANYONE AND EVERYONE!!!
Where: Galaxy Skateway off Aurora Rd

When: Wednesday, October 16th 6pm-8pm

Cost: \$10 for entry with 60% coming back to the West Shore

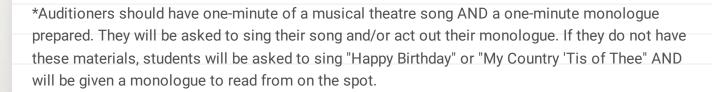
Chorus Program!!!



West Shore Theater Announcements!

Join West Shore Theatre! Upcoming Events and Auditions

- High School Play Auditions for "A Midsummer Night's Dream":
 August 27 and September 3*
- Theatre Families Informational Meeting Regarding Mainstage Productions, District Thespys, and One-Act Festivals:
 September 3 at 6:00pm in the Auditorium
- High School District Thespys AND One-Acts Auditions:
 September 3 and 6*
- Middle School District Thespys AND One-Acts Auditions: <u>September 10, 13, and 17(last date only if needed)*</u>
- High School Fall Play "A Midsummer Night's Dream": October 25 and 26
- Middle School Districts AND One-Acts: November 16 at St. Cloud High School
- High School District Thespys: <u>December 7 at Melbourne High School</u>
- High School District One-Act Festival: <u>December 5 and 6 at Merritt Island HS (One Act Festival)</u>



Any auditions and/or rehearsals will be held in the West Shore Auditorium (unless otherwise stated) at the following times: Tuesdays 3:30-5:30, Fridays 2:30-4:30, and Saturdays 9:30-2:00.

Please reach out to Caroline Miller at miller.caroline@brevardschools.org for any questions or concerns or check out our Google Webpage with tons of theater information, dates, events and more. https://sites.google.com/share.brevardschools.org/westshoredrama/home

Attention...Important NHS Announcement

National Honor Society - Applications Now Open

The National Honor Society application window is now open until Friday, September 20th. All 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who completed the previous school year with an unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible to join NHS. Applications can be picked up from Ms. Martin in room 16-101 before school, after school, or during power hour.

There will be informational meetings for students who are interested in joining NHS next week:

- 10th graders will meet on Tuesday 8/27 in room 16-101 during power hour B
- 11th and 12th graders will meet on Wednesday 8/28 also during power hour B

The purpose of the National Honor Society is to recognize and bring together students with outstanding levels of achievement both academically and in their leadership and service to the community. Members benefit by improving their skills in leadership and community involvement, gaining the opportunity to apply to additional NHS scholarships, and the ability to wear NHS



memorabilia at their high school graduation. NHS members are required to maintain an unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.5 or greater. Additionally, NHS members are required to earn 15 service points per school year, which can be earned through service events hosted by NHS. Lastly, NHS members must pay a fee of \$9 in dues each school year to allow West Shore's NHS Chapter to continue its involvement in the community.

West Shore PTA

Join PTA and earn Volunteer hours! Join at www.westshorepta.com

7th Annual Blingo Sponsorship Opportunities

Dear West Shore Families,

We are hosting our 7th Annual Blingo PTA Fundraising event this fall on Friday, September 13th. This is our only fundraising soirée and we are looking for sponsors to help support our event. Donations from our sponsors will be used to purchase designer bags and custom jewelry for raffles & prizes! All sponsors will be listed on a banner that hangs on campus all school year. Diamond Level Sponsors will receive a color logo on the banner.

Sponsorship Levels \$1,000 Blue Diamond Level �� \$500 Diamond Level **Ō** \$300 Platinum Level **⑤** \$200 Gold Level �� \$100 Silver Level **⑥**

Checks can be made payable to West Shore PTA, by August 31st.

Thanks to your generosity in supporting our past Blingo events, we have been successful in raising money to support our West Shore teachers and students in many ways!

Please contact Sherrie Stovall (VP Fundraising) with any questions @ 321-223-8282

Attention Senior Parents and Students - Project Graduation Info Below

Subject: Join Us for Project Graduation's Annual Golf Tournament & Volunteer Opportunities!

Dear West Shore Parents.

I hope this message finds you well. We are excited to announce that Project Graduation will be hosting our Annual Golf Tournament Saturday November 2, and we would love for you to be a part of it! This event is one of our key fundraisers, helping us provide a safe and memorable graduation night for our seniors.

Event Details:

- · Date: Saturday November 2, 2024
- · Location: Baytree National Golf Links
- How to Get Involved: Whether you're interested in playing, sponsoring, or volunteering, there's a way for everyone to participate. Please contact <u>wildcatpg@gmail.com</u> for more information on how you can contribute.

In addition to the golf tournament, we also want to remind you that attending our Project Graduation meetings is a great way to stay informed and earn volunteer hours. Parents can earn 1 volunteer hour for each meeting attended.

Upcoming Meeting:

• Date: August 26, 2024

• Time: 6:00 pm

Location: West Shore Media Center

Your involvement is crucial to the success of Project Graduation, and we truly appreciate your support. Together, we can ensure a safe and unforgettable graduation experience for our students.

If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at wildcatpg@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support!

Project Grad Committee Needs Volunteers!

West Shore Parents.

I hope you're doing well! As we gear up for another exciting school year, we're reaching out with an important request regarding our Project Graduation Committee.

All of our current committee members, who have done an outstanding job organizing past events, will be stepping down as their children graduate. We're now looking for new volunteers to step into these roles and carry on the tradition of creating a memorable and safe celebration for our seniors.

We need volunteers for the following positions:

- President: Lead the team in planning and overseeing the event.
- Vice President: Assist President with planning events and monthly meetings.
- Treasurer: Manage the finances by keeping track of the budget/ spending, and keeping track of funds
- Secretary: Manage all email correspondences and take meeting notes.

Whether you have experience or are simply passionate about supporting our seniors, we'd love to have you join the team. The previous committee members are more than willing to help with the transition and provide guidance.

Our first meeting will be on August 26, 6pm in the Media Center. If you're interested in any of these roles or want to learn more, please contact <u>wildcatpg@gmail.com</u>.

By stepping up, you'll play a crucial role in ensuring our seniors have a night to remember as they celebrate their achievements. Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a difference!

Best regards,

Project Graduation Committee West Shore Jr/Sr High School

Parent Volunteer Opportunity - Homecoming Decorating Committee

We will need at least 15 adults to assist in planning and decorating for Homecoming on September 28th. You will need to be available to meet on Monday, September 2nd at 1pm at the Melbourne Auditorium. We are in need of adults that can help bring to life our vision of "Night Beneath the Lanterns". We will have weekly meetings at 2:30pm on Fridays until the week of the dance. Please email Sarah Scott at scott.sarah@brevardschools.org if you are interested or have any questions.

Science Instructional Materials Adoption Parent Review Opportunity

The Office of Curriculum and Instruction is pleased to announce upcoming opportunities for parents and community members to provide input on the science materials for this adoption cycle. The newly adopted science instructional materials must be high quality and aligned with the Florida Science Standards. These materials will be implemented beginning in the 2025-2026 school year. Please see the attachment below if you are interested.



District Input Memo for Parents_Community.pdf

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Show Your School Spirit

West Shore has an online school store! This is the place to get your all your official West Shore spirit gear. Please check it out and share this link with friends, family, and alumni of West Shore.

GO WILDCATS!



WEST SHORE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL WILDCATS - MELBOURNE, Florida - Sideline Store - BSN Sports

College Fair - Tuesday September 17th



Bright Futures, FAFSA and College 101 Information



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College, University or Technical Training: Which Path is Right for Me?

September 10 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. ET

Learn about 2-year degrees, 4-year degrees, and career & technical programs during this fun and informative webinar! Make Your College Application Stand Out from the Rest!

September 17 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. ET

Helpful guidance, tips, and tricks that are sure to get your application noticed! Show Me the Money: How to Pay for College Without Breaking the Bank!

September 24 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. ET

Learn about scholarships, grants, and other financial aid options that can make college more affordable for you!







www.FloridaShines.org/College-101

Important Testing Information

The PSAT/NMSQT will be administered to all sophomores and juniors on Wednesday, October 9 at 8:30 AM. Any other student who would like to take the PSAT must register by Friday, September 13. The cost is \$20 and must be submitted with the appropriate registration form to Ms. Sanford in the guidance office by Friday, September 13. Checks should be made out to West Shore Jr/Sr High School.



Youth as Solutions

Youth as Solutions (YaS), is a program of the National Youth Leadership Council (NYLC), that offers funding to teams of middle and high school students to design a solution that meets a need in their community in one of the following areas: education equity, community health, environmental justice, or civics and democracy. This is a great opportunity to develop leadership skills and get support to make a difference in your community. Please see Ms. Feldbush for more information and read more about the program here: https://nylc.org/youth-as-solutions/. Applications are due by September 13

Student Volunteer Opportunity

The third annual USSF T-Minus 10-Miler will be held on December 14, 2024. This event is a significant undertaking that requires the support of over 300 dedicated Launch Crew volunteers to ensure its success. As a member of the Launch Crew, you will have the opportunity to give back to the community and support the Space Force T-Minus 10-Miler event. Your involvement in this event will not only help make it a success, but it will also provide you with the opportunity to gain new skills, meet new people, and have fun while supporting a great cause.

Registration goes live on the website on August 01, 2024. Some of the positions we need volunteers for include Course Set Up, Sector Boss, Course Marshals, Spirit Station (Showcase your squadron), Finish Line, Parking, Gear Check, and much more. If you are interested in volunteering or know of an organization that might be interested, please share the event information below and visit the registration link: https://raceroster.com/events/2024/87080/space-force-t-minus-10-miler-volunteer-registration

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact MSgt Alexander Batiz Nunez, 2024 Space Force T-Minus 10-Miler Volunteer Coordinator at alexander.batiz_nunez.1@spaceforce.mil or DSN: 312-854-9229, COMM: 321-494-9229 or TSgt Allison Taulbee allison.taulbee@spaceforce.mil

For more race information, please visit https://runspaceforce.com. We appreciate your consideration in volunteering for this important event. Your support will help make the third annual USSF T-Minus 10-Miler a success!"

Student Volunteer Opportunity

The Sea Turtle Preservation Society is looking for 3-4 volunteers to help produce our monthly member meeting at a location in Satellite Beach area the First Thursday of each month 6:30 pm to 8 pm. We normally meet in the Satellite Beach Civic Center room and occasionally at the Satellite Beach Recreation Center. The volunteers should have computer skills to set up "Zoom" meetings featuring guest speakers and carried live on the internet. We want a team working together as individuals may not be able to be at each monthly meeting.

Duties

- · Set up camera, projector, WIFI connection to broadcast via ZOOM
- · Collect Digital presentations from guest speakers to put on projector/laptop (email available)
- · Help guest speaker with controlling digital presentation (remote control)
- · Field questions from online participants and present them to the speaker for response
- · Breakdown of production equipment

This is a relatively new venture for STPS. We have new equipment to make this process simple to set up and produce. Some knowledge of Zoom is helpful. You will be trained on tools and Zoom connectivity. This is a great opportunity for students looking for community service credits and/or volunteers that have an interest in presentation/production activities and helping educate the public about sea turtles.

THANK YOU

Contact

Roger Pszonowsky (321) 412-5989

stpschair@seaturtlespacecoast.org

Student Volunteer Opportunity



SSW Tutoring Flyer.pdf

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Student Volunteer Opportunity

Green Gables 7th Annual Harvest Festival



Call for Vendors coming soon- check our website after July 20th

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2024 PE Volunteers flyer.pdf

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Cafeteria Services

Lunch prices for 2024-25 are as follows:

Secondary lunch: \$3.00 Reduced price lunch: \$0.40

BPS provides breakfast free of charge to all students school every day.



We encourage parents to apply for Free or reduced (FRL) price meal benefits. Click here to fill out a FRL application: https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/free-and-reduced-lunch-applications

Families can also set up an online lunch account through the district system. Go to www.mypaymentsplus.com to create your account and add money for your student to use in our

cafeteria. If you already have an account, you do not need to create another one for this year. This is a convenient way to keep lunch money in your child's account, so they do not have to carry cash to school. Your child's lunch account is connected to their student ID, so all they have to do to pay for lunch is scan their ID and go.

Athletic Clearance

Parents and Student Athletes can begin completing the Athletic Clearance process. This digital platform is how West Shore gets athletes eligible to participate in sports by having parents/athletes complete the eligibility forms digitally. In order to complete this process, all student athletes need to be registered with AthleticClearance.com, and all paperwork must be completed electronically and/or uploaded in order to participate in athletics at West Shore. All forms will be completed digitally, except for the physical (EL2) and the ECG forms, which will need to be printed, completed, scanned and uploaded to the Athletic Clearance Platform. For instructions to complete this process, please click here: instructions

2024-25 Sports Tryouts

WINTER

Cheer: September 30th, 3:30 - 5:45 pm - Gym

Boys and Girls Soccer: Tuesday, October 15th, 3:45 - 5:30 pm - soccer field

Boys Basketball JV & Varsity: October 28th, Time TBA - gym Boys Basketball Middle School: October 28th, Time TBA - gym Girls Basketball All Levels: October 28th, Time TBA - gym

Senior Portaits

Seniors!

Don't forget to schedule your Senior Portraits with Dean Stewart Photography

Booking can be completed at: https://www.dsp-photo.com/Senior-Portraits.html

Deadline is October 26th!

Pre-order Your Yearbook Now!

Pre-order your yearbook now at <u>Jostens.com</u>

Search by school name, West Shore Junior Senior High School and then click on "Order My Yearbook Today."



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