OUR VISION

TO EDUCATE ALL STUDENTS THROUGH AN UNCONDITIONAL COMMITMENT TO QUALITY AND HIGH STANDARDS.

MEET THE ADMINISTRATION



ERIN MENNE
AP Curriculum



BRIAN WILLIAMS
AP Adminstration

OUR MISSION

EAST BAY HIGH SCHOOL SEEKS TO GRADUATE STUDENTS BY PARTNERING WITH PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY TO
PROVIDE A LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT MOTIVATES AND EMPOWERS STUDENTS OF ALL CULTURES TO BECOME PRODUCTIVE
PARTICIPANTS AND LEADERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORKFORCE.

EAST BAY HIGH SCHOOL
BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK! SCHOOL STARTS AUGUST 10th

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Dear East Bay Families:

It is my honor to serve as your Principal. I have been an administrator at East Bay since 2013, and have witnessed the hard work of our students, faculty and staff.

Our theme this year is “Measure up!”. We are asking all of our stakeholders to adopt a growth mindset, so that ALL students, faculty and parents believe that goals, once set, can be achieved! This happens when we apply focus, effort and set criteria for success.

We look forward to helping your child “measure up” this year!

Amy Stevens-Cox

Amy Stevens-Cox, Principal
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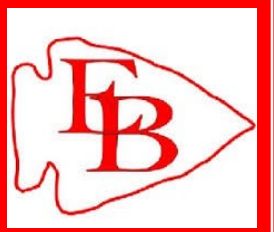


SAFETY









Student safety is our primary concern. At East Bay High School, we will be taking these steps to ensure your student's safety during the 2026-2027 school year:

- Sanitation and soap checks will occur by our custodial team daily.
- Student drivers cannot sign out, and back in.
- Our new vestibule requires that any guests be buzzed into the building, thus limiting access. Only 3 people are allowed in the vestibule at a time for safety.
- Food deliveries will only be accepted from a person listed on the emergency card, and with proper ID. Deliveries will only be accepted during the student's lunch period. Uber, Door Dash, etc. are not permitted.
- Students who have severe allergic reactions to foods should communicate this with the clinic, who will communicate this information with the Nutrition Staff, if necessary.

STUDENT AFFAIRS INFORMATION

Student Parking

Students who choose to drive to school are responsible for abiding to the following guidelines:

- Hillsborough County Public Schools is not responsible for vehicles that are parked at East Bay High School.
- The campus speed limit is 10 mph.
- Park in designated areas only.
- A 2026-2027 East Bay High School parking decals must be visible. Parking decals are $20.00.
- Parking illegally will result in a citation.
- Loud music or inappropriate behavior of any kind will result in revocation of parking permit.
- Excessive sign-ins and/or sign-outs may result in a loss of parking privileges.
- Leaving campus without permission will result in revocation of driving, driving privileges and/or additional consequences.

Dual Enrollment and OJT Parking Information

- Dual enrollment and OJT students park in student parking lot.
- Gates to the student parking lot will be locked during school hours.

To purchase a parking decal you MUST have all of the following:

1. Completed application.
2. Vehicle Registration
3. Valid Drivers License
4. Proof of Insurance
5. $20.00 cash.

Driving Privileges and Attendance

Schools are required to report students with 15 or more unexcused absences in a 90 day period to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for the suspension of driving privileges. Any minor who fails to satisfy attendance requirements at school will be ineligible for driving privileges.

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION



EARLY RELEASE WILL BE EVERY MONDAY

MEDICATION GUIDELINES

In compliance with Florida State law, only prescription medication will be administered at school. Over-the-counter or sample medications must be accompanied by written orders from the physician. Students cannot carry any medication on them. Whenever possible, medication schedules should be arranged so medication is given at home. Emergency medication records must be updated yearly.
If it becomes necessary for your child to take medication at school, please call the school clinic. 274.



Attendance Hotline

To report your child's absence please call East Bay High School

(813) 671-5134

To speak with our attendance secretary, Ms. Velez, please call East Bay High School (813) 671-5134 Ext. 259

STUDENT HANDBOOK ATTENDANCE POLICY INFORMATION:

- 5 or more absences within a nine-week grading period may require medical documentation to be excused.
- 10 or more absences within a nine-week grading period may require a meeting with the student's grade-level administrator or guidance counselor to identify potential remedies.
- Students who are absent from class but not listed on the absentee bulletin (skipping) shall be reported by the teacher to the Student Affairs Office. A student who skips may face disciplinary actions.

SIGN-IN PROCEDURES (HCPS Policy 5230)

- Any student arriving to school after the session has begun must report to the Student Affairs Office. A pass shall be issued indicating excused or unexcused tardy or absence. ***For the student to receive an excused sign-in, a parent or guardian must accompany the student to the Student Affairs Office and give an excusable reason.*** More than two sign-in's in a grading period shall require medical or other documentation and/or a parent must be present in order to be considered excused.

SIGN-OUT PROCEDURES (PRE-APPROVED AND EMERGENCY) (HCPS Policy 5230)

- Once students arrive on campus, they may not leave without permission from the Assistant Principal for Student Affairs. Students who must leave school during school hours must have their parent request this release by phone or in person to the Office of Student Affairs in order to obtain pre-approval. More than four sign-outs in a grading period shall require medical or other documentation and/or a parent must be present in order to be considered excused.
- **Sign outs will not be allowed after 2:00 on Early Release Mondays, 3:00 on Tues—Fri, or 2:45 on Pep Rally Days.**

MAKE-UP WORK:

- A student who has been absent and whose absence is EXCUSED (by the parent notifying Student Affairs) is permitted to make up the work missed, provided that the student makes arrangements with teachers within **three** days of the student's return to school.

CURRICULUM CORNER

SATURDAY SCHOOL

Saturday School will start in September !!! It will be held from 9 AM to 12 PM. Other tutoring is available during the week. Contact your child's teacher(s) for information or you may also pick up a tutoring schedule in the office or on our website.

CANVAS

KHAN ACADEMY

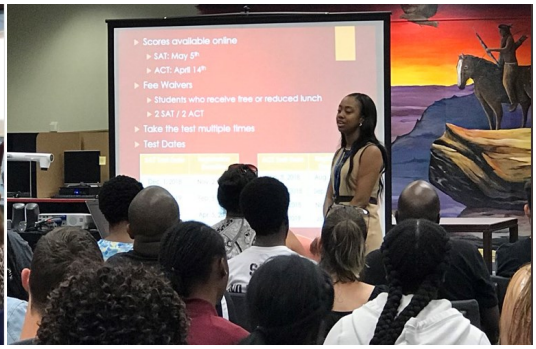
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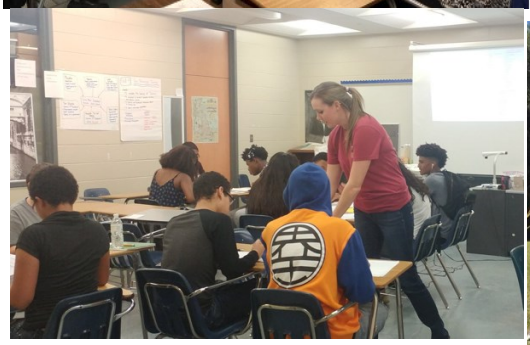
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TEXTBOOK & INDEBTEDNESS

Textbooks are very expensive and subject to price increases yearly. Students are responsible for loss or damage to the textbooks they receive or use in class. Students still owing money from the 2025-2026 school year will not be issued books until the debt is cleared. Students may use textbooks provided for them in class but may not take a book home until debt is cleared.

IMPORTANT DATES

STUDENT AFFAIRS



Heather Coble
Assitant Principal, A-L



Thomas Kemp
Assistant Principal, M-Z



Katie Clark
CCRT/Dean, A-L



Carrie Briel
Coach/Dean, M-Z

Important Dates for the First Semester

Schedule verification ONLY for grade & time designated:
Seniors July 30th 8:00-9:15am
Juniors & Sophomores July 30th 9:30-11:00am
Freshmen Aug 6th 3:30-5:30 pm

MEET THE TEACHER & OPEN HOUSE August 6th 3:30-6:00PM
All grade levels welcome!
Schedule verification for 9th ONLY during this time (3:30-5:30).

- First Day for Students—August 10th (Early Release Schedule)
- Labor Day Holiday/Non-Student Day- September 7th (No School)
- End of First Quarter—October 9th
- Veteran's Day/Non Student Day—November 11th
- Fall (Thanksgiving) Break, Non-Student Days—November 23-27th
- Semester Exams—(Tentatively) December 14-18th
- End of Second Quarter—December 18th
- Winter Break —-December 21st—January 4th (students return Jan 5th)

REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell	8:30
1st Period	8:35-9:23
2nd Period	9:28-10:17
	2 minute announcements
3rd Period	10:22-11:10
4th Period	11:15-12:03
5th Period	12:08-12:56
6th Period	1:01-1:49
7th Period	1:54-2:42
8th Period	2:47-3:35

***Subject to Change*

EARLY RELEASE MONDAYS

Warning Bell	8:30
1st Period	8:35-9:16
2nd Period	9:21-10:02
3rd Period	10:07-10:48
4th Period	10:53-11:33
5th Period	11:38-12:18
6th Period	12:23-1:03
7th Period	1:08-1:49
8th Period	1:54-2:35

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STUDENT AFFAIRS SECRETARIES

Ariana Velez
Justin Vaughn

Transportation

Bus
Information is available at

SDHC, Transportation Site

Please remember, if you have an ESE child receiving specialized bus services, your bus driver will be contacting you in August with specific bus stop locations, times and bus numbers.

STUDENT HANDBOOKS

Student Code of Conduct can be found on the Hillsborough County Website

Parents are encouraged to read the rules, policies and procedures that govern student behavior.





Cell Phone Policy

When are Cell Phones permitted?

- Students may use their cell phones during breakfast, lunch, and during passing periods. During this time cell phone use **MUST NOT** impede the student's ability to hear the bell, announcements, or directives from teachers/administrators.

When are cell phones NOT permitted?

- Cell phones are not permitted during instructional / class time (Unless permitted by the teacher for instructional purposes). School is not responsible for any loss, theft or damage of electronic devices.

Failure to comply with staff directives on phone use or storage may result in the following student consequences:

- First and Second Offense: The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and given to the administrator. The administrator will notify the parent/guardian and will return the device to the student at the end of the day.
- Third Offense: The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled and given to the administrator. A parent or legal guardian must pick up the electronic device.
- Additional Offenses: The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and given to the administrator. The student may face additional disciplinary consequences.

STUDENT AFFAIRS INFORMATION

HAVE PRIDE IN YOUR EAST BAY HIGH SCHOOL T·R·I·B·E

Trustworthy • Respectful • Intellectually Engaged • Bold Leader • Excellent Attitude

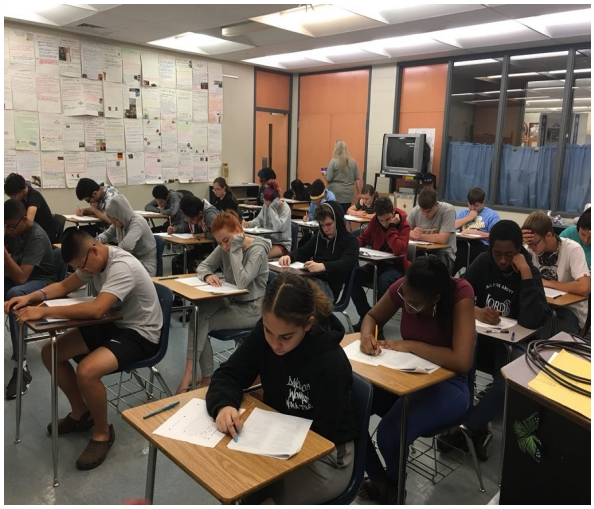
Free breakfast and lunch is available to ALL students EVERY day!! If you have any questions, please call our lunchroom manager Michelle Thompson at 671-5134 ext. 253.

East Bay is a NO BULLY ZONE

East Bay is committed to creating an educational setting that is safe, secure, and free from harassment of any kind. EBHS will not tolerate bullying or harassment of any type.

Dress Code

The dress and grooming of students shall be that which contributes to the health and safety of the individual and which is non-disruptive of the educational activities and processes of a school.
Student garments must meet the approved dress and grooming regulations, cannot disrupt school activities, cannot be obscene or defamatory, and cannot endanger the physical health or safety of themselves or others.
Students have the responsibility to dress and groom in such a manner so as to reflect cleanliness, modesty, safety and good taste. They should also become familiar with, and adhere to, the approved dress and grooming regulations of the School Board of Hillsborough County.



Tardiness

A student should make every effort to be in class on time. An unexcused tardy exists when a student is not in his/her seat or station when the tardy bell rings. Excessive unexcused tardies shall be considered willful disobedience and will be subject to disciplinary action.

Emergency Cards

Emergency Cards (SER)
Emergency cards will be sent home with all students on the first day of school. It is the parent's responsibility to carefully check the information, make sure all information is complete, and sign the card. This card needs to be returned to the school promptly. Students must have an updated emergency card on file in order to sign out of school. Only persons listed on the emergency card may sign out a student. Parents are reminded to have a picture ID when signing out a student.

Locker Sales

Lockers are $5.00 and are sold to upperclassmen during their schedule verification time on July 30th. Incoming 9th graders will be able to purchase their lockers on August 17th.

ATHLETICS

Assistant Principal for Administration:
Brian Williams
(813) 671-5134









2026-2027 Coaches' Contact Information

FALL

Football
DeAndra Simmons
deandra.simmons@hcps.net

Girls and Boys Cross Country
Greg Taplin
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Volleyball
Deja Whitehurst
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Girls and Boys Golf
Tim Mays
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Swimming
Serena Smiith
Serena.smith1@hcps.net

Cheerleading
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WINTER

Boys Basketball
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Girls Basketball
Kaela Crowell
Kaela.crowell@hcps.net

Boys Soccer
Luis Galacia
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Girls Soccer
Jessica Goody
Jessica.goody@hcps.net

Wrestling
Erik Matricardi
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SPRING

Baseball
Ryan Hoover
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Flag Football
Ben Addis
Benjamin.Addis@hcps.net

Softball
Haley Murphy
Haleyjordan1217@outlook.com

Boys Tennis
Tyler Schuerman
Tyler.schuerman@hcps.net

Girls Tennis
Claudia Davis
Claudia.david@hcps.net

Track
Joshua Herman
Joshua.Herman@hcps.net



What You Should Know About Senior High Athletic Eligibility

Academic Requirements
If you are in the 11th grade or 12th grade, you must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale in all courses taken through the end of the previous semester. If you are in the 9th grade or 10th grade, you must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale in all courses taken through the end of the previous semester; OR you must have earned a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale in the courses taken in the previous semester alone, provided you sign an academic performance contract (FHSAA form EL5) with your school and attend summer school as necessary. (Article 9.4, FHSAA Handbook, Bylaws and Policies)

Ninth Grader Eligibility
A student shall be eligible during the first semester of his/her ninth-grade year provided that it is the student's first entry into the ninth grade and he/she was promoted from the eighth grade the immediately preceding year.

Residence
A student will be eligible at the first school in which he/she enrolls, or participates in an athletic practice, at the beginning of each school year. The student will be eligible in his/her first school of choice each year as long as the student remains enrolled in that school (Florida Law 97-53). Additionally, home school students who are registered through Hillsborough County Public Schools and charter school students who are enrolled in a Hillsborough County registered charter school are eligible for athletic participation at their school of residence.

Transfers
Per School Board Policy 2431.01, student-athletes who transfer are allowed to immediately participate in interscholastic athletics for their new school as long as they are enrolled prior to the start of a specific sport's season. Student-athletes that participate in a sport at their previous school during the same school year may not participate in the same sport unless they meet one of the following criteria:

A) Dependent children of active duty military personnel whose move resulted from military orders.
B) Children who have been relocated due to a foster care placement in a different school zone.
C) Children who move due to a court-ordered change in custody due to separation or divorce, or the serious illness or death of a custodial parent.
D) Authorized good cause established in this policy.

Age
Students reaching the age of 19 before July 1st will be ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletics for that school year and beyond.

Limit of Eligibility
A student shall be eligible for no more than four (4) consecutive academic years upon first entrance to ninth grade as defined by the pupil progression plan of the school in which the student is enrolled. A student who does not attend school, repeats any grade, is declared ineligible to participate, or otherwise fails to exercise the opportunity to participate for any reason for any length of time during this four-year period shall not be entitled to any additional period of eligibility.

Please visit our school website for more information under the Athletics Tab, eastbay.my.sdhc.org

SCHOOL COUNSELING

Our Counseling Team

Counselor	Henry Perez Ext. 244
Counselor	Shawn Smith Ext. 242
Counselor	Kimberly Barrow Dept. Head Ext. 255
Counselor	Derneshia Madry Ext. 240
College/Career	Mia Felix Ext. 300
Success Coach	Carrie Briel Ext. 237
ESE Specialist	Tyler Schuerman Ext. 284

Resource Personnel

- Deputy Nguyen~ School Resource Deputy Ext. 264
- Denicia Vanterpool~ Registrar Ext. 262
- Isaura Velez ~ Data Processor Ext. 227
- Martha Lagunas ~ School Counseling Secretary Ext. 239
- David Kincaide ~ Social Worker Ext. 260
- Charlotte Grant ~ Social Worker Ext. 245
- Nurse Kathleen Samuel ~ School Nurse Ext. 274
- Stephanie Murphy ~ APA Secretary Ext. 238
- Camille Zayas ~ Workforce Advisor



The School Counseling Department assists and guides students with course selection, class scheduling, educational planning, academic counseling, scholarship information, and personal/social direction.

Students:

Students who wish to see their counselor are encouraged to contact him or her via CANVAS. Counselors will contact you back via CANVAS or will send a pass for you within 24 hours. Students may also make an appointment to see their counselor during the school day by visiting the School Counseling Office and completing a form.

Parents:

Please call or e-mail your child's counselor to make an appointment. Your request will be accommodated as soon as possible, but please understand that counselors have other responsibilities that may slightly delay their response. Thank you for your patience. You can also contact the School Counseling Secretary to make an appointment at (813) 671-5134 ext. 239

Office Hours:

The School Counseling office is open
Monday-Friday from 7:30-3:30pm
Registration hours are from 7:30-11:00 A.M Please call Ms. Lagunas
813-671-5134 at ext. 239 with any questions.

