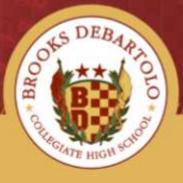
# PHOENIX NEWS

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# Special Congratulatory Note



**Congratulations** to Pear Randles for being chosen to be a participant in the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office Rising Stars Academy. We are proud of you!

The BDCHS faulty, staff, and administration would like to congratulate all our Quarter 3 Honor Roll recipients. Also, congratulations to all our Quarter 3 "Collegiate" students!



#### IMPORTANT DATES

April 27, 2019: **BDCHS Prom** Class Olympics May 03, 2019: May 23, 2019: **BDCHS** Graduation May 27, 2019: Non-Student Day May 28-30, 2019: Final Exams

#### Remember:

Assessment season has arrived. Please refer to assessment messages for updates and information about spring assessments. Contact kpatwell@bdchs.org with questions.

**Quarter 3 Report Cards Became Available** Online 4/11/19; Click for information about accessing report cards:

https://reportcards.sdhc.k12.fl.us/





I want to thank ALL who attended, volunteered, and supported the Pirate Invasion at Raymond James Stadium. The Development Committee, a group of dedicated board volunteers, community members, and parents, did a phenomenal job on this year's Spring Event. The pictures from that evening are now posted on the school's website on the "Gallery." We are looking forward to awarding some in-house scholarships to seniors who apply for the Board-

PAC scholarship from funds raised from the Spring Event.

We continue to celebrate student success this guarter. A little over 54% of our students achieved Honor Roll for the 3rd-Quarter, and soon, we will celebrate the class of 2019 at their senior celebration and at graduation. And, of course, we still have the month of May in which students will focus on the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA), End of Course Exams (EOC), Advanced Placement Exams (AP), and semester exams. The quote, "Starting strong is good. Finishing strong is epic" from Robin Sharma applies to the last few weeks of the school year.

Office Hours: 7:30am - 3:30pm School Hours: 8:00am - 3:10pm

### Clinic Corner

### **Dental Care**

It's important to take care of your mouth and teeth at any age. If you don't, you could build up plaque which leads to problems with your teeth and gums - like cavities or even tooth loss. With proper care, your teeth and gums can stay healthy throughout your life. The healthier your teeth and gums are, the less risk you have for tooth decay, bad breath, and gum disease. Over the summer is a great time to visit the dentist and keep up with your dental hygiene such as getting braces or having wisdom teeth removed. Take care of your teeth and they will reward you with a vibrant smile.

### Here's a couple tips on how to keep your mouth and teeth healthy:

- Brush your teeth twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste.
- •Floss at least once a day. It is best to floss before brushing.
- Snack smart limit sugary snacks.
- Don't smoke or chew tobacco.
- •Replace your toothbrush every three to four months.
- •Use a soft toothbrush.
- •See your dentist or oral health professional regularly.



#### References

"Dental Health." MedlinePlus, U.S. National Library of Medicine, 7 Feb. 2019, <u>www.medlineplus.gov/dentalhealth.html.</u>

# Student Government Association (SGA)



# SGA is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year!

Ms. Walsh is very excited to be stepping back into the role of SGA advisor.

Applications can be found on Ms. Walsh's door, room 209. Applications will be accepted between now, 4/26, and May 10th. We look forward to another great year of celebrating and supporting BDHCS! Go Phoenix!

### **HCTE Award Winner**



**Congratulations** to Lilia Dixon who placed second for her non-fiction piece "Good Dog!" in the annual Hillsborough Council for Teachers of English writing competition!

There were over 600 entries in this district-wide contest. Lilia is a sophomore in Mrs. Rinard's Creative Writing 1/2 course who will be progressing to Creative Writing 3 in her junior year.

Congratulations also go to Mrs. Rinard who earned an honorable mention for fiction, second place for poetry, and first place for nonfiction in the teacher categories.

# NEHS Writing Contest

On Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, the Phoenix Chapter of the National English Honor Society held its reading and award ceremony for the first annual writing competition. Over thirty students competed in four categories: non-fiction, flash fiction (1,000 words and under), short stories (1,001 – 2,500 words), and poetry.

Entries were judged "blind" which means that no names were included on the entries, and the judges didn't know who wrote each piece. The judges who graciously and generously gave their time to read and score were Ms. Meo, Mr. Joensen, Mrs. Schult, Mrs. Zamot, and Ms. Youngster.

Third place winners in each category won a \$10 Barnes and Noble gift card. Second place winners won a \$25 gift card to Barnes and Noble. First place winners won \$100 cash. The Brooks DeBartolo NEHS hopes to make this event even bigger and better next year, but the bar was set very high with powerful works of prose and poetry by our student writers this year.

#### The winners included:

Non-Fiction

3<sup>rd</sup> Katsaridophobia

2<sup>nd</sup> Writing About Writing

1st World Peace

Flash Fiction

3<sup>rd</sup> Night Hawks

2<sup>nd</sup> The Woman Behind the Mask

1st Kisses for Mommy

**Fiction** 

3<sup>rd</sup> Life

2<sup>nd</sup> Lollipop

1st The Freezing

Poetry

3<sup>rd</sup> Ode to Innocence

2<sup>nd</sup> My Place

1st The Delayed Address

Monica Shipman, Class of 2019 Emily Fischman, Class of 2019

Kendra Westmoreland, Class of 2019

Rayan Abasaeed, Class of 2019

Aya Totah, Class of 2019

Emily Fischman, Class of 2019

Jenna Hamze, Class of 2019

Julia Fischman, Class of 2022

Kendra Westmoreland, Class of 2019

Aya Totah, Class of 2019

Delaney Rinard, Class of 2020

Zahra Abouzied, Class of 2019

# **NEHS Writing Contest (con't)**



From Left: Kendra Westmoreland, Jenna Hamze, Monica Shipman, Delaney Rinard, Camille Shipman, Jeylin Rodriguez, Madyson Winters, Rayan

### PAC

## Remember to join us in celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week May 5th-10th!

# Celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week

### A Message from Your PAC Coordinator/ Parent Representative to the Board

Please join us for the PAC Town Hall Meeting Tuesday, May 7th from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Café.

Phoenix Action Crew (PAC) Town hall meetings are designed with roundtable discussions featuring
items of current importance to student and school success. Town hall meetings provided parent/
student-centered conversations, and these venues provide input and feedback regarding school
policies, procedures, and day to day operations.

### Focus will be placed on volunteer needs for the 2019-2020 school year including:

- Coordinator/Committee Positions
- Teacher Appreciation Planning Volunteers
- Spring Event Planning Volunteers
- Phoenix Fund Volunteers
- PAC Committee Coordinator/Parent Representative to the Board of Directors (BOD)

Please email <u>proudphoenixparent@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in any of these volunteer positions.

Administration will also share the results of the Parent and Student Climate Perception Surveys. Parent volunteer hours will be awarded for attending and participating in this meeting. Students are invited and encouraged to attend as well as they are integral to the topics and the discussion. We hope you can join us!

Thank you!
Dale Kimball
PAC Committee Coordinator / Parent Representative to the Board
dale.w.kimball@gmail.com

### Yale Writers Workshop

Mrs. Andrea Rinard will be heading back to New Haven, Connecticut this summer for the Yale Writer's Workshop.

To be considered for invitation, applicants must submit writing samples. Participants work in intensive group writing workshops with instruction on technique, and revision.

Mrs. Rinard says that the experience is especially valuable for her because, "I learn how to better offer constructive criticism within the workshop environment. This is something that I can bring back to my own classroom, especially within my creative writing classes."

Congratulations, Mrs. Rinard!



### Blood Drive Results

# We are pleased to announce that the recent blood drive resulted in 23 units of blood!

Remember, each donation can save up to three lives.
That means 69 patients could benefit from the
lifesaving efforts of blood donors at
Brooks DeBartolo Collegiate High School.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who donated!

### Phoenix News Thank You!



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### THANK YOU!

We are so thankful for YOU and all of your hard work in making this event a BIG success! Please make sure you email your volunteer hours

to proudphoenixparent@gmail.com to get proper credit.

Thank you to all of the items you donated for our auction and baskets. They were a big hit and were a vital part of the success of our event.

We hope you enjoyed yourself at our Pirate Invasion! Do you have any photos to share? If so, please email them to: photos@bdchsboard.org.

Photos from the event will be shared soon.

Want to help with future events like these, including Phoenix Fund and PDQ? We need you! Please email Tiffany Sperry at pac.bdchs@gmail.com.

Phoenix Fund planning will begin this summer. It's a great way to get your hours in before school starts too. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon!

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