



UDAS CHRONICLE

For the parents, staff, students, and community of
New Smyrna Beach High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It's been an amazing and productive year for our 'Cudas!

Our athletic teams, arts, band, chorus, dance (Show Dolls), academies, electives, teachers/staff, clubs, and Student Government Association have been outstanding! Their accomplishments were noticed and appreciated. Our amazing students and staff are what makes our school special and we are so proud of the well-deserved recognition they have received throughout the year.

Our graduation class of 2019 is truly an amazing and cohesive group of students. We know they are ready, willing and able to make a difference in the world and know that their future is promising and bright. Here are just a few highlights from our graduating class of 2019:

- 75 graduates have GPA's of 4.0 or higher.
- 186 graduates are graduating with Honors.
- 22 graduates have received their Associates of Arts Degree from Daytona State College.
- 34 graduates will receive the Distinguished Scholar Diploma.
- 108 graduates are Merit Designees and 81 graduates are Gold Seal CAPE Scholars.
- 30 graduates have completed our AVID program and,
- 20 graduates will be serving our country in a branch of the United States Military.

Honors Night was a huge success for our graduates with over 90 donors offering community scholarships totaling over 1.4 million dollars! We also inducted 19 graduates into our New Smyrna Beach High School Wall of Fame.

Good things are happening every day at our school and none of this would be possible without the help and support of our parents and school community, who work in unison with us to ensure our students have a rewarding, productive and enjoyable high school experience. The foundation our parents and community provide for our students has proven to be sturdy, solid, and valuable and please know that you have the unconditional gratitude of all of us at the school.

Thanks so much for all you do!

Sincerely,

Matt Krajewski
Principal

NSBHS Mission Statement:

Working together with parents, school personnel and community members, New Smyrna Beach High School students will graduate with the knowledge, skills and values necessary to be positive contributors to society.

World Languages News

The World Languages Department and the International Club recognized and honored numerous seniors for their outstanding achievement and involvement. Department awards were awarded on May 20th and the scholarships were awarded at Honors Night on May 16th. Additionally, six NSBHS seniors were awarded the Florida State Seal of Bi-Literacy during Honors Night.

The International Club and the World Languages Department thank Mr. Vance Smith of Chick-fil-A, Edgewater, Dr. Michael Somail of Eagle Eye Dental, Dr. David McKenzie of McKenzie Dental Group and Mon Delice Bakery for all of your support and help during the school year.

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Ciara Chiampou: Outstanding Spanish 4 Student
Jacob Mauro-Griner: Outstanding Spanish 3 Student

Chris Larson: Outstanding Spanish 2 Student
Judette McKenzie: Outstanding French Student
Orlane Cardot: Outstanding French Student

NSBHS INTERNATIONAL CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Ciara Chiampou
Judette McKenzie
Alexandra Pastrana Flores
Elyse Wassem
Orlane Cardot

FLORIDA STATE SEAL OF BI-LITERACY

Ciara Chiampou
Miguel Flores
Kyler Geiger
Eden Hammond
Jessica Laming
Emily Marangoni
Congratulations Seniors and *buena suerte!*

El Baile Folklórico

On May 6th El Ballet Folklórico performed in the courtyard during lunch. This Mexican folk-dance group is from San Francisco, Campeche, Mexico which is a sister city of Volusia County. There were eight dancers and they changed wardrobes at least 3 times within the thirty-minute performance. The outfits were vibrant and colorful and reflected the *Mestizo* culture of Mexico; a mix of indigenous, Spanish, and African cultures. A special thank you is in order for Dr. Kellermeier and NSBHS Principal, Mr. Krajewski, for supporting this special event. The group gave numerous performances within Volusia County during the month of May. The NSBHS World Languages Department and the International Club hosted this event. Mrs. Guruvadoo and her club prepared and shared a lunch for the group and their Sister-City sponsors. The NSBHS World Languages Department looks forward to future exchanges with Sister-City San Francisco, Campeche, México.



"The scorching heat could never defeat the extravagant stares of students constantly flooding in to experience this beautiful dance/culture." -Teja Firmin-Reaves

"Just watching the dancers made it feel like I was in Mexico". -Noah McMichael

"The baile folklórico was very beautiful. The courtyard came alive with culture and vibrant colors". -Madison Lane

"Simply amazing" - Nathan Keenan

UF Center for Latin American Studies Hosts Workshop in NSB

The University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies will host "Preparing Students for the Global Workplace" workshop, here in NSB June 6th-7th. Mrs. Rosado, Mrs. Adarve and Mr. Gellermann are attending from our World Languages Department and many other NSBHS teachers will participate as well. Former Volusia County teacher, Mary Risner, is the Director of the University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies.

The goal of the workshop is to "... bring together K-16 educators of diverse disciplines, community and industry to discuss how to better prepare our students for life-long learning and success in their professional and personal lives". The workshop will address themes such as:

- Cross-cultural understanding
- Sustainable development
- Virtual teamwork
- Career opportunities and needs in Florida
- Global & Local Connections with Industry
- and more!



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The 40th Annual Volusia County World Languages Festival

The 40th Annual Volusia County World Languages Festival was held on March 30th at DeLand High School. There were over 700 entries in the festival. Pam Stewart, Former Commissioner of Education of the State of Florida, was the keynote speaker. Students entered a variety of projects such as cultural bookmarks, vocabulary posters, artwork, family trees, videos, etc. Many students competed in performances such as impromptu speaking, poetry recitation, karaoke and a talent show. NSBHS had over 100 student entries combined from all the World Languages teachers. Some of the highlights include:

- Delayna Goodrich: Best of Show for Talent Show
- Shiloh Wagers: Best of Show for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Madilynn Dees: Best of Show for Family Tree
- Mac Sharpe: 1st place for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Joseph Tincher: 1st place for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Masyn Chesley: 1st place for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Kellen Collins: 1st place for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Jacob Harding: 1st place for Spanish 1 On-line Quiz
- Trinity Cornell: 1st place for Cultural Bookmark
- Teja Firmin-Reaves: 1st place for Cultural Bookmark
- Madilynn Dees: 1st place for Art Around the World
- Isabel Toussaint: 1st place for Art Around the World
- Vanessa Appling: 1st place for Art Around the World
- Ethan Donaldson and Carson Linker: 2nd place for Krazy for Karaoke



FUTURES Foundation

Congratulations to FUTURES Foundation of Volusia County Schools 2018-2019 Turn Around Students.

- Eylish Coolbeth
- Braeden Hennen
- Kelton Connick
- Cayla Pelletier


GO CUDAS!

CEC Winners

Congratulations to our CEC (Council for Exceptional Children) Award Winners.

- CEC ESE High School Administrator of the Year – Eleeta Sue Hopkins
- CEC ESE High School Inclusion Teacher of the Year – Emmeline Decker
- CEC ESE High School Para-Professional of the Year – Kerry Horan





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NSBHS Unified

CUDAS!

Our Unified Track Team made a great run this year and qualified the boys and girls 4x400 and 4x100 teams for state! Our boys took 3rd in the 4x100 and 4th in the 4x400 at the FHSAA State Track Meet. As we prepare this off-season be ready to come out and support our Unified Teams! Please give a shout out to our athletes if you see them around campus.

- Demitris Freeland
- Isaiah Niles
- Kyle Peacock
- Tristan Winfrey
- Cheyanne Waggoner
- Cheyenne Francis
- Sophia Squitieri
- Danielle Poniris

— Mark Tidman



Youth Council Task Force

This year's New Smyrna Beach Youth Council Task Force concluded by presenting their official proposal to the City Council and Mayor on Tuesday May 14th. This year's members, Chairwomen Shelby Balmer, Vice-chairwomen Peyton Zitzka, members Olivia Graeff-Fanelli, Morgan Hibel, and Tahmina Tisha have met biweekly at city hall to develop a plan of action for NSB from the youth perspective. This year the council discussed many topics from population density, economic growth, environmental concerns, and public safety. But ultimately, the YCTF decided to make a proposal on the continue beautification of our city. The official proposal is to ask the city to fund 6 Shark statues (animal was decided on a poll taken at this year's SGA food festival). These statues would be decorated by local artists and placed on sites along the "NSB loop". The purpose is to add a colorful art to exemplify the city reputation and tradition to the enhance the charm of our city. These statues would serve as markers around the city. The long term goal of the Youth Council Task Forces is for the city to continue erecting these statues; creating a free scavenger hunt type activity for local and tourist families in the future. The Youth Council Task Force is a group of students whom are officially appointed by the local government. As members, these students must abide by state laws that require all meetings to be open to the public and keep official records which can be found on the city website.



Pictured: Sponsor Mr. Woodard, Morgan Hibel, Peyton Zitzka, Shelby Balmer, Mayor Russ Owen, Tahmina Tisha, and Olivai Graeff- Fanelli



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NSBHS Recognizes Class of 2019 Outstanding Seniors

Congratulations to the 28 outstanding seniors selected by the faculty for the Class of 2019. To be considered for this prestigious award, seniors had a list of criteria to meet which included conduct, citizenship, scholarship, extracurricular activities, and leadership. These "Outstanding Seniors of 2019" are club presidents, honor roll recipients, band members, sports team captains and more. They are top row left to right: Marquee Warner, William Fox, Nicholas Zois, Michael-Troy Mitchum, Colton Cameron, Aidan O'Gorman, Devynne Duke, and Cameron Manson. Third row left to right: Aliyah Merrick, Ladasia Powell, Smyrna Clark. Second row left to right: Jade Ache, Kalee Baker, Elyse Wassem, Emily Williams, Kylie Smith, Kaitlynn Hunsberger, and Destiny Bell. Bottom row left to right: Stacey Norman, MaKayla Vaughn, Julia Hinkle, Kayla Squitieri, Emily Bonamo, Lydia Ponce, Ciari Chiampou, and Orlane Cardot.



Academic Signing

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	COLLEGE SIGNED TO
Cameron	Colton	Florida Southern College
Cardot	Orlane	University of South Florida
Clark	Smyrna	Stetson University
Larson	William	Allegheny College
Meeks	Madison	Stetson University
Powell	Ladasia	University of North Florida
Shank	Marissa	Florida Atlantic University
Warner	Marquee	Barry University
Warner	Makayla	Barry University
Wassem	Elyse	Florida Gulf Coast University
Zois	Nicholas	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Univ



Trip to Universal

On Saturday, May 4 (Star Wars day) 10 NSB students joined 23 University High students for an exciting trip to Universal. These students have all passed at least 3 Industry Certifications in Photoshop, Illustrator, StoryBoard Pro, or Internet Business Associate. Passing any Industry Certification is a true challenge and these students deserved this fun reward. We started the day with a 3 hour - behind the scenes tour of parts of Islands of Adventure including The Hulk, Spider-Man, and Jurassic Park River Adventure. After that students were free to explore both parks until 8:30. The weather was perfect with only a scattering of rain drops until about 8 pm when the clouds opened up and a few students got drenched! All in all it was a great trip and one we look forward to again next year. *Go Cudas!*
- Shirley White



Pictured left to right are: Fraiser Thompson, Lindsay Roth, Rodney White (chaperone) Katelyn Ripa, Danielle Ridgill, Andrew Mooney, Hannah Pierce, Shirley White (chaperone) Blake Chiampou, Isabelle Wade, Gavin Petrie (showing hat only), and Dylan Frybarger.



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Art Student Wins *Best of Show Award* at the Annual Volusia Students Create Exhibition



Ms. Colby's Ceramics I student Ari Mills won the *Best of Show Award* for the High School level at the annual *Volusia Students Create* Exhibition, on display at the Gateway Center for the Arts. Volusia Students Create is a Volusia County tradition and showcases the artwork of schools throughout the county.

Ari's sculpture, *Fredward*, was chosen by the judges due to the authenticity of the artwork and corresponding statement. Ari describes *Fredward* in her artist statement as follows, "*Fredward* is a sculptural piggy bank based upon a fictional character I invented. . . After he was glazed/painted I used flocking to exaggerate the furry texture. Crackle medium was used to make his wings and horns overexaggerated. I love this piece because it shows my love for weird and unusual things. *Fredward* allows for my love of horror come to life and that is why I chose to create him."

Congratulations to Ari Mills for her artistic achievement!

Art Exhibit Winners

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards at the 20th Annual New Smyrna Beach High School Art Exhibit Sponsored by The Artist's Workshop:

MERIT AWARDS

Painting/Drawing

Cheyenne Lewis	10th	"Moby"	Scratchboard
Jordan Brown	11th	"Moose"	Mixed Media
Tiffany Morin	10th	"Haillie"	Mixed Media

Photography

Anna Campbell	12th	"Still Life"	Photography
Deven Cruz	12th	"Bobble Babe"	Photography
Melody Mitchum	11th	"Pick your Flavor"	Photography

Sculpture/Ceramics

Destiny Bell	12th	"Blast from the Past"	Ceramic Slab Box
Laney Vessel	11th	"Pit-iful Man"	Ceramic Sculpture
Kylie Wisniewski	12th	"Stronger Than Before"	Mixed Media Sculpture



DISTINGUISHED ARTIST AWARDS

Painting/Drawing

Dylan Williams	10th	"Breath (In The Gas)"	Mixed Media
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Photography

Destiny Bell	12th	"Clowning Around"	Photography
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Sculpture/Ceramics

Sydney McGuire	10th	"Welcome to the Jungle"	Ceramic Sculpture
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BEST OF SHOW

Painting/Drawing

Hailey DeMarco	12th	"Just a Dream"	Acrylic
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Photography

Haylee Gamble	11th	"Bamboo Forest"	Photography
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Sculpture/Ceramics

Sam Libby	12th	"Three Fun-gis"	Ceramic Sculpture
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The Dali Museum's Student Surrealist Art Exhibit: "Waking Dreams"

Congratulations to the following art students for having their artwork accepted to the annual Dali Museum's Student Surrealist Art Exhibit:

From Ms. Geyer's 2D Art I Class:

Cheyenne Lewis

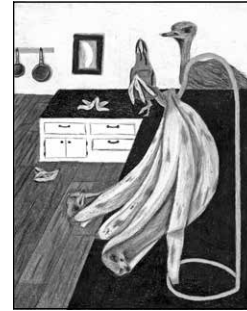
Ms. Colby's students:

Haley Blair (Portfolio Development Honors)

Tori Weiner (Ceramics II)

Sam Libby (AP 3D Studio Art)

These four students will have their artwork included in a summer long exhibit at the Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida. Over 400 entries were submitted, and only 100 were accepted. Congratulations to these art students!



Cheyenne Lewis



Sam Libby



Haley Blair



Tori Weiner

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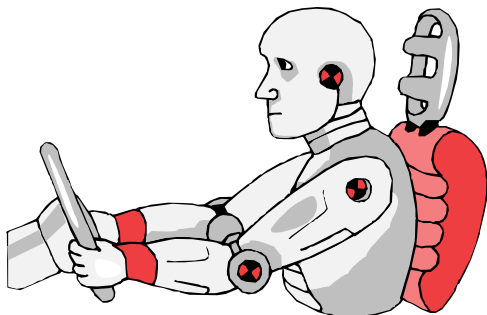
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Many Thanks!

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