Dear Cuda Families,

We have completed our first quarter of the 2017-2018 school year. Our students are participating in engaging and rigorous lessons in the classrooms, going on field studies, joining clubs and organizations, and playing a variety of sports. Our campus is bustling with activities every day. Please feel free to join us at our School Advisory Council meetings, held the first Monday of the month at 6:00 in the school Media Center. You can email Deborah Croak dlcroak@volusia.k12.fl.us or Sue Hopkins, eshopkin@volsuia.k12.fl.us Co-SAC Chairs for more information.

Parents, students are expected to attend school regularly. Students who are attending school sporadically will fall further and further behind, thereby jeopardizing their ability to graduate on time. Nightly Connect Ed messages go home to notify you that your child has missed one or more periods of school. Please monitor those messages and call a school counselor if you need assistance. Every day our teachers offer lunch-time office hours for the first thirty minutes. Please encourage your student to attend office hours if they need more classroom help. Obviously, students who are sick need to be at home. If there are long term health issues, please make an appointment to speak with a school counselor.

We are looking forward to a successful school year.

Sincerely, Karen Chenoweth



Congratulations to John Scrivano, English Honors teacher for being selected the New Smyrna Beach High School Teacher of the Year!

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.

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For the parents, staff, students, and community of

New Smyrna Beach High School

From the School Counseling Department

Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are off to a great start in the School Counseling Department. We have scheduled a College Application Day, Parent Nights for all grade levels, a Financial Aid Night, and the Scholarship Bootcamp.

College Application Day is a time for students to come into the media center to receive help on completing their college applications. Parent Nights provide graduation requirements and other pertinent high school information to parents. Financial Aid Night will provide information to parents on completing the FAFSA and other resources. The Scholarship Bootcamp is tentatively scheduled for January 18, 2018. Volunteer community members will be available to help students with their scholarship applications and essays. Please contact me at 424-2555, ext. 38544 if you are interested in volunteering for the Scholarship Bootcamp.

College bound students should be working diligently on their college applications. Some deadlines have passed and others are fast approaching. It is important that students meet with their school counselor for a graduation credit check. They should also be sure to have SAT/ACT scores and community service hours completed and turned in to the school counseling office. Lastly, students should make sure that they have personally contacted the colleges they are interested in for specific requirements.

The FAFSA application for the 2018-19 school year opened on October 1st. The quickest way to apply is online using FAFSA on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This application must be completed to apply for federal student aid.

Lastly, please check the "Counselor" section of the school website for important information. Community Service Workshop dates, scholarship opportunities, and graduation dates and requirements are all listed on the website.

On behalf of the School Counseling Department, I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to work with your students. We are thrilled to be such an integral part of their success. Please contact me or any of the New Smyrna Beach High School Counselors if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jewel Johnson School Counseling Department



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to a great start. The 9th graders are designing their puzzle cubes and getting introduced to their CAD software, Autodesk Inventor. The 10th graders

designed and built compound machines and are now working with multimeters and electrical circuits. 11th graders are learning about Boolean Algebra, and the 12th graders designed CO2 cars to be

3D printed to race at the County Fair. We also sent a team of students to Embry-Riddle to compete with the other high schools in a robotics competition at the VMA Manufacturing Expo. We competed against the rest of the high schools to design, build and program a robot to push the other team out of a circle, sumo style. After many rounds, New Smyrna Beach High School came in First Place! Destiny Bell, Tate Still, Jeremy Yoder, Jacob Mauro-Griner, and Kyler and Bella Geiger came together to make a great team.



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA)	4
MATHEMATICS	4
• 1 credit in Algebra I* (EOC = 30% of final course grade)	
• 1 credit in Geometry* (EOC = 30% of final course grade)	
• 2 credits in additional math courses	
SCIENCE	3
• 1 credit in Biology* (EOC = 30% of final course grade)	
1 credit in a physical science course	
(Earth/Space Science, Physical Science, Chemistry, or Physics)	
1 credit in an additional science credit	
SOCIAL STUDIES	3
• 1 credit in World History	
• 1 credit in United States History** (EOC = 30% of final course grade)	
• ¹ / ₂ credit in Economics	
• ¹ / ₂ credit in United States Government	
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	1
• ¹ / ₂ credit in Personal Fitness	
• ¹ / ₂ credit in any other PE course	
PERFORMING FINE ARTS	1
ELECTIVES	8
TOTAL	24 Credits
Other Graduation Requirements:	
2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA)	
One course must be taken online	

• Passing score on the Grade 10 FSA ELA test or concordant score on ACT/SAT

• Passing score on the Algebra 1 End of Course Assessment or comparative score on the Math PERT test

* Students must participate in the EOC Assessment if enrolled in the course after 2010-2011. ** Students must participate in the EOC Assessment if enrolled in the course after 2011-2012.





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What is Bullying?

Information for Parents:

Bullying shall be defined as systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students. The term "bullying" includes cyber-bullying", as defined in School Board Policy 208, Code of Student Conduct and Discipline. It is further defined as unwanted and **repeated** written, verbal, or physical behavior, including any threatening, insulting, or dehumanizing gesture that is severe or pervasive enough to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment.

Students may anonymously report any incident of bullying by completing a form and placing it in the reporting box located in the school counseling office. All reports will be reviewed and shared with a school administrator.

<u>Please encourage your students to *"Take a* <u>Stand – Be the Change"</u> by committing to the following:</u>

- Stop Rumors;
- Think before speaking;
- Rip up hurtful notes;
- Say hello to a new student or someone who is alone;
- Join up with someone who is being bothered and take them away from the conflict;
- Let an adult know when someone needs help, even the offender; and
- Discourage peers from using social media to hurt or humiliate others.

Smyrna Safari Club NSBHS 10th Annual Spooktacular T-shirt Design Competition

Smyrna Safari Club Partners with NSBHS School of the Visual and Performing Arts Photo Classes 2017-2018

The School of Performing and Visual Arts and photography teacher Tina Curry are thankful for the opportunity for the Smyrna Safari Club to host the eighth annual T-Shirt contest, "Spooktacular Halloween Surf Contest". This partnership teaches striving young artists to use their creative skills to promote their artwork and it also gives a real-world experience in today's competitive creative job world. Students from Creative Photography classes at New



Smyrna Beach High School created custom t-shirt designs for the New Smyrna Beach Smyrna Surfari Club's 28th anniversary Spooktacular Halloween Surf Contest. This is an annual NSBH Senior Scholarship fundraiser event hosted by the Smyrna Beach Surfari Club, devoting their time to surfing and serving their local community to raise money to create a scholarship opportunity for a senior at their local community high school . This was the tenth-year students have competed in the T-shirt contest. During the last week of October, NSBHS senior Emalee Payne was awarded the winner of the contest (photo below.) Her diligent work, creative talent and constant enthusiasm with this project definitely had its benefits. She received one hundred dollars for her effort and creativity, as well as the publicity of her artistic talents. The club also donated \$150.00 to the photo department for printing supplies. Emalee's design was printed on hundreds of t-shirts that were given to the contestants and sold to the public. It was also used to print informational posters for advertisement of the contest.



Aquaculture 3

Students in Aquaculture 3 participate in a yearlong internship with the Marine Discovery Center (MDC). During the internship,

students maintain all aquatic systems including husbandry and water quality. Here students are measuring pH, nitrates, nitrites, ammonia, temperature, and salinity of each of the marine animal exhibits at the MDC.





District Thespian Competition

Thespian Troupe 1903 will be representing New Smyrna Beach High School at the District 3 Thespian Festival at Lyman High School from November 15-18. This competition brings together 29 high school

theatre troupes to compete in events like acting, musical theatre, technical events and one acts. NSBHS will be represented by 37 talented students in 24 different events, as well as a one act. Troupe 1903 has a record of taking home a large number of high scores and awards and expects to uphold that tradition. If you wish to preview the events, the annual District Showcase will be held on November 9 at 7 pm. Tickets are \$5.



HOSA

NSBHS HOSA hosted a blood drive on September 7th through OneBlood in anticipation of the needs caused by hurricane Irma. The Cudas were able to come together and donate approximately 60 units of blood which exceeded most donation sites that day. Way to go Cudas!

HOSA officers set up a booth at Club Rush on September 28th detailing the exciting activities that comes with being a member and many new members signed on. They will have the opportunity to attend Regional and State competitions, work on the Homecoming float, participate in blood drives, and much more in the coming months.

Members worked really hard to come up with Homecoming ideas to construct a float for the Homecoming parade.

HOSA officers will be attending the 2017 Fall Leadership Development Academy (FLDA) from the 17th to the 19th of November. These students will have the opportunity to meet the state HOSA officers as well as officers from all corners of the state. Those attending will have a chance to make life-long friends and learn how to be strong leaders for their team.

HOSA week is from November 5th to the 11th. HOSA week gives students opportunities to learn about various careers in the medical field. Members will be able to dress up during the school week to represent different characteristics of healthcare. Days will be identified at further notice.







World Languages and International Club FOOD/SUPPLY DRIVE FOR PUERTO RICO

The international club collaborated with the Student Government Association to gather food and supplies for Puerto Rico after the devastation of Hurricane Maria. Food was collected in classrooms for over a week. Mrs. Rosado's Spanish class collected the most and Mr. Duguay's class was a close runner-up. The food/supply drive was opened to the community on Saturday, October 7th from 10am-3pm. Two full-size pick-up trucks were loaded to the brim. SGA members and leaders from HOSA came to help with these efforts. The food and supplies were donated to the organization CASA which will get them to the people in need in Puerto Rico. It was inspirational to see the collaboration of various clubs on campus to support this worthy cause. Thank you to Mrs. Guruvadoo, Mrs. Leonard, and Mrs. Zois and their club members for the hard work.



Hispanic Heritage Month

Initial plans for a Hispanic Heritage Month kick-off celebration and zumbathon on September 16th were thwarted due to hurricane Irma. Please note that the zumbathon will be rescheduled for December, details will be announced soon. Alternative plans were made and Hispanic Heritage Month was celebrated and recognized at NSBHS on Saturday, October 7th in combination with the food/supply drive for Puerto Rico. Flags of Spanish speaking countries waved in the breeze at the entrance of the school. The international club made quesadillas and served nachos for donations to help Puerto Rico. There was Latin music playing in the background. The media center was converted into a museum exhibiting influential Hispanics. Mr. Gellermann's Spanish classes made engaging posters about Hispanics who have had an impact on Florida. They had researched and written essays on these persons as well. Mrs. McCroskey's AP statistics students created intriguing charts and graphs related to Hispanic demographics. Mrs. Jarrett's science classes contributed numerous hand-crafted posters about famous Hispanic scientists. The exhibit was open from 11am-1pm. The best of exhibit posters and the best essays are listed below. Thank you to SGA and HOSA leaders for helping with the exhibit.

These are the best of show (the numbers do not signify placing) **Best Hispanic Heritage Month Essays**

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen

Marco Rubio

1. Julia Demetita

Jorge Ramos 2. Thomas Beckler Jorge Perez Jadis Satkunas Columba Bush 3.

Best Hispanic Heritage Month Posters

- 1. Daphne Dettra
- 2. Thomas Hathaway
- 3. Amanda Alfaro-Chiampou 4.
 - Makenna Brookbank
- 5. Kyler Geiger

6.

- Ashley Teagarden
- Lizbeth Cadena-Perez 7.
- Chef José Ramón Andrés Puerta Jorge Estevez Santiago Villa Hispanic political demographics Hispanic population distribution by state

- Cultural Exchange –

The World Languages department and the international club hosted an international guest, Victoria Schilling, from Argentina. She is a friend of the Stach family. Mrs. Stach, NSBHS assistant principal, is bi-lingual and has many friends and family from Argentina. Victoria visited the classrooms of Mrs. Guruvadoo, Mrs. De Leonardi, Mrs. Rosado, and Mr. Gellermann. She spoke in mostly Spanish with the upper level students and a mix of English and Spanish with the beginning levels. She started studying English in kindergarten in Argentina. Victoria is 15 years old and attends a private school just outside of Buenos Aires. She was a special guest at the international club lunch meeting. There were nearly 30 students in attendance. They talked informally with Victoria, listened to Latin music and enjoyed nachos and quesadillas.

Specialist guest, Victoria Schilling from Argentina meets with the international club during lunch.





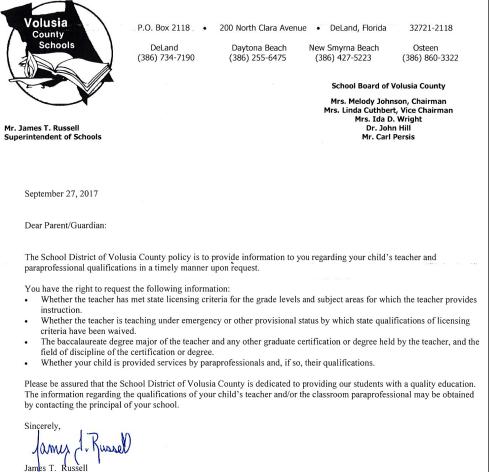


The State of Florida Seal of Bi-literacy

On Wednesday, October 11th Dr. Grace Kellermeier, Volusia County World Languages Specialist, spoke with all NSBHS World Language students about the State of Florida Seal of Bi-literacy in the lecture hall. Last year was the first year that the Seal of Biliteracy was awarded in Florida. NSBHS had 14 graduates last year that received this distinction. This esteemed award really helps graduates stand out to future colleges and/ or employers. It tells them that this student has intercultural competency, which is one of the top 10 employability skills in today's job market according to the U.S. Department of Labor. For more information on the Seal of Bi-literacy please follow this link to the Volusia County Schools web page http:// myvolusiaschools.org/world-languages/ Pages/Florida-Seal-of-Biliteracy.aspx. Dr. Kellermeier encouraged students to practice their language beyond the classroom and to challenge themselves and not be afraid of immersing themselves in language that is just a bit above what they can understand.



Dr. Grace Kellermeier, VCS World Languages specialist promotes the learning of languages and the Florida Seal of Bi-literacy with NSBHS World Language students.



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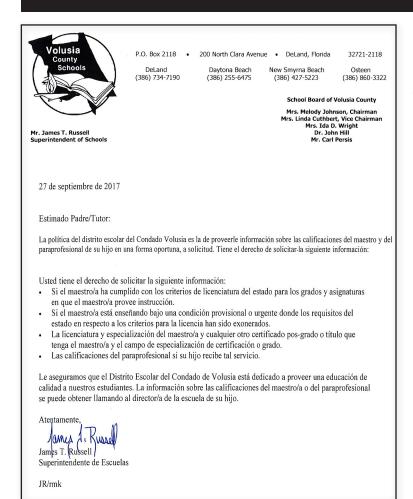
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Volleyball

The Volleyball Coaching Staff could not be any prouder of the girls and their dedication this season. The effort, energy, and discipline the junior varsity team gave was the reason they went undefeated (18-0).

The 2017- 18 Junior Varsity Volleyball Team standing left to right: Kendal Koblik, Camryn Norris, Lexi Eichorn, Daisy Looman, Alison Milliken, Shirey Brown, Izzy Osterndorf, Lucille Wemple, and Coach B. Owen. Kneeling left to right: Kasey Lane, Brooke



Kornegay, Melody Whitcomb, Karah Hanak, and Haylee Gamble.

The varsity team ended the season (17-1). They won the 2017 Jacksonville River City Volleyball Invitational and are now preparing to enter the post-season play-offs. Come out and support your New Smyrna Beach Lady Cudas Volleyball Team!



The 2017-18 Varsity Volleyball Team standing left to right: Coach B. Owen, Riley Swanson, Lula Harris, Regan Cline, Kamari Potter, Sarah Luoma, Taila Gaines, Emalee Payne, Victoria Stein, and Coach L. Smith. Kneeling left to right: Kylie Smith, Amber Schwartz,

Alyssa Guarino, Kendyl Taylor, Madison Sandy, and Brooke Taylor