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

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Student Recognitions

- Joseph Spradlin and Kori Spiropoulos have been named National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalists.
- Shilynn Higinbotham and Jadah Shockley received the Excellence Award presented by the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists.
- Ethan Laureano and Tyler Ruedlinger, members of the Boy Scout Troup 454, were recently awarded the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout.
- Hannah Arieti was recognized as one of the student VCS Volunteers of the Year for her work at Chisholm Elementary.
- Futures' 2017 Tomorrow's Leaders announced for NSBHS: Lillian Burrmitt, Tim Duguay, Sydney Meade, and Brandon Pruchnik.
- Senior student athletes signed in November to play at the college level:
 - Dawson Posick, Daytona State College for baseball
 - Zeno Schwab, Stetson University for baseball
 - April O'Gorman, Savannah College of Art Design for swimming
 - Allyson Schwartz, Florida Atlantic University for swimming and diving

Principal's Note

Dear Cuda Families!

I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing winter break. As we move into the second semester, we will be administering several state assessments and counting down to graduation. If you are not familiar with our website, please note considerable information is located there for your convenience. Please visit www.nsbhigh.com.

Parents and guardians, some students may experience a second semester let-down, where their attendance suffers and then consequently, their grades are impacted. Please encourage your student to come to school regularly. The most significant predictor of student success is attendance. We have multiple avenues of support for your student if they are having difficulties. The classroom teacher offers office hours four days a week right before lunch so that students can receive additional instruction or remediation. In addition, our school counseling office and administrative staff are here to assist you. We want all our students here every day and being successful. Please let us know how we can be of service to you.

Happy New Year,
Karen Chenoweth, 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.

Florida Future Educators of America

FFEA, or Florida Future Educators of America, is a club offering a creative learning experience for kick starting your leadership skills. The club also offers opportunities for community service hours and competitions at county and state levels. Students meet and discuss issues facing education, build relationships with like-minded peers, and are introduced to what it takes to be a teacher or leader who wish to make a difference in our future society.

The club recently elected its FFEA Officers for 2016-2017. They are, Aidia Bellafore: President, Alisabeth Bellissimo: Vice President, Paschelle Feaster: Secretary, and Brandy Smith: Treasurer. Congratulations!

Members are currently working on our NSBHS Display Board for the State Conference in January. Two students plan to attend the conference in Orlando January 20-22, 2017 to compete in the speech and essay contests. The conference is a great opportunity for FFEA members to meet other high school students from around the state and to attend workshops to hone their teaching and leadership skills.

The club is accepting new members and there is no cost to join. We hope to see the club grow this year. See you at the next meeting!

Troupe 1903 Take the Spotlight

Thespian Troupe 1903 recently participated in the annual District 3 Thespian Festival at Lyman High School from November 17-19. Here, the students competed against 33 other high schools with one-acts and individual events for top honors. The one-act *And*, directed by theatre teacher Heather Cribbs, received an excellent rating for performance and a superior in tech. All-star cast member went to Gabriella Senior and all-star crew member went to stage manager Jen Christ.

Troupe 1903 also took 20 individual events and walked about with 10 superiors and 9 excellents. Senior Jamie Davis received Best of Show for her costume construction for *Legally Blonde*. Honorable mention, a step beneath best of show, were received by Gabriella Senior for monologues, Jen Christ for makeup design and Adam Chesebro and Kyle Kuryk for their duet acting scene.

The troupe will proceed to the Florida State Thespian Festival in March. Representing 1903 will be Gabriella Senior, Darby Vessell, Sam Cridland, Brianna Bullard, Adam Chesebro, Kyle Kuryk, Gabrielle Reed and Jamie Davis.



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NSBHS 9th Annual Spooktacular T-shirt Design Competition

Smyrna Safari Club Partners with
NSBHS School of the Visual and
Performing Arts Photo Classes 2016

The School of Performing and Visual Arts and photography teacher Tina Curry are thankful for the opportunity the Smyrna Safari Club was able to host the eighth annual T-Shirt contest, "Spooktacular Paddle Battle 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 27th 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 ninth year photo students have competed in the T-shirt contest.

On the last week of October, **Tiffany Crosby Grade 12**, was awarded the winner of the contest (pictured above). 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 excellent form of publicity of his artistic talents. The club also donated \$150.00 to the photo department for printing supplies. Her 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.



Class of 2017 Senior T-Shirt Design

Several creative senior art students competed in the annual senior class T-Shirt design contest. New Smyrna Beach High School Class of 2017 proudly voted on this year's senior t-shirt designed by senior **Shannon McCaddon** an AP Photo student with several years of experience in the School of Visual and Preforming Arts at NSBHS.



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AVID
Decades of College Dreams

New Smyrna Beach High School AVID students have had an incredible year so far! Students have begun receiving offers from universities for academics and athletics. Several of our seniors have also signed on with the Air Force and the Army. In October, we visited the Raymond James Stadium in Tampa Bay, where the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and University of South Florida Bulls play their football games. We were given an in-depth tour of the careers associated with working for an NFL team, and each participant received a free NFL football ticket. In the coming months, we will be visiting Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University, University of Central Florida, and Valencia College.



Travel the World with Mrs. Everidge

Our 2017 trip to England, Ireland, Wales, and France is less than a year away. We currently have one spot available. Balance must be paid in full in March. Please contact Mrs. Everidge immediately if you are interested in traveling. www.TinyURL.com/TravelWithEveridge.

If you want to travel with us in 2019, we will be visiting England, Scotland, and France. This trip is 11 days and the current monthly payment is approximately \$135. Students must be enrolled in high school or college at the time of the trip. Parents are always welcome. Please email Mrs.



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World Languages Update

The Florida Humanities Council conducts numerous teacher workshops. Mr. Gellermann, NSBHS Spanish teacher was selected to attend La Florida: The Spanish Colonization of St. Augustine November 4th through the 6th. The lead scholar for the workshop was Dr. Michael Francis from the University of Southern Florida. He is the author of *St. Augustine, America's First City: A story of Unbroken History & Enduring Spirit*. The city of St. Augustine asked him to write this book for the commemoration of the 450th anniversary of the city.

Dr. Kathleen Deagan, Distinguished Research Curator of Archaeology and Professor of Anthropology at the University of Florida, also presented and led the group on a visit to the site of the first Spanish settlement where Pedro Menéndez de Avilés stepped ashore on September 8th 1565. This is at the location that today we know as the Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park.

Another highlight of the workshop was the presentation by St. Augustine's City Archaeologist, Carl Halbirt. He discussed many of the most significant finds connected to the Spanish-Colonial period and even took the group to the city's new archaeology lab.

Gellermann was impressed with the passion and expertise of the presenting scholars. The Spanish Colonial history of St. Augustine is much more complex than he had ever imagined. He thanks the Florida Humanities Council and Volusia County Schools' World Languages Coordinator, Dr. Grace Kellermeier; and Mrs. Karen Chenoweth, NSBHS Principal, for affording him this unique opportunity and rich learning experience.

Parents and/or community members interested in organizing an educational field study to St. Augustine please contact Mr. Gellermann cdgeller@volusia.k12.fl.us.

International Club News

On Saturday November 19th the international club picked up trash in the school parking lot. Students formed teams and did a sweep of the lot from west to east. The clean-up effort took about two hours. Club sponsor, Mrs. Guruvadoo, organized the event with Mr. Doster AP in charge of facilities and Sue McConchie our head custodian. The international club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month during office/lunch hours. New members are always welcome.



(Left to right) Marcus Scott, Bhimia Guruvadoo, Mrs. Daisy Guruvadoo, Lily Desaniers, Caitlyn Chiampou and Ciara Chiampou.



(Back row left to right) Rodney Hesselton, Bhimia Guruvadoo, Brenden Jones, Travis Sherwood, Madelyn Wilson, Ciara Chiampou, Dylan Fanelle, Cy Hesselton, Mr. Gellerman. (Front row left to right) Cy and Brenden's sisters, Lily Desaniers, Gabrielle Lawrence, Caitlyn Chiampou, Jackson Minasi and Marcus Scott.



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Run, walk, or march your way through the 2nd Annual Band On The Run 5K fundraiser for the New Smyrna Beach High School Barracuda Band! Funds from this event will support the Band & Color Guard students. The 5K will be held February 25, 2017 and will start at the NSB City Gym, 1000 Live Oak St. Adult registrations are only \$20 & students are \$15. T-shirts guaranteed for the first 150 registrations, and awards will be given to the top 3 finishers in each age group. Team registration is also available. Register on www.runsignup.com – search “Band On The run 5K”. Hope to see you there!

Veterans Visit

On Monday, November 7th, some area veterans came in to speak to the history classes here at New Smyrna Beach High School. They spoke on topics such as: what did you like most about being in the military, what is the hardest part of returning to civilian life, what job did you do in the service, if you could do it over again-would you still join the service, how did the soldiers entertain themselves, and talk about a few of your most memorable experiences; these are just some of the questions that the veterans answered. They were here all day speaking to the students. It was a memorable week as Veteran's Day was that Friday, the 11th. We are so fortunate to have these veterans take time out of their schedules to come in and share their stories from their experience in the military. The veterans in the picture are: L-R George Schramm, E-6, US Navy – Vietnam War, Mike Merritt, retired Master Gunnery Sergeant E-9, US Marine Corps – Vietnam War, Andrew Fisher, graduate of NSBHS, E-6, US Army – Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, Ken Martin, retired US Marine Corps, Colonel – Vietnam War. Not pictured but participated: Larry Poucher, US Army – Vietnam War, Gregg Whitlock, US Army – Vietnam War, Bob McCovey, US Army – Vietnam War, Matthew Reeves, US Army – Iraqi Freedom and Afghanistan and Ruth Myers, US Army – Cold War.



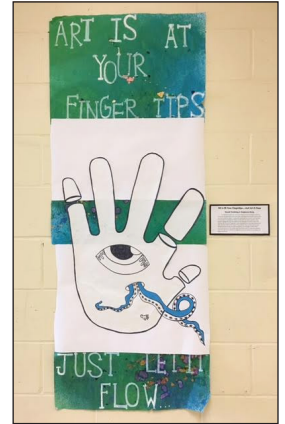
Campus Public Art Projects on Display

Students at NSBH found inspiration when walking down the Fine Art Department hallway (6A). After studying public art, students in Ms. Geyer's 2D classes created inspirational "graffiti-style" to motivate classmates and teachers when walking through building 6A. In addition to the graffiti, all art students collaborated together to create a mural outside of the classroom.

Students began this process by learning about graffiti artists Banksy and Keith Haring. After familiarizing

themselves with their specific styles, classes wrote down inspirational quotes and motivational words that they envisioned reading on the hallway walls. Once students planned their artwork and mastered their various graffiti techniques, the finished artwork filled the hallway for all to see. Students wrote artist statements to accompany their artworks to explain their artistic choices.

Kelsey Montague, another public artist, creates large murals containing wings combined with the hashtag #whatliftsyou. Her artworks depict a strong statement of positivity throughout U.S. cities. The wings look as if they are your own when standing in front of them for pictures. Classes collaborated to replicate the famous wings in the Art hallway. Each student created their own feather to ultimately create a large set of wings in the end. Students posed in front of the large mural and used the hashtag #whatliftsyou on social media. – K. Geyer



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New Smyrna Beach High School Academy Ambassadors

This year each of our six academies has a student ambassador and co-ambassador who represent our amazing academies here at New Smyrna Beach High School. These students attend district workshops, with ambassadors from other school academies, on academy marketing, rules of order for meetings, public speaking and bring these skills back to our school and community to help promote the exciting work of all of our academy students.



Recently they had the unique opportunity to speak about their academies during the education format of the local WSBB radio station. They sounded so proud and professional as they shared the achievements of each of their respective academies.

These students have all developed a one minute “elevator speech” they use when speaking to campus guests and local businesses about their academy. They will be testing their speeches and sharing their enthusiasm on December 8th at the Volusia County Fairgrounds as they speak with 8th grade students and their parents from all over Volusia County about the career academies offered at our high school. This will be the time for them show upcoming 9th graders how exciting our academies can be and how well they prepare you for your career choices.

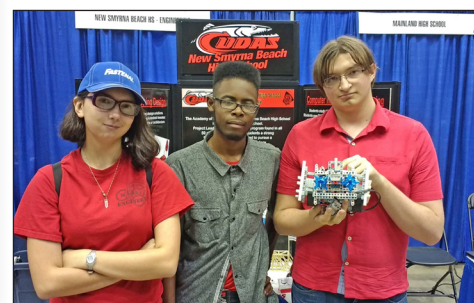
If any local organization would like to learn more about our career academies please contact Denise Johns, NSBHS Academy Facilitator at 386-424-2555 ext. 38542 or at dcjohns@volusia.k12.fl.us. Our Academy Ambassadors would love to share their speeches and tell you more about the career paths they are taking.

Engineering Academy

The Engineering Academy has been busy. The freshman class got their first taste of designing using our CAD software, Autodesk Inventor, making their puzzle cubes. Sophomores designed and built cars that could run on either solar power or hydrogen fuel cells. Juniors are learning about Boolean Algebra, and the seniors finished their assembly lines built using our Vex components.

We took a team of 3 seniors to the VMA showcase this year to build and program a robot for the annual high school competition. Jessica Silvey, Sam McBride, and Sananda Muhammad built a solid dozer that had great potential but came up short in the final run. Their final match had four draws before a winner was eventually called.

Right before Thanksgiving break we had a speaker come to talk to our freshman about UAS, unmanned aircraft systems. Better known as drones. Dr. Ken Witcher, Dean of the College of Aeronautics at Embry-Riddle University, brought an Inspire UAS to show the students how this field is growing. While he couldn't fly it because we are too close to an airport, he did take it outside and fire up the propellers. He also showed them how Embry-Riddle uses a virtual crash site to determine what caused the crash. A special thank you to Dr. Denise Bollenback, a professor at Embry-Riddle and a parent of one of our freshman, for organizing this.



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Criminal Justice Academy

We are so proud to announce that we reached Gold Level Status as an academy for the 2015-16 school year. Meaning we met all twelve of the district required standards and scored a 98 out of 100. Our academy is growing quickly and the students are becoming much more involved in the success of the academy. This year we have two amazing young ladies who stepped up and began organizing the team of students who will guiding our academy success.

Megan Lawson is a senior this year and besides being dual enrolled in college and a star dancer on our school showdolls team, she takes the time to act as our Academy Ambassador. Megan worked hard this first semester with a local vendor in designing our academy polo shirts and she did a great job. Our students should be showing off those new polos before winter break. Working with Megan this year is a very energetic sophomore, our Academy Co-Ambassador, Ladasia Powell. Ladasia will be stepping into the role of Ambassador next year.

Together these two ladies have been attending district sponsored workshops on academy marketing, public presentation skills, success strategies, and rules of order. They organized the Criminal Justice Academy Student Advisory Board and most recently they spoke about our academy on the local radio news station WSBB. In the upcoming months they will be presenting across the district to encourage incoming 9th graders to become a part of our Criminal Justice Academy.

Our goal this year of increased student ownership is being met and we will continue to grow as an academy. We are pleased to have an adult advisory board made up of local professionals in the field of criminal justice. Our board represents the courts, corrections, law enforcement and the local college. We appreciate all the community support we receive and we look forward to continuing to be one of the best career academies in Volusia County.

Megan Lawson / Ladasia Powell



Music Performance Assessment

The Barracuda Band traveled to Deland in October and performed at our Music Performance Assessment for Marching Band. The band received an Overall Superior rating which is the top rating that a band can receive at these events. These students have worked so hard over the past months to perfect this marching show and left it all on the field at Spec Martin Stadium.



Florida All-State Band

Out of hundreds and hundreds of students in the State of Florida who on September 17th traveled to audition for the Florida All-State Band, we had one senior, Hannah Messier, who made the 11-12 grade symphonic Band. Out of the hundreds of students who auditioned around the state she was one of eight that was chosen by a panel of judges. She will be traveling to Tampa in the 2nd week of January to rehearse and perform a concert with some of the best high school musicians in the state.