

WHERE LIGHTNING

SPARKS A

# LEGACY

CONNECT · LEAD · LEGACY



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Mr. Jorge Souza

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As we embrace the fourth quarter, we find ourselves in one of the most critical and defining stretches of the school year. This is a time filled with important milestones, final exams, culminating projects, and opportunities for our students to demonstrate all they have learned and how much they have grown. With that, I want to pause and emphasize something just as important as academic success: balance.

At Cypress Bay, we believe that excellence is not achieved through burnout, but through intentional habits that support the whole child. During this final stretch, I encourage all of our students to be just as committed to their well-being as they are to their studies.

Success on exams is not only about how many hours you study, but it is also about how well you take care of yourself along the way.

Please keep these priorities at the forefront:

- Sleep matters. A well-rested mind performs better, retains more information, and manages stress more effectively.
- Nutrition fuels performance. Eating balanced meals supports focus, energy, and overall health.
- Time management is key. Create a plan that allows for both dedicated study time and meaningful breaks.
- Mental wellness is essential. Take moments to reset, whether that's stepping outside, connecting with family, or simply taking a break.

To our families, thank you for your continued partnership. Your support in reinforcing healthy routines at home makes a tremendous difference during this time. To our students, I want you to know how proud we are of your hard work, resilience, and commitment. You are more prepared than you think. Trust in your effort, stay consistent, and take care of yourselves.

Let's finish this year strong, focused, balanced, and proud of all we've accomplished together as a Lightning Family!

**LET'S GO LIGHTNING!**

FOURTH QUARTER



# WHERE LIGHTNING SPARKS A LEGACY

CONNECT- LEAD-LEGACY

At Cypress Bay, “Where Lightning Sparks a Legacy,” we believe one action, one idea, or one person can create meaningful change and continue our shared tradition of excellence.

- **Connect:** Like lightning linking the sky and ground, our actions connect us to one another. A simple gesture, such as reaching out, including someone, or collaborating, can spark unity and support.
- **Lead:** The “spark” represents initiative and excellence. Taking the first step in leadership, academics, or service inspires others and sets the standard for greatness.
- **Legacy:** Our efforts leave a lasting impact. One choice can influence others, shape our school culture, and build a foundation for the future.

**Always remember, you have the power to connect, lead, and spark positive change. Be the spark. Leave your legacy.**

## SCHOOL HOURS

**Teacher hours:**

**7:15 AM to 2:45 PM**

**Conferences: M,T,TH,F**

**7:15 AM to 7:35 AM**

**Warning Bell 7:30-7:40 AM**

**Period 1/5 7:40-9:10 AM**

**Period 2/6 9:17-10:47 AM**

**Homeroom 10:47-10:57 AM**

**Period 3/7 11:04-1:08 PM**

**Period 4/8 1:15-2:45 PM**

# COGNIA STUDENT & PARENT SURVEY

## Student & Parent Survey: Your Voice Matters

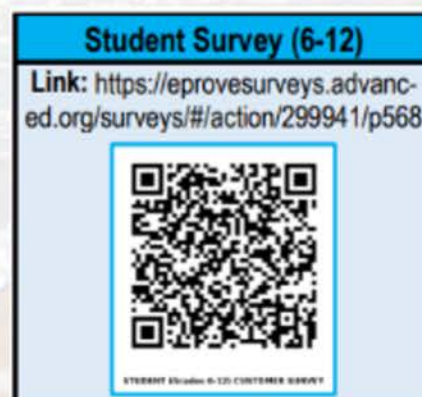
We are asking for your support in completing our annual Student & Parent Survey, an important part of our school's continuous improvement process.

In order to maintain our accreditation status with the state, schools are required to meet a minimum participation rate, and this data is closely monitored. Your feedback is not only valued, but it is also essential.

The survey can be completed by scanning the QR code. It takes just a few minutes, but the impact is significant.

Your responses are part of our official school data and help us make decisions that support our students, strengthen our programs, and enhance our school community.

Thank you for your continued partnership and for helping us meet this important goal.



# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

## ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS

Cypress Bay Athletics continues to shine with an exceptional season of achievement across multiple programs, reflecting the dedication, discipline, and competitive spirit of our student-athletes and coaches.

- **Boys Soccer:** Our Boys Soccer team captured the District Championship title and advanced deep into postseason play as Regional Finalists, demonstrating resilience, teamwork, and consistent high-level performance throughout the season.
- **Girls Soccer:** The Girls Soccer program delivered an extraordinary season, earning titles as District Champions, Regional Champions, and State Finalists. Their success reflects elite skill, determination, and a commitment to excellence. We also celebrate Head Coach Kate Dwyer on achieving her 350th career win, a remarkable milestone that speaks to her leadership and lasting impact on the program.
- **Boys Basketball:** The Boys Basketball team secured the title of District Champions, showcasing strong teamwork, discipline, and competitive consistency throughout the season.
- **Girls Basketball:** Our Girls Basketball team advanced to become Regional Qualifiers, demonstrating growth, perseverance, and a strong competitive presence in postseason play.
- **Wrestling:** Congratulations to our Individual District Champions, Timo Nikolopoulos and Mason Gonzalez, whose hard work, strength, and dedication earned them top honors in their respective weight classes.
- **Lacrosse:** Both our Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams earned the title of Independent League Champions, a testament to their commitment, teamwork, and relentless effort throughout the season.



# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

## ROTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

- **February: Franxio Colon**

Recognized for his leadership, dedication, and positive impact on the school community.

- **March: Alexandra Nunez**

A three-year member of our Girls Lacrosse program, president of our National Honor Society chapter, and a passionate advocate for adults with autism.

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION

- **Student Government Association**

Led a high-energy fundraiser that raised \$ 33,866 for Children's Miracle Network, demonstrating leadership, school spirit, and a strong commitment to making a positive impact.

- **Spanish Club Gives Back**

The Spanish Club at Cypress Bay High School raised over \$1,000 through a car wash fundraiser to support students in underserved communities in Peru.

- **Marine Society Service**

Members of our Marine Society participated in a beach cleanup, demonstrating environmental stewardship and a commitment to giving back to our community.

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Outstanding Senior Leaders**

Four of our lightning leaders were recognized at the annual District ceremony.

- **Cambridge Success**

We celebrated an incredible milestone as 190 students earned the prestigious AICE Cambridge Diploma, reflecting years of dedication, perseverance, and commitment to academic excellence.



# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



## FINE ARTS & MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

### • Solo & Ensemble Success

Congratulations to our Cypress Bay Band students who participated in the FBA District Solo & Ensemble MPA!

With nearly 60 events entered, our students delivered an exceptional performance, earning an impressive 78 Superior medals: a true reflection of their dedication, discipline, and musical excellence.

We are also proud to share that 14 soloists and 10 ensembles have qualified for the State Solo & Ensemble MPA, advancing to the next level of competition.

These accomplishments highlight the strength of our band program and the commitment of our students and directors. We look forward to cheering them on as they continue to represent Cypress Bay with pride!

### • Jazz Band Excellence

Congratulations to the Cypress Bay High School Jazz Bands on an outstanding performance at the FBA District Jazz MPA!

Cypress Bay was the only school to have three jazz bands participate: an incredible accomplishment that reflects the strength and depth of our music program.

- Jazz Bands 2 and 3 earned straight Excellent ratings
- Jazz Band 1, our top ensemble, received a straight Superior rating and has qualified for the State Jazz MPA



# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



- **Band & Winter Guard Excellence**

Congratulations to the Cypress Bay High School Band Program on an exceptional showing at the FBA District Concert Band MPA!

Both the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble earned straight Superior ratings, a remarkable accomplishment and the second time in the past three years that Cypress Bay has achieved this distinction. As a result, both ensembles have qualified for the FBA State Concert Band MPA this May.



We also celebrate the success of our Winter Guard teams at their recent competition:

Varsity Winter Guard "Lightning" – 1st Place in their division

JV Winter Guard "Thunder" – 3rd Place in their division



- **Craig and Barbara Weiner Holocaust Reflection Contest**

Congratulations to Sofya Titovia for being named First Place winner in the Art category, earning this distinguished recognition among talented students across the region. Her work reflects not only artistic excellence but also deep thought, empathy, and a meaningful engagement with history.



As part of this honor, Sofya will be awarded a \$1,000 prize at the Awards Ceremony on Sunday, April 12, 2026. We also extend our congratulations to her teacher, Elizabeth Jenkins, who will be recognized at the ceremony for her guidance and dedication in supporting student success.



# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



- **Visual Arts Success :** Isabella Gutierrez was awarded Honorable Mention for her piece "Seafarers" at the Superintendent's Advanced Academics Art Exhibit at the Coral Springs Museum of Art. 14 of our students had their work juried into this prestigious exhibit. Twenty Five art students had their work juried into the NSU Museum of Art Teen Exhibit: Lost and Found. The opening Reception was held March 5th at the Museum. Ms Jenkins, Ms Malone, and Ms Beckenhauer Pino are very proud of their accomplishments!! For young artists to have their work at nationally recognized museums is a great achievement.
- **Envirothon Success:** Cypress Bay made an impressive debut at the Southeast Regional Envirothon, where our inaugural team, the Lightning Loams, showcased strong knowledge and teamwork, earning an outstanding 4th place finish in Broward County.
- **CBTV Excellence:** Our CBTV students delivered a historic performance at the Student Television Network (STN) Excellence Awards, earning recognition for their creativity, collaboration, and high-quality production work on a national stage.
- **Speech & Debate Achievement:** A team of 24 students competed at the Florida Forensic League State Championships at UCF, delivering one of our strongest performances in recent years and continuing to elevate our Speech & Debate program.
- **DECA Dominance:** Cypress Bay's DECA students brought home an incredible 45 awards, including multiple 1st place finishes, and qualified in numerous categories for the International Career Development Conference (ICDC).

# THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



- **Chorus Recognition:** Our chorus students continue to raise the bar, earning All-State and All-County honors and delivering outstanding performances at MPA, showcasing their talent and commitment to the arts.
- **Special Olympics Event:** Cypress Bay was honored to host a Special Olympics event, bringing together students for a day of competition, connection, and celebration, highlighting the power of inclusion and community.
- **World Languages Achievement:** Our World Language students excelled in competition, earning awards across multiple languages and demonstrating their ability to communicate and compete on a global level.
- **JROTC Military Ball:** Our JROTC program hosted a memorable Military Ball, where cadets demonstrated leadership, discipline, and pride, celebrating the strong culture and tradition of the program.
- **Model UN Success:** During Spring Break, our Model UN team competed at FIU, earning multiple awards while showcasing exceptional skills in diplomacy, collaboration, and global problem-solving.
- **College & Career Readiness:** Our Spring College Night welcomed over 60 representatives from colleges, universities, and the armed forces, providing students and families valuable opportunities to explore post-secondary pathways.



## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: SOCIAL PERSONAL SKILLS

Our Social Personal Skills class, led by Support Facilitator Mr. Sedell and Speech-Language Pathologist Mrs. Contreras, continues to be a standout program that exemplifies innovation, collaboration, and student-centered success.

Through engaging lessons, hands-on projects, and meaningful real-world experiences, students are building essential skills in communication, self-advocacy, independence, and confidence. The program is intentionally designed to bridge classroom learning with real-life application, giving students authentic opportunities to practice critical life skills in community-based settings.

In partnership with the HDS Foundation, students extend their learning beyond the classroom, preparing for success not only in school, but also in their communities and future endeavors after graduation.

We are incredibly proud of the growth we continue to see in our students and the lasting impact this program makes each and every day.



## SENIORS SECTION

**April 22nd and 27th:** Mandatory senior graduation presentations during 4th and 8th period (1:15 pm -2:00 pm)

**April 24th:** Grad Bash (11:34 am-6 am 4/25)

**April 28th:** Senior College Decision Day (Lunches)

**May 12th:** Senior Awards and top 5% celebration (5 pm top 5%ers and 6 pm for senior awards)

**May 15th:** Yearbook Senior Signing Party (1st and 2nd Period 7:40 am-10:57 am)

**May 16th:** Senior prom City of Stars Theme (6 pm-11 pm)

**May 18-21st:** Senior Exams

**May 18-21st:** Senior Spirit Week

**May 18th:** Senior Sunset (7 pm - 8:30 pm)

**May 19th:** Sign the School (before classes start and lunches)

**May 20th:** Senior Luncheon/Picnic (all lunches)

**May 21st:** Senior celebration, bring shaving cream!

**May 28th:** Cap and Gown Distribution (8 am-2 pm)

**June 1st:** Graduation: please arrive by 7:00 am and report to your assigned seat.



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GRADUATION**

**JUNE 1 @ 9 AM**



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SENIOR CLASS  
CANVAS COURSE

## SURFING WITH SOUZA

Surfing with Souza is our reimagined Check & Connect initiative designed to strengthen student connection by placing student voice, ideas, and perspectives at the center of everything we do. This initiative creates intentional space for students to be heard, valued, and supported as active partners in shaping their school experience.

Just like riding the waves, Surfing with Souza recognizes that each student's journey is different. Through meaningful conversations, mentorship, and consistent check-ins, we meet students where they are, celebrating progress, navigating challenges, and building resilience together. By fostering trust and authentic relationships, we empower students to find balance, confidence, and direction as they ride the waves of academic and personal growth.



# 2026 APRIL

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		<p>1</p> <p><b>SAT School Day</b> All 11th Grade</p> <p><b>Writing BEST</b> All 9th &amp; 10th Grade</p>	2	3
		MODIFIED BELL SCHEDULE	PROFESSIONAL STUDY	SCHOOLS CLOSED
6	<p>7</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 19 students <b>Art and Design</b></p>	<p>8</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 19 students <b>Art and Design</b></p>	<p>9</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 19 students <b>Art and Design</b></p> <p><b>Writing Make Up</b></p>	<p>10</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 19 students <b>Art and Design</b></p>
EMPLOYEE PLANNING	Total Students Testing: 19	Total Students Testing: 19	Total Students Testing: 19	Total Students Testing: 19
13	<p>14</p> <p><b>SAT Make Up</b></p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 67 students <b>Info Tech AS Practical</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 67</p>	<p>16</p> <p><b>CTE Industry Certification Testing</b></p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>CTE Industry Certification Testing</b></p>
20	<p>21</p> <p><b>Florida Civics Literacy Exam</b> Seniors enrolled in Government (H)</p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 3 students <b>Info Tech A Practical</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 3</p>	<p>23</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 1009 students <b>English General Paper</b></p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 86 students <b>Marine Science</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 1095</p>	<p>24</p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 22 students <b>French Language</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 22</p>
<p>27</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 745 students <b>English Lang</b></p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 322 students <b>Thinking Skills AS*</b> <b>Spanish Lang &amp; Lit</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 1067</p>	<p>28</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 197 students <b>Psychology AS</b></p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 206 students <b>Enviro Management</b> <b>Marine Science*</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 403</p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 1286 students <b>English General Paper</b> <b>Literature in English AS</b></p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 29 students <b>Math AS--Pure Math 1</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 1315</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>7:40 AM</b> 197 students <b>Psychology AS</b></p> <p><b>11:40 AM</b> 17 students <b>Travel and Tourism</b></p> <p>Total Students Testing: 214</p>	

# 2026 MAY

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
				1 7:40 AM 414 students Global Perspective AS  11:40 AM 583 students Spanish Lang AS* Thinking Skills AS  Total Students Testing: 997
4 7:40 AM 871 students AP Biology English Language AS  11:40 AM 314 students AP European History* AP Microeconomics* Enviro Management AS  Total Students Testing: 1185	5 7:40 AM 131 students AP Chemistry AP Human Geo  11:40 AM 897 students AP US Gov & Politics* Business AS* European History AS US History AS  Total Students Testing: 1028	6 7:40 AM 295 students AP English Lit Media Studies AS  11:40 AM 511 students AP Comp Gov & Politics* AP Physics 1 Algebra* Math A--Prob & Stats 2* Math AS--Pure Math 2* Thinking Skills A  Total Students Testing: 806	7 7:40 AM 44 students AP Physics 2 Algebra AP World History  11:40 AM 416 students AP Statistics* European History AS US History AS  Total Students Testing: 460	8 7:40 AM 337 students AP Italian Lang AP US History English Lang A  11:40 AM 788 students AP Chinese Lang* AP Macroeconomics* Computer Science AS Info Tech AS* Spanish Lang & Lit A Spanish Lang (Listening)  Total Students Testing: 1125
11 7:40 AM 582 students AP Calculus AB AP Calculus BC Literature in English AS  11:40 AM 970 students AP Music Theory* AP Seminar* Business AS* Spanish Lang & Lit A* Spanish Language MC* Thinking Skills A  Total Students Testing: 1552	12 Algebra 1 & Geo BEST 1463 Students  7:40 AM 425 students AP French Lang AP Precalculus Psychology A  11:40 AM 286 students AP Psychology* Sociology AS Math AS--Prob & Stats 1  Total Students Testing: 2174	13 ELA PM 3 Grade 9 & 10 2211 Students  7:40 AM 292 students AP English Lang Biology AS  11:40 AM 169 students AP Physics C Mech* AP Spanish Lit* Business A Computer Science AS  Total Students Testing: 2672	14 Bio & US History EOC 1716 Students  7:40 AM 263 students AP Art History AP Spanish Lang Psychology A  11:40 AM 140 students AP Comp Sci Principles* AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism*  Total Students Testing: 2119	15 7:40 AM 140 students AP Enviro Sci  11:40 AM 157 students AP Comp Sci A* Math A--Pure Math 3 Sociology AS  Total Students Testing: 297
MODIFIED BELL SCHEDULES				
18 7:40 AM 40 students AP Comp Gov (Makeup) Media Studies A  11:40 AM 78 students AP English Lit (Makeup)* French Lang (Listening) Business A  Total Students Testing: 118	19 7:40 AM 162 Students English Lang A Make Up: AP US Gov & Politics  11:40 AM 33 students Computer Science A Info Tech A Make Up: AP US History*  Total Students Testing: 195	20 7:40 AM 19 students Make Up: AP Seminar AP Micro Ap Stats  11:40 AM 20 students Make Up: AP Biology* AP Chemistry* AP French Lang* AP Macro*  Total Students Testing: 39	21 7:40 AM 9 students Computer Science A Practical Make Up: AP Chinese Lang AP English Lang AP Music Theory AP Pre Calculus AP Comp Sci Principles 11:40 AM 70 students French Lang (Multiple Choice) Make Up: AP History* AP Cal AB & BC* AP Physics C: Mech* AP Italian Lang* AP Physics 2: Alg* AP Art History*  Total Students Testing: 79	22 7:40 AM 39 students Make Up: AP Enviro Sci AP Physics 1 Alg AP Spanish Lit AP Spanish Lang  11:40 AM 11 students Make Up: AP Computer Sci A* AP Physics C Elec & Mag* AP Psychology*  Total Students Testing: 50
SENIOR FINAL EXAMS				EARLY RELEASE
25 SCHOOLS CLOSED	26 7:40 AM 16 students Biology AS (Practical - Advanced)  11:40 AM 15 students Sociology A  Total Students Testing: 31	27	28 11:40 AM 15 students Sociology A  Total Students Testing: 15	29          <b>FINAL</b> Exams

Saturday



# STUDENT IDS & LANYARDS

Each student receives one school lanyard and three student ID cards at no cost.

After the third replacement ID, a \$5 obligation will be added to the student's account for each additional card.

If a student needs a replacement lanyard, the cost is \$3 each.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Underclassmen Awards:** April 28, 2026

**PTSA Lightning Awards of Excellence:** May 7, 2026

**Top 5% & Senior Awards:** May 12, 2026

**SAC/ SAF Meetings:**

April 14, 2026

May 12, 2026

**Last Day for Seniors:**

May 21, 2026

**End of the 4th Quarter:**

June 3, 2026

## Major State Exam Dates with Modified Bell Schedule

(Refer to the testing calendar for all other exams)

**May 12:** Algebra and Geometry (all students enrolled in these courses)

**May 13:** ELA PM3 ( all 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students )

**May 14:** Biology and U.S. History ( all students enrolled in these courses, including AP U.S. History and Cambridge U.S. History)

### *Modified Bell Schedules - State Testing*

May 12th	May 13th	May 14th
<b>Algebra I &amp; Geometry BEST</b>	<b>ELA FAST Grade 9/10 PM3</b>	<b>US History &amp; Biology EOC</b>
P 1 Block(No P2) 7:40 - 11:24 Juniors with privilege report at 11:24	P 5 Block(No P6) 7:40 - 10:57 Juniors with privilege report at 11:04	P 2 Block(No P1) 7:40 - 10:57 No junior privilege on this day
P 3 11:34 - 1:08	P 7 11:04 - 1:08	P 3 11:04 - 1:08
Lunch A 11:34 - 12:04	Lunch A 11:04 - 11:34	Lunch A 11:04 - 11:34
Class A 12:06 - 1:08	Class A 11:36 - 1:08	Class A 11:36 - 1:08
Class B 11:34 - 12:04	Class B 11:04 - 11:34	Class B 11:04 - 11:34
Lunch B 12:04 - 12:34	Lunch B 11:34 - 12:04	Lunch B 11:34 - 12:04
Class B 12:36 - 1:08	Class B 12:06 - 1:08	Class B 12:06 - 1:08
Class C 11:34 - 12:34	Class C 11:04 - 12:04	Class C 11:04 - 12:04
Lunch C 12:34 - 1:08	Lunch C 12:04 - 12:34	Lunch C 12:04 - 12:34
P 4 1:15 - 2:45	Class C 12:36 - 1:08	Class C 12:36 - 1:08
<b>May 12<sup>th</sup> Lunch Changes</b>	Class D 11:04 - 12:34	Class D 11:04 - 12:34
Lunch A - 400s, 800s, & MODs	Lunch D 12:34 - 1:08	Lunch D 12:34 - 1:08
Lunch B - 900s	P 8 1:15 - 2:45	P 4 1:15 - 2:45
Lunch C - 100s, 200s, 300s, & GYM	<b>May 13<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup> - NO Changes to Lunch</b>	
	Lunch A - 200s, 300s	Lunch B - 900s
	Lunch C - 800s & MODS	Lunch D - 100s, 400s, & GYM

# DIGITAL STUDENT SIGN-OUT PROCEDURES

Cypress Bay has launched a digital student sign-out process to improve efficiency and reduce paper use. Parents will continue to follow regular sign-out procedures, while students must now use the BCPS Connect App to verify release.

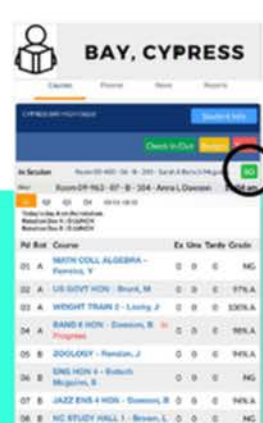
Students should:

- Download the BCPS Connect App
- Log in using "Login with Microsoft" and their student number followed by @my.browardschools.com
- Present the confirmation screen at the White Gate when leaving campus

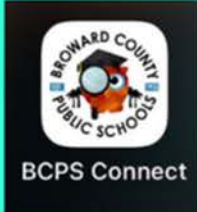


Note: Students with phones registered outside the U.S. will need to contact their carrier to switch registration before downloading the app.

Thank you for helping us move toward a fully digital, eco-friendly system!

## Senior Privilege and All Sign Outs



Prd	Course	Ex	Use	Trfy	Grade
01	A MATH COLL ALGEBRA - Placement, Y	0	0	0	NG
02	A US GOVT HON - Brook, M	0	0	0	PTA
03	A WEIGHT TRAIN 2 - Lacey, P	0	0	0	SKLA
04	A BAND & HON - Cassens, B Program	0	0	0	SKLA
05	B BIOLOGY - Franklin, J	0	0	0	TKLA
06	B ENG HON 4 - Stubb Majors, S	0	0	0	NG
07	B JAZZ ENS 4 HON - Cassens, B	0	0	0	TKLA
08	B NO STUDY HALL 1 - Brown, L	0	0	0	NG

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**Senior Privilege Release times are either 12:34-12:40 or 1:08-1:15**

# SAFETY & SECURITY

BCPS Elevates Campus Safety with CENTEGIX CrisisAlert Badges worn by all staff members.

Broward County Public Schools is proud to introduce the cutting-edge CENTEGIX CrisisAlert system. This advanced wearable technology, aligned with the requirements of Alyssa's Law, reinforces our district's unwavering commitment to protecting every student and staff member. With the simple push of a button, personnel can immediately signal for help during critical situations, including medical emergencies, student altercations, or potential campus threats. Once activated, the system instantly triggers on-site alerts, flashing strobe lights, desktop screen takeovers, and intercom announcements, ensuring swift communication and coordinated response across the entire campus.

This powerful safety solution enhances real-time awareness and response, placing actionable tools directly in the hands of those on the front lines. CENTEGIX CrisisAlert represents a significant step forward in creating a secure, responsive, and supportive school environment for all.

All students must enter the campus through the main white gate, where they will be screened using metal detectors. Certain items, like laptops, umbrellas, musical instruments, large eyeglass cases, and three-ring binders, will trigger alerts and must be screened separately by security staff. Parents should remind students to bring only necessary items and avoid prohibited items. For more information please visit:

<https://www.browardschools.com/metaldetectors>

There are various tip reporting methods that we encourage you to use. Please click the following link to access all tip reporting tools: <https://www.browardschools.com/securitytips>

Additional tip reporting tools and information below.



**ID'S MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES!**

# ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is a key factor in a child's academic success. Regular attendance is when a student attends more than 95% of the academic school year; this may include up to 8 absences in a 180-day school year. For all attendance matters, please go to: <https://www.browardschools.com/attendance>

## SCHOOL COUNSELING

Counselors are assigned by the students' last name. Counselors can be contacted via email which can be found on our school's website.

### Social Workers

Grace Carreto-Nagales  
Victoria Skiba

### School Psychologist

Ilisa Bianco

### Family Therapist

Annie Vargas

2025-2026 Counselor Breakdown	
<b>THORPE</b>	Director VIE-Z ; NAU-ROL
<b>LONGHI</b>	<b>A-CAR</b>
<b>VERONICK</b>	<b>CAS-FRA</b>
<b>WILSON</b>	<b>FRB-KO</b>
<b>MARTINEZ</b>	<b>KP-NAT</b>
<b>SMART</b>	<b>ROM-VID</b>

Revised: February 3, 2026



# Cypress Bay High School



## 25/26 GOLD (A) / BLUE (B) DAY CALENDAR

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
<del>4</del>	<del>5</del>	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28
29				

SEPTEMBER				
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5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14
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- # Early Release Day
- Professional Study Day
- School Closed
- Exam Day
- A Day    ■ B Day
- ▨ Planning Day
- ★ Last Day of Quarter



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**BROWARD**  
County Public Schools

# See Something, Say Something

## Be a Broward Buddy, Report a Tip!

In an emergency, call 911 immediately. To submit a safety or security concern that is not an emergency, please use one of the tip reporting methods provided below. Please remember you can choose to remain anonymous.



### Anonymous Tip Submission Box

Submit a tip easily via our Anonymous Tip Submission Box (**no download required**). Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc.



[BrowardSchools.com/SecurityTips](https://www.browardschools.com/SecurityTips)



### Call Us Anytime (Even on Holidays)

Call our District Security Operations Center (DSOC) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (including holidays). One of our friendly DSOC Specialists will take your tip over the phone and submit it immediately to our investigators. Please let the DSOC Specialist know if you wish to remain anonymous.

**754-321-3500**



### Send Us an Email

Submit a tip using the email address below. Although your email address is displayed using this tip reporting method, you can choose to remain anonymous by simply requesting it in your message.

[SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com](mailto:SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com)



### FortifyFL

Submit a tip via FortifyFL online (**no download required**) or download the app for easier use. Visit FortifyFL using the link below. Your tip will immediately reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.



[GetFortifyFL.com](https://www.getfortify.com)



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# ALYSSA'S ALERT

## Mobile Duress Alert App

Alyssa's Alert is a mobile duress alert application that empowers staff members to immediately notify first responders in the event of an emergency. Receive potentially life-saving aid with the push of a button.

### Speed Crisis Response

Upon activation\*, local first responders & District personnel receive an immediate notification of the emergency.

### Easy to Use

Select one of the three buttons (shown right) to activate Alyssa's Alert. Assistance will immediately be dispatched to your location.\*\*

### Stay Connected

Administrators will be able to push important updates regarding an emergency situation to anyone who has downloaded Alyssa's Alert.

\*Duress buttons can only be activated while physically on school property.  
\*\*ONLY first responders may access location information upon button activation. Under no other circumstances is location information accessible.

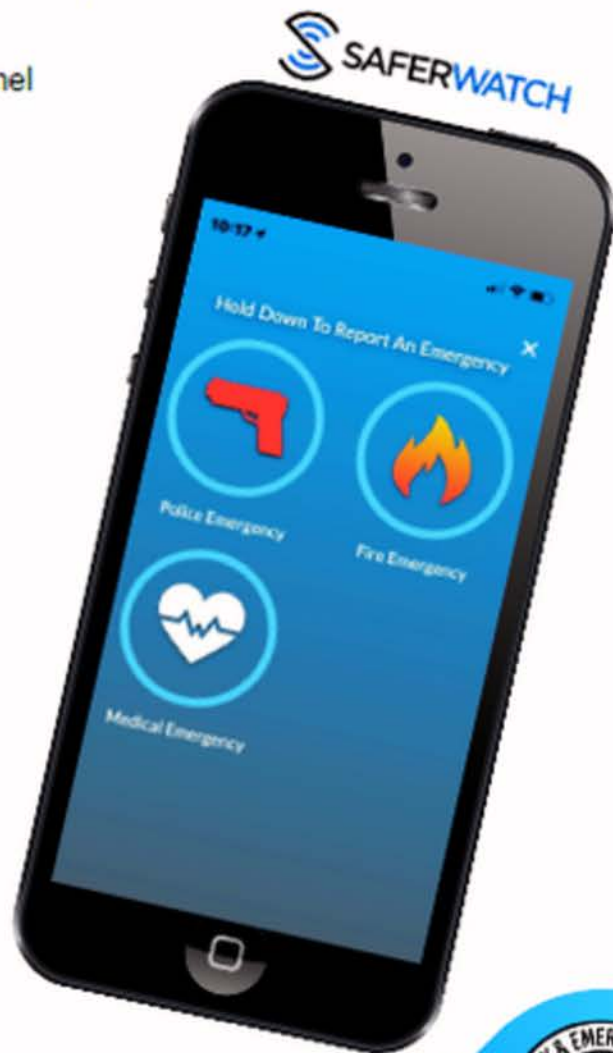
### DOWNLOAD THE APP NOW

*Scan this Code*



*Look for this icon*

Search for "SaferWatch"



Visit [Learning Across Broward](#) and search for "Alyssa's Alert" under the "Courses" tab to learn more about using Alyssa's Alert in the event of an emergency.



# PTSA

## Why Your Involvement with the Cypress Bay PTSA Matters

At Cypress Bay, our PTSA is far more than a parent-teacher group; it's a unified community force dedicated to supporting students, empowering families, and strengthening our school's impact. By joining the PTSA through tools like Givebacks.com, you're plugging into a powerful platform of involvement that makes a real difference. ([cypressbayptsa.givebacks.com](http://cypressbayptsa.givebacks.com))

## Easy Access and Seamless Giving

When parents and the community come together, great things happen for our students. The Cypress Bay PTSA supports academic programs, student events, teacher appreciation, scholarships, and more.

Joining the Cypress Bay PTSA shows that you believe in the power of collaboration and are ready to support our future leaders. Membership is now open through the Givebacks platform: it's fast, secure, and flexible. Whether you're eager to donate, volunteer, or simply stay connected—there's a place for you here.

Together, we can shape an exceptional school environment where every child has the opportunity to thrive.

## Join the PTSA—we need you!

We kindly seek your participation: Parents, teachers, and students have the opportunity to join the PTSA through a contribution of \$18. Just scan the QR code to join!

Your participation makes a meaningful difference for our school and children.

