

# **Bobcat Pride**

**Buchholz High School** Gainesville, FL

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November 2012

## FLUMIST

FLUMIST is coming to Buchholz High School Thursday, November 15th. Get your forms in by Monday, November 12, 2012 to receive your FluMist.

It's not too late to turn in your FluMist Consent form to have a chance for your homeroom to win a Domino's Pizza Party (First 4 homerooms will qualify). Don't forget, everyone who turns in a consent form gets a coupon for a free ice cream at Sweet Dreams. Bring in your signed consent form even if the answer is NO in order to qualify for both the pizza party and the free ice cream.

As of this date, Ms. Brother's and Mr. Gallagher's homeroom classes have reach 100%.

## YEARBOOKS

#### Reserve your copy now!!

Do you have a graduating senior? Consider surprising your student with a Senior ad in this year's book.

#### visit http://www.community.pictavo.com

Order homecoming and sporting event photos online at www.yearbookcandids.com

-Did you miss out on ordering your student's school photos

For underclass photos parents can go to www.swiphoto.com/pictureday, please contact us with any questions 1-800-226-0453

Senior pictures, order your pictures before November 2nd to ensure the delivery of your package before the Christmas holidays.



## **EMERGENCY CARDS**

If you have not filled out your student's emergency card, please do so as soon as possible. If you have lost your papers stop by the front office and complete them TODAY!!!!



**District Champs ~ Regional Champs** Good Luck at State!!!!

## **Important Dates**

Mon, November 5 Fri, November 9 Wed. November 21 November 22 - 23 Tues. December 4 Dec 20 - Jan 2 Thurs, January 3 Mon, January 14 Tues, January 15. Fri, January 18 Mon, January 21 Mon, January 28 Fri, February 15. Mon, February 18. Mon, February 25 Fri. March 22 March 25 - 29 Mon. April 1 Thurs, April 4. Tues, May 7. Mon, May 27 Tues. June 4

**Report Cards Home** Holiday - UF Homecoming NO School Thanksgiving Holidays Interim Reports Home Winter Holidays (10 weekdays) **Classes Resume** End of First Semester **Begin Second Semester** Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday Holiday - ML King Day Send Report Cards Home Pupil Holiday/Teacher Holiday Holiday - Presidents' Day Interim Reports Home End of Third Nine Weeks Spring Holidays (5 weekdays) Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday **Report Cards Home** Interim Reports Home Holiday - Memorial Day Last Day for Students



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### **ATTENTION PARENTS**

For your child's protection, BHS policy restricts contact with students to parents/legal guardians and those persons who have been authorized by the parents/legal guardians. "Contact" includes checking a student out of school, asking to speak to a student, or making deliveries of any kind (i.e. homework, gym clothes, etc.). This policy covers all "non-parents" including immediate family (siblings, grandparents, uncles, aunts), as well as friends, neighbors, etc. This policy means only those visitors that have been pre-approved by parents may have contact with students. Nonparents can be approved by listing those names on your child's signed emergency card. If you have any questions, please contact BHS at 955-6702.

### **BRIGHT FUTURES APPLICATION**

During the first three weeks of January all seniors will have the opportunity to complete the online application called Financial Aid Application in a computer session during their English class. While the State of Florida uses this single on-line application for a number of scholarship programs, it is the Bright Futures Application. Additional information about other scholarships and financial aid will also be discussed during these sessions. We will not be working on the FAFSA (the Federal Financial Aid Application) during this session although the FAFSA is now required to receive any Bright Futures Scholarship monies. Pertinent websites are: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org and www.fafsa.ed.gov

For more scholarships visit the BHS website Guidance- Financial Aid page

#### **BRIGHT FUTURES COMMUNITY** SERVICE HOURS

Please take note that as of August 20, 2012 the district has mandated that ALL community service hours be pre-approved by the guidance office before your child volunteers. The form must then be turned into the guidance office within 30 days.

Students are responsible for turning in their service hours to the guidance office, it is not your club sponsor's job and they will not do it.

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## PLAN TEST

Buchholz will be administering the PLAN (Pre-ACT Test and Career Interest Inventory) to all 10th graders on Monday, November 19, 2012 during 1-4 periods. This is the only date of this administration. The PLAN is free and all sophomores are included in the administration, so signing up is not necessary. Taking the PLAN is a great way to prepare for the ACT, know if your test results are on track for college, and help students find potential careers that match their interests. Students should bring #2 lead pencils and a calculator on this date. More information about the PLAN is available at www.planstudent.org

## P.E.R.T. TEST

During the 2011 legislative session, section 1008.30, Florida Statutes, was revised as a result of the passing of House Bill 1255 to expand college placement testing by requiring administration to high school students scoring within specified ranges on the 10th grade FCAT. The legislation also requires high schools to provide postsecondary preparatory instruction for students who do not meet or exceed the approved test scores.

The PERT tests Reading, Writing, and Math skills, and is mandated for all 11th graders by Florida State Statute 1008.30. We will be giving the P.E.R.T. testing during March 2013. More information about the test can be found at the Florida Department of Education website (www.fldoe.org).

Students who do not meet the state's standards will be required to take college readiness courses during their senior year.



We would like to "Furniture thank Kingdom" for decorating and donating NEW furniture to our faculty and staff Mothers New Room.

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Target and Take	Charge of Education®	<b>INCOMING FRESHMAN</b>		
Target will donate 1% of your REDcard purchases at Target and Target.com to Buchholz High school. Now the REDcard saves you 5% on top of our already low prices on every Target shopping trip, eve- ry day. As soon as you're approved, the savings begin. Here's how to sign up for the Take Charge of Educa- tion program: Target Credit Card® and Target Visa® Credit Card holders • Enroll online https://redcard.target.com/redcard/ rc_main.jsp • Call 1-800-316-6142 • Enroll at an in-store kiosk To date 68 Buchholz families are participating		SHADOWING We invite prospective freshman to shad- ow a Buchholz student for a day. If you are interested please contact Mrs. Berry- man at 352-955-6702 or berry- mma@gm.sbac.edu to schedule a time between November 26– December 7 and January 7– February 22. Do you have an incoming freshman or know of anyone interested in Buchholz for the upcoming school year? Plan to attend our Freshman Open Houses • Academy Open House Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup> @ 6 pm • AP and Honors Open House Feb. 4 <sup>th</sup> @ 6 pm		
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#### Attendance Policies: SIGNING IN/OUT

#### IN

Students arriving to campus after 8:30 am must sign-in in the attendance office and receive a yellow admit slip.

#### OUT

Students who drive must sign-out in the attendance office before leaving campus. To release your student from school please contact the attendance office by phone or in person. We **do not** accept written notes to release students from school.

Students being picked up from school will need their parent/guardian to come to the attendance office, present a picture ID, and sign them out. If anyone other than a parent/guardian is picking up the student please inform the attendance office in advance.

### **ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION**

BHS and Alachua County Public Schools requires that the administration of all medications on school property (prescription and over-thecounter) must be done by a school employee. The required forms to provide for the routine or occasional administration of medication are available at the BHS Clinic.

### **DELIVERIES FOR STUDENTS**

Parents! If your student expects, or even suspects, that you are bringing him or her something that they left at home, please ask them to stop by the front office and simply ask if mom or dad has left something for them. Of course, if your student has no clue that something is being dropped off, we will gladly send for him or her. We ask that students drop by the front office to pick up their items because every time we have to send for a student, we interrupt a class, and we try to disrupt classes as little as possible. Please note: We only accept items from someone who is listed on the student's emergency card - so if a brother, sister, aunt, uncle, grandmother, grandfather, or friend is asked to bring your student a lunch, project or any other item left at home, please be sure that these names ARE LISTED on your student's emergency card.

## **EMERGENCY CARDS**

If you have not filled out your student's emergency card, please do so as soon as possible.

The Emergency Card provides vital information about your child in your absence. While medical emergencies at school are rare, they do happen. If your child is experiencing a medical emergency, the Emergency Card gives the school information about who to contact and how to contact them. Further, it provides information concerning medications and hospital preferences should it become necessary to transport your child to the hospital. If your child experiences a medical emergency at school, we want to make sure we can let you know about it. Please ensure we will be able to contact you or your representative by completing and returning the school Emergency Card.

As well as giving the school information concerning medical emergencies, the Emergency Card provides information regarding deliveries for students. We are not allowed to accept items from ANY-ONE who is NOT listed on the card. We ask that you list ANYONE who you wish to have access to your student. This means that only parents and anyone listed on the emergency card are allowed to speak to your student or bring an item to your student.



#### HOW TO UPDATE YOUR NEW ADDRESS

In order to change or update your address, you will need two (2) proofs of address Some examples of a proof of address are: lease, mortgage, a utility bill, a cable bill, or a HOME phone bill (not a cellular phone bill). If you have any question about your address change (update), please contact the Zon-

ing Department at 352-955-7700. **Please note:** Simply writing your new address on the emergency card does NOT correct your address in the school system.



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#### TEACHER AND STAFF HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

PTSA will be hosting a holiday luncheon for Buchholz Teachers, Staff, and Administration on Wednesday, December 5th during A and B lunches. We serve soup, salad, desserts and drinks to over 200 teachers and staff, including the cafeteria crew and custodians. Parents provide the soups in crock pots or provide desserts. If you would like to volunteer to cook, bake or set up for this event, please contact Anne Murray at 377-3967 or annemgator@hotmail.com

We know that time is at a premium during the holiday season, monetary donations are also welcome. You may send in your donation to the school office (checks should be made out to <u>Buchholz PTSA</u> with "PTSA holiday luncheon" on the memo line.) Corporate sponsors and/or donations are happily accepted, too, and will be recognized in our next school newsletter. Please contact Anne Murray at the number above if your company can help with this event. We hope you can help make this holiday luncheon a delicious and memorable event for our Buchholz Teachers and

## **VOLUNTEERING**

If you would like to get more involved at Buchholz by volunteering, please fill out a volunteer application (the application can be printed from the Buchholz website under "Community" then "Volunteers") and turn it in to the front office. We will add your email address to our list and you will receive email updates about volunteer happenings at Buchholz!

Thank you to the clubs, boosters and others who have sent in a summary of volunteer hours donated so far this year. We love to see all of the hours donated by our wonderful volunteers.

Please make sure EVERYONE who volunteers with Buchholz activities (sporting events, band competitions, club events, etc.) has turned in a volunteer application before they volunteer!

If you come to the school to volunteer during the school day, you must stop in at the front office to check in before going to volunteer.

#### A LETTER FROM THE PTSA PRESIDENT

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of you to the 2012-2013 school year at Buchholz High School. The purpose of the PTSA is to support the faculty, staff, parents, and especially our students. "Every Child-One Voice" is the National PTSA motto and the PTSA is one of the strongest voices in the educational process that directly supports our children and school. This year will be no different. Your PTA has been busy preparing for a very productive and exciting year.

In order for the PTSA to be effective, we need the support and involvement of the parents of our students. The first way to show your support is to become a member of the Buchholz High School PTSA. Please take a moment to fill out your form today. This is our only fund raiser and the more money raised the more money we can give back to the school.

The second way to show your support will be to participate in the events and programs that we have planned throughout the year. You may choose to be a committee chair, committee member, or volunteer. Whatever level of participation you choose, your time and involvement will be greatly appreciated. Many parents feel that they cannot participate in the PTSA because they cannot come to meetings or be at school during the day. Whether you have 30 minutes or a couple of hours, your ideas, your time, and your talents are truly needed. There are endless possibilities in ways you can help. Research shows that students whose parents are involved in their education have better grades and fewer discipline problems. We promise that the time you give to the PTSA and the school will be worth your while-and fun! Please consider volunteering, it really does make a difference in the lives of all our children!

We would like to thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Have a wonderful school year and we look forward to seeing and working with you.

Sincerely, Cecilia Arnold Buchholz High School PTSA President



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## **STRAIGHT "A" BREAKFAST**

On Wednesday, October 24th, PTSA recognized over 80 students who received straight "A"s for the 2011-2012 school year with a breakfast at Northwest Baptist Church. Students earning straight A's for the first time received an Academic Letter. Those students who earned straight "A"s for a second year, received a bronze star; those who earned straight "A"s for a third year received a silver star. Seniors who earn straight As for all 4 of their years at Buchholz High School will receive a gold star at Senior Awards Night in May.

Also recognized at the breakfast were those students who were chosen as National Merit Semi-finalists, National Merit Commended, and National Achievement students. These students all scored high on the PSAT that they took during the fall of their Junior year, and then earned a concordant score on their SAT and maintained their GPA. Congratulations to all of these hard working students!

#### Straight "A"s:

**Current Sophomores:** Jason Ai, Seoyoung Bae, Joshua Chipman, Soomin Cho, Zachary Connelly, Emma Dietrich, Sarah Edens, Daniel Green, Joshua Green, Courtney Hrivnak, Hannah Hutto, Arianne Nicole Lazaro, Rebecca Laio, Lisa Lu, Marina Martinez-Rivera, Vincent Mei, Erin Mowry, Kyoung-Min Noh, Suzannah Patterson, Reva Ranka, Salvador Robles, Mark Sampson, Taylor Warring, Michael Wong, Xiao Xie, and Leo Zsembik

**Current Juniors:** Maxwell Bleiweis, Melissa Bowen, Stephen Dolbier, Lauren Duncanson, Riann Gonzalez, Hailey Hampton, Kevin Huang, Brandon Hudson, David Hurst, Jaydin Leslie, Melisa Lewis, Kelsey Londagin, Andreea Martin, Clara Murphy, Joyce Nimmo, Savannah Patterson, Hyun Rhee, Tildon Smith, Stephen So, Daniel Stewart, Brenan Wayland, Minjia Zhong, and Vivian Zhu

**Current Seniors:** Cesar Andrade, Lauren Blakely, Joshua Brownstein, Katelyn Carty, Ju-Kyung Choi, Marco Corda, Brady Davis, Daniel DeWitt, Stephen Diuguid, Haleigh Hemond, John Huber, Katie Karis, Kelsey Kimball, Jennifer Li, Alexandria Paleschic, Kea Parkyn, Ashley Popp, Gabrielle Rubeis, Alexander Song, Erin Sperling, Sarahanna Thomas, Keshav Vemuri, Sarah Vyverberg, Austin Walker, Jessica Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, and Ashley Wilt National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars: Alexandra Bayard and Daniel DeWitt

**National Merit Commended:** Alexandra Bayard, Katelyn Carty, Caleb Dahl, Jennifer Li, Kea Parkyn, Matthew Pearson, Caleb Summers, Liren Xue

**National Merit Semi-Finalists:** Tomasz Andraka, Joshua Brownstein, Daniel DeWitt, Davis Foote, Steve Han, John Huber, Alexander Song, Keshav Vemuri, Sarah Vyverberg, and Yi Zeng

### **ICE-CREAM SOCIAL**

PTSA Congratulates A/B Honor Roll with an Ice Cream Social held Oct. 10th. Over 250 students were served. Next social will be in the Spring.

Special thanks to PTSA and all the volunteers who helped make this possible.

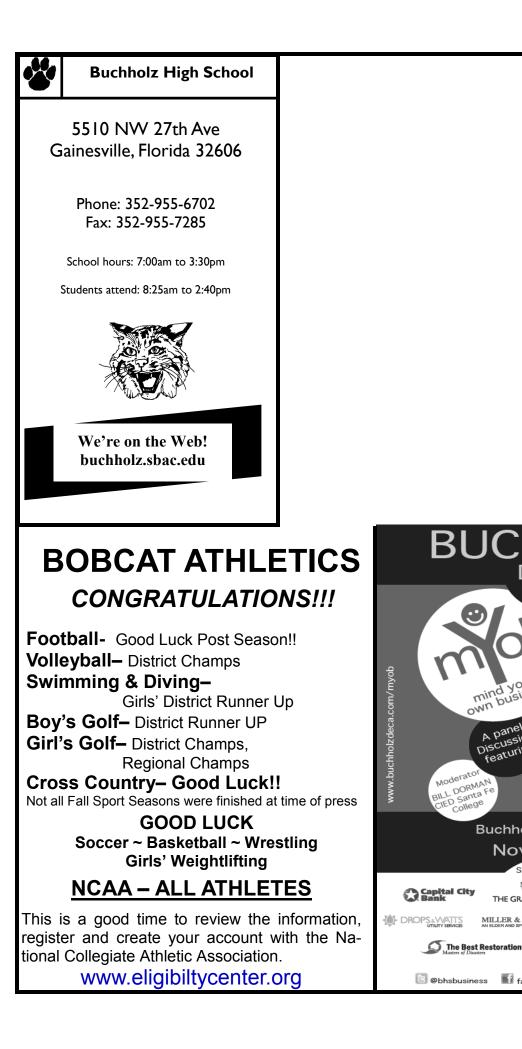




Food4Kids Backpack Program has teamed up with Buchholz to help kids in need. Food4Kids Backpack Program provides food for children over the weekends and during extended breaks from school when other resources are not available.

For more information about sponsoring a student visit www.food4kidsbackpackprogram.com

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