

Good evening Shark Nation!

We are proud to have **THIRTY College Board National Scholars** recognized this fall for their excellent academic performance on the PSAT and AP exams last year. **Please join me in congratulating the students below that were recently recognized as National College Board African American, Hispanic, or Indigenous Scholars:**

Alexander Martone, Alyssa Perez, Amy Etienne, Alexandra Malmstrom, Bryan Da Silva, Cheyenne Phillips, Chloe Paulino, Christopher Martinez-Cruz, Dannika Horace, Dante Massetta, Derek Max, Enzo Cunha, Graciela de Mena, Jacob Quinonez, Jesse Cohen, Johanna Velez, Jolene Cuevas, Joseph Alkon, Juliet Rojas, Kevin Netto, Kimberly Sanon, Lucas Breit, Lukas Estrella, Natalia Ray, Nibori Patton, Ovidio Calvet, Patrick Belo, Ryan Weinstock, Sofia Talmadge, Vanessa Sanchez

Attention, parents of **juniors!** The PSAT/NMSQT will be given at Spanish River High School on **Thursday, October 26, 2023. This test is NOT mandatory for juniors**, but we would like to offer the opportunity to any 11th grader who would like to participate. The fee is \$25 and will need to be paid via School Cash Online. Information for how to pay and sign up has been emailed to your student and posted in your child's English teacher's Google Classroom. Please note that the registration process is two steps - first, the payment, then the registration via Google Form. Both steps must be completed for your registration to be valid. **The deadline to sign up is TONIGHT at 11:59 PM** on Sunday, September 10, 2023. Please note that, due to our ordering deadlines, late registrations cannot be accepted.

**How is your child doing so far in their classes? Please check ..... Quarter 1 progress reports** have been posted to your student's SIS portal. You can find it under the reports tab for Quarter 1 (Q1). Important Testing Updates: Students and parents, **if your child has not successfully completed the ELA or Math requirements for graduation or would like to earn the Scholar Diploma designation** please take note of the following information:

- FAST ELA test** September 12th (Media center 7:30am)  
\*\*\*11th & 12th grades students only.
- **BEST Algebra EOC** September 13th (Media Center 7:30am)
- **FSA ELA- 12th grade students only** September 18th-20th-- this is a three day test.
- **FSA Algebra EOC-** September 21st-22nd this is a two day test.
- Make up testing will be the week of September 26th.

Additionally, in regards to testing, students seeking the **Scholar Diploma** designation please note that **you must have completed the course in order to take the exam.** If you have, please fill out the [Scholar Diploma Designation](#) Google Form to sign up for the specific exam you need to take.

We hope everyone enjoyed their time on campus this past Tuesday for Open House/Curriculum Night. You should have noticed if you've been around for a few years that **we continue to make upgrades to our campus.** We appreciate the support we've received from our families over the years helping us beautify our campus. **We want all of our Sharks-past and present- to be proud of our campus. If you can help by donating below we can continue to keep our campus in amazing shape for our entire community to enjoy.**

<https://palmbeach.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/246988/3/False/True>

**ATTENTION PARENTS OF 10th GRADE STUDENTS: On Wednesdays from 3-5PM, the 10th Grade ELA team offers free tutoring!** Historically, students who attend tutoring on a consistent basis pass PM3 and earn their GRADUATION REQUIREMENT. If your student did not score a 3 on PM1, they should attend tutoring each week as part of our literacy intervention.

**AICE English Language tutoring** will take place on Thursdays after school from 3-4pm with Ms. Cutrona (8167) and Ms. Prisco (8175) in their classrooms. All students currently enrolled in AICE English Language are welcome to attend. Questions? E-mail: [anachristine.prisco@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:anachristine.prisco@palmbeachschools.org).

The **Galleon**, our school's award winning newspaper, **is looking for advertisers**. If you would like to promote your business and reach over 2700 students, please see our link on School Cash Online.

**Juniors:** If you are interested in participating in powderpuff, please attend the MANDATORY meeting Monday September 11th after school at 3pm in room 8126. Junior Homecoming shirts will be on sale on school cash online. In person sales will be at lunch if you prefer to pay cash. Everyone can get a shirt, but it is required to participate in powderpuff. Shirts are \$25. If you would like to customize your name, please fill out the Google form on school cash online or if you are paying in cash, a class officer will have a form for you to fill out at lunch starting Thursday. Shirts will be on sale until September 15th.

The **Sophomore** class will be selling shirts during both lunches to represent their class during homecoming week. Those who are planning to participate in powderpuff must purchase a shirt. Shirts will be sold during both lunches all week for \$25 cash only. Any questions please email Mrs. Ramirez at [danielle.r.ramirez@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:danielle.r.ramirez@palmbeachschools.org)

New to Spanish River is **Fashion Club**, meeting on Wednesdays from 3-4PM in room 8-169! Led by Sophie Vanhoozer, the fashion club not only seeks to discuss high fashion and fashion trends but also inform students about the dangers of fast fashion and even teach them how to mend their own clothes in order to prevent clothing waste. For those who may be interested, please contact [annabelle.graves@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:annabelle.graves@palmbeachschools.org) for more information on how to join!

**Girls soccer tryouts** are just around the corner. If you are interested in trying out, join the Google classroom using the code 67bpe5b. You will need to complete the 2023 Tryout Information Google form, and have all paperwork and tryout fees electronically submitted via Aktivite.com. You cannot try out unless the site has cleared you. Paperwork must be completed by October 10th. Tryouts will be October 16th to 18th on the northeast field at Patch Reef Park from 3:30 pm -5 pm. Shin guards are required to try out. Bring water. If you have any questions, contact [kevin.turner@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:kevin.turner@palmbeachschools.org)

Shark shout out the **River Swim Team** as they defeated West Boca in their first meet of the season. There were many great swims and the team won the majority of the events. We are excited for this season and wish the swimmers good luck next week as they take on Atlantic, Olympic Heights and FAU High.

The **boys golf team** had a successful week. On Tuesday, September 5, they placed third out of 12 schools at the prestigious Kings Academy Invitational. They were the top public high school, with a team score of -7 under par with seniors **Reed Greyserman** and **Michael Feldman** leading the way. Greyserman was the individual medalist, meaning he finished first overall. They also defeated West Boca and played a highly competitive match against Boca High.

**Shark Shout out to Coach Headley and our Boys Varsity football team** for another impressive win on Friday night against John I Leonard. Let's keep rolling Sharkboyz!

Our **Spanish River SGA** has created a **SHARK SPIRIT dress up schedule** for our football home games this season. Below is the schedule for school AND game attire we encourage all students and fans to wear to support our Shark football team:

Date	Opponent	Dress Up Daytime	Dress Up Night
9/29/23	Pope (A)	Camo	Camo
10/6/23	Boca (A)	Pink Out	Pink Out
10/19/23	Santaluces ( <b>HOCO</b> )	Class Colors/Pep Rally	White Out
11/13/23	Suncoast (H)	Blue Out	Blue Out

Last but certainly not least, we want to give a huge **SHARK SHOUT OUT** to Spanish River math teacher and cross country coach **Ms. Katie Dodge**. Ms. Dodge ran the Pinellas Trail Challenge. The challenge is a 46 mile run. She finished 11th overall out of almost 185 athletes who started the race. Next up for Ms. Dodge is a 100-mile race later this year. We wish her the best of luck!!!

### **Quick Glance this week at River - SPORTS**

#### **Monday, September 11th**

- Bowling vs. Boca Raton (3:30 pm at Bowlero)
- Lacrosse Interest Meetings (Boys at 6 pm and Girls at 7pm - both in the cafeteria)

#### **Tuesday, September 12th**

- Volleyball Triple Header at Suncoast (Freshmen at 5pm, JV at 6pm, Varsity at 7pm)
- Cross Country hosting at the Spanish River Small Meet at 5pm at South County Regional Park (both JV and Varsity)

#### **Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

- JV Football at Boynton Beach High (at 6pm)

#### **Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Bowling vs. West Boca (3:30 pm at AMF Boynton)
- Boys Golf vs Olympic Heights/Boca High at Southwinds Golf Course (3:30 pm start)
- Girls Golf vs. Calvary Christian at Emerald Hills Country Club (3:30 pm)
- Swim vs Olympic Heights (4:30 pm at the Boca High pool)
- Girls Volleyball hosts Lake Worth Christian (Doubleheader - JV at 6 pm, Varsity at 7:30 pm)
- Football visits Park Vista (6:30 pm)

#### **Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

- Girls Golf visits Calvary Christian (3:30 pm)

### **Quick Glance this week at River - College Visits\*\***

#### **Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Indiana University (8am in room 1-153A)
- Clarkson University (9am/virtual visit)
- University of Richmond (10am in room 1-153A)
- Florida Atlantic University (1pm in room 1-153A)

#### **Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

- Nova Southeastern University (10am in room 1-153A)
- University of Chicago (1pm in room 1-153A)

\*\*Instructions to attend our college visits: Juniors and seniors can sign up for college visits by joining the College Counseling Google Classroom. The code to join is **zfhborc**. Please complete the Google Form for the visit(s) you wish to attend.

Let's make it a great week, Sharks!

Your proud principal,  
Mrs.Castellano