

Good evening Shark Nation!

Please see below for Principal Castellano's **LAST Weekly Update of the FY24 school year.** Thank you for making it an amazing year at River!

Students that are exempt from a FINAL due to already taking an EOC, AP, or AICE exam **MUST have the exemption form filled out and signed by their teacher and parent in order to leave school in between exams.** Students that come in late for the 2nd exam block can enter with student ID.

To our graduating Seniors and families - you will receive this call/email a few more times until the end of this school year. You will then come off our Parent Link as we pick up next year's students. We wish all our students the BEST and look forward to hearing about their future success.

***Don't forget, No School Tomorrow in honor of Memorial Day!***

***FOR TUESDAY 5/28, WEDNESDAY 5/29, and THURSDAY 5/30 - no book bags will be allowed on campus. Students will need to be able to carry the items they need for exams by hand.***

Has something gotten lost on campus? Please let your student know to check the **Lost and Found** in the Main Office for any items they may have misplaced this year. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity after the last day of school.

We would also like to give a huge shout out to the **Class of 2024 for their generous gift** to our school as they graduate. The class has donated funds to build and stock a teacher nook in our brand new media center - rewarding our faculty and staff by giving them a location within the media center to help thank them for the hard work they put in every day. Our teachers and staff will be able to enjoy coffees and other drinks, some delicious treats, and a place to lesson plan in a warm and welcoming area. Thank you Class of 2024!!!

A reminder for our **rising seniors in the class of 2025** - it is time to get started on getting your senior photos taken. Cady Studios is now accepting appointments for your 2025 senior class picture. Take advantage of early booking specials and sign up as soon as possible as the best dates and times go fast! To schedule, visit this [link](#).

We are into our final week of school, which means we are into our final exam week. Our final exams will be given on the following dates:

- Period 6 exam was given on Friday, May 24.
- Period 1/2 exams will be given on Tuesday, May 28.
- Period 3/4 exams will be given on Wednesday, May 29.
- Period 5/7 exams will be given on Thursday, May 30.

- *NOTE - for May 28, 29, and 30, the bell schedule will be as follows:*
- Exam block - 7:30 am - 9:35 am
- Break - 9:35 am - 9:44 am
- Exam Block - 9:50 - 11:55 am

- Lunch is served from 11:55 am - 12:05 pm
- Buses depart at 12:05 pm
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In addition to final exams, our testing team is still working through students' makeup EOCs. Keep in mind - **EOCs are 30% of a student's final grade** in the course and should be taken very seriously. Attached below are links to our parent testing calendar; this calendar includes dates for other tests. Please monitor student emails for information regarding EOC testing makeups. For your reference, you may review the following documents regarding testing calendars, schedules, and other important information.

- [Testing Calendar](#)
- [AP Testing Locations](#)
- [AP Testing QR Code](#)

In addition to the testing going on this week, we also are excited to share the 2024-2025 ACT/SAT schedule with you. Attached to this callout email is the calendar of dates for both exams during the next school year.

The **Spanish River High School Summer Reading** list is now available. You can find it on our school website and also posted in your student's English Teachers' Google Classroom. Some courses require the student to join a Summer Reading Google Classroom in addition to reading a book. Please make sure your student is aware of the requirements for their English class next year. Happy Reading!

A reminder about our return to school in August. **Thursday, August 8 is our Return to River Day.** In the morning, we will be hosting Freshman Orientation. There will be some very important information with students and parents in the Class of 2028. In the afternoon, returned tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students will have the opportunity to walk their schedules. Information regarding this day is attached to this callout.

Parents - please check your email for information on our **Summer Support Program** to see if your child has been invited to attend summer school here at Spanish River to help recover credit in any core class failures. There will be a Google Form in the email to complete for registering your child. As this program is by invitation only, only the parents of those students being invited to participate will see communication regarding this summer opportunity.

SUMMER is a great time to do service in your community! Please remember you **need 20 hours of community service to meet the Palm Beach County graduation requirement and 100 hours if you are working toward earning your AICE Diploma.** Current county guidelines can be found here on our school [website](#). In addition, all of our school forms for service can be found here on our school [website](#). These forms are also available in office on campus. Completed forms can be emailed to **Mrs. Mara J. Goron**, at [mara.goron@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:mara.goron@palmbeachschools.org).

A general reminder regarding after-school transportation - please be aware that ***there will NO LONGER be an activity bus at the end of after-school activities.*** This means that the only buses running will depart immediately at the end of the school day.

Attention prospective **Dancers** - interested in trying out for **Spanish River's Dance Team**? Auditions will be held the first week back to school. Please join the Google Classroom for more information. The code to join is: *ih5khy*

Attention **student-athletes and their families** that are planning on participating in **fall sports (football, golf, cross country, girls volleyball, swimming/diving, and bowling)** - please see the attachments to this callout

regarding contacts and schedules for those sports as well as a liability form to allow students to participate in summer training.

As we close out our 2023-2024 athletic year, we have a couple final **sports shoutouts** to make:

- Congratulations to **Jessica Popescu** on her selection to the Palm Beach Post First Team All County Girls Tennis Team
- Congratulations to the following water polo players for making the Palm Beach Post's All County teams - senior **David Kocsis** was named Second Team All County and seniors **Diana Balabanova** and **Amanda Poirier** were named First Team All County.

*TRACK AND FIELD-still TBA-we will let you know when we receive any updates on our STATE qualifiers*

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

*(Note - DH = doubleheader, TH = tripleheader)*

### ***SPORTS HAVE ENDED FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR***

### **Quick Glance this week at River - College Visits and Other School-Wide Events**

**Monday, May 27th - MEMORIAL DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)**

**Tuesday, May 28th - FINAL EXAMS FOR PERIODS 1/2\***

**Wednesday, May 29th - FINAL EXAMS FOR PERIODS 3/4\***

**Thursday, May 30th - FINAL EXAMS FOR PERIODS 5/7\***

**Friday, May 24th - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

***\*NOTE - STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BRING BOOK BAGS THESE DAYS***

Let's finish this year off strong, Shark Nation! Have a happy and safe summer!

Your proud principal,

Dr.Castellano