



# This is Your CHARGER UPDATE!

The Home Edition *May 11 - 15, 2020* 

## SCHOOL BUSINESS

### Clarification on Senior Academic Deadlines

Monday, May 11 – Teachers report Senior grades for graduation to Administration

Friday, May 15 – Last day for Senior attendance in Suncoast Google Classrooms

### Seniors, Please complete your Surveys!

Counseling Services sent out surveys for Suncoast HS data and School District data collection for your college and post-secondary plans. Please complete these surveys right away!

IB Seniors, please complete the Senior survey in the IB DP Seniors Google Classroom.

#### **Advanced Placement Students!**

We sent the following information to all Suncoast students, via their student email addresses, regarding the **AP Exam process** that begins on **Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**:

Review the 2020 AP Testing Guide.

Practice the Exam Process with the Exam Demo.

Complete the Exam Day Checklist.

Two days before each exam, students will receive an email with a unique e-ticket that includes their AP ID. If you do not receive it through email, you can access it through your student account on My AP.

### My AP Link.

Use your e-ticket to check-in for your exam 30 minutes before exam start time.

If anything goes wrong during test time, students can quickly return to the exam using their e-ticket. If you feel that the disruption negatively impacted your performance, you may request approval for the makeup exam in June 2020.

### Request Makeup Link.

Online AP Classes and Review Sessions.

<u>Exam Schedule and Sample Questions available on each Subject's Course Page.</u> If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. E. Anderson, Testing Coordinator, <u>Ernest.anderson@palmbeachschools.org</u> or Mr. Keevey, AP Coordinator/Administrator, <u>Aaron.keevey@palmbeachschools.org</u>.

#### **AICE Students!**

For any updates on the AICE Program, check their website: <a href="https://help.cambridgeinternational.org/hc/engb/articles/360006532458-Novel-coronavirus-Information-for-schools-about-the-COVID-19-coronavirus-outbreak#anchor">https://help.cambridgeinternational.org/hc/engb/articles/360006532458-Novel-coronavirus-Information-for-schools-about-the-COVID-19-coronavirus-outbreak#anchor</a> 1.

### **IB Diploma Students!**

Check the IB website for weekly updates: <a href="https://www.ibo.org/news/news-about-the-ib/covid-19-coronavirus-updates/">https://www.ibo.org/news/news-about-the-ib/covid-19-coronavirus-updates/</a>.



### Class of 2020 Senior Check-out!!

Please complete the Senior Questionnaire now to help us with planning:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BxqnF6E4i0gbHGwbiSGJQzy1M0BCn5LL59ysgPZCpsE/viewform?edit\_request\_ed=true

We are excited to announce that the School District is coordinating with School Police a Senior Distribution/Collection Day for all high schools. This means that each school will be able to provide their own seniors with cap and gowns, recognition memorabilia (cords, stoles, etc.), diploma covers, locker contents, etc. Additionally on that day, Seniors will be required to return all Suncoast property items currently in their possession (i.e textbooks, literature novels, band instruments, laptop devices, athletic uniforms/equip, etc.). While we do not have an assigned date for Suncoast yet and are still awaiting the specific details regarding our collection/distribution day, we do know that this will be a drive-thru process to maintain the safety of all staff and students involved. In fact, no student will ever leave their vehicle during the process.

In an effort to assist us with planning an organized and efficient collection, we are asking you to complete the questionnaire listed above as soon as you can. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. As soon as we have our assigned date, we will provide you with more information and details.

#### Virtual Graduation Ceremonies This Year...

Suncoast HS commencement will be streamed on **Thursday**, **June 4th at 5:00 pm** so begin planning your virtual watch party festivities. The website is <u>palmbeachschools.org/Graduation2020</u>. Check out the website for platforms that will support a watch party of up to 250 people. Suncoast is preparing a memorable ceremony that includes performances, student speeches, and photo montages that capture our experiences together, in addition to the individual diploma recognition of each graduate.

### **Extended Essay!**

**IB JUNIOR PARENTS:** Your student is still responsible for meeting with their EE mentor, virtually to continue the Extended Essay process as it is a core requirement of the IB Diploma Programme! Don't forget the Suncoast EE website is available with great resources (<a href="https://sites.google.com/view/suncoastee">https://sites.google.com/view/suncoastee</a>) and a full timeline of deadlines and assignments. If you have questions or concerns at any time, please contact the EE Coordinators, Dr. Ashley Busse (<a href="mailto:ashley.busse@palmbeachschools.org">ashley.busse@palmbeachschools.org</a>) or Ms. Amy Armbruster (<a href="mailto:Amy.armbruster@palmbeachschools.org">Amy.armbruster@palmbeachschools.org</a>).

### TOGETHER, AT A DISTANCE

### **Quarter 4 Grades**

Parents, you have access to your student's grades via SIS at all times. Teachers, working through Google Classroom, are recording grades in SIS for student and parent viewing. Please monitor your students grades closely.

### COUNSELING CORNER

Suncoast Counseling Services Google Classroom Code: zl6o3oa

### Check Out These Resources for Remote Community Service and CAS Ideas!

Click <u>www.ysa.org</u> for community service and CAS ideas that can be performed with social distancing. IB Juniors can view more ideas in the Google Classroom, "CAS for Class of 2021."

#### Save the Date!

The video presentation of the **Pathfinder Scholarship Winners** will be posted on **Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7:00 pm**. You can view the video announcement of the Pathfinder winners at PalmBeachPost.com and PostNOW or watch the presentation on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram channels.





### IN THE COMMUNITY

### From Our Behavioral Health Specialist... Ms. Andrea Smith

Community resources. https://211palmbeach.org/emergency-palmbeach

### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County**

Program is available to current club children and serves a snack and dinner. If transportation is an issue, delivery services may be available. For more information visit their website or call (561) 683-3287.

### **Boca Helping Hands**

Maintaining a modified operations and is available for qualified Boca Raton families to receive food through the TEFAP commodities program. Apply at distribution points (East Boca and Boynton Beach) for supplemental bag of groceries and frozen meat and/or fresh produce, when available. Note: Both sites serving drive-thru hot lunch meals from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm; **open to all PBC residents** 

<u>East Boca</u>: 1500 NW 1st Court, Boca Raton 9:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Monday - Saturday <u>Boynton Beach:</u> First Baptist Church of Boynton Beach, 301 N Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

### The Lord's Place

Provides 'Grab and Go' lunches and connection to resources. Monday through Friday from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. For more information, email **info@thelordsplace.org** or **www.thelordsplace.org** or call (561) 494-0125.

### The Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association (FFVA)

Provides an interactive map to show where local farms are offering direct-to-consumer sales. Call or check each farm's Facebook page for the most up-to-date information. Prices, produce supply, and hours of distribution change daily. For more information go to their website <a href="https://www.ffva.com/">https://www.ffva.com/</a>.

#### Police Athletic League

Saturdays 9:00 am – 11:00 am, Provides a drive-up, no contact, weeks' worth of groceries to make meals. 720 N. Tamarind Ave, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, Phone: (561) 835-7195

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We truly enjoyed seeing the smiling faces of our teachers and staff as we celebrated Teacher and Staff Appreciation *Door Dash* style last week. Everyone received a bag of goodies and an encouraging message delivered to their home by a Suncoast administrator or staff member as a heartfelt "Thank you!!"

We would like to thank all the members of the Charger Nation that participated in Teacher & Staff Appreciation last week! Thank you to the PTSA for their continued support of our teachers. Remember, if you are ordering from Amazon.com, be sure to select Suncoast Community High School as your charity of choice on <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/">https://smile.amazon.com/</a>.

Suncoast High School will continue to serve as a community food distribution site on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**, **9:00 am - 12:00 pm**. Please see the school district website for a local feeding site:

https://www.palmbeachschools.org/news/what s new/feeding sites open during school closure.





Suncoast High School was listed as #106 in the National Rankings for Best High Schools in US News and World Report. According to the report, we are also #12 in Best Florida High Schools, #1 in Palm Beach County Schools, and #35 in Best Magnet High Schools in the nation. Way to go Charger Nation!!

Did you know our Suncoast yearbook received the honor of national recognition in the top 3% of the publication Yearbook Yearbook by Balfour?



Congratulations to the Suncoast Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) on their success at placing in the Virtual State Competition! Milena Chib and Talia Singer, First Place-Marketing; Bailey Nathan, Second Place-Intro to Public Speaking; Daniel Bashirov, Third Place-Intro to Business. We would also like to congratulate Suncoast FBLA member, Jonathan Farrell, on his new leadership position on the 2020-2021

State Officer Team. He is also the Region V Vice President!



We are so proud of our National Merit Finalists who were recently selected for college based scholarships: Jack Nathan - Northeastern University; Alexander Ruehrmund - University of Central Florida; Michael Sauer - University of Florida; Nicholas Sharpe - University of Florida

Let's give a Charger Shout-out to Dr. Ashley Busse, AP & IB English Instructor, as our Staff Member of the Month. According to our students, Dr. Busse is making virtual learning more bearable and generally easy to work with. Her passion for teaching and concern for people is so evident in interactions with her. She also serves as one of our IB Extended Essay Coordinators and helps to direct our League of EE Supervisors. We appreciate you, Dr. Busse!



Congrats to our April Chargers of the Month as Inquirers, Cristina Piland and Darnell Walker-Jones! Cristina is one of the editors for the yearbook and seeks out online, mathematical, and technological resources to improve on the presentation of our current yearbook. Darnell is in TV production and uses his editing and production skills in unique ways. He recently produced a video about the Suncoast Minecraft project and he is

also involved in Student Government.

### Y CONNECTED

SUNCOAST HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.Suncoasthighschool.org

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! https://www.facebook.com/pages/Suncoast-Community-High-

School/1444659332463268?fref=ts

ON INSTAGRAM! <a href="https://instagram.com/suncoasthighfl/">https://instagram.com/suncoasthighfl/</a>

**Suncoast Chargers Athletics** 

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