



# NEST NOTES

SEPTEMBER 23RD- SEPTEMBER 28TH

## MESSAGE FOR THE WEEK

Good Afternoon, Eagles!

This past week we named our Teacher of the Year, Ida S. Baker Diversity Educator of the Year, and Instructional Support Employee of the Year. Please join us in congratulating Ms. Wood for winning Teacher of the Year, Ms. Leto for winning the Ida S. Baker Diversity Educator of the Year, and Mr. Johnson for winning Instructional Support Employee of the Year. We are proud that they are part of our Eagle family!

Thank you to everyone who came out to Conference Night Thursday and met with teachers to discuss student progress in classes. As a reminder, grades are viewable via Canvas and teachers can be reached by email or Canvas message. If you cannot access Canvas, please make sure you have set up your ParentVue account in Synergy. If you need the activation key, please reach out to the Main Office.

This week we will begin with Club Day on Monday. Students must have their club cards to be released from their class and to their club. Club Day is a regular, early release, bell schedule.

Students are encouraged to help us celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with Spirit Week, starting tomorrow, 9/23. Friday there will be auditions for our Hispanic Heritage Month Talent Show after school in Ms. Miro's room. Please check out the Latinos in Action Instagram or flyer in the Nest Notes for each day! Follow the Latinos in Action at [latinosinaction.bhs](https://www.instagram.com/latinosinaction.bhs) for all the happenings this month!

Please see the attachment in the Nest Notes regarding our new drop-off and pick-up plan. Please remember that all car riders should be dropped off and picked up in the student parking lot, not in faculty parking or the front of the school.

Homecoming tickets will be on sale starting tomorrow, 9/23, for \$40 cash or through MyPayments Plus. Students must have turned in their student ticket application. Those wishing to use MyPaymentsPlus will need to get the access code from SGA at lunch. Don't wait to buy tickets – the price will increase weekly!

Thanks for all you do, Eagle Nation! We're excited for a fantastic week. Follow us on Instagram @brandonhseagles to stay updated. Have a relaxing Sunday afternoon and Go Eagles!

**BRANDON HIGH SCHOOL**

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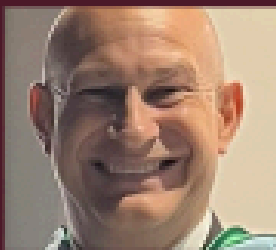
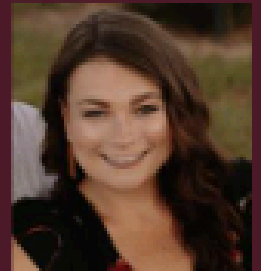
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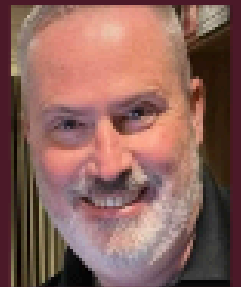
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## FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE	
2024	
@ SARASOTA	8/16
@ CHAMBERLAIN	8/23
KING	8/30
@ SCREST	9/6
JEFFERSON	9/13
@ BLOOMINGDALE	9/20
@ HILLSBOROUGH	9/27
BLAKE	10/10
@ JESUIT	10/18
MIDDLETON *HOMECOMING	10/25
FREEDOM *SENIOR NIGHT	11/1

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## GO EAGLES! UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday September 23rd

Early Release Day

Club Day

### Tuesday September 24th

Golf vs King, 3:30pm

Volleyball vs. Blake, 7:00pm

### Wednesday September 25th

JV Football @ Durant, 7:00pm

### Thursday September 19th

Volleyball @ Chamberlain, 7:00pm

### Friday September 20th

Swim County Championship, 9:00am

Football @ Hillsborough, 7:00pm

### Saturday September 21st

Don Bishop Cross Country Invitational, 8:00am

## STUDENT AFFAIRS REMINDERS

Parents and students, school begins at 8:30. Any student arriving to class after 8:30 is considered tardy and must have a pass to enter campus. Students on a late bus will receive an excused tardy pass to get to class.

Cell phones are to be kept up and out of sight during instructional time. The HCPS policy states: "During school hours and while on the bus, cellular based devices, including, but not limited to phones, watches, tablets and other electronic devices are to be used under the supervision of district staff for educational purposes only. Students must comply with the directives of school/district staff regarding when and where electronic devices can be used. The use of electronic devices on school property and school sponsored transportation to record, photograph, transmit, or post images or videos of any student or staff without their permission is strictly prohibited. The use of electronic devices with the ability to record or photograph are prohibited in restrooms and locker rooms. Devices may only be used in approved areas and students must comply with the directives of school/ district staff regarding when and where electronic devices may be used. Cellular device conversations and video recording during the school day are prohibited unless under the supervision of staff/school personnel."

Please speak to your student regarding threats. Any threat made, whether joking, written, verbal, or implied are taken seriously and will be treated as real until proven otherwise. There are steep disciplinary and legal consequences.

# COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWS

So we may help provide more opportunities in our community, please use the QR code or this link: [Parent Listening Survey](#) to complete the Parent Listening Project. This data is used to gear the community school partnerships towards our community needs!

<https://forms.office.com/r/sRN2cbaMXG> Parents, please share any and all feedback with us as we are trying to gather information for our community school team.

We are PROUD to announce the opening of our Feeding Tampa Bay food pantry in 803. Students, staff, and community members may now shop for free produce, meat, dairy products, and groceries. Thank you to all the students and community members who have helped stock the shelves and spread the word! Please complete this link to help identify needs: <https://forms.office.com/r/sRN2cbaMXG> and email Ms. Leto at [Lauren.Leto@hcps.net](mailto:Lauren.Leto@hcps.net) with any questions you may have. The pantry is open for parents, by appointment, 8:00am-4:00pm on Fridays and after school on Fridays for students.

If you know of someone in need to school supplies, please reach out to Ms. Leto! We have a supply pantry for anyone in need.



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EDUCATION  
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**SCOPE**  
Student Center of Postsecondary Exploration

## COUNSELING CORNER

The September Scholarship Matrix is on Canvas! Students are encouraged to look through the opportunities and apply.

Any student wishing to enroll, or currently enrolled in a Dual Enrollment course HCC next all must have a 3.0 unweighted GPA and a qualifying test score. HCC offers the PERT test that students may sign up for to qualify. Students should see their counselor with questions.

Mrs. Ritz is starting a coping skill group this semester! In this group, students will engage in discussion and learn how to regulate emotions, handle conflict, navigate relationships, and more. The group will meet weekly, alternating periods, to ensure instructional time is preserved. Please contact Mrs. Ritz with questions at [Jennifer.Ritz@hcps.net](mailto:Jennifer.Ritz@hcps.net) or 813-744-8120, ext. 238.



**INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT  
SCOPE OR MAKING AN APPOINTMENT?  
CLICK BELOW!**

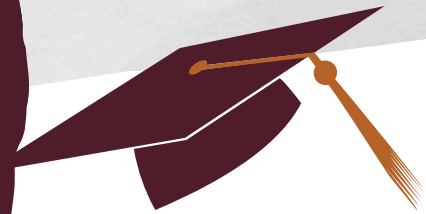




# HOMECOMING INFORMATION!

1. Homecoming Dance Theme= Golden 20s: We are taking you back in time to a night with Great Gatsby!
2. HOCO Dance Ticket Sale Information: Cost: \$40 from 9/23 – 09/27; \$45 from 09/30–10/04; \$50 from 10/07 to 10/11
3. In order to buy a ticket, you MUST turn in your student ticket application. You can purchase a ticket either with cash or on mypaymentplus. If purchasing online, you must get ACCESS CODE from SGA table.
4. HOCO Dance Dress Code: Formal Attire– Dress to Impress.
5. HOCO Court Campaigning Interest Meeting: 09/30 after-school in room D361. This is for all of you interested in running for homecoming king and queen and for underclassmen the royal court.
6. Follow @sga.brandon\_eagles instagram for information on all things school spirit and homecoming details!

## CLASS OF '25 INFORMATION



### **Graduation:**

Graduation for our Class of 2025 Eagles will be Saturday, May 24th at 3:00pm. More information to come regarding rehearsal expectations and tickets for guests.

### **Senior Shirts:**

Mr. Weiss has Senior Shirts for sale for \$20 in room E335. Please see him before or after school to purchase!

### **Senior Pictures:**

Make sure you have signed up for your senior picture! There is a \$35 sit fee and this is the picture that will go in the yearbook for seniors. The next date on campus is in October. Please go to Cady Studios' website to sign up.

### **Cap & Gown/Class Rings:**

Caps and Gowns are not yet available on Herff Jones' website. We will put more information out about this as we receive it! For now, you can browse their catalog for merchandise and class rings! <https://www.herffjones.com/catalogs/graduationcatalog/>. There will be a meeting about Caps & Gowns on October 11th and we will have two days to order during lunch, 10/17 and 10/18.

### **Senior Events**

Seniors, we want to celebrate YOU! Click the link here: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-f2oEP\\_CDU6cGR\\_iwYgWSmeepp9NV-JLkhVeHjSfdONUQ1g5MVVNRFFWWEVHMFhGUFAzMURVMUIOMC4](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-f2oEP_CDU6cGR_iwYgWSmeepp9NV-JLkhVeHjSfdONUQ1g5MVVNRFFWWEVHMFhGUFAzMURVMUIOMC4) to express your wishes and ideas for your senior year. Let's make it great!

### **Grad Bash:**

Grad Bash at Universal Studios will be April 25th, 2025. Save the date!

### **Prom:**

Prom will be on Saturday, March 8th at the Regent in Riverview. Please note this is a change from what was previously announced. More information to come about the pricing!

# POSITIVE BEHAVIOR!

We will be rolling out our Positive Behavior System shortly!

In the meantime, being on time to class every day, and being respectful to peers and staff members may earn students something soon!

If you have a business or are interested in helping support positive behavior on campus, please reach out to Ms. Wright at [Allison.Wright@hcps.net](mailto:Allison.Wright@hcps.net). We are looking for donations of gift cards, meal vouchers, catered meals, and more to help our students and staff members who do the right things all of the time!



## JOIN THE PTSA

Click here to join the PTSA!  
<https://brandonptsa.memberhub.com/store?limit=21&live=true>





# NEST NOTABLES

Shoutout to our Teacher of the Year, Ida S. Baker Diversity Educator of the Year, and Support Employee of the Year – Ms. Wood, Ms. Leto, and Mr. Johnson!

Shoutout to everyone that participated in Start with Hello week. Continue spreading kindness everywhere you go.

A huge shoutout to our reading teachers, Mr. Watson and Ms. Dossin! We had over 70 juniors and seniors get their reading benchmark on the FAST Retakes!

Thank you to Latinos in Action for presenting at Conference Night. We can't wait to see what else they do for our school in their inaugural year.

Congratulations to our volleyball team for their win over King!

Thank you to FBLA for continuing to make PB&Js for the homeless and to the GFWC Brandon Junior Women's Club for their donations of supplies and support. Please contact Ms. Stafford if you'd like to help!

Thank you to our ESE team for providing a spaghetti dinner and talking about transition planning for after high school with our families at Conference Night.

Thank you to Ms. Spears for organizing and leading makeup exams Saturday!

Shoutout to Ms. Smith for arranging several college visits through our SCOPE lab. Juniors and Seniors wanting to learn more about different colleges, or their Postsecondary options should scan the QR code in the Nest Notes or outside of the SCOPE lab to make an appointment.





## UPCOMING DATES

10/10 – PSAT/SAT Day  
10/11 – Picture Day Makeups  
10/16-10/18 – ACT (12th NCR)  
10/17 – Senior Pictures  
10/25 – Homecoming Game  
10/26 – Homecoming Dance  
11/7 – CLT for 11th & 12th Graders  
11/16 – FACE Academy  
11/18 – Club Pictures  
11/25-11/29 – Fall Break  
12/4 – FAST ELA PM2 & Retakes  
12/5 – FAST ELA PM2 & Retakes  
12/12 – Senior Pictures  
12/16-12/20 – Semester 1 Exams



## LOOKING AHEAD

Fall sports have started! Please make sure if you have a student who would like to compete in Football, Cheer, Swim, Cross Country, Volleyball, or Golf, that they are cleared. Use the following link for more information or see Mrs. Richardson in the main office before school, during lunch, or after school. <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/athleticforms>

Students wishing to participate in Winter Sports should begin the eligibility process to allow for maximum time to get cleared. Winter sports are Wrestling, Basketball, and Soccer.

## STAY UP TO DATE

Parents, please remember that CANVAS is where teachers post grades, students and parents can message teachers, Mrs. Leto posts volunteer events, community school news, and job opportunities, and school counselors post important information regarding scholarships, volunteering and more! Join the BHS Eagle's Nest 24-25 page to see what's going on around campus.

Parents must first set up their ParentVue account for Synergy to be able to access Canvas. In your Parentvue account you will be able to see your student's schedule, attendance, teacher notes, and discipline actions. View this link to help: <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/YOouV3V6zXC5pKK>  
[Parent Apps - Questions and Answers](#)  
[N?ref=Link](#)  
Please contact the Main Office with any questions.



# BHS BELL SCHEDULES 24-25

## REGULAR

1 <sup>st</sup> Period		8:30-9:20	50
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period		9:25-10:15	50
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period		10:20-11:10	50
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	Lunch A	11:15-11:55	40
	Class B	11:15-12:05	50
	Lunch B	12:10-12:50	40
	Class A	12:00-12:50	50
5 <sup>th</sup> Period		12:55-1:45	50
6 <sup>th</sup> Period		1:50-2:40	50
7 <sup>th</sup> Period		2:45-3:35	50

## EARLY RELEASE

1 <sup>st</sup> Period		8:30-9:10	40
2 <sup>nd</sup> Period		9:15-9:55	40
3 <sup>rd</sup> Period		10:00-10:40	40
4 <sup>th</sup> Period	Lunch A	10:45-11:25	40
	Class B	10:45-11:35	50
	Lunch B	11:40-12:20	40
	Class A	11:30-12:20	50
5 <sup>th</sup> Period		12:25-1:05	40
6 <sup>th</sup> Period		1:10-1:50	40
7 <sup>th</sup> Period		1:55-2:35	40

9/23 - 9/27

# LIA Spirit Week

9/23

Lunes  
Dúo Hispano

9/24

Martes  
Reguetón Viejo

9/25

Miercoles  
Personaje Hispano

9/26

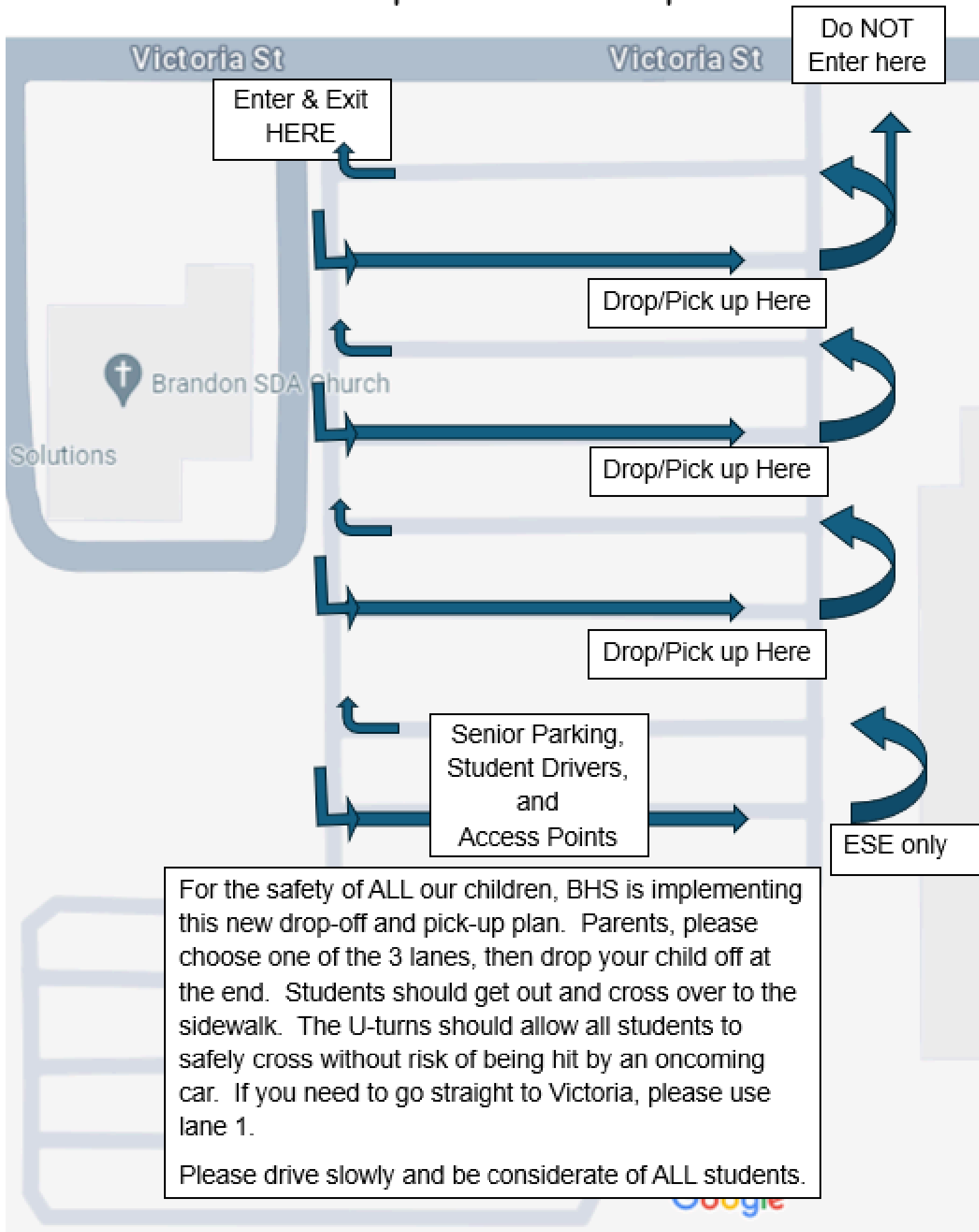
Jueves  
Jersey Day

9/27

Viernes (no flags)  
Represent Your Culture



# NEW Drop-off and Pick-up Plan



# EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAM

## BRANDON HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER 1 2024-2025

Saturday	September 7 and 21	Reading & Math Test Prep	Meet in Cafeteria	9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
	October 5 and 19	Reading, Math & Biology Test Prep & Grade Enhancement	Meet in Cafeteria	9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
	November 2 and 16	Reading & Math Test Prep & Grade Enhancement	Meet in Cafeteria	9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
	December 7 and 14	<u>Reading, Math</u> & Biology Test Prep & Grade Enhancement	Meet in Cafeteria	9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
	TEACHER	SUBJECT(S)	LOCATION	DATES & TIMES
Social Studies	Ms. Davis	US History, Philosophy, <u>Sociology</u> , <u>Women's</u> Studies, African American History	Room D336	Mon 2:45-3:45 Wed/Thu 3:45-4:45 Tue 11:20-11:55
	Mr. Moore	World History, Economics	D342	Mon-Fri 11:55-11:55 After school by appt.
	Mr. Salvog	U.S. History	D343	Mon 2:45-3:45 Wed 3:45-4:45
	Mr. Cross	U.S. Gov, Holocaust/Law Studies	C350	Tue 3:40-4:15
	Mr. Caggia	U.S. History, Economics	D334	Wed/Thu 3:45-4:45
	Mr. Vickers	AP Human Geo	D351	Mon 10:55-11:25 Thu-Fri 11:20-11:55
	Mr. Rogowski	World History, Economics	C380	Mon 10:55-11:25 Tue-Fri 11:20-11:55 Mon & Wed 3:45-4:45
	Mr. Browning	World, AICE Travel, Economics Honors	C352	Mon 10:55-11:25 Tue-Fri 11:20-11:55 Tue/Thu 3:45-4:45
Math	Ms. Hutchinson	Algebra 1	814	Tue/Thu 3:40-4:40
	Mr. Marzo	Geometry, <u>Pre-Calc</u>	806	Tue/Thu 3:40-4:40
	Mrs. Marzo	Geometry		Tue/Thu 3:40-4:40
	Ms. Bowden	MCLA, Prob & Stats	811	Mon 2:35-5:00 Tue 3:35-5:00 Wed 4:00-5:00
Literacy	Ms. Seay	Reading	F323	Tue, <del>Wed, Thu</del> 3:45-4:45
	Ms. Spears	Reading & Writing	Cafeteria	Tue/Thu: both lunches
CTE/FACS	Ms. Ortiz	Early Childhood Ed	A127	B Lunch Mon, Wed-Fri 7:45-8:30 Mon/Tue/Wed 3:45-4:45
	Ms. Wood	Industry Cert/Ag/Leadership	R710B	Mon-Fri 8:00-8:30 Thu 3:35-4:45
Spanish and ELL	Ms. Vega Cadenas	Spanish/ESOL	818	<del>Tue, Wed, Thu</del> 3:45-4:45
	Ms. Ponce Guerra	Spanish/ESOL	816	Thu/Fri 3:45-4:45



LIA INVITED YOU!

# TALENT SHOW

## AUDITION!!!

***\*FRIDAY SEPTEMBER***

Location: **27\*** TIME :3:45-

Room 817 5:30PM

***Represent your hispanic culture***

Show us what you got!

\*Musical talent \*Art

\*comedy \*Dancing





Gowns For Girls is a nonprofit organization which provides prom and homecoming dresses to high school students in the Tampa Bay Area for their school dances. We are a nonprofit that relies heavily on donations and volunteers.

Students qualify if they appear in person with an adult or with a valid high school ID and attest that they are currently having financial difficulties. Students also qualify if school or agency officials have referred them. We operate on the honor system.

**We will set up our boutique for this homecoming season at King High School, 6815 N 56<sup>th</sup> Street, Tampa, 33610**

9/14/24	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
9/21/24	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
9/28/24	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
10/12/24	10:00 am – 2:00 pm

If you need additional information, contact us at [gownsforgirls.info@gmail.com](mailto:gownsforgirls.info@gmail.com) or visit our website [gownsforgirls.org](http://gownsforgirls.org)



# SCOPE

Student Center of Postsecondary Exploration

## University Chats

SCOPE is excited to host representatives from multiple Florida universities to share information and discuss college options with students!

### Upcoming Visits:

- Florida A&M University
- University of Central Florida
- St. Leo University
- University of Tampa
- University of South Florida
- Florida Atlantic University
- more to come...

**Community colleges and technical schools will be invited to campus in the spring semester!**

To sign up and view date/time, visit the SCOPE website:



Space is limited to juniors and seniors.

For more information, visit Ms. Smith in  
SCOPE (K-582) or email  
[asmith@educationfoundation.com](mailto:asmith@educationfoundation.com).







## Brandon High School Athletics

**Athletic Sponsorship:** The Brandon High School Athletic Booster Club would appreciate your involvement and support for the 2024-2025 school year. Our purpose is to provide additional financial and moral support for all athletic programs at Brandon High School. Your sponsorship benefits all Brandon athletes, but also benefits your business.

**\$750 Eagles Nest Sponsors** – Includes 2 banners up to 4' X 6' provided by the sponsor-one to be displayed in the football stadium and one in the gym. The banners will be displayed for the entire school year. Also, BHS includes social media (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter) recognition and sponsorships mentioned during all home games.

**\$500 Gold Sponsors** – Includes 2 banners up to 4' X 6' provided by the sponsor-one to be displayed in the football stadium and one in the gym. The banners will be displayed for the entire school year.

**\$250 Maroon Sponsors** – Includes 1 banner up to 4' X 6' provided by the sponsor. The banner will be displayed on the football field or gym for the entire school year.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level      \_\_\_\_\_ \$750      \_\_\_\_\_ \$500      \_\_\_\_\_ \$250

Donations:      \_\_\_\_\_ \$100      \_\_\_\_\_ \$75      \_\_\_\_\_ \$50      \_\_\_\_\_ \$25      \_\_\_\_\_ \$10

Please complete this form. Make checks payable to Brandon High School Athletic Booster Club and mail to 1101 Victoria St. Brandon, FL 33510 Attn: BHS Athletics Boosters.



BHS Athletic Boosters  
Donations  
Sponsorship

Thank You in advance for your support of Brandon Athletics.



# SAT, ACT, CLT



# TEST DATES

## SAT Dates

August 24th  
October 5th  
November 2nd  
December 7th  
March 8th  
May 3rd  
June 7th

## ACT Dates

September 14th  
October 26th  
December 14th  
February 8th  
April 5th  
June 14th  
July 12th

## CLT Dates

September 21st  
October 16th  
November 7th  
December 7th  
January 25th  
February 20th  
March 15th  
April 10th  
May 10th  
June 18th

## SIGN UP BELOW

