

STRAWBERRY CREST SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

"VITAL INFORMATION FOR SUCCESS"

August 2023

We want to make sure that you have all the information necessary to ensure your student is prepared for success. There are also some common questions that are asked every year. We hope that some of them will be answered in this communication. If some are missed, please ask us, or give us a call.

PE UNIFORMS:

Students enrolled in a PE course are required to dress out. Students must purchase a SCHS PE shirt as part of the required uniform. PE shirts are \$10 (cash or check made out to SCHS Athletic Booster Club) and will be available for purchase during Open House as well as the first week of school.

YEARBOOKS:

The 2023-24 Strawberry Crest High School Yearbook is on sale now at the lowest price of the year at YearbookOrderCenter.com using school code 10629 or use the link <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index.cfm/job//10629>. After August 24th, the price will increase. Senior Dedication Pages and Business Advertising space is also available. The best way to get accurate updates on yearbook information is to look on Instagram @crestybk or Contact Adviser Erin Oteiza - erin.oteiza@hcps.net with any questions.

SENIOR PICTURES: Schedule your Senior Portrait Sessions through Cady Studios - cady.com/schedule Cady Studios will be on campus August 1, 2023 and October 4, 2023 for any senior that still needs a session. Registration is required. For seniors that just want their picture in the yearbook and do not wish to purchase pictures - We will have limited space for that option on December 1st. Scheduling is required. It's completely free and more information/reminders will come out closer to the event date.

UNDERCLASSMEN PICTURE DAY: Picture Day is scheduled for September 7, 2023 (order forms will be sent out the week prior). Makeups/retakes on October 18, 2023.

CLUB PICTURE DAY: December 4, 2023, in the Gym- student should wear their club shirts- (a schedule will be put out closer to the date).

PTSA:

Your PTSA needs you! Why join PTSA? We are a student/teacher advocacy group designed to facilitate programs that benefit our school and our members...join today! Follow us on Facebook for updates: Strawberry Crest High School PTSA. **PTSA membership is \$6.00 per person.** All payments must be made on [MemberHub](#) If you have questions, please contact Amy Beattie (813)786-8726 President OR Lisa DePianta (813)299-4205 Membership Chair.

SPIRIT ITEMS: <https://www.tshirttimetampa.com/shop>

CANVAS:

Canvas is the District's learning management system (LMS). A Learning Management System (LMS) simplifies teaching and learning by connecting the digital tools teachers, students, and parents use in one place. To access the Canvas Family Guide, please click one of the following links: [Hillsborough Canvas FAMILY Guide \(instructure.com\)](#) Register for a parent account today so you can ensure that your student is on track for academic success - [Online Classroom - Hillsborough Schools \(hcpscanvasproject.azurewebsites.net\)](#) If you have any questions about Canvas, please reach out to Troy Suarez (troy.suarez@hcps.net) or Chris Holt (christopher.holt@hcps.net).

COMMUNICATION:

Our phone system has advantages and disadvantages. When calling the school, the automated message gives the caller the option of selecting either an office area or the extension of the person sought. Teachers will attempt to return phone messages within twenty-four hours. Teachers have access to phones in teacher planning areas, but not in individual classrooms. There are six out-going lines available for the entire staff. Finding an available phone and an available line is sometimes a challenge. EMAIL can be a timelier communication for almost ALL teachers and can be accessed and answered from the classroom. Please do not expect teachers to read or respond to emails during class time.

ALL teachers will give post a comprehensive syllabus on their canvas homepage. The syllabus will give important information about the teacher's grading policy, the teacher's policy on make-up work, and the BEST way to get in touch with the teacher.

In order to keep you informed, Principal Raburn will send out weekly updates with information about school events. All communication is sent out via our ParentLink system. If you do not provide us with a current phone number (that can receive text messages) or email address, then you will not get our weekly updates. Please make sure you confirm and update your contact information on the student emergency card that will be sent home during the first few weeks of school.

STRAWBERRY CREST HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE:

The BEST way to discover what is happening at Strawberry Crest High School is through our website. Our website address is [Strawberry Crest High / Homepage \(hillsboroughschools.org\)](http://StrawberryCrestHigh/Homepage(hillsboroughschools.org)) Our website is updated often and has all the latest news. Please add our website to your favorites on your computer at home, and please follow us on Twitter: [@TheSCHSChargers](https://twitter.com/TheSCHSChargers) and Instagram: [schschargers](https://www.instagram.com/schschargers)

TEXTBOOKS:

Please protect our textbooks and your tax dollars!! Most textbooks cost over \$80 each and must last a minimum of four years, sometimes six. Covering textbooks is a great way to save all of us money. Brown grocery bags are the best protection. We are asking students to consider using digital textbooks.

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

Please remember that we hire teachers and create a Master Schedule of classes based on the course selections that students made the prior school year, during the programming months of November through January. Therefore, many of the changes requested will not be possible. Strawberry Crest is committed to offering courses that help our students pursue their academic goals; however, we must keep class sizes balanced and keep the scheduling process fair to all students and teachers. Course placement is determined by a student's test scores and teacher recommendations. Elective choices have been honored if possible. Reading (or Thinking Skills) is required for all students in 9th grade and students in 10th grade that scored Level 1 on their FSA Reading test. There will be an opportunity for schedule corrections during the first week of school. Schedules will be corrected only for errors (missing a required course or a class period, enrolled in a class already taken and passed). Please contact the Guidance Department if you believe there is an error in your child's schedule. Seniors will have the opportunity to make corrections to their schedule during Open House on August 7th (8:30 - 11:30).

ATHLETICS:

Eligibility Requirements

- **9th Graders (1st Semester):** A first-year high school student, entering the ninth grade for the first time and was *academically promoted*, is academically eligible during his/her first semester of high school attendance. After the 1st semester the 9th grader must have a 2.0 high school grade point average to continue to be eligible.
- **9th Graders (2nd Semester) and all 10th-12th Graders:** must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale in all courses taken through the end of the previous semester; OR An academic performance contract can be signed if student has earned at least a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale in the courses taken in the previous semester (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4.)

Please use the following links for information on clearances as well as the application process:

For FHSAA Clearance application and uploading: Athleticclearance.fhsaahome.org
More information on athletic clearances: [Athletics / Student Forms \(hillsboroughschools.org\)](http://Athletics / Student Forms (hillsboroughschools.org))

If you have athletic questions, please contact our Assistant Principal for Administration:

Mr. Ryan Guarisco, APA/Athletic Director: Ryan.Guarisco@hcps.net

You may also contact the individual sport coach listed below:

FALL SPORTS	Head Coach	Email
Football	Phillip Prior	Phillip.Prior@hcps.net
Cheerleading	Loveny Savarino	Loveny.Savarino@hcps.net
Cross Country (B/G)	David Burris	David.Burris@hcps.net
Swimming (Boys)	Cassie Mattison	Cassandra.Mattison@hcps.net
Swimming (Girls)	Courtney Donhaizer	Courtney.Donhaizer@hcps.net
Volleyball	Katia Saavedra	Katia@fevolleyball.com
Golf (B/G)	Collin Johnson	Collin.Johnson@hcps.net

WINTER SPORTS	Head Coach	Email
Basketball (Boys)	Andre Lewis	Andre.Lewis@hcps.net
Basketball (Girls)	Gina Giunta	Gina.Guintahunter@hcps.net
Soccer (Boys)	Devere Archer	Devere.Archer@hcps.net
Soccer (Girls)	Sean Woodhouse	Sean.Woodhouse@hcps.net
*Wrestling (B/G)	OPEN	Ryan.Guarisco@hcps.net
SPRING SPORTS	Head Coach	Email
Flag Football	Ashton Sparkman	Ashton.Sparkman@hcps.net
Baseball	Eric Beattie	Eric.Beattie@hcps.net
*Softball	OPEN	Ryan.Guarisco@hcps.net
Track (Boys)	Mo Harris	Mo.Harris@yahoo.com
Track (Girls)	David Burris	David.Burris@hcps.net
*Tennis (Boys)	OPEN	Ryan.Guarisco@hcps.net
*Tennis (Girls)	OPEN	Ryan.Guarisco@hcps.net

STUDENT DROP-OFF INFORMATION:

Student drop-off is located in the front of the building. Please do NOT attempt to drop your child off in any other area of the school (Student parking area, Bus ramp, or Bailey Elementary). We have developed the best and most importantly, the SAFEST drop-off system available to us. This year the front drop-off area will have two lanes. The left lane will be for those drivers who are parking, thus there will be NO stopping in this lane. The right lane will be the drop off lane. Please adhere to the directions of the school personnel there to assist you. Most importantly, please BE PATIENT...and please ARRIVE EARLY...this area gets very congested in the morning and the safety of our students is extremely important.

BUS STOP INFORMATION:

If you live more than two miles from school and have not received bus information, please go to this website to find your correct bus stop information: <https://webquery.sdhc.k12.fl.us/livewq/webquery/> Information will begin to come out as we get closer to the start date of students returned to the school. If you need additional information regarding busing, please contact Mrs. Miltner, CCRT for Student Affairs. By downloading the mobile app or logging in to the Here Comes the Bus website, a parent can see where their child's bus is located and when their child has scanned on and off the bus. A parent cannot see any information on other children - <https://herecomesthebus.com/> Code - 75255

CONTACTLESS STUDENT SIGN IN:

Parents will not need to physically sign their students in when they are late. Students will be asked to bring in a note signed by the parent, which states the reason for signing in late and includes the parent signature.

PRE-ARRANGED STUDENT SIGN OUT:

Student sign outs may be pre-arranged by bringing in a note signed by the parent/guardian on the emergency card. Note must include the parent's name, parent signature, parent contact number, student name, student ID number, sign out time and date. All notes must be submitted to the Student Affairs Office BEFORE 8:40am to be pre-arranged. Students will receive a blue, pre-arranged sign out pass upon approval of parent/guardian note. Due to safety reasons, sign outs over the phone are not permitted.

STUDENT PARKING:

Students will have the opportunity to drive to school; however, all student drivers must have the proper Parking Hangtag. Hangtags are \$20 for the school year. Seniors may purchase a permanent space for the school year for \$50 (which includes painting the space). These spaces are limited to first come, first serve. In order to obtain a permit, students must provide a copy of their driver's license, car insurance, car registration, and not owe any school debt. All paperwork must be submitted online at <https://forms.office.com/r/xBeCEZvaWn> After students have returned to school, hangtags may be purchased through the link the entire year. Cars parked in unauthorized areas and cars parked without the proper permits will be subject to towing. Parking hangtags can now be purchased through the MyPaymentsPlus website. Students can log in with their student ID and pay for the hangtag before turning in their forms (forms are online) to the Student Affairs Office. If you have questions, email Mindy Miltner at mindy.miltner@hcps.net

BREAKFAST & LUNCHES:

Breakfast is free for all SCHS students. Students will need to know their student ID number in order to get breakfast or lunch. This school year, regular school lunches are free for all SCHS students due to the federal

Community Eligibility Provision. No paperwork is needed as all SCHS students receive this benefit. This only applies to regular school lunch items. A la carte items must be purchased.

STUDENT Q & A:

- **What is the daily student schedule?**
 - o *The bell schedule will run from 8:40am until 3:35pm on regular school days and from 8:40am until 2:35pm on early release days. Please see the complete bell schedule on the school website.*
- **How can my student join a club?**
 - o *We will have a club fair during all lunches on Friday, August 18th so students can explore club options and get involved in SCHS.*
- **How will my student know where to go on the first day of school?**
 - o *All students will report to their homeroom first on August 10th. Adults will be stationed throughout campus to assist with students finding the proper location. Teachers will also make sure that students know the room numbers for all of their classes.*
- **My student is new to Strawberry Crest, how will they find their way around campus?**
 - o *We will position staff throughout campus before school and between classes to assist students with navigating our campus. You can also take a virtual tour by accessing our Open House video on our website.*
- **How and when can my student access their schedule?**
 - o *Schedules will be available via Canvas on August 4th.*
- **Will my student have access to digital textbooks?**
 - o *Yes. Many of our texts are available via Canvas and Clever. Your individual teachers will tell you what online resources are available for your course.*

Administration:

Christie Raburn	Principal	ext. 223
Trent Hobbs	Asst. Prin. For Curriculum	ext. 254
Genna Custard	Asst. Prin. For Student Affairs (N-Z)	ext. 252
Ryan Guarisco	Asst. Prin. For Administration	ext. 253
Ira Shaw	Asst. Prin. For Student Affairs (A-M)	ext. 224
Mindy Miltner	Climate & Culture Resource Teacher	ext. 251

Guidance:

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