



SHERIDAN TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWS



Special Note from the Administration



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Greetings STHS Stakeholders,

December is here ... the year is just flying by! There are a few important events and dates to share with you as we prepare for the end of Term 1. The arrival of December brings with it, End of Course Exams (EOC's). These exams, in Biology, Algebra 1, Algebra 2, and Geometry, will take place the week of December 12th through the 16th.

Leading up to these exams, our Biology and Math teachers will be staying after school every day for EOC prep sessions from November 28th—December 9th. We want your children to take advantage of this opportunity to strengthen their knowledge and skills in these academic areas.

Term 1 Final Exams will be administered after the winter break, during the week of January 9th through the 12th. Please note that all students will be released after lunch on both Tuesday, January 10th and Wednesday, January 11th. Release time will be 11:00 a.m. District buses will be picking up early and running their normal routes. If your child is a car rider, plan on an 11:00 a.m. pickup.

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Magnet Showcase: Dec. 10th

EOC Exams: Dec. 12th - 16th

STHS Open House
(for prospective students): Dec. 13th

Winter Break: December 26-January 9, 2017

Students Return: Jan. 9, 2017

Term 1 Final Exams: Jan. 9 - 12, 2017



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ADMINISTRATION

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Many amazing service events have been taking place through many of our clubs. Be certain to check them out throughout this newsletter.

Looking ahead, we have some awesome events in December: Mu Alpha Theta, Math Honor Society, Induction Dinner to be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016. Because this is a formal dinner, please RSVP upon receiving the invitation.

As this is the last newsletter before the winter holiday break, I wish you and your loved ones a Happy, Healthy Holiday and will see you all back at STHS on Monday, January 9th.

Warm Regards,

Mary A. Barba
Assistant Director

Adopt-A-Grandparent Initiative

Wendy Payne, S.G.A. Sponsor

S.G.A. continued to grow its *Adopt-A-Grandparent* program by writing more letters and delivering treats of origami cats



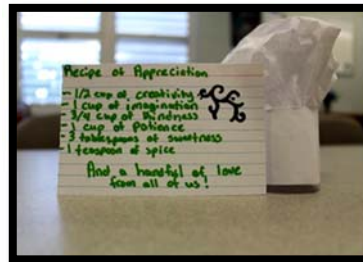
and dogs with Halloween greetings to some of the senior residents at a local assisted living facility. We have been told that our “grandparents” are getting a real kick from the letters and gifts.



STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

S.G.A.'s Department of the Month

SGA was busy in November and is looking forward to an exciting holiday season as well. We served up our appreciation to the Culinary/Cafeteria staff with personalized origami chef hats and a *Recipe for Appreciation*. Nobody deserves a special treat more than they do!



“Fast Forward” with S.G.A.



Looking ahead to December, SGA has a great deal planned. From a door-decorating spirit contest to a *Nightmare Before Christmas* - themed holiday party and the Honor Flight Kickoff and speaker on December 19, we will be busy bees.

Speaking of Honor flight, SGA is asking for donations of gently worn jeans, sweatshirts, flannel shirts and other heavy materials with which to create our Honor Flight Quilt. Students, staff and other members of the Sheridan Tech Family can purchase a plain quilt square for \$1 or a decorated square for \$2 to help raise money to send WWII veterans to Washington D.C. Our goal is \$1,000 so please consider lending us a hand. The funds raised by this event go towards transporting as many United States military veterans as possible to see the memorials of the respective war(s) they found in Washington, D.C. at no cost to the veterans.

STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS,
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NHS & Teen Readers' Read & Feed Harvest Drive

The Harvest Drive was an amazing success! The entire student population participated in bringing in canned goods to donate to families in need. In addition to doing a good deed, the students collected raffle tickets to win the opportunity to "pie a teacher".



Ms. Friedman's Block 2



Ms. Friedman's Block 3



Thanks go out to the following teachers for agreeing to be "pied": Nancy Barba, Bob

Decker, Renka Friedman, Craig Jarrett, Jose Montanez, Wendy Payne, Marisa Santana, & Katherine Tanner. The students cheered each time a pie made contact with a teacher's face! See picture gallery link below!



The whole Wolf Pack donated a grand total of 948 cans! A big thanks to Ms. Santana's 3rd period class for loading the cans to deliver to Western High School. Thank you to the National Honor Society and Teen Readers for

helping organize this year's Harvest Drive.

Key Club Supports Horses & Handicapped Program

~ by Abeeda Latif, Key Club member



Mr. Decker, Key Club sponsor, and club members attended our very first volunteering event on 11/12 at the

Triple H Ranch for Horses and Handicapped riding program, hosted by the Kiwanis club of Davie.

The event started at 8:00 a.m. and ended at 12:30 p.m. We were given the task of helping out with the riding sessions for the special riders which included guiding the horses through obstacles for our riders. A lot of students from other schools volunteered at this exciting event as well. Anyhow, we enjoyed our time helping out with the Kiwanis Club. Look out for more awesome key club volunteer events!



PB & J's for the Homeless

Key Club was also busy making 150 peanut butter & Jelly sandwiches for a local homeless shelter right before Thanksgiving.

Key Club sponsor, Bob Decker, delivered the PB&J sandwiches and was told at the shelter that they would be handed out to the homeless at Holiday Park . What great service our Key Club is providing and making a difference in our community!

PIE-A-TEACHER

See picture gallery @ <http://tinyurl.com/pieteachers>

STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS, *CONTINUED*



Renka Friedman,
Speech & Debate
Coach/Teacher

Four of our students received medals during a recent debate tournament: **Lorena Manasturean** placed in Original Oratory; **Olivia Zuniga** placed in Dramatic Interpretation; **Treasure Lynch** placed in Impromptu; and **Lorene Lane** placed in Declaration. Congratulations are in order!



L to R: Lorene, Lorena, Treasure, Olivia

On Saturday November 19th, Sheridan Technical High Schools Debate Team, The Howlers, attended the Falcon Invitational at Flanagan High School. After a long and challenging day, The Howlers made their fellow Wolves proud with three competitors taking home trophies. **Davanithe Evra** took 5th place and **Viviana Tinjerino** took 4 place in Program Oral Interpretation and **Sierra Richardson** took 4th



Left to Right: Sierra, Davanithe, Viviana

in Original Oratory and 2nd in Info. **Way to go Howlers!** This is just the beginning of a great competitive season ahead.



Spoken Word Club Poets Prepare for Poetry Slam!

Zsale Haghigat, Club Sponsor

Spoken Word is pleased to have compiled a team of poets for the *Louder Than A Bomb* poetry slam. We've also been awarded a Teaching Assistant, Lachelle from Bluapple Poetry, and are busy expanding our creative expression and stage presence.



U.S. Army Visits STHS' Juniors!



Sergeant A. Brown and Sergeant Grayson, U.S. Army, visits STHS, providing information to our 11th graders on the Armed Forces and answering any questions students had about the program.



Yearbooks on SALE!



See attached **YEARBOOK FLYER** for details.

In Other News ...

BLAST Parent Workshop: College Readiness ~ by Davanithe Evra, Student

On November 17th there was a College Readiness Planning workshop for families led by Peter and Jill Ratan, owners/operators of College Concierge.



Many parents attended for this informational workshop where information regarding the myths of scholarships, tips and strategies and the college admission process was shared. One myth included the fact that if your income is too high, it may be highly unlikely that one would be awarded any funding. However, getting the money you need is like buying a car; negotiation is key, supplemented with financial aid. Another myth shared was that in-state collages are cheaper, but that is not necessarily true. Also, did you know that one does not have to use Florida pre-pay in Florida and is accepted almost anywhere?



Overall, the session was a great success and provided tips and strategies that provided students more options on schools they might consider and a better chance at getting into their school of choice.



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Upcoming Magnet Events

~ Mrs. Susan Collins, Magnet Coordinator

South Area Magnet Showcase will feature elementary, middle, and high school magnet programs from Broward County Public Schools. STHS will be participating in this First South Area Magnet Showcase scheduled for December 10, 2016, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Hallandale Beach Cultural Arts Center. This will be an exciting educational opportunity for families to meet staff from Broward County Public Schools' magnet programs and explore the vast array of programs available.



See enclosed **South Area Magnet Showcase flyer**, page 11, for further details.



STHS Hosts Open House for Prospective Students and Families!

The open house is scheduled on **Tuesday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m.** Those interested are asked to RSVP at: <http://tinyurl.com/hmnaf6e>. Entry requirement is a minimum level of a 2.5 GPA and minimum level of 3's on ELA and Math assessments. Click on the attached STHS Open House flyer for further details.

The magnet application window opens on December 1, 2016 and runs through February 8, 2017. Apply online at:

www.browardschoolsinnovativeprograms.com.



Teaching & Learning Spotlight

Technology Studies - *Hands on Deck!*

~ Michael Fisher, Teacher

Tech Studies has been very busy understanding all that goes on over at Sheridan Technical College. We have visited the campus several times observing the various programs of study that we will have a chance to enroll in next year. Upon our return we have been diligently putting the skills we have learned about these awesome careers to work right here in our classroom. So far this term we have studied: Web Development, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, Personal Fitness, Business, and the Construction Trades.



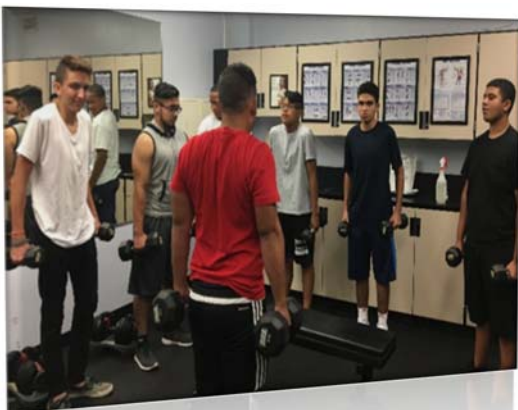
With each career we have participated in activities that have given us hands on experience in the field in which we are studying. Our latest Career has been Construction. We explored carpentry, electrical, plumbing, and air conditioning. In class we created pieces for the STHS garden using the tools and skills of a carpenter. We interpreted design plans, cut the wood to size, fastened it using nails and screws, and installed the pieces in the garden for the school to enjoy. We created two benches, a trellis and an arbor. Please stop by to see them in the "work in progress" garden area next to the greenhouse.



We have several more areas to study in the coming weeks, including: Health Sciences, Automotive, and Graphics and IT. We will continue to work hard and have fun.

Physical Fitness Training

~ Mr. Parkin, Personal Fitness Instructor



Mr. Parkin's Personal Fitness Training Class is going extremely well. The students are gaining knowledge and understanding of personal fitness and have adapted well to the routine training by becoming noticeably fitter themselves. After their return from the Thanksgiving Holiday, they will begin studying Cardio-Respiratory Fitness and Endurance, Aerobic Exercise, and Health Risk Factors, all before going on Winter Break; at which point the students will have completed more than half the course.

Excellent! Way to go Wolves!

Teaching & Learning Spotlight

Emerging Technology in Business with Mr. Decker & Miss Z

We have recently concluded Chapter 6: Ethical, Legal, and Social Responsibilities in Business and will be finishing up our International Business Travel Project where the students will use the internet to gather, analyze, organize and interpret travel information, synthesize a structured itinerary, practice making wise consumer decisions, and demonstrate effective presentation skills (including an introduction into Excel).

We are also celebrating success! Of our 77 students, we have awarded 97 Industry Certifications (59 Word, 36 PowerPoint, 2 OneNote). There is another opportunity to gain Industry Certification during our next testing period December 12, 13 & 14th.

Did you know the benefits of Certification?

- ◆ Stand out from **competition** for jobs and scholarships
- ◆ Earn **confidence** in your abilities! Prove to yourself you can do it.
- ◆ Demonstrate your expertise in the **latest technology**.
- ◆ Work **faster** because you know the software well.
- ◆ Industry-leading software brands are **easily recognized** on your resume.
- ◆ Join an elite team of **professionals**.
- ◆ Industry certification gives **external validation** to what you learned in school.
- ◆ Get a job anywhere in the **world**.
- ◆ Use your certification in many different **career fields**.
- ◆ It is easy to **prepare** with the full pathway plan.



Emerging Tech's Certification Wall Expands!

Sheridan Technical College Ranks in the TOP 10 Best Culinary Schools in Florida



Sheridan Technical College is No. 7 in the latest Choice Schools rankings of best Culinary Schools in Florida. The ranking is based on reputation in industry, exemplary status from the American Culinary Federation, and program options and internship/externship opportunities.

Best Choice Schools' provides expert, well-researched rankings and other resources for individuals looking for information about top quality higher education.

Find the article at: <http://www.bestchoiceschools.com/rankings/culinary-schools-florida>.

Lifeline to Literacy
~ Esther Charles, Literacy Coach

As we enter the half way point of the school year, students have been hard at work. Our goal this year is to incorporate literacy throughout all content areas. We are hard at work in practicing to prepare for our upcoming FSA/ELA assessment.



Over the next month our Reading Instructional Focus will concentrate on:

- ◆ Identifying the **Text Structure** of nonfictional text which can include:
 - Compare & Contrast
 - Description
 - Sequence & Order
 - Cause & Effect
 - Problem & Solution
- ◆ Inferring the Author's Purpose/Point of View in an informational text

In addition to our reading focus, students will have grammar exercises as well. These skills will be implemented in their courses, where they will be able to receive daily practice.

Book Bytes & More
~ Michele Rivera, Digital Learning Specialist



Twitter: @STHSReads

CTE Students Refresh on Research Databases!

Juniors from Mr. Fred Williams' Career Technical Education (CTE) Cisco Course recently visited the ILC for a refresher on locating, using, and applying credible sources drawn from the school's online databases, particularly *AcademicOne File*, when researching their topic – this all in preparation of their senior exhibition project.



GALE's *AcademicOne File*, a premier periodical resource, provides millions of current, relevant, and curated articles from over 17,000 scholarly journals and authoritative sources. Students were reminded of its user-friendly tools including citations, audio features, built in dictionary, etc. along with its new integration with Microsoft Office 365. Students are now able to store, sync, and share files in the cloud by downloading Gale content into their OneDrive account. This functionality also facilitates easy integration within OneNote and Class Notebook, two additional digital tools students have for organizational and collaboration purposes.

Ideas take shape
in OneNote

With the right tools (and sources) in hand, students will be well on their way to a successful presentation when they will demonstrate mastery on their self-chosen topic!

Website of the Month: Br. Cty. Libraries

There's SO MUCH MORE @ Your BCL!

Check it out @ <http://www.broward.org/Library/WOWUpdate/Pages/default.aspx>

- ✓ Global Holiday Celebrations at Broward County Library! All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.
- ✓ Attention High School Juniors and Seniors: **Free SAT & ACT Workshops** available at Broward County Libraries!



Counselor's Corner with "Guidance Gurus": Mrs. Rattray (Gr. 11), Mrs. Schiling (Gr. 10), and Mrs. Segal (Gr. 9)



- **PSAT scores** will be available to students via their college board account on **December 12, 2016**.
- **EOC for Biology** will be **December 12, 2016**.
- **EOC for Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II** will be December 13, 2016 for session 1 and December 14, 2016 for session 2.

Understanding your Report Card & Graduation Requirements

Mrs. Segal shared with the 9th grade class information regarding how to understand their report card and graduation requirements for their class. The session was recorded and is available in the Innovative Learning course within D2L.

Bank of America Student Leaders Program for Juniors

Since its inception in 2004, the Bank of America Student Leaders Program has recognized more than 2,000 exemplary high school juniors and seniors who have a passion for improving their communities. The program helps students gain a greater understanding of how nonprofits create impact in the community and helps develop them as the next generation of community leaders through two components:

- An eight-week paid summer internship with a nonprofit organization selected by the bank. This internship is designed to provide opportunities for the students to develop and apply leadership skills through hands-on work experience, while raising their awareness of community issues addressed by their Host Organization.
- The week-long, all expense paid Student Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. from July 9-14, 2017. Conducted in partnership with the Close Up Foundation, the Summit introduces students to aspects of civic, social and business leadership and provides them with knowledge and skills they will use throughout their life to create positive community change.

To learn more about the program or to apply, please visit www.bankofamerica.com/studentleaders. Please note the application deadline is January 27, 2017. Please also refer to the enclosed flyer on pg. 12.



Kidz 4 A Cure - A Community Service Opportunity

Please consider joining Kidz 4 A Cure and its many friends and supporters throughout the area in providing gifts of clothing and toys to sick and needy children in our community. Community service hours can also be earned by helping to wrap and/or deliver gifts.



CharACTer Counts @ STHS



For the strength of the pack is the wolf ... and the strength of the wolf is the pack!

~ Rudyard Kipling



The Character Education recognition program is aligned to our fundamental belief in the ***Coalition of Essential School Principles***. When teachers and students work together based on common principles the learning environment is beneficial to all stakeholders.

Kindness

A spark of kindness
can start a fire of love.

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The Coalition of Essential Schools: Common Principles

1. *Learning to use one's mind well*

2. Less is more: depth over coverage

3. *Goals apply to all students*

4. Personalization

5. Student as worker, teacher as coach

6. Demonstration of mastery

7. *A tone of decency and trust*

8. Commitment to the entire school

9. Resources dedicated to teaching and learning

10. *Democracy and equity*

What can you do to demonstrate kindness?

- ✓ Ask someone "How are you doing?" and then really listen to his response.
- ✓ Let a fellow driver merge into your lane.
- ✓ Simply say "I'm sorry" when you're wrong.
- ✓ When you're on a crowded train or bus, offer your seat to an elderly, disabled or pregnant person.
- ✓ Do something for someone without being asked.
- ✓ Greet everyone with a smile and a friendly word.
- ✓ Each time you get a new item of clothing, give away something old.
- ✓ Say "please" and "thank you" and really mean it.

SOUTH AREA MAGNET SHOWCASE

featuring Elementary, Middle, and High School Magnet Programs from Broward County Public Schools



Saturday, December 10, 2016 • 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Hallandale Beach Cultural Arts Center
410 SE 3rd Street, Hallandale Beach, FL 33009

- Hands-on exhibits
- Performances
- Giveaways
- Food trucks



Meet staff from Broward County Public Schools magnet programs

Explore your educational opportunities in Aviation, Cambridge, Entrepreneurship, STEM, and Multimedia Technology, Emerging Computer Technology, International Baccalaureate, Medical Sciences, Montessori, Performing and Visual Arts, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM), Technical

Apply TODAY

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Those who say the world can't be changed probably never tried



Student Leaders® recognizes those who lead and serve in their own communities and beyond. Bank of America will connect Student Leaders to tools and resources that will help them make communities better.

As a Student Leader, you will:

- Work as a paid intern at a local nonprofit for eight weeks
- Attend the week-long Student Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C.
- Develop leadership and career skills
- Connect with like-minded students from your own community and across the country

Juniors and Seniors:

Apply from October 31, 2016
to January 27, 2017

Visit bankofamerica.com/studentleaders

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The words "Happy Holidays" bring cheer and comfort. In many families, however, there's not much to be cheerful about. When parents struggle to put food on the table, there is never enough money for gifts.

Please join Kidz 4 A Cure and our many friends and supporters throughout the area in providing gifts of clothing and toys to sick & needy children in our community.

Help make this a magical holiday season for those less fortunate!

- Donations of gift certificates for food and clothing
- Items purchased from the wish lists of our children
- Donations of cash to purchase gifts
- Help with wrapping and delivering gifts

Contact Lorrie Cram

To Help Spread the Joy

954-410-9297

Please donate by Dec. 10th

Kidz4ACure1993@gmail.com

1993-2016 * 23 years of giving

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4 A CURE



Yearbooks on SALE!

Your Friends ... Your School Your Story!
Where everyone knows your name! .

Order your yearbook today! Only \$40! Treasure your memories for a Lifetime!
Our yearbook is planned to include:

- All -color pages that vibrantly capture school memories
- Durable, long-lasting hard cover that protects treasured memories for a lifetime!

Cover Design by Dakota Valdes



Payment Method: Online or Cash

Broward Online eStore at:

<http://tinyurl.com/sthsyearbk17>

Cash payments can be made with Ms. Mulligan in the Office.