



SHERIDAN TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWS



Special Note from the Administration

Greetings Parents/Guardians & STHS Wolves,

We have so many wonderful things coming up this month. Our entire 9th grade class will be attending the play *"The Weight of Words"* at Broward Center for the Performing Arts as part of the Student Enrichment through the Arts (SEAS) Program. There is no cost to the students for this wonderful opportunity.

Our 10th grade students completed their TABE (Tests of Adult Basic Education) Test last week, which will be used to set up each student's CTE program of study in their Junior and Senior year. Later this month, 10th grade students will choose their technical program, so now would be a good time to have that conversation with your child.

In sports, we will be competing against McFatter and Atlantic Technical High Schools in intramural basketball. We have also been hosting our own in-house round robin basketball tournament for both girls and boys. We are looking very good on the court and will field a competitive team!

Thank you for getting your children to school every day. The month of February is an important month for learning, as March brings with it the beginning of FSA testing, mid-terms, and Spring Break.

As always, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

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Dates to Remember:

February 10 –Magnet Applications Due

February 11 - Interim Reports

February 15 - No School

February 25 - Early Release



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Upcoming S.G.A. Events:

Mark your calendars now!



Saturday, April 9 - ***A Day in the Den***. Students will spend the day at school participating in all kinds of fun events from 11:00-4:00 p.m. Cost is

TBD. Events will include a scavenger hunt, tie-dye, water balloon fight, board games, manhunt and more. Lunch will be included in the price. Tickets will be available online to the first 50 lucky students who purchase.



Dash for Cash is coming up on February 12. So check your piggy banks and fill your pockets with change for the first 9th grade fundraiser of the year. All money raised goes to the Class of 2019 account.

The first **10th grade fundraiser** will take place the week of February 15. All teachers will raise as much money as they can with their classes throughout the day. The teacher who raises the most money will be "kidnapped" for a day of relaxation, while his/her classes will be left to "carry on" without him/her for the day.



Broward County Literary Fair

Calling all creative writers and poets! Literary Fair is around the corner. Please see Mrs. Payne for the categories and rules for Broward County Literary Fair. All submissions and forms must be in to Mrs. Payne no later than March 16.

Earth Day Park Clean Up – SAVE the DATE

The Ecology club is organizing to be a part of an Earth Day park cleanup at Hugh Taylor Birch State Park on April 16th at 4 p.m. Hugh Taylor Birch Park will provide all the tools necessary for picking up the trash. This will count towards volunteer hours!



Magnet News

Recruitment is in full swing until online applications close on February 10th. Ms. Collins, our Magnet Coordinator, has presented to 26 middle schools and has 3 more lined up. She showcased our high school for 74 students on January 21st from Olsen Middle. She's also been busy touring families and lining up shadowing opportunities. Kudos to our current students who have been volunteering to let students shadow them in order to experience "a day in the life at STHS".

Online applications are open until **February 10th**.

www.browardschoolsmagnetprograms.com



Academic Support is Available

Test Preparation and Homework Help Available!		
AP Human Geography Exam Review	AP Psychology Exam Review	Homework/Tutoring Support
Tuesday and Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL during 5 th Block, Room147	Tuesday and Thursday evenings 8pm-9pm via Black-Board Collaborate – LINK in D2L	Tuesdays/Thursdays, 5 th Block, 1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

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S.G.A. Sponsors "Winter Wonderland" Dance ~ Jason Grioua, Sophomore

STHS had its first school dance on January 9, 2016. It was truly a sight to see and was a huge hit. The theme was "Winter Wonderland" and the cafeteria was transformed into just that!

I got to the dance a little early but was happily seated at 6:45 PM. The dance really started at around 7:00 when more people came in.

The music coming from the DJ was pretty good, and a pretty loud volume (so that everyone could hear it). There was a lot of variety between the music, although it occasionally felt ironic between songs as the dance was "Winter" themed and some of the songs had a "Summer" vibe to them.

The food was nice, offering different variations of pasta and salad. It included ravioli, which I considered my favorite out of the options. There were also deserts later on, including cupcakes and cookies, both of which were pretty good.

Early on, the songs playing really started up the dancing mood, and this was obvious when everyone got up and started dancing to the song. It was interesting seeing everyone do the "Charlie Brown" at the same time. There was almost always someone getting it down on the dance floor.

Overall, the dance was worth the money and I had a great time going. It may have been a little awkward when most of the songs were viral dance songs while people were in Semi-Formal clothes, but being with friends and just generally having a good time mostly made up for it.





Intramural Flag Football Game Against Rival ATC

~ D. Parkin & R. Greggs

STHS's long awaited and much anticipated flag-football game against their rival Atlantic took place early in the new year, kicking-off the second term.

On a bright and sunny Thursday afternoon, the atmosphere at Sheridan's campus was buzzing with excitement. Our director, B.B, our staff and much of the student body looked forward to the days match-up.

Atlantic Tech. arrived with a large contingent of players and coach staff ready to do battle on our home field. The players on both teams warmed-up and the game was on. After a defensive struggle, Atlantic Tech. managed a touchdown. Then another. Our Sheridan Wolves managed a drive and major score late in the first-half, celebrated by our fabulous cheerleaders.

Half-time entertainment was provided by the cheerleading squads of both Atlantic and Sheridan as well as food & drink provided half-time entertainment from our own awesome, new food truck! Both teams battled hard in the second half of the contest in response to shrewd coaching adjustments made on both teams.



In the end though, it was Atlantic that managed to come out on top due in part to the sheer number of players they had; while the Sheridan Wolves squad had most of their team playing on both offense and defense for the entire game!

That being said, we must congratulate them on their tremendous effort they put forth throughout the game as well as their excellent character and sportsmanship. They, as well as all of those who volunteered or participated in anyway is vital in building the reputation and proud spirit of our school : Sheridan Technical High School.

A huge thanks to the Coaches McComb and Haydock, along with Mr. Greggs, Intramural Coordinator and Mr. Parkin, Sports Commentator, for a job well down in supporting a healthy, friendly, competitive game!



Teaching & Learning Spotlight



Debate Update

Our STHS Debate Team President and Speech Squad Captain, Sierra Richardson, competed at the **Sunvitational Tournament** on Saturday and Sunday, 1/9/16 and 1/10/16 at NSU University HS in Davie, FL.

Please join me in congratulating Sierra Richardson for advancing to the Quarterfinals in INFORMATIVE SPEAKING at the Sunvitational Tournament! This is of particular merit and distinction for Sierra, as this was her first time competing in this new NFL event! Way to go Sierra! **See page 9 for special note from Assistant Coach Logan.**

Also, the STHS Debate Team Novice Squad competed at the Broward Novice After School #5 Tournament on Thursday, 1/21/16 at Charles Flanagan HS in Pembroke Pines, FL. Honorable



Mention goes to all of our debaters for winning one round of Lincoln-Douglas: **Roandra Landell, Bellenda Fertil, and Tami Ambresena!**

And please join me in congratulating **Davanithe Evra** for ranking #1 in one round of Oral Interpretation! Woot! Woot!

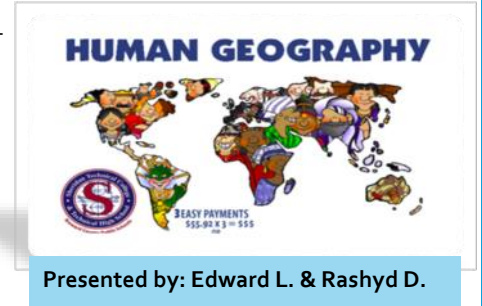


Congratulations ALL! Way to go Wolves!

On another note, we need adult judges for our upcoming tournaments! To obtain SBBC security clearance, please go to www.browardschools.com/getinvolved to fill out an online Volunteer Application, click submit, and you will be notified when you have achieved your Level security clearance. On behalf of the STHS Debate Team, we thank you for your continued support!

Surviving AP Human Geography

First semester students who have "Lived the Life of AP Human Geography in Mr. Feinstein's Class", produced a variety of creative projects spotlighting "key leading issues" to support the success of the incoming 2nd semester students in this course.



Presented by: Edward L. & Rashyd D.

These key issues included the "Do's and Don'ts" on a range of topics including organizational skills and study habits, homework, attendance, study tips, test taking strategies, and homework. Projects were creatively delivered using infographics, animation presentations, Interviews, movies and much more!



Presented by: Peter S., Bohens D., Janelle, M, & lleissa O.

After viewing the productions submitted from last semester's students, current students taking the class were tasked with identifying which production was most beneficial and provided the best advice!

What a GREAT, fun way for students to acquire the essential tips and tricks that will help them be most successful in this class!

Book Bytes & More
Michele Rivera, Digital Learning Specialist

Twitter: @STHSReads



Got GOOGLE?
WHY or WHY NOT?

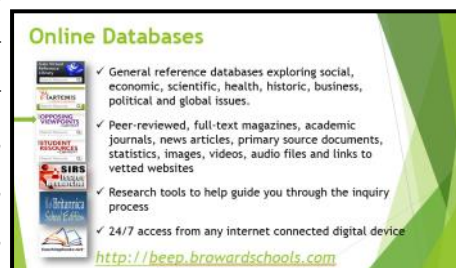
“Google” is natural part of our vocabulary and existence in today’s digital world where one has access to the good, the bad, and even the ugly!

With a world pulsating with information, Google is often the ‘go-to’ search engine for searching the web. And while it is pretty good at giving us the information we want, on a recent visit to the ILC, students in Ms. Aleman’s Debate class learned about the “invisible filters” that produce results that may or may not be what we really need! Consequently, it is important that students learn how to sift through and critically evaluate the sources they find.



Students were then introduced to the plethora of digital resources within our district’s BEEP portal (Doorway #2), specifically, the online reference databases. The resources contained within are peer-reviewed, full-text magazines, academic journals, news articles, primary source documents, statistics, images, videos, audio files and links to vetted websites.

Students discovered that, ***Opposing Viewpoints in Context***, one database within GALE’s suite of reference sources, provided them with quality information and perspectives on hundreds of today’s hottest social, economic, scientific, health, historic, business, political and global issues.



Students were easily directed to the articles that reflected BOTH sides of their argument once they identified the right key words and/or combination of search terms!

The realization that Google gave them “everything” and “anything” they wanted with one click, was not necessarily the most efficient and effective vehicle to find what they needed for their Debate assignment!

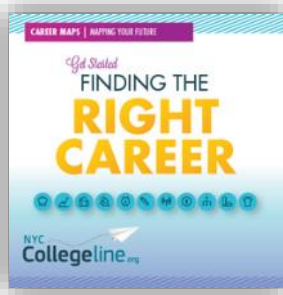
KEEP CALM And **DEBATE ON** using **BEEP’s database resources!**



Teaching & Learning Spotlight

Sophomores Pave Their Career Pathways!

~ Nicole Alexander, STHS Online Course Designer



As members of the STHS community, students have the opportunity to choose a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program to participate in during their junior and senior years.

While a preliminary survey has been done, 10th grade students will solidify their CTE program choice in mid-February.

Before choosing a CTE program, students are required to take the TABE test. TABE, the Test of Adult Basic Education, covers Reading, Language Arts, and Math. In order to complete a CTE program, students must meet the TABE level requirements that are set for each program. These levels differ by program and will be discussed with students once programs have been selected.



Tests of Adult Basic Education

During the past several weeks, all 10th grade students participated in the TABE test. The test was administered over a period of two days, for approximately one hour each day. All of our 10th graders did an amazing job with testing, putting forth 110% effort! Thank you to the students and teachers for your time and effort!



Further information on CTE program selection will soon be shared with both students and parents. For now, any questions about CTE programs can be directed to **Denise Mancini, Career Dual Enrollment Advisor**. If desired, students can make appointments with Ms. Mancini by emailing her at denise.mancini@browardschools.com.

Counselor's Corner:

Mrs. Rattray (Gr. 10) & Mrs. Schiling (Gr. 9)

Please be sure to check out "**Guidance Gurus**" on D2L. There is a load of important and useful information pertaining to graduation requirements, community service hours, driver's ed, grade calculations, and much more! We will be consistently updating D2L to keep you up-to-date with the most current guidance news. Enjoy!

Additionally, please be sure to check out the valuable scholarship opportunities and summer internship programs on flyers posted on **pages 9-11**.



Piktochart - Easy-to-use Infographic Maker

For Teachers, Students, and Professionals who want to enhance their marketing power inside or outside of the classroom! Piktochart is a FREE, easy to use infographic maker. Infographics are easy to understand, shareable and interesting – so why aren't you using them to get your message across?





STHS "Alpha Wolves" Worthy & Honorable Character



Character Trait for February

Honesty

Sheridan High School is committed to adopting policies, practices, and pedagogies that are equitable and promote the ability for all stakeholders to have a voice in the establishment of the governmental practices of the school.

With this in mind, during the month of February we will be recognizing the character trait of **Honesty**.

Honesty is demonstrated when one is truthful, trustworthy and sincere! A sign of great character is someone who is genuine through their actions and words.

Honesty is especially important in order to build and strengthen friendships. When we build trust, our friends know that they can count on us! Once we break that trust, it is very hard to rebuild! Personal integrity is built on trust!

Honesty is the character trait for February.



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*

HONESTY

"Truth allows you to live with integrity. Everything you do and say shows the world who you really are. Let it be the truth."

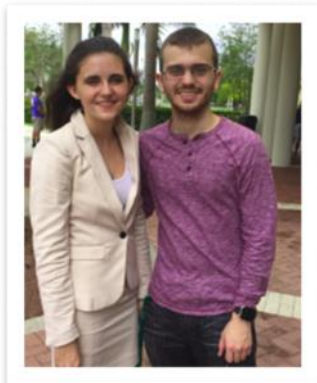
~ Oprah Winfrey

From Coach Logan:

My name is Logan Spence and I am the Assistant Coach for the Speech and Debate Team here at Sheridan Technical High School.

On January 9 and 10, 2016, University School hosted the ***Sunvitational Speech and Debate Tournament***. It is considered to be one of the premiere tournaments and has been in existence for many, many years. This year, the tournament hit record numbers, in terms of registered students, with over 1,300 competitors.

Of those competing, Sheridan Technical High School's Speech and Debate Team had one competitor, Sierra Richardson. Sierra made the difficult decision to compete at the ***Sunvitational*** over attending our high school's dance that same weekend. Despite the fact that we are in an extremely difficult and competitive district, with Nova (being ranked 3rd in the nation), as well as St. Thomas, Western High School, Cypress Bay High School, and University School, and the fact that our team is less than two years old, Sierra managed to earn her way into a Quarterfinal Round. This equates to her being ranked in the top 24 competitors for ***Informative Speaking*** of the tournament.



Sierra Richardson with
Coach Logan

Additionally, she was one point away from actually making it into the Semi Final round, which would be Top 12! As the Assistant Coach of this team, I am extremely proud of the sacrifice and dedication Sierra puts forth, as well as the hard work of the entire team!

I see great years for our small, young, yet talented team! Congrats from an extremely proud coach!

-Logan



SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM

The [Girls Who Code Summer Immersion Program](#) is a FREE seven-week introduction to computer science for current 10th and 11th grade students. The program is designed for beginners, which means no previous coding experience is necessary! Additionally, we offer need-based scholarship and transportation stipends for those who qualify.



During the 7 weeks you will:

- **Connect code to your passions** -- Whether it's medicine, fashion, or gaming, we'll teach you how code ties to all industries.
- **See coding in action** -- Meet female engineers and get an inside look at technical roles in the world's top companies.
- **Join the sisterhood** -- Make friendships with a supportive and diverse community of other Girls Who Code alumni.

For further information and details regarding the Girls Who Code Summer Immersion Program go to:

<https://girlswhocode.fluidreview.com/>



10th & 11th Grade Students
**AVIATION ACADEMY
INTERNSHIP**



Presented by JetBlue



The Museum of Discovery and Science is partnering with JetBlue to highlight the importance of STEM in the aviation industry. Interns will be exposed to new technologies and research including behind-the-scenes access to restricted areas in aviation related facilities. They will also have the unique opportunity to interact with professionals at the Museum and in the workplace to discuss various careers in aviation, aviation technology, and physics of flight. *Participants will earn volunteer hours.*

Internship Dates
Saturdays in April 2016
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Eligibility Requirements

- Currently in 10th grade or 11th grade.
- GPA 2.75
- Be a U.S. Citizen and possess a government issued photo I.D. and birth certificate – required for field trips.
- Available to attend full day sessions every Saturday in April 2016

Participant Fees

\$225 for Museum members
\$250 for non-members

**Call 954.713.0930
to make a reservation.**

FIELD TRIPS

- Jet Blue Airlines Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport
- Sikorsky Development Flight Center
- Tour of Goodyear Blimp Operations Base

SPEAKERS

Eric Salna

FIU, International Hurricane Research Center Associate Director and Meteorologist,
How Weather Impacts Flying and the entire aviation field.

Steve Belleme

Business Development Manager
Broward County Aviation Dept.
Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport
The State of Aviation in our Region

Lieutenant Commander Justin Kibby

P-3 Hurricane Hunter pilot

More speakers to be scheduled.

ACTIVITIES

Design a drone and compete in the Museum's Drone Challenge!

Tour of Museum's To Fly exhibit featuring several cockpit simulators, 7D capsule theater, Mars Rover simulator and the MaxFlight simulator.



Sikorsky

Museum of Discovery and Science • 401 SW Second Street • Fort Lauderdale www.mods.org



Scholarship Opportunities

Deadline March 1, 2016



The de Moya Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable trust that creates and supports programs and raises awareness for children and young adults with unique abilities and special needs and their families. Unique abilities and special needs include youth and their families who require various levels of support/facilitation to fully participate in programs funded by the Foundation. Specifically these include children and youth with developmental disabilities, autism spectrum disorder (ASD), terminal illness, attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD), behavioral and emotional challenges, victims of abuse, and other disabilities.

THE ARMANDO J. DE MOYA SCHOLARSHIP - \$5,000

Awarded to a University of Florida student pursuing a Bachelor's degree or higher in Civil Engineering who needs financial support to pursue his/her studies.

TUTORING SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS - 2 AT \$2,500 EACH

Awarded to one high school student and one college student who wish to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering/Construction Management, have a documented learning disability, and need tutoring support to pursue their studies.

VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP - \$3,000

Awarded to a student who wishes to attend a vocational/technical certificate program in a field related to road and bridge construction, has a documented disability, and needs financial/tutoring support to pursue his/her studies.

JOB COACH SCHOLARSHIP - \$4,000

Awarded to a student who wishes to work in the road and bridge construction industry, has a documented disability and needs job skills training, job coaching, and employment support.

Download guidelines and applications here:

<http://tinyurl.com/demoyafoundationsscholarships16>

For questions please call 305.667.9112 or email demoyafoundation@gmail.com