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Principal's Message

Hello Dillard High School Family,

As the Proud Principal of Dillard High Schools 6-12, it is my honor and privilege to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year. As we embark upon this year, I can assure you that the teachers and staff remain firmly committed to providing a safe learning environment where students are empowered to engage in the learning process through creativity, innovation, critical thinking, and problem-solving. Our teachers and staff have engaged in professional development throughout the summer to ensure their readiness for engaging students at the highest levels. As I have said for years now, "Together We Make Great Things Happen." Our teamwork has been more evident over the past few months than ever before. It is our Dillard pride, connection, and community that has helped us during the most difficult of times. As we embark upon a new school year, I want to encourage and assure you that academic success remains a top priority for us. Together, we will work hand-in-hand to meet the coming challenges that lay ahead as only we can and we will celebrate our successes as only we can!

Thanks,

Casandra D. Robinson, Principal

"Together We Make Great Things Happen!"

Dillard High 6-12 Alma Mater

We fling thy standard on the air,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
The gray and blue so pure to flair,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
We'll keep it poudly floating there
An emblem of they watchful care
And for thy sake we'll do and dare
Dillard High, my Dillard High.

Our loyalty we now proclaim
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Our hearts are glowing with its flame
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
O, may we live to guard from shame
The purity of Dillard's name,
And all they virtues wide proclaim,
Dillard High, my Dillard High.

O Alma Mater, strong and free
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
Thy loyal sons we'll ever be
Dillard High, my Dillard High.
May our young hearts inspired be thee
Beat warmly for humanity
And in defeat or victory
Be true to thee, my Dillard High



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SCHOOL HOURS

7:40 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

- Classes will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. each morning
- Arriving on time is crucial to student academic success

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Dillard operates on a 4x4 A/B Schedule

- Students will attend four classes per day (one personalization period).
- Each class will be 90 minutes in length and will meet every other day
- ½ credit in each class may be earned every semester.
- High school credits are earned every 18 weeks.
- High school students can earn 7 credits in a year.

Guidance News

Guidance & Counseling Team

Guidance and counseling service are available for all of our Dillard High 6-12 students. The services provided by our guidance include, but are not limited to, educational information and planning, academic placement, test score interpretation, as well as personal/social counseling.

GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

Guidance Director - Maryland D. Hankerson-Patterson

9TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Miriam Mckinzie

10th Grade Guidance Counselor - TBA

11th Grade Guidance Counselor - TBA

12TH Grade Guidance Counselor - Marsha Monroe

Middle Grades - Louna Bellot

BRACE Advisor - Jimmy Witherspoon

SUPPORT STAFF

ESE Specialist - Alma Smith

ESE Counselor - Lauren Orozco

Social Workers - Jessica Overstreet & Florence Saint-Louis

Family Counselor - Cindy Philippe

School Psychologist -

Important Dates

August

8th - Panther Preview
16th - First Day of School

September

5th - Schools Closed
7th - First SAC Meeting of the School Year
13th - Interim Reports
13th - Open House
26th - Schools Closed



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JOIN SAC & SAF

School Advisory Council & School Advisory Forum

- School Advisory Council (SAC): SAC is a committee of parents, community members, and teachers who meet to discuss and monitor our School Improvement Plan. The focus of SAC is primarily student achievement but many issues are discussed that affect the school. SAC has an official elected membership but all are welcome to attend each meeting.
- School Advisory Forum (SAF): SAF is an open forum to discuss any school or community issue. While SAC focuses on the School Improvement Plan, SAF is the place to get more information, address any other concerns, or share ideas that impact the school. SAF meetings are held back to back with our SAC meetings.
- How to get involved and participate in the SAC/SAF committee? Parents are encouraged to attend the monthly meeting of the SAC/SAF. Our first SAC/SAF meeting of the 2021-2022 school year will be held on Wednesday, August 18th. Our monthly meetings are scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Please come join us!
- The SAC committee provides a place for parents to voice their opinions and make suggestions. SAC also gives the opportunity for parents to actively participate in setting goals and making plans to achieve those academic goals. SAC allows for parents to identify issues that need to be addressed concerning the school climate.

TITLE 1 INFORMATION

Dr. Enjoli Paul, Title 1 Liaison

What is Title 1?

Title I is a federally funded program for economically disadvantaged children who reside in school attendance areas with a high concentration of children from low income families. Since a high incidence of poverty in a school has a direct correlation with low academic student achievement, the goal of the Title I Program is to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and the skills to master the Florida Standards.

We will be presenting information from the 2021-2022 School Improvement Plan (SIP) at our School Advisory Council meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 5:30 PM as well as information on our Family Engagement Plan. We invite your input and feedback. Visit our website for a list of all SAC and SAF meetings for the 2021-2022 school-year.

Student Code of Conduct

The Code of Student Conduct, Policy 5.8, provides specific information regarding the rules that all students are expected to adhere to, as well as consequences for violations.

Important among these rules are consistent and timely attendance, respect for people and property, appropriate dress, technology usage, student publications, student activities, student records, and the right to appeal, including grievance procedures.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approves and affirms its support of the Code of Student Conduct, Policy 5.8."

The Student Code of Conduct book is available online at:
<https://www.browardschools.com/codeofconduct>

It is required that parents and students review the contents of this publication and sign the online acknowledgment form.

We are looking forward to a great year!

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Student Orientation / Campus Tours

Come out and learn about Dillard High School 6-12

Thursday, August 11, 2022

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

6th, 9th, and New Students to Dillard

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Cassandra D. Robinson, Principal

Title 1 Parent Notification

**DILLARD HIGH SCHOOL 6-12
IS A TITLE 1 SCHOOL**

Dillard is designated as a Title 1 school. According to the U.S. Department of Education the purpose of Title 1 funding, "is to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, at minimum, proficiency on challenging state academic achievement standards and state academic assessments." The basic principles of Title 1 state that schools with large concentrations of low-income students will receive supplemental funds to assist in meeting student's educational goals. Low-income students are determined by the number of students enrolled in the free and reduced lunch program. For an entire school to qualify for Title 1 funds, at least 40% of students must enroll in the free and reduced lunch program. The Broward Title One office organizes events and training for parents throughout the year. To find out more, visit the Title 1 website at: [https:// www.browardschools.com/title1](https://www.browardschools.com/title1)



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STUDENTS' GRADES

Parents and students can use Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV) to check grades. To access the Pinnacle Internet Viewer (PIV), go to

<https://gb.browardschools.com>

Username: Student ID#@my.browardschools.com

Password: PMM/DD/YEAR (Your date of birth typed exactly as shown with a capital P in front).

Parents should make a habit of checking students' grades regularly.

HOW TO ACCESS VIRTUAL COUNSELOR

Virtual Counselor gives parents and students access to:

- Interim Reports
- Test Scores
- Schedules
- Transportation information and much more!

To access Virtual Counselor, go to

[Browardschools.com/virtualcounselor](https://browardschools.com/virtualcounselor) Click on "Student."

Username: Enter the student's 10-digit student identification number

Password: MM/DD/YEAR (Your date of birth typed exactly as shown including the slashes).

ATTENTION VOTERS

Referendum on August 23, 2022 Election Ballot



SECURE THE NEXT GENERATION
August 23, 2022 **RENEWAL**

- School Safety Staff
- Qualified Teachers and Staff
- Mental Health Services and Staff

browardschools.com/secure

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WATCH THE VIDEO:

[HTTPS://WWW.EDUVISION.TV/L?ETELYR](https://www.eduvision.tv/L?ETELYR)

During the upcoming primary election on August 23, 2022, Broward County voters will have an opportunity to vote on the Secure the Next Generation Referendum to continue funding safety and security personnel, mental health professionals and competitive salaries to recruit and retain highly qualified teachers and staff.

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SAFETY AND SECURITY

For the safety and security of our students, all Broward County Schools have been designed to have a single point of entry. As a result, visitors entering our campus must enter through the front office door **only**. PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO early dismissal after 2:10 PM.

VISITORS

Any parent or visitor wishing to enter the Dillard 6-12 campus must bring a current and valid driver's license to be scanned in our STAR Security System in order to be granted admission.

TARDY POLICY

Students who arrive at school late before 8:00 AM must report directly to class, They will receive a consequence from the classroom teacher. Students who arrive at school late after 8:00 AM will receive an administrative consequence.

BREAKFAST

Students must who intend to have breakfast on campus must arrive at school early enough to eat breakfast and get to their first class of the day on time.

PARENT CONFERENCES

If you need to schedule a parent/teacher conference, please reach out to our guidance department to schedule a conference. Ms. Sly, Guidance Secretary - (754)322-0800



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FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



At the Y, we believe all kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve. Our Afterschool programs provide a fun, safe place for kids to learn, grow and thrive.

Y Afterschool Programs provide support with a caring and encouraging environment. We empower them by providing programming that, in addition to giving them something to do, builds academic and creative abilities.

After-school activities, which range from leadership development and arts to sports and fitness, gives kids the opportunity to become confident kid today and healthier, happier grown-up tomorrow. In addition to enriching lives, we are cultivating the values, skills, and relationships that lead to positive behaviors, better health, and educational achievement.

YMCA AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BEGIN

Sept. 6, 2022

SEE MS. LATIMER FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS



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See Something, Say Something Be a Broward Buddy, Report a Tip!

In an emergency, call 911 immediately. To submit a safety or security concern that is not an emergency, please use one of the tip reporting methods provided below. Please remember you can choose to remain anonymous.

Anonymous Tip Submission Box

Submit a tip easily via our Anonymous Tip Submission Box (**no download required**). Provide as much detail as you can, including names of people involved, physical descriptions, school name, social media handles, etc.



BrowardSchools.com/SecurityTips

Call Us Anytime (Even on Holidays)

Call our District Security Operations Center (DSOC) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (including holidays). One of our friendly DSOC Specialists will take your tip over the phone and submit it immediately to our investigators. Please let the DSOC Specialist know if you wish to remain anonymous.

754-321-3500

Send Us an Email

Submit a tip using the email address below. Although your email address is displayed using this tip reporting method, you can choose to remain anonymous by simply requesting it in your message.

SecurityTips@BrowardSchools.com

FortifyFL

Submit a tip via FortifyFL online (**no download required**) or download the app for easier use. Visit FortifyFL using the link below. Your tip will immediately reach law enforcement and Broward Schools investigators.



GetFortifyFL.com



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FORTIFYFL

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.



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2022 - 2023 BLUE / GRAY DAY CALENDAR

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
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SEPTEMBER				
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OCTOBER				
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NOVEMBER				
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FEBRUARY				
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MARCH				
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APRIL				
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MAY				
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JUNE				
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	School Closed
	Exam Day
#	Early Release Day
#	Professional Study Day
 	Planning Day
	Period 1, 2, 3, 4
	Period 5, 6, 7, 8

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DILLARD HIGH SCHOOL 6-12 MIDDLE GRADES UNIFORM GUIDELINES

SHIRTS:

1. SOLID POLO STYLE SHIRT IN THE FOLLOWING COLORS:

DARK BLUE, BLACK, GREY, OR WHITE

1. OFFICIAL DILLARD T-SHIRTS

2. MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS TEAM

PANTS:

UNIFORM STYLED DRESS PANTS, SHORTS, OR SKIRT IN THE FOLLOWING COLORS:

BLUE, GREY, KHAKI, OR BLACK

SHOES:

1. SNEAKERS

2. DRESS SHOES

NO JEANS, TIGHTS, OPEN TOE SHOES, SLIDES, OR FLIP FLOPS. PANTS MUST BE SECURED AT WAIST.

Professional Study Days

Dillard High School 6-12 will have
four Professional Study Days for
the 2022-2023 school year

September 1, 2022

November 3, 2022

February 2, 2022

April 6, 2022

Classes will end at 11:40 a.m.
followed by a grab-and-go lunch.
Buses will depart at 11:50 a.m.

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