

School Counseling Newsletter

Weekly Update March 8, 2021



Course Selection for SY22

School counselors met with all students last week to go over graduation requirements, college admissions criteria, and course selection for the upcoming school year. The presentation is posted on the school counseling google classroom for those of you that would like to review it or missed the presentation.

School Counseling Google Classroom

Students, if you haven't already joined the School Counseling Google Classroom you must do so now. This is how you receive important information from your counselors.

Classroom Codes:

Freshman & Sophomores: tagultt
Juniors & Seniors: snapp23

Dual Enrollment Registration for Summer B and Fall 2021

Are you interested in taking a class at Palm Beach State College this summer or fall? If so, dual enrollment is offered to Palm Beach County students for free. Dual enrollment allows students to take college classes while still enrolled in high school. Dual enrollment classes count for both high school credit and college credit. If you are interested in learning more about dual enrollment and the steps and deadlines involved, please our school counseling google classroom dual enrollment folder you will see the checklist of everything that needs to be completed in order for you to take classes at Palm Beach State College.



Palm Beach State College Juniors Open Forum

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When: Mar 16, 2021 03:30 PM

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://palmbeachstate.zoom.us/j/91234567890>

Seniors: "To Be Announced"



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Palm Beach State's First Step 2 Success Scholarship

The PBSC First Steps to Success scholarship is available for students who are interested in starting college in the summer. The application deadline is April 9, 2021. For more information, visit the [PBSC Scholarship page](#).

Palm Beach State College Scholarships

Apply for 2021-2022 Foundation Scholarships now through June 15. Submit an application and be considered for one of the 200 scholarships. Open to AA, AS, CCC, CCP and bachelor's degree students. Need and merit based scholarships available! [Click here](#) for apply.

The poster features a top-down view of a person's feet wearing blue jeans and black sneakers with white laces and soles. The background is a mix of green and yellow. The text is in white and yellow. At the bottom, there is a small logo for Palm Beach State College and a URL.

First Step 2 Success
A SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Graduating high school in 2021? Pell-Eligible?
Check out this great way to kick start your college education!

First Step 2 Success
is a \$500 scholarship award toward tuition and books for the *Introduction to the College Experience* (SLS 1501) course.

Scholarship Application Deadline is April 9, 2021

Make summer your time to explore the college culture!
Scholarships are limited – don't delay.

561-967-7222

Details at <https://www.palmbeachstate.edu/financialaid/scholarships.aspx>

Palm Beach State College

Palm Beach State College is excited to provide you with various opportunities to engage students through the admissions process. We have multiple events that students are welcomed to take advantage of, virtually, now through May.

- **SENIOR Night** - An event focused on supporting high school seniors as they begin the transition process to college. We discuss PBSC programs and the opportunity to complete the admissions application on the spot. After each session, students will have a chance to win a **\$500 scholarship** to help with tuition and books at PBSC.

Students can register here:

<https://palmbeachstate.campuslabs.com/engage/events?query=senior%20night>

- **Parent Night** - PBSC created a workshop for parents of dual enrollment and incoming freshmen to understand the process of admissions and answering any questions that parents have along with information on financial aid and more.

Parents can register here:

<https://palmbeachstate.campuslabs.com/engage/events?query=parent%20night>

- **Dual Enrollment** - The Dual Enrollment Office will host monthly virtual sessions for students and parents that are in the dual enrollment or early admissions program. The presentation will include an overview of the program requirements and deadlines for the upcoming term. The event will count as the student's dual enrollment orientation if attended.

Students can register here:

<https://palmbeachstate.campuslabs.com/engage/events?query=Dual%20enrollment>

- **Admissions & Application Session** -

Students can register here:

<https://palmbeachstate.campuslabs.com/engage/events?query=admissions>



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FloridaShines College 101

Going to college doesn't have to be scary. Students may not know the steps they need to take to find the college that is right for them or even how to apply to college, find financial aid, or what their next steps are. At the FloridaShines College 101 free online event, you can hear from current college students as they discuss what the process is truly like. This event takes place March 8 - 11, at 6:30 PM ET. [Register for each of the sessions today.](#)

Florida Trend's NEXT - Your Future After High School in Florida

In its 20th year of publication, Florida Trend's NEXT: Your Future After High School in Florida™ has earned a reputation as a high-quality publication that provides students with important information about high school life, college preparation and career opportunities. NEXT is designed and written to be relevant primarily to 11th and 12th grade students who are college bound. The magazine has gained wide acceptance and usage by teachers and counselors because it presents crucial information in a teen-friendly format. It's the "next" best thing to having a personal guidance counselor for students seeking answers to tough questions about their futures. [Click here](#) to access this years magazine.

South Tech Academy Scholarship Bulletin #15

The most recent [South Tech Academy Scholarship Bulletin](#) is now available. This is a great way to find opportunities to fund your college education!



COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers Needed

The 45th edition of the **Shamrock Run 10 Miler and 5k** is Sat March 13th in John Prince Park.

Here is specific information for potential volunteers...

Race Morning:

Saturday, March 13th 5:30 am - 10 am

John Prince Park

2700 6th Ave S

Lake Worth, FL 33461

*** The race is in the park, arrive early as car traffic looking for parking gets crowded ***

- **Masks/Face coverings must be worn by all volunteers**
- We have a volunteer coordinator that will sign necessary paperwork for volunteer hours completed on site.
- Race day packet pickup begins at 5:45 am. Registration volunteer help starts at 5:30 am
- We have several water stops on the course. Those volunteers meet at John Prince Park race registration pavillion and will be driven on to the course before the race
- Other duties include finish line, food prep, awards preparation and medals.
- Cleanup - begins at 9:45 am Or

Packet Pickups (3) contact Dave Masterson for details:

Dave Masterson, 561-818-3567 dave@ [palmbeachroadrunners.com](mailto:dave@palmbeachroadrunners.com)

Tuesday March 9th - Jupiter

Wednesday March 10th - West Palm Beach

Thursday March 11th - Wellington



Virtual Community Service Opportunities

Search for virtual Community



VolunteerMatch

Service opportunities here: <https://www.volunteermatch.org/virtual-volunteering> -
Be sure to submit the Community Service hours log to your School Counselor or [Ms. Avila](#), and keep a copy for your records.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 12 - Herff Jones on campus
March 13 - SAT Test
March 15-22 Spring Break
April 17 - ACT Test
May 8 - SAT Test
June 5 = SAT Test
June 11 - Senior Check Out
June 12 - ACT Test
June 16 - Graduation @8:00pm
June 16-18 - Final Exams

Mental Health Tip

[Building Your Resilience](#)

Featured Article

[As some colleges struggle, there may be an opportunity for more aid. Here's how to negotiate](#)

Featured Career

Physical Therapists

Quick Facts

2019 Median Pay: \$89,440 per year, \$43.00 per hour.

Typical Entry-Level Education: Doctoral or professional degree

Work Experience in a Related Occupation:
None

Meet your School Counselors!



Your School Counselor is Available to Help

Your school counselor is here to help! We are available by email to answer any questions or concerns you have. Feel free to reach out to us at any time! We also have a ton of information posted on our School Counseling Google Classroom.

School Counselors (by student's last name)

[Christina Merrigan:](#) A - E 561-364-7933

[Jennifer Franco:](#) F - M 561-369-7008

[Brian Nugent:](#) N - Z 561-369-7055

Featured Post-Secondary Institution

University of Miami

Coral Gables, FL

Welcome.miami.edu

Average GPA: 3.6

Average ACT Composite: 30.4

Average SAT Reading & Math: 1355

Notable Programs: Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services, Biological and Biomedical Sciences, Health Professions and Related Programs, Engineering, Social Sciences