

2014- 2015 Archived School Connect Messages

July 5, 2015

I hope this message finds your summer relaxing and enjoyable. I do have a few announcements I would like to share with our Shark families.

The week of July 6th has been blocked off at Gigante Productions for our class of 2016 Sharks senior pictures. Sitting fees at the studio are \$15.00 for the traditional session, which includes the formal and the personality. They also offer an elite option, which is the formal and 2 clothing changes for \$30. For more information call Gigante at 813-907-1078 or visit www.giganteproductions.com.

Summer assessments are just around the corner. Students interested in participating in summer testing for Algebra 1, Geometry, or Algebra 2 please review the detailed information on the school website. Impacted students should have received information in the mail last week. Students must call the school to register to take the test by Wednesday, July 8th.

May 31, 2015

The last day for underclassmen is June 3rd. It is expected that students will continue to display appropriate Shark behavior and adhere to school rules, including dress code. Behaviors in violation of the Student Code of Conduct may be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension into the next school year. Summer school information is now available on the school website. Credit recovery will be offered during ESY and students interested in attending ESY should see a school counselor during lunch.

I would like to congratulate the Class of 2015 who celebrated their accomplishment Saturday at the USF Sundome. On behalf of the entire staff at Anclote High School I would like to wish all of the graduates much success as they continue on their journey. Get ready Class of 2016 - it's your time to shine! Thank you and have a great summer.

May 25, 2015

Tonight's message has very important information for graduating seniors. The preliminary graduation walk list will be posted in Student Services at noon on Tuesday. Students not on the walk list should contact Mrs. Haggerty for additional information.

Graduation practice is Thursday in the AHS gym from 8:30 - 11:30 and is mandatory for all students on the walk list. Be sure to be on time and we may get out early!

Graduation for the Class of 2015 is Saturday, May 30th at the USF Sun Dome with the ceremony beginning at 9:00 a.m. All graduates must be at USF in the Corral by 8:00 a.m. There are no tickets for the event, however, USF does charge \$5.00 for parking. I encourage all families and guests to arrive early for the graduation ceremony.

This is a very exciting time for our seniors and we look forward to celebrating their accomplishment on Saturday.

May 19, 2015

Following the assessment window for FSA EOC exams it was discovered that calculators provided to students at Anclote High School for session 2 of the Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 EOC did not meet state specifications. Anclote High School provided students with scientific calculators test administrators deemed appropriate, however, we have recently learned these calculators did include prohibited functionalities. As a result, the Florida Department of Education has made a determination to invalidate all FSA Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 EOC assessments administered at Anclote High School during the recent assessment window. The invalidation of student scores will not be reflected in grades or credit earned in these courses. Additional information can be found on the school website and a letter will be sent home with impacted students on Wednesday and administrators will be visiting classrooms. I understand the impact these circumstances and decisions have on our students and apologize for the actions of Anclote High School that resulted in these consequences.

May 17, 2015

Students enrolled in U.S. History will be participating in End of Course Exams on Monday and Tuesday this week.

The last day for seniors is this Wednesday. I would like to thank the seniors for continuing to display outstanding Shark Pride in their final days and making good decisions as we finish out the school year. The Class of 2015 is invited to attend the Senior Breakfast on Thursday at the Spartan Manor beginning at 9:00 a.m. We all look forward to this special event celebrating the Class of 2015. The Spring Football game is this Thursday at Springstead where the Sharks will take on the Eagles beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Information on Extended School Year will be available this week for students. ESY will run ten days beginning on June 15th and ending June 30th. Student Council elections will take place this Friday during lunches - be sure to vote for your favorite candidate.

May 10, 2015

Congratulations to our Shark Band on a wonderful Spring Concert last week showcasing the incredible talent of our students.

AP Exams continue this week, as well as PERT testing for students enrolled in Eng 4 and Math for College Readiness. The Biology end of course exam will be administered on Thursday and Friday this week.

It will be a busy week on campus this week with the JROTC Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, the Night of Excellence on Wednesday, and the Shark Frenzy on Thursday. Invitations for the Night of Excellence were mailed home and given to students in first period last Friday.

I would like to invite all students and families to our Shark Frenzy: A Rally for Pasco Youth this Thursday from 5:00 - 7:30. The event will include a number of community organizations and resources for families focusing on changing the culture of substance abuse and mental health. The CW44 will also be on campus recording a PSA with students from 5:00 to 6:00. We look forward to hosting this

special event and encourage your attendance.

Finally, I would like to thank the Senior class for the fantastic Prom Friday night and the Bayanihan. Congratulations to our 2015 Prom King and Queen Jonathan Quintana Nevarez and Yazmin Rivera Rodriguez.

May 3, 2015

State End of Course exams continue this week for Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2. Students will be taking session two this week during block schedules on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

This week is Staff Appreciation Week and Anclote High School will be celebrating our very own Superheroes. I encourage students and families to take a few moments to recognize the dedication and commitment of our staff to the success of our Shark students.

Cap & Gowns will be distributed this Thursday during lunches in the gym lobby and the senior class is excited to be hosting the Prom this Friday night at Bayanihan. Tickets can be purchased during lunches this week.

Congratulations to Madelyn Nurge, who competed in the state track and field meet this past week. Madelyn placed 13th in all three of her events. She is the first three event state qualifier in Shark history. Check out our school website for additional information, including Madelyn being named Suncoast News Athlete of the Week.

April 30, 2015

As communicated to families today, Superintendent Browning has cancelled the District End of Course Exams. This decision will provide teachers and students with additional instructional time focused on learning before administering the still required standards based assessment in each course. We appreciate the support of the Superintendent in making this decision in the best interest of our students. I would like to clarify that while District EOCs have been cancelled, students will still participate in the state required End of Course exams for Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, U.S. History and Biology. Students enrolled in Algebra 1/1B, Geometry or Algebra 2 will be taking session two of the EOC next week during block schedules on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

April 19, 2015

Anclote High School is proud to announce Taylor Gutzdorf as our 2015 Turn-Around Student of the Year. Taylor is a shining example of perseverance and determination. Congratulations Taylor!

Congratulations to Mrs. Mundy's HOSA students who all passed their CNA test last week, and are now Certified Nursing Assistants.

The Track and Field team has qualified 7 boys and 5 girls to the Regional Championships held next Thursday, April 23 in Orlando. Madelyn Nurge placed 1st in the 100M Hurdles, 1st in the Long Jump, and 2nd in the Pole Vault. She currently holds state rankings of 9th, 20th and 16th, respectively. Maurqise McGill placed 4th in the Triple Jump and also qualifies as part of the 4×800 relay, with Conner McMillan, Hector Rodriguez, and Lucas Johnson, and as a member of the 4×100 relay, with Demetrius Barry, Carmine Delieto, and

Anthony Kendall.

The girls 4×800 relay team consisting of Daena Young, Ashley Scaperotti, Elianna Blow, and Dominique Reyes also qualified for Regionals. Check out our school webpage highlighting this year's track accomplishments.

This year's Powder Puff game is this Friday after school. There will also be a 3rd Quarter Celebration on April 24th for those students who are not on the LOP list. Progress Reports will go home with students on Friday this week. I encourage parents to access eSembler to continue monitoring student attendance and academic progress.

April 12, 2015

Several band students recently traveled to Lakeland to participate in Solo and Ensemble at the State level. Natalie Lawn and Natalia Zakiewicz both received a rating of superior for their flag solos. Jessica Carson received a rating of excellent for her flag solo and Allyson Green received a rating of excellent for her saber solo. The AHS percussion class also performed and received a rating of excellent for their percussion choir. Congratulations Sharks!

The FSA Reading assessments begins this week with 10th graders testing on Monday and Tuesday, followed by 9th graders Thursday and Friday. While all assessments are important, the FSA Reading determines placement for courses and passing the 10th grade test is a graduation requirement. Students should continue to work hard on all of their assessments.

This year's Powder Puff game will be on Friday April 24th. Students interested in participating can pick up a form in Student Services. There will also be a 3rd Quarter Celebration on April 24th for those students who are not on the LOP list. The Loss of Privilege list has been posted from 3rd quarter. Students on the LOP may not participate in any school related activities for quarter 4. Students interested in appealing their LOP status can pick up a form from Student Services and return it to their grade level administrator. All forms are due no later than this Friday, April 17th.

April 5, 2015

Good Evening Shark Families this is Mrs. Williams, Principal at Anclote High School.

Our Lady Sharks softball is on the rise - be sure to check out the recent newspaper article on our webpage. Great job ladies!

PERT testing for all Juniors will be Tuesday and Wednesday this week and the ASVAB test will be Thursday. Students interested in taking the ASVAB should see Mr. Anderson.

The FSA Reading assessments for all 9th and 10th graders will begin the week of April 13th. While all assessments are important, the FSA Reading determines placement for courses and passing the 10th grade test is a graduation requirement. Students should continue to work hard on all of their assessments.

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may not participate in any school related activities for quarter 4. Students interested in appealing their LOP status can pick up a form from Student Services and return it to their grade level administrator. All forms are due no later than Friday April 17th.

Thank you and have a great week.

March 22, 2015

I hope everyone has enjoyed a relaxing spring break and students are ready to start the fourth quarter on Tuesday. Just a reminder that Monday is a planning day and there is no school for students.

Corporal Vedral will be offering a Safe Driving Class on Tuesday after school in the Shark Zone at 2:00. Students must complete the class prior to being issued a parking permit. Students parking on campus without an authorized parking tag will be issued parking citations beginning on Wednesday this week.

FCAT Reading Retakes will be administered Wednesday through Friday this week. Lists will be posted on the doors to each Learning Community.

Anclote High School is proud to announce the Class of 2015 Valedictorian, Ashley McCorry and Salutatorian, Jason D'Amours. The dedication, perseverance, and determination of these students to continually focus and prioritize academic excellence is greatly admired. Congratulations!

March 8, 2015

Students will be completing the online course selection process this week in the computer labs. Please be sure to review the course cards sent home with students and discuss their graduation plan as they finalize these important decisions. Please continue to monitor student progress on eSembler as we close out the third quarter this week. Students are also reminded that a new Loss of Privilege list will be posted after Spring Break reflecting behavior and third quarter attendance.

The Prom Fashion show is this Thursday after school in the gym. Come check out the latest styles for Prom!

Congratulations to our Anclote Band and Chorus who participated in their District Music Performance Assessments this weekend. Both groups received ratings of Straight Excellents!

Anclote's Odyssey of the Mind team recently competed at regionals and did well enough to move on to the state competition in April. Team members include: Jacob Cole, Rebecca Cole, Corinne Andrews and two students from Paul R. Smith. Good luck at States!

Be sure to check out the newspaper article on our website highlighting our Culinary program's Soul Food Fest - an annual tradition that is always exceptional!

Track is well underway with highlights including Madelyn Nurge setting two school records in both the Pole Vault and Long Jump. Madeline is also ranked 15th in the state in the 100 Hurdles. In addition, DJ Proper is ranked 3rd in the region in the high jump.

In wrestling this weekend, Grant Cardwell and Jonte Scott qualified for the state tournament with Jonte earning first place at Regionals.

March 1, 2015

On Monday, Anclote High School will be hosting more than 40 colleges, universities, and post-secondary institutions for our annual College & Career fair. Students will be visiting the fair during 2nd and 3rd period classes.

Anclote High School will be hosting our annual Curriculum Fair, Tuesday, March 3, at 6:00 pm. All incoming 9th grade students will begin the evening in the gymnasium for a brief introduction to high school. All current students and parents are welcome to begin their evening in the East end of the 400 building. The evening will be filled with information on curriculum, clubs, athletics and general information to help students be successful in high school. Our guidance department will be presenting information on Honors, Dual Enrollment, Advanced Placement, Bright Futures, College Readiness and High School Success. Information on curriculum, clubs, athletics, ROTC, Band, Drama, and technology will also be available. Parents and students are highly encouraged to visit our CTE programs to participate on hands on activities throughout the evening. Please join us this Tuesday night.

Last weekend select members of the Anclote High School Chorus and our very own Show Choir traveled to Weeki Wachee High School to participate in their first Solo and Ensemble in AHS history. All students participating received a rating of straight Excellents, which is the second highest rating.

The Marching Band recently traveled to Wiregrass Ranch High School to participate in solo and ensemble. Congratulations to Lucas Johnson, Jessica Carson, Natalie Lawn, Natalie Zakiewicz, and Allyson Green who all earned Superior ratings and qualified for states. Congratulations to the members of our percussion ensemble who also qualified for states: Binh Duong, Mary Carmen Ibarra, Alyssa Moran, Maxi Lynn Orfanides, Xiara Rooney, Dustin Shaw, Regan Deluca, Joey Foote, Matthew Noguerras and Maddeline Sierra. Great job Sharks! Congratulations to the following wrestlers who placed at the District 6 meet this weekend and qualified for Regionals in Jacksonville. 4th place finishes: Zack Adams and Niko Grivas, 3rd place: Grant Cardwell and Dennis Gonzalez, and finishing in first place: Jaekwon Forde and Jonte Scott.

February 24, 2015

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I would also like to notify parents of information available regarding the Measles disease, steps to protect your child and others from becoming infected with

measles, and what would occur if a case was identified at your child's school. The Pasco County School District has provided a letter to parents, which is available on our school website. Parents can request a hard copy of the letter by contacting the school directly.

February 22, 2015

On Monday 93.3 will be on campus during lunches for our Don't Text and Drive event. Students are invited to sign the pledge to not text while driving and help the National Honor Society win the 93.3 competition.

PHSC representatives will be on campus to answer questions for interested students during lunches on Tuesday.

Good luck to our students who will be competing in the Special Olympics event at River Ridge this Thursday and to the JROTC who will be hosting the Area 9 meet this Saturday.

Parents and students are encouraged to mark their calendars for Curriculum Night, which is Tuesday March 3rd from 6:00 - 7:30.

Congratulations to the Anclote Wrestling team for their third place finish in the Sunshine Athletic Conference meet this past Saturday. SAC Champions included Jaekwon Forde, Dennis Gonzalez, and Jonte Scott.

February 16, 2015

Corporal Vedral will be offering the Safe Driving Class this Tuesday at 2:00 in Student Services for those who are interested in obtaining a parking permit.

On Wednesday, students and parents can join Mr. Anderson for a FAFSA Lab Night beginning at 6:00 in the Shark Zone.

Congratulations to Samantha Williams who earned first place at the Pasco Regional Science and Engineering Fair and will participate at the state fair at the end of March. Samantha also qualifies for the Florida Tech Science and Engineering Fair Scholarship. Congratulations Samantha!

Anclote High School had four winners in the 2015 Art of Recycling Contest.

Congratulations to Ivy Noon, Best Artistic Expression, Valentina Martinez-Cardona - Best Use of Plastic, Shelby Patterson - Commissioners Choice, and Ashantee Miller - Peoples Choice. Awesome job Sharks!

The APEX lab is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week after school for those students who are in need of credit recovery. Additional support is also available after school for students needing to pass the Algebra 1 EOC and FCAT Reading. Please see your school counselor for more information.

February 8, 2015

I would like to invite our Shark families to our Parent Night this week. Join Mr. Anderson on Wednesday night beginning at 6:00 in the Shark Zone for a FAFSA and Financial Aid Overview.

Students will receive third quarter progress reports on Friday this week. Please take time to review the academic progress of your student by logging in to eSembler for the most updated information.

The APEX lab is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week after school for those students who are in need of credit recovery. Additional support is

also available after school for students needing to pass the Algebra 1 EOC and FCAT Reading. Please see your guidance counselor for more information. Spring sports are underway - track, softball, baseball, tennis and weightlifting. Be sure to take a look at the athletic calendar on the school website for dates and times of events.

January 25, 2015

Congratulations to the Varsity Cheerleading team which placed 7th out of 20 teams at Regionals and will be competing at the state meet in Kissimmee next weekend.

I would like to thank Mrs. Harmon, Mrs. Mundy and our Health Science students who planned, organized and facilitated our 5th Annual Wellness Day this week. Almost 400 freshmen participated in vision and hearing screenings, along with other health screenings, with the help of Sertoma volunteers and students from Rasmussen college.

Congratulations to Coach Alan Parmenter who received recognition from the FHSAA with a Sportsmanship award for his work with Cross Country.

The APEX lab is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays each week after school for those students who are in need of credit recovery. Please see your guidance counselor for more information. Additional support is also available after school for students needing to pass the Algebra 1 EOC.

This Friday is our Semester 1 Celebration recognizing outstanding students in the areas of attendance, academics, and behavior. Recognized students will receive an invitation on Thursday.

January 15, 2015

At approximately 11:00 this morning administration received a report of a possibly weapon on campus. Anclote High School immediately went into lockdown status. We were able to secure the campus and following a search by the Sheriff's department it was determined there was no presence of a weapon on campus and the lockdown was lifted at approximately 12:00. I would also like to remind students and parents that behaviors resulting in campus disruptions, including instigation, verbal confrontations or fighting will result in out of school suspension and possible arrest. I want to ensure parents and students that safety is of highest priority and I appreciate the cooperation of students and staff today as we addressed the situation.

January 11, 2015

Balfour will be on campus during lunches on Wednesday this week to accept orders for cap & gowns, graduation announcements, and class rings. To avoid LATE Fees – please order by January 23, 2015. You may place orders directly online at www.balfourfl.com. Additional information is available on the school website.

Report cards will go home with students on Monday. I encourage parents to take time to review credits and GPA with students and continue monitoring attendance and academic progress using eSembler throughout this semester. Administrators and guidance will be conduct grade level presentations this week

beginning with the Freshmen on Monday in the media center, reviewing graduation requirements, including credits, GPA, and assessments, as well as behavioral expectations.

As we continue to experience colder weather I would like to remind Shark families that we are conducting a sweatshirt drive for our students in need. Donated jackets and sweatshirts can be dropped off in Student Services or the Shark Tank. I would also like to remind students and parents that students are not permitted to bring blankets to school. Students in need can stop by the Shark Tank or the ABC Closet for assistance.

January 5, 2015

I am calling this evening with some disturbing information. Miss Tenisha Dixon, a graduation enhancement teacher at Anclote High School, has been arrested on felony charges of unlawful sexual activity with a minor. She has been placed on leave pending further investigation. These charges are shocking to all of us, and we find it extremely disturbing that one of our staff members has been accused of this crime. Please know that student safety is our top priority and that we took immediate action as soon as the allegations were reported. If you have concerns about any interactions Ms. Dixon had with your student, please contact the Pasco Sheriff's office at 727-847-8102.

January 4, 2015

As we begin the second semester this week all students will receive a new schedule on Tuesday morning. First period classes will be posted on the doors to each Learning Community. Students will receive an updated schedule during first period which will supersede any previous schedule.

Students in grades 9-11 will be participating in the FSA Writing Field Test this week. We will be on a modified block schedule Wednesday through Friday to accommodate testing. Additional information is available on the school website. The Pasco Education Foundation, Inc. is pleased to announce the 2015 Scholarship Opportunities for Graduating Seniors! Scholarship applications are available online through February 1st. Go to the Foundation website for more information or see Mr. Anderson in 3-166.

The State of Florida released 2013-14 school grade information prior to winter break. AHS is proud to announce we increased our graduation rate from 67% to 75% - the second largest increase in the district! Check out the website for additional information.

This is an exciting time for the Class of 2015 with Seniors down to their last semester. I encourage students to remain focused on meeting graduation requirements and maintaining high academic performance. May 30th will be here before you know it.

December 15, 2014

I would like to invite everyone to our Holiday Band concert this Thursday night in the gym beginning at 7:00.

This week in sports the Lady Sharks basketball team takes on Land O' Lakes tonight while the Boys Soccer team hosts Pasco and the Girls Soccer team travels

to take on the Rams at Ridgewood.

On Tuesday Girls Basketball plays Mitchell at home. On Wednesday the Boys Basketball team hosts the Pasco Pirates while the Boys Soccer team takes on River Ridge. Be sure to take a look at our school calendar for all upcoming athletic events.

As we head into the colder season, Anclote High School is collecting sweatshirts to assist our Shark students. If you would like to make a sweatshirt donation, please drop it off in Student Services or in the Shark Tank.

With this week being our final week before winter break, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Shark families a very Merry Christmas and happy holidays. We look forward to a wonderful New Year.

December 7, 2014

Students will be participating in District End of Course Exams this week for all semester courses. AHS will be on a block schedule Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week to accommodate the assessments.

Our December Parent Night is this Wednesday from 5:30 - 7:00 and this month's topic is Social Media and Your Teen's Mental Health.

I would like to congratulate all of our students who were inducted into the National Honor Society last week. More than 30 students were inducted - the largest group in our history!

AHS Interact is hosting a holiday food drive. Students are encouraged to bring in non-perishables to their first period class to assist needy families in our community.

As we head into the colder season, Anclote High School is now collecting sweatshirts to assist our Shark students. If you would like to make a sweatshirt donation, please drop it off in Student Services or in the Shark Tank.

November 16, 2014

Second quarter progress reports will go home with students on Monday, November 17th.

Basketball and Soccer seasons are underway - be sure to check out our calendar on the school website for the latest on Shark Athletics.

Yearbooks can be purchased for just \$60 until December 20th. Purchase your yearbook today by clicking on the Balfour link on the school website. Seniors can purchase dedication pages for a 10% discount by November 21st.

Join Mr. Anderson, our Career Specialist, for Parent Night this Wednesday November 19th. This month's topics include college admissions, scholarships and financial aid, military options, employment and more. Materials will be available outlining Bright Futures scholarship requirements, ACT test preparation and general planning for after high school. The event will be held in the Media Center from 5:30PM to 7PM and is open to all students and their families. We hope you can attend this informative session!

November 9, 2014

Yearbooks can be purchased for just \$60 until December 20th. The cost will be increased to \$70 after that date so purchase your yearbook today by clicking on the Balfour link on the school website.

It is time to start planning for Dual Enrollment courses for Spring semester. The qualifications for taking dual enrollment courses are a cumulative unweighted GPA of a 3.0 and passing test scores on either the ACT/SAT or PERT. If you have never taken a Dual Enrollment course, you must see Ms. Sparks in 3-116 by Thursday 11/13 for appropriate paperwork. For students who are currently taking Dual Enrollment courses, please research the classes you want to take at phsc.edu before meeting with Ms. Sparks. Current dual enrollment students will be called down starting this week to discuss spring classes.

November 6, 2014

I would like to invite our Shark families to the football game tomorrow night beginning at 7:30 for Senior Night as we recognize our Marching Sharks, Varsity Cheerleaders and Varsity Football players. Tomorrow night will also be an opportunity to purchase your Shark tshirts for just \$10. We look forward to seeing our Shark families tomorrow night.

November 4, 2014

Congratulations to the following girls swim team members who qualified for Regionals this Saturday at the Long Center.

200 Medley Relay: Alexis Rose, Jasmine Rose, Katie Glenn, and Madison Sickles

200 Individual Medley: Alexis Rose

100 Butterfly: Alexis Rose

100 Freestyle: Jasmine Rose and Madison Sickles

400 Free Relay: Susanne Massa, Meghan Lach, Mikaela Simcox, and Ashley McCorry.

Congratulations also to the boys swim team members who set school records this year.

Boys 200 Medley Relay of Jared Goodwin, Dallas Josephik, Alex Shaw, and Joey Wolf broke their previous school record by almost 20 seconds.

Joey Wolf set the new 50 Freestyle school record

Alex Shaw set the new 100 Freestyle school record

Dallas Josephik set the new 100 Breaststroke school record

Boys 200 Free Relay also beat their previous school record and went under the 2-minute mark for the first time in school history.

Congratulations Sharks!

November 2, 2014

St. Leo University will be visiting our Sharks Wednesday after school in 3-166.

Balfour will be on campus during lunches Thursday and Friday to take orders for Class Rings and Senior orders for graduation.

Congratulations to both our girls and boys Cross Country teams who will be competing in the Regional meet after advancing from districts.

Good luck to our Shark Swimmers this week as they compete in Regionals at the

Long Center on Saturday.

Girls Soccer plays Wesley Chapel on Wednesday while the Girls Basketball team takes on Springstead at home on Thursday.

Be sure to come out for Senior Night Friday night as our Varsity Football team takes on CCC beginning at 7:30.

October 19, 2014

Congratulations to Moriah Harris and Lucas Boney - Anclote High School's 2014 Homecoming King and Queen. I would like to thank all of the class councils, sponsors, students and staff for an awesome Homecoming Week this year.

Attention Seniors - the Senior Class picture will be taken at 7:30 Tuesday morning in the gym. In addition, all club pictures will be taken on Tuesday.

In honor of National Buy Your Yearbook Day, Anclote High School's Shiver Yearbook staff is offering a discount for any student who purchases a 2015 yearbook in FULL on Wednesday, October 22! Students can see Mrs. Milden in 4-155 or Mrs. Rodriguez in 4-157 to purchase yearbooks for \$55. Remember that on any other day, yearbooks cost \$60 until October 31. If you are unable to pay in full, you can put down a \$10 deposit before October 31 to lock in the \$60 price, and pay \$10 per month until March. On November 1, yearbook prices raise to \$70.

Congratulations to Savannah Peppe, Brooke Fernandes, and Hope Bigler on a great golf season this year! A special shout out to Savannah who finished in the top three at Districts and is playing at Regionals this week!

October 13, 2014

Free and Reduced lunch applications are accepted all year. Families who would like support in completing the application can contact Mrs. Fritz, our school Social Worker.

Boys Soccer tryouts begin Wednesday after school. Congratulations to the following coaches who join our Shark family: Brandon Decker, Head Baseball Coach, Paul Doggett, Head Boys Soccer Coach, and Michael Cooper, JV Boys Basketball Coach.

I would like to thank all of the students today for a great kick off to Homecoming 2014! The class councils did a tremendous job decorating all of the commons areas and students showed their support of Breast Cancer Awareness with a Pink Out!

Tomorrow is Character Day and Wednesday is Wacky Day. We encourage students to dress up and participate, but are reminded that students must remain in dress code or they will be sent home.

Take a look at the video on the school website highlighting today's festivities. DVDs with all Homecoming videos and highlights will be sold for \$5 beginning Wednesday during lunches.

October 12, 2014

Homecoming Week dress up days begin with Make a Difference Monday.

Students are encouraged to wear pink in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness.

Tuesday is Character Day, followed by Wacky Wednesday and Throwback

Thursday. Friday is Spirit Day with a pep rally in the stadium.

Our Varsity Sharks take on the Gulf Buccaneers Friday with a game time of 6:30 and crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen at halftime. The dance is Friday night from 8:30 - 11:30. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in Student Services or during lunches. Tickets will not be available at the door. Additional information can be found on the school website.

We look forward to an exciting week with fashion show parades during lunches where students will show off their Shark Spirit. Just a reminder, students must be in dress code and no masks are permitted.

October 5, 2014

Corporal Vedral will be conducting another Safe Driving Class on Monday in Student Services beginning at 2:00.

Anclote will be hosting our first Parent Night of the year this Tuesday, beginning at 5:30 in the media center.

FCAT Reading Retakes for juniors and seniors will be this Tuesday and Wednesday, October 7th and 8th.

Our Shark 2014 Homecoming Week is quickly approaching. Voting for the Homecoming King and Queen will take place on Thursday this week during lunches. Detailed information on Homecoming Week, including dress up days, is posted on the school website.

This week in Sports the Swim team competes in their final home meet and will celebrate Senior night on Wednesday, Volleyball hosts Tarpon on Tuesday for Senior night as the JV Football team hosts Hudson Thursday night. On Saturday the Cross Country teams host the Anclote Invitational. JROTC Raiders will compete at Mariner High School this weekend and the Marching Sharks will compete at King High School on Saturday. Good luck to all of our Sharks!

September 28, 2014

FCAT Reading Retakes for juniors and seniors will be Tuesday, October 7th.

Our Shark 2014 Homecoming Week is quickly approaching. Voting for the Homecoming Court will be taken Monday only this week during lunches.

Detailed information on Homecoming Week, including dress up days, will be posted on the school website this week.

The University of South Florida will be visiting the campus on Wednesday after school in room 3-166.

This week in Sports the Swim team competes against River Ridge on Wednesday, Volleyball travels to Dunedin on Thursday as the JV Football team travels to Mitchell. On Friday the Varsity Sharks take on the Knights at River Ridge.

September 21, 2014

Corporal Vedral will be offering the Safe Driving Class again on Monday after school in Student Services beginning at 2:00.

First quarter progress reports were sent home on Friday. I encourage parents to monitor student attendance and academic progress using eSembler as we continue to work together to ensure student success.

English 1 and 2 students will participate in Discovery Education testing this week

beginning on Wednesday.

Our Shark 2014 Homecoming Week is quickly approaching. Nominations for the Homecoming Court will be taken Tuesday and Wednesday this week during lunches. Verification of nominations will be Thursday and Friday during lunches. Detailed information on Homecoming Week, including dress up days, will be posted on the school website this week.

September 14, 2014

School pictures for all underclassmen will be taken during English classes tomorrow. Those interested in purchasing pictures are reminded to bring order forms with them to school on Monday.

Corporal Vedral will be offering the Safe Driving Class again on Monday after school in Student Services beginning at 2:00.

Representatives from the University of Florida will be visiting our campus this Wednesday after school in the CRC.

First quarter progress reports will be sent home on Friday this week. I encourage parents to monitor student attendance and academic progress using eSembler as we continue to work together to ensure student success.

This week in sports: the girls and boys golf teams play Tuesday and Thursday and the Swim team competes at the YMCA on Wednesday. Thursday, the JV Football team plays at home as the Volleyball team travels to River Ridge. The Varsity Sharks play Friday at home against Ridgewood. Be sure to take a look at the athletic calendar on our school website for complete schedules of all of our athletic programs.

September 7, 2014

This week in sports our volleyball team travels to Ridgewood on Tuesday and to Zephyrhills on Wednesday to take on the Bulldogs. Thursday, our JV Football team plays Wiregrass Ranch and the Varsity Football Sharks play their first home game Friday night against Sunlake. Students are encouraged to wear their blue and white Shark spirit wear Friday for our first pep rally.

I would like to invite everyone to Shark Family Spirit Night this Friday beginning at 5:30 in the gym. Families will be able to meet teachers from 5:30 - 6:30 and then are encouraged to join us for a tailgate outside the stadium prior to the football game. This is a tremendous opportunity to see the campus and spend time with our Shark families.

September 1, 2014

It is the practice of the School District to publish, post, or release ONLY a child's name, photograph, audio and/or video recording, displays of student work or other school-related information. If you DO NOT want to grant permission for the school to do this please complete the [Media Non-Consent Form](#), which can be found on the Parent's page of our school website, and return to Student Services. The administrative team has completed grade level presentations with students reviewing expectations and responsibilities as Anclote Sharks. Students were also provided with a school planner. Students who were absent can see their English teacher for a planner. Parents are encouraged to review the planner with

students. [Student Expectations](#) are included as a link on the school webpage reviewing some key points.

Corporal Vedral will be conducting the Safe Driving Class on Tuesday, September 2 beginning at 2:00 in Student Services.

Senior Pictures will be in the media center tomorrow. Students should see Mrs. Milden or Mrs. Rodriguez to schedule an appointment.

College and University visits to our campus begin this week with Polytechnic Thursday after school and Hofstra and Florida Atlantic next week. Please see Mr. Anderson in the CRC for additional information.

The Lady Sharks Volleyball team hosts Wiregrass Ranch on Tuesday beginning at 6:00 and the JV Football team takes on Gulf Thursday at 7:00. Our Marching Band travels to USF this Saturday to participate in HOT Day 2014, where they will perform with USF's Herd of Thunder during halftime of the USF vs Maryland game.

August 24, 2014

Students received Emergency Cards on Friday. Parents are encouraged to complete the cards and return to school on Monday to 1st period teachers. This information is critical to the school being able to contact you in the case of an emergency.

Parents who still need to pay school fees can send cash or check to school with their student and pay at lunch. Parents can also pay school fees online through School Pay with a credit card. Information regarding SchoolPay can be found on our school website.

Grade level presentations continue this week through English classes. If a student missed the grade level presentations school planners are available with their English teacher.

Senior pictures will be Monday in gym and Tuesday, September 2nd in the media center. Seniors can see Mrs. Milden or Mrs. Rodriguez to schedule an appointment.

On Tuesday, August 26th, JROTC will be hosting its Parent Orientation beginning at 6:00 p.m.

This week in sports our Lady Sharks Volleyball team takes on Hudson at 6:00 on Tuesday, Wesley Chapel on Wednesday and Land O Lakes on Thursday all at home. Varsity football will travel to Mitchell on Friday night with the game time at 7:30.

August 19, 2014

I would like to thank our students and staff for a great start to the school year. I would like to ask parents to review the school newsletter sent home earlier this month, specifically areas related to dress code, attendance, and electronic devices. Students will receive school planners and additional information during grade level presentations which begin this Thursday.

Students who still need to pay school fees may do so online through School Pay or by cash or check during lunches at the school store. Parents can access the School Pay link on the right side of the school webpage under Quick Reference links.

Friday night our Varsity Football team hosts Tarpon in the pre-season classic

beginning at 7:30. Come out and support our Sharks!

August 17, 2014

When arriving on campus tomorrow students are to check the lists posted on the glass doors of each building with their first period class, teacher and room number. All students will receive a new schedule on green colored paper in first period Monday.

The schedules received at orientation day were tentative. Changes may have been necessary to assist with the balancing of classes. Schedule change requests are being addressed and necessary changes are being made. All students must follow the new schedules provided in first period tomorrow.

A reminder that schedule changes are only considered for the following reasons: student already earned credit for the course, student does not meet the prerequisite for a course, or a senior who requires another course for graduation. Corporal Vedral will be offering the Safe Driving class on Monday, August 25th at 2:00. There is a \$15 fee and students can sign up in Student Services. There is a limit to the size of the class and all students must complete the class in order to receive a parking permit.

Class of 2015 - Senior Pictures will be Monday, August 25th. Please see Mrs. Milden or Mrs. Rodriguez for more information.

The entire Anclote staff looks forward to welcoming our students tomorrow as we begin another school year.

August 10, 2014

I would like to invite students and families to countywide orientation day this Tuesday, August 12th. In order to better meet the needs of our Anclote families we will be offering two sessions for students to pay school fees and pick up course schedules. Please join us in the gymnasium from 8:00 a.m. to noon or from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Schedules will not be available for pick up between noon and 4:00 p.m. Students who do not pick up schedules on Tuesday must wait until Monday when all students will receive new schedules during first period classes.

We look forward to seeing our Shark families on Tuesday as we prepare for the new school year.

August 3, 2014

I would like to welcome all of our new families as we all look forward to the start of an exciting school year.

This week we would like to invite all of our incoming Freshmen to a Freshmen Shindig this Thursday from 8:30 - 11:30, where students will participate in a scavenger hunt and other activities.

Shark Football begins Monday, August 4th. Students interested in participating in fall sports must complete the athletic participation paperwork and pay participation fees.

One Community Now is hosting a Back to School Bash to students and families on August 9th at Paul R. Smith Middle School.

I would like to invite everyone to Orientation Day, Tuesday, August 12th. In order

to better meet the needs of our families we will have two sessions. Students can pick up their schedules and pay fees from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. or from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Schedules will not be available for pick up from noon to 4:00. Parents will have the opportunity to pay by cash, check, or credit card this year. Parents are encouraged to click the SchoolPay link on our website and create an account today.

Please be sure to visit our school website for valuable information, including the written text of my weekly messages.

School starts is just a couple of weeks - we are excited to start another year with our awesome Sharks!