

Fernandina Beach High School

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Greetings Pirate Family:

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Fernandina Beach High School, I welcome you back to school! I am proud to announce that for the fourth consecutive year, Fernandina Beach High School is an 'A' rated school, and for the second year in a row we are recognized as a School of Excellence by the Florida Department of Education. We made some outstanding gains at FBHS and I am excited about the great things that are yet to come. I am enthusiastic as I begin my second year as Principal of Fernandina Beach High School. The faculty and staff are energized and deeply committed to making a positive difference in the lives of our children. The *Pirate***Advantage* is accomplished by setting high academic expectations for all children and providing supportive systems to assure these expectations are met. By addressing school culture, setting high standards for teacher performance, increasing academic expectations for all students and engaging the community, it is our goal at FBHS that all graduates are college or career ready.

School will begin Monday, August 12, 2019, at 9:00 am. Students will be dismissed at 3:29 pm. Wednesdays are early dismissal days and students will be dismissed at 2:28 pm. Students are to report directly to homeroom on the first day.

I am looking forward to a great school year filled with excitement, student achievement, enthusiasm, school spirit, and progress. I hope the remainder of your summer is an enjoyable one.

The schedule for student orientation is listed below:

Senior	Junior	Sophomore	Freshman/New Student
July 29, 2019	July 29, 2019	July 29, 2019	Pirate Invasion
9:00 am – 10:00 am	10:00 am – 11: 00 am	11:00 am – 12:00 pm	July 30, 2019
			9: 00 am – 11:00 am

Student orientation will be held in the multi-purpose room. Students will be issued ID cards and schedules. Students will also be able to purchase lockers (\$5.00), parking decals, and pay class dues. Payments will only be accepted in the form of cash or check.

"Pirate Invasion", an orientation program for all 9th grade students, new students and their parents is Tuesday, July 30th at 9:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose room. During Pirate Invasion, students will be able to pick up their class schedule, purchase lockers (\$5.00), and receive their school laptop.

Parking for the 2019-2020 school year:

All parking permits are \$35.00

- Parking is divided into sections (blue, gold, white) and will not have specific numbered parking. It will be first come first served. Each student must park in their designated section.
- Parking permits will be issued in the multi-purpose room. To obtain a parking permit please have the following items with you:

Valid Florida driver's license

Current proof of insurance

Vehicle registration form (an FBHS form)

Nassau County School Board 2019-2020 drug testing consent form

Parking permits will not be issued if any required items are missing. Forms are located at www.fernandinahigh.com

Senior Off Campus Lunch Authorization

Seniors who are in good academic and disciplinary standing may leave campus for lunch provided they have the proper documentation on file. All seniors who wish to take part in this privilege will be required to submit a notarized Off Campus Lunch Parental Authorization form. The form can be found at www.fernandinahigh.com or you may pick one up in the Dean's Office. All forms must be returned no later than August 19, 2019. At this point, each student will receive a new ID card that indicates permission to leave campus has been granted. The new ID card will cost \$5.00.

Student Check Out

Any student who wishes to check out of school early must bring a note by a parent or guardian to the Attendance office between the hours of 8:30 AM and 8:50 AM to get a pass to leave from school. If you do not bring in a note to the Attendance office during this time frame a parent must come in to sign you out.

Schedule changes will be considered only for the problems listed below during the first 10 days of school.

- 1. Student scheduled for a class for which the prerequisite has not been met.
- 2. Student has medical documentation that excludes him/her from participation in the course.
- 3. Student schedule for a class for which he/she has already received credit.
- 4. Duplicate classes are listed.
- 5. Schedule does not contain a core class (English, Math, Science, Social Studies). Keep in mind 9th graders do not take a Social Studies class.
- 6. Student is not scheduled for six classes.
- 7. The schedule change will not violate the Florida class size amendment.

Additional information regarding clubs, organizations, and activities will be available during Pirate Invasion and is also available on the school website at www.fernandinahigh.com All required forms are also available on the website. Our fall Open House is September 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Educationally yours,

Dr. John A. Mazzella Principal