



A Note from the Principal

Dear Families and Students,

The 2017/18 School Year is off to a positive start. Our focus on campus is academics and providing support for learning for all students.

Curriculum update:

- Instructional goals – students are encouraged to maximize and take ownership in their learning.
 - All students should be in class on time ready for instruction
 - Come prepared to each class
 - Ask questions for clarification
 - Take notes
 - Schedule time outside class to study and prepare for upcoming activities
 - Get involved with learning
 - Read
- Assistant Principals & Guidance Counselor Assemblies
 - Each grade level team visited English classes over the first 2 weeks to discuss school wide student expectations, graduation requirements, student dress code and student services resources

School Operations:

- Student Dress Code – all students are required to adhere to the PCS Policy for Student Dress

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Sponger News SPLASH



Tarpon Springs High School

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Mission:

Our Mission is to prepare every student to be a productive citizen and provide them the skills necessary to be successful in life.

Vision:

The vision of Tarpon Springs is 100% of students will attain the skills necessary for success in college, career or the job of their choice.

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Principal

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grade Administrator

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A Note from the Principal

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Code. Administrators will be issuing warnings to students who are in violation of Dress Code and consequences will apply to students for repeated violations.

Safety:

- Morning Car Circle is reserved for the front of the cafeteria. Please note: dropping off students in the student parking lot poses a safety concern. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please use the appropriate car circle for morning drop off.

Thank you for your continued support and as always. Go Spongers!!

MRS. FATOLITIS, PRINCIPAL

2017-2018 Student Calendar

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|-------------------------------|--|
| Oct. 13, 2017: | End of first quarter. |
| Oct. 16, 2017: | No school for students. |
| Nov. 18 - Nov. 26, 2017: | Thanksgiving holiday week – No school for students. |
| Dec. 22, 2017: | End of first semester. |
| Dec. 23, 2017 - Jan. 7, 2018: | Winter holidays - No school for students. |
| Jan. 8, 2018: | No school for students. |
| Jan. 9, 2018: | Second semester begins. |
| Jan. 15, 2018: | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday - No school for students. |
| Feb. 19, 2018: | No school for students. |
| Mar. 9, 2018: | End of third quarter |
| Mar. 12, 2018: | No school for students. |
| Mar. 24 - Apr. 1, 2018: | Spring holidays – No school for students. |
| Apr. 2, 2018: | Schools reopen. Classes resume. |
| May 24, 2018: | Last day for all students (with the exception of Adult students at the Postsecondary Centers). |

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SENIOR INFORMATION

2017-2018

ACTIVITIES



Senior Picnic - March 23, 2018

Cap and gowns will be distributed in the Gym before the senior picnic.

Cap & Gown: Gym. 7:15 am - 10:00 am.

Senior Picnic: Howard Park. Shelter 1. 10:30 am - 1:00 pm. Food and fun.



Prom* - April 13, 2018 at Innisbrook in Edinburgh Hall

Prom will take place at Innisbrook in Edinburgh Hall. Please contact Ms. Sullivan with any questions regarding prom: sullivanva@pcsb.org.



Grad Bash* - April 20, 2018

See Ms. Lee in 2402 before or after school or during lunch to purchase tickets for \$120. You can also purchase tickets through the school website. All financial obligations must be met in order to purchase tickets.



Senior Breakfast - May 4, 2018

Seniors will be released from their first period at 7:10 am and report to the Auditorium.

Graduation Rehearsal - Auditorium then football field.

7:10 am - 9:00 am. Fill out graduation cards. Practice graduation procedures.

Senior Breakfast - Innisbrook in Edinburgh Hall.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Food. Slideshow. Superlatives.



Graduation!! - May 17, 2018 on Sponger Field

The night you've all been waiting for! Seniors arrive in the Auditorium by 5:00 pm. Graduation takes place on Sponger Field at 7:00 pm.

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Senior Photos - prestigeportraits.com

Schedule your portraits by Thanksgiving Break. Call (813) 402-3500 to make your appointment as soon as possible.



Yearbooks - Ms. Lee

Yearbooks and Senior Pages can be purchased from yearbookforever.com or Ms. Lee in 2402 before or after school and during lunch. Yearbooks are \$50 until Oct. 1. The price for Senior Pages can be found on yearbookforever.com.



Senior Quotes - Ms. Lee

Use this QR code to submit your senior quotes. You can also find a link on the school website.



Senior Panorama Photo - March 23, 2018

The Senior Panorama will take place in the Gym at 8:05 am. Ordering information will be distributed that morning.



Cap & Gown - balfourfl.com

The Required Cap & Gown Package includes the Cap & Gown, Diploma Cover, Regular Tassel, and Custom Medallion.

It will be sold online at balfourfl.com for \$51.50. Other packages, invitations, and class rings are available on the website. Deadline: February 1, 2018.

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Culinary News

"A Sweet Start to the Year"

The Jacobson Culinary Arts Academy recently held their annual Sonny's Competition. This year, the students were challenged to create desserts. In total, students won over \$5000 in prize money. The first-place team won \$700 each for their fried oreo cheesecake recipe.



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Volleyball News

The varsity volleyball team is currently #1 in the district. Congratulations on all your hard work, girls!

Varsity Football Schedule

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|-----|--------|-------------------------|------|------|
| Fri | Oct 13 | Dunedin | 7:30 | Away |
| Fri | Oct 20 | Bye | | |
| Fri | Oct 27 | Lakewood (Senior Night) | 7:30 | Home |
| Fri | Nov 3 | Mitchell | 7:30 | Away |

Varsity Volleyball Schedule

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| Mon-Thur | Oct 16-19 | District Tournament | 7:00 | TBA |
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Head Coach: Patrick Sneed

JV Coach: Tori Dublino

Varsity Football Schedule

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| Thur | Oct 12 | Clearwater | 7:00 | Away |
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Head Coach: George Kotis

Asst. Coaches: Duane Wingate, Terrell White, Jordan Dupuree

Cross Country Schedule

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| Thurs | Oct 12 | PCAC Meet | 3:00/4:00Pm | Away |
| Wed | Oct 20 | Palm Harbor | 3:00/4:00Pm | Away |

Head Coach: Kyle Lindquist

Asst. Coach: Andy Haulk

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