

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Friends of Boone High School,

Welcome back Boone Braves! 2024 was an incredible year—including our rating as an A school from the Florida Department of Education—and I am looking forward to another great year for our students and community in 2025. As we usher in the new year, it is with great pleasure that I extend a warm welcome back to each and every one of our students, families, and staffulty members. I trust that the winter break provided you with moments of rest, laughter, and connection with loved ones.

I want to express my gratitude to our families and community members for your continued partnership. Your involvement with Boone is invaluable. The combined efforts with the Parent Teacher Student Organization, the Boone High School Athletic Association, the School Advisory Council, and the Boone High School Foundation provide numerous opportunities for our students and teachers and I am looking forward to another great year of collaboration.

The new semester promises to provide exciting events and academic growth for every student. I challenge all of our Braves to be the best version of themselves and aim high. The new semester is an opportunity to restart and refocus before the end of the school year. For our seniors, this is it. Graduation is just a few short months away. You are nearly at the finish line and I cannot wait to celebrate all of your accomplishments on May 28, at the UCF Addition Financial Arena! For our underclassmen, you want to stay focused on meeting those graduation requirements including GPA and testing requirements. It will be Senior Year before you know it and you want to be on track!

Finally, communication will be key to our success. Please visit our website at www. boonehs.ocps.net for all things "Boone Braves." There you can subscribe to our weekly newsletter, "Totem Talk", and find links to other helpful school-related websites. You can also follow us on social media. We are preparing for an extremely busy spring and these resources will be key to staying up to date every step of the way. Have a great 2025!

Forever Brave,

Hector Maestre Principal



Our Mission Statement

The mission of William R. Boone High School is to promote a safe learning environment with intense focus on student achievement. With the support and involvement of faculty and family, the school community strives to prepare all students to think critically, act responsibly, and perform successfully in a technological and multicultural society.

Vision

By working together, we will strive to inspire life-long learning and curiosity within and beyond the classroom.

Beliefs

We believe all students should have a respectful, safe, and nurturing environment.

- We believe in setting high expectations for all students to reach their greatest potential.
- We believe all students should experience a meaningful, rigorous curriculum delivered through strategic instruction.
- We believe students should be challenged and prepared for a changing global society and equipped with 21st century skills.
- We believe that as a staff we should foster a positive, supportive, and collegial working environment.

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Happy New Year Braves Family!

I hope that each of you had a restful & relaxing winter break and that you were able to spend time with family and friends making some fabulous memories!

PTSO had a very busy fall! In September, we hosted Polyester Paradise, the grooviest gig in town, and the 1st Blood Drive of the year: in October, we held our 1st ever Homecoming BBQ (completely sold out), treated our faculty & staff to a wonderful Tailgate and organized volunteers for the AMAZING Homecoming Dance put on by our FABULOUS SGA and their FEARLESS leader Mrs. Oller. In November, we hosted Blood Drive #2, our Braves Bounty provided meal bags to 40+ families and we started prepping for all the events & activities in December. And what a December it was! We kicked off the month in grand style, with Senior Breakfast, Honor's Breakfast and Holly Jolly Celebration all in the same week! The Class of 2025 was treated to a delicious breakfast of sausage biscuits, Krispy Kreme donuts, fruit and of course hot chocolate with all the trimmings! A huge THANK YOU to the PTSO senior class activities committee and all the parents and families that donated items and volunteered to serve breakfast to our senior class. A lovely time was had by all! Two days later, we did it all over again, this time for the more than 850 Braves who were invited to the Honors Breakfast. The PTSO sophomore class activities committee turned the cafeteria into a lovely winter landscape and worked closely with administration to serve sausage biscuits, Krispy Kreme donuts, fruit and hot chocolate to all our hard-working Braves that have a 3.5 or higher unweighted cumulative GPA. Such a great accomplishment! Thank you to everyone that donated treats for the hot chocolate bar, fruit and/or volunteered to serve breakfast and stir (and stir and stir!) hot chocolate. Both mornings were fun times celebrating some special Braves! Santa was on campus for both breakfasts and was happy to pose for photos with those on his nice list - which was everyone! In addition to always having clothing, food & hygiene items available throughout the year, we wrapped up the week with our Boone Outfitters' Holly Jolly Holiday celebration to spread some joy to some of our Braves and their families that needed a little cheer this season. Thank you to BHSAA, Braves Bounty, the Boone faculty and staff, our own BHS cheerleaders as well as many families and community members that helped us to provide gifts, gift wrapping, meal bags and treats for 100+ Braves and their families this holiday season. Holly Jolly is such a special event, the big smiles say it all. The week before break saw PTSO honor our teachers and staff with a delicious holiday luncheon. Once again, the Teacher Appreciation chairs and their team did an amazing job making the staff feel valued and loved. We also held our 1st ever Partner Perks event. Our student PTSO Partners were treated to treats each day during lunch that last week. They were able to pick up their Braves Pass along with a cookie or candy cane or Jeremiah's coupon! Some new partners even learned a little bit about what PTSO does! Lots of traditions, some old & some new! It was a great 1st semester full of wonderful memories!





It's hard to believe we are already a few weeks into 2025 - the year is off and running and so is PTSO! PTSO is looking ahead with anticipation and excitement for all the things to come in 2025, including the almost 20 spring sports, a blood drive or two, the Sweetheart Luncheon, Bus Driver Appreciation, Braves Run and Green Up Boone, spring break, tons of Senior activities, prom, AP exams, and finally GRADUATION! We want you to be a part of all that is ahead. You can keep up with all these memorable moments by following us on Facebook (Boone Braves PTSO and a Boone Braves page for each class - 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028).

PTSO values and appreciates every single student and adult that is a part of our Brave family - Boone would not be the wonderfully amazing school that it is without you. If you haven't found your place, 2025 is the year to find it! Reach out to us at boonehighschoolbraves@gmail.com and we will help. PTSO is so very thankful for every person that has been a part of our 2024 and we're looking forward to making many new memories with you in 2025!

Forever Brave & Bright Blessings for 2025, Tracy Losch PTSO President 2024-25





Boone PTSO invites you to get connected for a successful year!

>> Social Media: Join/Like us on Facebook: Boone Braves PTSO, Seniors: Boone Braves 2025, Juniors: Boone Braves 2026, Sophomores: Boone Braves 2027, Freshman: Boone Braves 2028. Follow Us on Instagram at booneptso, ocps_boonehs, boonesga, boonehs25, boonehs26, boonehs27, and boonehs28.

Website: Check out Boone High School's website at boonehs.ocps.net.

PTSO: Parents and students can become PTSO Partners, purchase class magnets, "We are Boone" and senior/graduate yard signs at booneptso.com. Tickets to PTSO sponsored events such as Polyester Paradise and Homecoming Dinners are also sold here, as well as sponsorships for various events and projects.

Boone HS News: Sign up for Dr. Maestre's weekly electronic newsletter, Totem Talk on Boone's website. Click on the icon 'Join Our Mailing List' to add your email address.

s': This is the BHS quarterly newsletter that will be received in the mail. This will provide important dates and information on upcoming events. Addresses are maintained by the Boone registrar.

ics: For schedules and sports information visit the Boone Athletics' website at booneathletics.com. Follow the Boone Braves Athletics page (BHSAA) on Facebook and boonebravesathletics on Instagram! Sports Passes can be purchased on the Go Fan app by searching for Boone High School Athletic Association

e Trading Post: Visit BHSTRADINGPOST.COM to order from the official Boone spirit wear store and proceeds will directly benefit Boone Athletics.

th us: Register to volunteer at Boone through OCPS Additions. Complete >> Volunteer wi your application or renewal by going to ocps.net, click on "Volunteer" icon with the heart, then ADDitions and choose Boone High School.

Any PTSO questions may be directed to BooneHighSchoolBraves@gmail.com



What boes PTSO Do?

Thanks to the support of BHS families and our comm as well as a few fundraisers (Polyester Paradise, Partnerships, Sponsorships and yard signs/magnets sales), Boone PTSO is able to provide many services and programs to Brave students, their families and staff. Partner with us -Together we are the difference!

Student & Family Services Boone Outfitters Clothes Closet ing/shoes/hygiene needs for more than 100 students/families

students were given formal attire for homecoming, prom, Military Ball and Best Buddies Ball.

Braves Bounty Food Pantry nundreds of meal bags sent home with students and healthy snack options available on campus

Holly Jolly Holiday provided gifts, hygiene bags, treats and lunch for 100+ students.

50+ graduation cap & gown ensem Free family Saturday shopping days

Backpacks & supplies

Three \$500 scholarships awarded to graduating PTSO members.

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Building Community &

Connections PTSO seeks to keep families up to late by managing 5 Facebook pages and compiling Smoke Signals quarterly newsletter that is mailed to homes.

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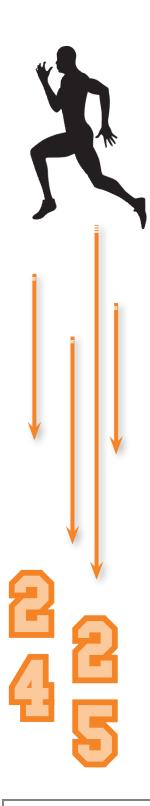


IF your business or Family would like to sponsor a teacher & staff breakfast, teacher lunch or "grab & go" treat, sponsorships are available For \$500, \$250 and \$100. Each level comes with recognition for your business or family. You can go to booneptso.com to purchase your sponsorship now. If you would like to know more, please contact boonehighschoolbraves@gmail.com.









17th Annual BRAVE RUN BOONE HIGH SCHOOL Saturday, February 22nd

7:45am - Free Youth Run - Ages 6 & Under (100 yards on field) 8:00am - 5K Race Start







Designate 50% of your registration to a Boone team or club! The remaining 50% covers race costs and assists with Boone High School athletic facility improvements.

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Half of every sponsorship can be designated to your Boone team/club of choice.

PLATINUM: \$2,500

Company logo or family name prominently displayed on race t-shirt Recognition on our athletic website, social media and link to your company's website 5 race entries and 5 t-shirts

GOLD: \$1,000

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SILVER: \$500

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BRONZE: \$250 Name will appear on back of the race t-shirt 2 race entries and 2 t-shirts

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Sports

The Spring/Final standings have been released for the 2023-24 FHSAA Academic Team Champions awards. Each team must have a combined GPA average of 3.0 or better in order to qualify for the awards.

During the Spring season, all of our 14 varsity athletic teams qualified in their classification category. Here are the highlights:

Boys track - 3.24 - 15th overall in the state/1st in OCPS

Baseball - 3.51 - 3rd overall in the state

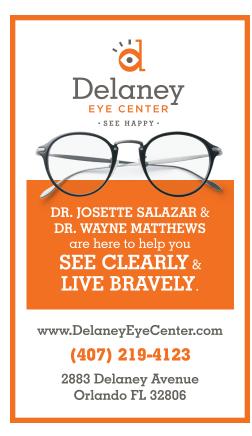
Flag football - 3.42 - 1st in OCPS

Boys lacrosse - 3.54 - 3rd overall in the state and 1st in OCPS

Girls water polo - 3.632- 9th overall in the state

And a special congratulations to the **boys tennis** team for finishing <u>1st overall</u> in the 4A classification with an incredible **3.93**. This is the 2nd year in a row winning the **championship**. The team will receive a plaque from FHSAA in honor of this achievement and for all of the hard work that the boys have put into their academics.

In final standings for the year, Boone finished in 12th place overall in the 7A classification.



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Boone Outfitters

The holidays were a little brighter this year for more than 100 Braves and their families thanks to the generosity of our Boone community! Students and parents who were identified by their guidance counselor or teacher to receive some extra joy this year were invited to a Holly Jolly holiday celebration. This included hygiene supplies, treat items, gift cards and large gifts. Thank you to all of the Boone families, community members, and teachers/staff for the generous contributions that made this celebration possible. Also a huge thank you to all of the volunteers who made the event such a success. What a JOY!

Looking ahead to 2025, Boone Outfitters will be hosting two Saturday "shopping" days- February 22nd and April 12th from 9:00am-11:00am near the front desk. These shopping days will be no cost to Boone students and their families and are open to all Braves regardless of circumstances! We will also be offering shopping times for students for prom attire selection in the spring for all interested students. We will continue to provide pop up shopping events from time to time in the cafeteria. If your student would like to visit the closet for shopping during their lunch shift, please email Camille.layton@ocps.net schedule a time.

We will wrap up this school year with the graduation of the Class of 2025! We want all of our Braves looking their best as they cross the stage to be recognized for their hard work! If you have a cap, gown, and/or stole in excellent condition and would like to donate it so that another student may wear it, please drop it off at the front desk. Keep your tassel! Those are year specific and a great keepsake for you.

Our year round donation needs continue to be new or gently used teen appropriate clothingleggings, athletic shorts and shirts, and NEW undergarments in all styles and sizes for men and women. We also accept formal attire and dress shoes. For convenient shopping for NEW items you may want to use our Amazon wishlist to have the items directly delivered to the school.

https://www.amazonfcom/registries/custom/1G0FXBV2IP9GY/guest-view

If you would prefer to make a donation to offset the cost of specific needs/requests, you may do so by submitting a check to the front desk or using the Boone Outfitters link on <u>SchoolPay.com</u>.

Thank you so much for your continued support of Boone Outfitters!

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Braves Bounty

The Braves Bounty supplies year round resources to our families who are experiencing food insecurity. One in 6 families in Central Florida experience food insecurity. With the Bounty, we want to ensure all of our students have the necessary equipment to learn. It is nearly impossible to concentrate on an empty stomach.



Please let your students know that we provide year round resources of SNACKS, discreetly packaged GROCERIES (that can be picked up daily at the main office), TOILETRIES (including feminine hygiene products), and lastly SCHOOL SUPPLIES (through guidance). Our goal is to provide the tools for success.

The Bounty always accepts monetary donations via school pay or a check made out to Boone High School with the Bounty in the memo line. We are also happy to always accept direct donations of food. Some suggestions are:

- Pop Top Canned Pasta
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Rices
- Beans
- Pasta and Sauce
- Granola bars or Breakfast bars
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Fruit Cups
- Crackers
- Cereal

If you or a club are interested in running a food drive, please contact Elly Kennedy at BooneBravesBounty@ gmail.com.

Thank you for your generous support.









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- Sign up for Dr. Maestre's weekly electronic newsletter, 'Totem Talk' on Boone's website: Click on the icon "Join Our Mailing List"
- 'Like' BHS on Facebook at Boone High School (@BooneHighOCPS) and Boone High School Español (@BHSEspanol). Follow BHS on Instagram at Boone HS Braves (@ocps_boonehs).
- Check out Boone Athletics's website: https://booneathletics.com
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