

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY









MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL SPARGER

Welcome to the **2021/2022 school year**! A new school year is always exciting and a chance to renew a commitment to academic excellence. We look forward to a great year as we prepare **Today's Learners to be Tomorrow's Leaders**. We are hoping that some of the challenges of last school year will be lessened. Thank you for doing your part to stop the spread of the virus and alerting the school if you are dealing with a positive case. With this year comes a few changes to adding back office hours before the lunch period, changing back to a student **dress code**, **displaying the student ID**, and issuing each **student a laptop computer**. Please take the time to become familiar with these new policies and procedures designed to keep your student safe and technology literate.

Despite our current circumstances, it is important to remember to **maintain good attendance** to school. Consider this important information as part of the *#EverbodyEveryday* campaign:

- Your children can suffer academically if they miss **10 percent of the school year** or about 18 days. That can be just **one day every two weeks**, and that can happen before you know it.
- Some absences are unavoidable. We understand that children will **get sick and need to stay home occasionally. The important thing is to get your children to school as often as possible.**
- Students on quarantine can still be marked present in their classes if they actively engage in assignments posted on Canvas.
- **Sporadic absences**, not just those on consecutive days of school, matter. Before you know it –just one or two days a month can add up to nearly 10 percent of the school year.
- If too many absences occur, it is still a problem whether they are excused or unexcused because they represent too much lost learning time in the classroom.
- Driver's license will be revoked if a student has 15 unexcused absences (excluding out-of-school suspension) in a period of 90 calendar days.

If you have not done so already, please return your student's **Emergency Information Form**. This form was distributed during your student's **second period class** and is to be completed and returned each school year. Please note that **only those individuals listed on the emergency card will be allowed to sign a student out of school.** It became apparent during the closure that the school did not have good contact information for some students. Please be sure to complete this information.

In an effort to **stay informed** with events on campus, you are encouraged to frequently visit our school's **website** at www.sprucecreekhigh.com. The website is updated regularly and has links to our **daily announcements, teacher's e-mail addresses,** and our **activities calendar**. A **Twitter** and **Facebook** account have also been established @**GreatDay2BAHawk** and **Instagram** at **sprucecreekhighhawks**. Please follow us on these social media platforms.

This class of ninth graders, **the Class of 2025**, will be our **50th graduating** class. We are so thankful to those individuals that have laid the foundation of success for our school. What began here in the 1975/76 school year has blossomed into a **Nationally Recognized School of Excellence** for its commitment to academics, the arts, and athletics. Let's continue this commitment through the years as we know that **"Today as Every day is a Great Day to be a Hawk."**

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High School

Guidance Department

Welcome new Hawks and returning Hawks! The Guidance Department is excited to be back, and we are looking forward to starting the 2021-2022 school year. The Counselor Assignments this year are as follows:

COUNSELOR ASSIGNMENTS:

Guidance Assistant	Tammy Young
IB Assistant	Linda Copp
Guidance Director, IB Coordinator & AVID	Karie Cappiello
College & Career Counselor & Dual Enrollment Counselor	Nick Schafer
ESE & AITR Academy	Amy Reynolds
	Candace Roos
G-M	Erica Vera
IB A-M & E-Learning	Kelly Delameter
N-S & AP Testing Coordinator	Jake Chiofalo
T-Z	Karen Meadows
IB N-Z	Karen Meadows

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This year we will have one lunch so we can offer Office Hours with teachers during an extended student lunch. Students may see their Counselor without an appointment before/after school or during student office hours/lunch. All other needs should be addressed by filling out a "Request to See Counselor" form on our weebly site (https://sprucecreekcounseling.weebly.com/) or using the QR code found around campus and pasted in this update. Counselors will then call for students as quickly as possible. In some cases, such as schedule change requests, students will not even have to miss instructional time and we will send the changed schedule to them in their class.

Beginning late September, and through the month of October, Counselors will meet with Seniors to go over graduation requirements and to assist with their plans after graduation as well as register them all for Florida Bright Future Scholarships. Please ask your Senior about their visit. Start helping them prepare now for college visits, ACT/SAT testing, earning community service hours, writing a resume, etc. In addition to our Counseling weebly website, check

out our school website (www. sprucecreekhigh.com) for information on scholarships, community service, and more throughout the school year.

Mark your calendar now for the Club Expo and Open House event happening on our campus August 31st. Always check our weebly and school websites for information and events. We are looking forward to a great year! Go Hawks!!



CHAMPIONS ON THE COURT AND IN THE BOARDROOM





Mu Alpha Theta

Mu Alpha Theta is so excited for the upcoming school year! Our officers for this year are Yuki Colombo as President, Nilay Bhavsar as Vice President, Alaina Wilson as Secretary, Niraj Bhasvar as Historian, and Derek Baerga as Treasurer. We are happy to announce that this year, our club will be able to provide math tutoring to all students during lunch in various locations TBA. We also invite students who wish to be a part of our club to apply by September 3rd. We hope you'll take advantage of our amazing tutoring opportunities as well as consider joining our club.

To apply visit: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage. aspx? id=S3jpkwc1_0C8AVnqihp7cQps1eKwKtxJpCSvLmRZD3pU NIIGTEtLMlpZSzBFWUIBV0c0UDFDN0JR TS4u



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JROTC

Welcome back Hawks! The Hawk Battalion is anticipating another great year. We have major events like the Open House, Raider Team practices, and Color Guard presentations to start off strong.

In the following months, our Raider and Color Guard teams will keep busy with showcases and competitions. Within the classroom, our cadets will continue to develop and become better citizens and future leaders. Our Color Guard team will be presenting the Colors at all home football games and at the YMCA on September 11th for the Record Breaker Swim Meet. If cadets are interested in being on the Color Guard team, practices will occur after school on select dates. For more information, contact Color Guard Commander, C/ CSM Connor Fagerstrom.

If getting a good workout and learning how to make a rappel harness and

crossing bridges out of rope, running, carrying sandbags, and flipping tires sounds exciting, cadets may be interested in our Raider team! The Raider team is our program's athletic team which teaches cadets how to work together, become physically and mentally strong, and move out of their comfort zone. Anyone desiring to participate in Raider training must have a completed Florida High School Athletic Association physical form. Practices will be held after school, contact team leaders C/2LT Dawson Taylor or C/SSG Jazlyn Muniz for more information. Here's to a great 2021-2022 school year!

Young Republicans

BY D. KEITH

The Atlantic Federated Republican Women's Club held a Mother and Daughter Fashion show on May 28th to benefit two Teenage Republican groups: Volusia TARs and SCHS Young Republicans. Our Creek's outgoing president Chris Cherian attended to collect money designated for clothing purchases. The total amount raised was \$900! On June 25, Chris and the incoming treasurer, Donny Pultz, attended the AFRWC meeting to receive the check for \$450. On July 23, incoming president, James Hall, offered to thank the AFRWC by playing a musical concert during the 30 minutes social hour at the Plaza Hotel. He brought his personal keyboard and played to the enjoyment of all. He even joined in as part of the Business Expo that day. Chris Cherian also attended the Florida Teenage Republicans Annual Conference in Orlando on June 19th where our group received an award for "Most Consistent and Most Active High School Republican Club in Florida." Mrs. Keith also received a certificate for "her Steadfast commitment to Advising the Spruce Creek High School Republican Club in a Spirit of Excellence."

We look forward to the Lincoln Day dinner on November 7th and will help the Republican Executive Committee set up tables and centerpieces. Our club members will also distribute programs on each of the hundreds of Ocean Center chairs at the banquet. In return, a portion of the cost of the (\$100) dinner will be supplemented so the club member will be able to attend and enjoy the banquet meal.

One of our standard fundraisers is Wreaths Across America which includes the sale of a Christmas Wreath for the headstone of a US veteran at noon on December 18 at the Edgewater Cemetery. Please consider honoring a family member who has served in the armed forces by purchasing a wreath for \$15. Keep in mind that \$5.00 will be donated back to our club! This is the website where you can help our SCHS Young Republicans. https://www.wreathsacrossamerica. org/pages/17897/Overview/?relatedId=15633

We fundraise to support our service project which includes the purchase of US flags and Florida flags for outside display on our campus. Dues may be paid online from the school website. Cost is \$15 and a shirt will be given to this year's new members.

Join us in C-14 at our first meeting on August 20th where we will serve pizza and discuss a few of the current news headlines. The balance of our meetings will occur the first Friday of the month at lunch in C-14! Remember: "United we stand, Divided we fall!"









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NHS

BY A. WOLFSON ED. BY D.KEITH

Welcome back, NHS members and prospects! We are delighted to ring in the new school year with our 109 seniors and continue our mission to volunteer within our local and school communities. This year's theme is "Challenge Accepted!"; after a year and a half of obstacles, our National Honor Society still manages to promote the four pillars of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

It is with great pride that we announce the National Honor Society has been awarded both "Outstanding Scholarships and Opportunities" and "Best Club Overall" by Spruce Creek! We are honored to be recognized in this way and are dedicated to working towards the betterment of our organization and school as a whole. Let's shoot for two years in a row!

Looking ahead at the quarter, our Homecoming Carnival's Gong Show will once again be hosted by the National Honor Society, with the project being led chiefly by our Vice President Josh Spraker. We look forward to celebrating the winter holidays with our annual Door Decorating Contest, whose theme will be discussed at the Board Meeting on August 11th.

Service Chair Marta Zherukha will again be leading the Derbyshire Food Pantry volunteering this year, held every Friday from 5:15 to 7:15. She and some other members were able to attend the August 7th Backpack and School Supply Distribution event at Derbyshire on short notice, exhibiting the initiative our organization strives toward. President Alexa Wolfson will be leading a construction and volunteer opportunity involving Habitat for Humanity later in the year, rounding out our planned service projects.

The Spruce Creek chapter of the National Honor Society is excited to begin our new induction season! Starting August 19th, applications will be available to the class of 2023 outside of rooms C-14 and C-16. These informational packets will list the qualifications applicants need to be considered and detail the online application process. Decisions will be released September 8th for an induction currently scheduled for September 29th in our auditorium and main atrium.

We thank all of our members for their continued dedication through a difficult year and hope to honor our theme of "Challenge Accepted!" with our perseverance, despite all odds.



Asian Association News

BY KARLEE LING ED. BY D.KEITH

Annyeonghaseyo ("Hello" in Korean) and welcome back, Hawks, to another sunny (and rainy) year at Spruce Creek High School! Aside from today's finicky weather, the forecast predicts a fun-filled future awaiting our ever-growing Asian Association!

To kick the year off with a bang, we are diving into one of the most well-known Asian countries: Korea! This country, known for its pickled delicacies and simmering, hot-to-the-touch barbecue dishes include a wide arsenal of rich, riveting history and a vast market of cultural media found within the US (for example, the western expansion of K-Pop and K-dramas).

Most importantly, every meeting is an opportunity for students to experience first-hand why the Asian Association is so cherished and beloved! Our goal is to spread Asian awareness and bring people from all different cultures—not just Asians—into a new world of learning, respect, and companionship.

Moving forward, as incoming president, I, Karlee Ling, aim to generate both a positive influence and a growth for the club which sustains long after I cede from my position. To achieve this, I hope for your cooperation and participation in our soon-to-come activities, as well as our planned charity events. My board and I are excited to meet every one of our new and returning members for more fun to come.

Join us on Thursday, August 19 in C09 for our first meeting where we will feature Korea; after which, we will meet the second Thursday of each month again at lunch in C-09! Pay your dues online and get our new shirt where we'll feature the Foo Dog for strength and protection.

The last service project for the 2021-2021 school year included planting an ivy cutting for each of the veterans who currently work at Creek for Memorial Day. The first service project for this year was completed during pre-planning when we assembled a cup with markers, and hi chew candy for our 16 new Spruce Creek teachers! May this year be fulfilling and impactful for both our teachers and our students!!







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A NOTE FROM

Mr. Beatty and Dr. Sparger

Hello Hawks,

During this time of online and in-school learning it is important to **check** your **vcs2go**. **net email account daily**.

Your teachers, administration and testing coordinator use this communication method to **give you important updates and information**. Checking your vcs2go.net email daily will allow you to keep current with school events, clubs, sports, and important testing information you may need.

Please check your email daily.

It's a GREAT day to be a Hawk!

Soccer Boys & Girls

Boys and girls' soccer tryouts will begin on Monday, October 18. Both the boys and girls will have a junior varsity and a varsity team. Anyone interested in trying out, must complete the physical and liability consent forms. These forms can be picked up in room C8 at school. The forms can also be found at fhsaa.com; go to PARENTS and then ELIGIBILITY FORMS, and print out EL02, EL03 and EL03A. Completed paperwork must be submitted to Coach Costner in room C8 prior to the first day of tryouts. Please email Coach Costner at krcostne@volusia.k12.fl.us if you have questions about tryouts or the soccer programs in general.







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