



News

Spruce Creek
High School

& Views



MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL SPARGER

As we begin the second nine weeks of the school year, it is important to celebrate the successes of the first quarter. Some of the **accomplishments include:** based on their PSAT scores from last year, **two seniors** qualified as semi-finalists for the prestigious **National Merit Scholarship**, two qualified as **commended scholars**, **one National Hispanic Scholar** and **two as National African American Scholars**; five outstanding juniors were selected for the **FUTURES Tomorrow's Leaders Program**; we had a successful virtual **National Honor Society (NHS)** induction; our **Boys' Golf team** are **district champions**; and we had a successful (scaled down) **Homecoming Week**. We also want to celebrate the **great efforts of the Class of 2020** regarding their graduation rate and their SAT scorers that were recently released.

Class of 2020	Spruce Creek	Volusia	Florida	Nation
Graduation Rate	95.4%	86%	84%	84.6%
SAT score	1220	1061	992	1051

The faculty has selected **Samantha Murray** as **Spruce Creek High School's Teacher of the Year** nominee. Ms. Murray came to Spruce Creek High in 2011 as our Media Specialist. During her tenure, she has transformed our Media Center into the hub for both teachers and students. In addition, Ms. Murray has touched all parts of our campus - from leading professional learning for our teachers, to sponsoring Teen Zone, leading book clubs, hosting a day of reading and fun for our students, and trouble-shooting all manner of technical issues for our students and teachers. Ms. Murray will compete for the title of **Volusia County Teacher of the Year** in January. We congratulate **Ms. Murray** on being selected to represent our amazing faculty.

This has certainly been a **memorable start to this school year**. We thank you for your patience and grace as we have worked out the realities of opening school during a global pandemic. Although we have had to scale back some of our traditions, we are glad that we have been able to maintain as much of a normal school year as possible. Thank you for your support as we continue to navigate the school year.

We want to extend our appreciation to our parents and community members for the many volunteer hours you offer our students and school. We know you have had to be creative with that to respect new protocols. We know that the success of our school is due to a combination of **wonderful students, a dedicated faculty and staff, and the support of our parents and community**. Thank you for your involvement in the success of our school. **It's a Great Day to be a Hawk.**

Have a Blessed Holiday Season.





Guidance Newsletter

Hello Hawks,

Parents of Seniors going to college should be completing the FAFSA for federal financial aid online at www.fafsa.ed.gov if they have not done so already. Counselors will be registering every Senior for the Bright Futures Scholarship, which is state financial aid. If your Senior misses their day, they will need to see the College and Career Counselor in Guidance for information on how to apply themselves. Check out our website, www.sprucecreekhigh.com, for information on scholarships, community service, and more.

Dual enrolled (DE) students should be working with their Counselor to plan courses for the Spring semester. The deadline to turn in DE forms is November 20th. Remember to bring a copy of your Spring DSC schedule to your Counselor so your class(es) can be added to your SCHS schedule.

The holidays are just around the corner and The Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade event is gearing up. This is a fun family event where volunteers come together to create Thanksgiving baskets and deliver them to families in need in our community. For more information on donating, volunteering, or nominating a family, visit <http://www.volusiathanksgivingbasketbrigade.com/home.html>.

Make sure to email Mrs. Rocco (rrocco@volusia.k12.fl.us) and ask for her to add your email address to the daily announcements distribution list so you don't miss anything all year! The announcements will be delivered to your inbox daily!

Please remember that students may see their Counselor without an appointment before school or during student lunch. Visit the counseling department website at www.sprucecreekcounseling.weebly.com throughout the year for valuable information. Or use the QR code below and in the Guidance office to access the site through your phone! You can contact your Counselor directly through the QR code below to ask a question or request an appointment.



Students to Attend the 2022 EF Global Leadership Summit!

Will You Be One of Them?

The global pandemic has changed so many things for our students, but our hope is that we will be returning to some version of normal sooner rather than later. We have a group of 25 students who are scheduled to participate in a Global Leadership Summit in Berlin, Germany this June if international travel is possible. If not, we will be rescheduling to the 2022 Global Leadership Summit.

We are excited to announce that even if our 2021 group is rescheduled, EF has granted us additional spaces for a select group of additional students to join us in representing Spruce Creek High School at the 2022 EF Global Leadership Conference! The theme of this learning experience is *The Impact of Sports and Wellness*. While we will not be hosting information sessions until we have a more firm understanding of how travel will be impacted this summer and next, any student who is interested can speak to Mrs. Murray in the media center or email her at shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us.

We are looking for students who are dedicated to learning and show outstanding character in the classroom. Spruce Creek High School has been allocated a select number of seats out of only 1,000 invitations worldwide to explore the *Impact of Sports and Wellness* while exploring part of Europe in a roughly 2 week trip.

Let's come together to better understand the global focus on well-being and our evolving thoughts on how to achieve it. Our students will join educators and students from around the world for a three-day leadership conference in Berlin, Germany. They will hear from world-renowned speakers, like Jane Goodall, Al Gore, and Sir Ken Robinson, attend expert-led workshops from organizations such as Google and UNICEF, and work in small international teams to develop and prototype innovative solutions to a global challenge. The conference will culminate with students pitching their ideas to earn a spot in the Nobel Prize Museum in Stockholm, Sweden.

Students who participate will expand their leadership skills, connect to their studies outside of the classroom and take part in an experience that will set them apart when applying to college and their future careers.

You can visit www.aWorldBeyondBooks.weebly.com for more information about the trip including the full itinerary and price details or email Mrs. Murray at shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us with questions. This experience is not school or VCS sponsored or endorsed, it is an independent learning opportunity through EF travel with teachers from our campus serving as tour leaders.

Important COVID-19 Information from The District Office

Hello students and families! It is imperative that we work together, remain vigilant, follow all safety precautions and remember to protect ourselves and each other every day.

PLEASE:

- If you are sick, **DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS**. Be sure you report your symptoms to administration right away. If students, staff members/teachers who do not feel well come to school anyway, then test positive for COVID-19, they have unnecessarily exposed many others, leading to multiple quarantines and potentially causing others to get sick. None of us wants to be responsible for making anyone else sick. Please help us all stay healthy by keeping your student home if they are ill, observing our policy for face coverings, social distancing when possible, and washing your hands frequently.
- If you take a COVID test on the advice of a doctor or the health department because you are symptomatic, **DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS** (even if you begin to feel better) *until you receive the results and are cleared to come back*.
- **The VCS Mask Policy 503 is still in effect.** PLEASE continue this safety practice for yours and everyone's health. I know many of us may be tired of wearing masks but the virus doesn't get tired and we know masks are one of the best defenses we have. **Remind your student they are required to wear their mask in hallways, social distance when possible, wash their hands regularly in and outside of school, and while in school walk on the right side of the hallway.**



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Distinguished Hawks 2020-2021 | BY D.KEITH

On October 16th, at our Homecoming Game, we marked our 6th year of awarding three DISTINGUISHED HAWK AWARDS. The Distinguished Hawk Faculty winner was Mrs. Holly Ward. The Distinguished Hawk Supporter was the Galbreath Family. Lastly, the Distinguished Hawk Alumnus was Gary Yeomans. Each winner received a plaque and a bouquet of flowers as the announcement was made over the football PA system at our Creek football field.

Mrs. Holly Ward retired from teaching English, drama, and math after 40 years in Volusia, Seminole and Highlands county here in Florida. In 2012, she was named Teacher of the Year for Spruce Creek and represented our school as one of the five District finalists! Mr. Patrick Gufford nominated Mrs. Ward and wrote: "Holly Ward is a mentor to many and a friend to all. Any scrutiny of her curriculum vitae will confirm her standard of excellence. She is a consummate professional and a lifelong educator. She is uniquely deserving of this recognition." We honor Mrs. Ward for being this year's Distinguished Hawk Faculty member.

Mr. and Mrs. Brendan Galbreath, owners of Aunt Catfish's have been a most generous supporter team for SCHS. They have offered over 100 fundraising opportunities in pancake breakfasts to numerous clubs and sports teams at Creek the past 20 years. Brendan graduated from Creek in 1990, and his daughter Brooke in 2014. Brendan's wife, Shannon, volunteered to support our cheerleading program, the four years that Brooke was a Hawk, funding a significant portion of the JV cheerleaders' trip to Chicago in 2012. The Galbreath Family supported our volleyball team with the \$3,000 purchase of the team's scoring table in 2015 which is also used for the basketball games. They donated \$10,000 when Dr. Sparger pushed for improvements to the on-campus football stadium to run on-site varsity football games. The yearly team dinner provided by Aunt Catfish's to the football team prior to one of their games is a regular donation that the Galbreath Family sponsors! Beyond that, numerous gift card donations have been given over the years as teacher awards and random fundraisers. We are indebted to the Galbreath's who deserve this Distinguished Hawk Supporter/Volunteer Award for the 2020-2021 school year! Accepting the award for the Galbreath family were daughter Brooke Galbreath and Brea Galbreath, Brendan and Shannon's niece, who also graduated from Creek in 2014.

Gary Yeomans was born on July 5, 1959, and he graduated from Spruce Creek High School in 1977. He married his wife Jill, and together they have several grown children. Currently, he owns several Gary Yeomans' car dealerships which touts being dedicated to earning the business of his patrons again and again. Nominating him was Coach David Howard, who wrote: "In recent years, Gary Yeomans has been a consistent support for Spruce Creek High School. He is committed to enhancing the school's presence in the community and in the lives of our students. Most recently he has committed to replacing the 2 score boards in the gymnasium, asking only that we choose what will best fit our needs. We can always count on his support to assist us in keeping our motto strong: 'It's a Great Day To Be a Hawk!'"

Congratulations to Mrs. Holly Ward, The Galbreath Family and Mr. Gary Yeomans.



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Library Media Minutes | WITH MRS. MURRAY

Your media center continues to be in the middle of things. During the school closure and hybrid opening, we have remained accessible to students for books and technology support. We have served as the school help desk, checking out laptops, webcams, textbooks, and hotspots to students who need them and walking students and parents through how to use Volusia Live technology.

Who Visits the Library? YOUR STUDENT!

With lower numbers of students on campus and more social distancing, our media center doesn't feel quite as busy as it normally does, but we are remaining open to serve student needs from 8:00-4:00 daily. Even with significantly fewer students on campus due to virtual learning, the number of books we have checked out has remained consistent from first quarter last year. Students were excited to get back onto campus to be able to check out books!

Volusia Live Students Book Check-Out and eBooks!

Did you know that Volusia Live students are able to email us the titles of the books they would like to check out and we will happily put them in the main office for pick-up? Just email Mrs. Murray at shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us. Did you know that you can also check out eBooks from your school library? We have some of the hottest new titles in young adult literature! Access them by clicking on Destiny inside vPortal. You can read the books from inside your browser or download the Destiny Read app to your phone or tablet. Your login is the same as your school login. Choose SSO (single sign-on) and enter your vcs2go email address and password.

Thank you for your continued support of the Spruce Creek High School Media Center! Please never hesitate to provide me with feedback via the media center website or by e-mailing me at shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us.



Need Technology Help? Contact your teachers first! If they can't help, our media specialist Mrs. Samantha Murray is running the SCHS Help Desk for students and teachers. Contact her at shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us or by calling her inside Microsoft Teams.



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SAC Needs YOU to Help Us Make Our Amazing School Even Better!

If you are interested in serving as a member of the SCHS School Advisory Council, please contact Samantha Murray at 322-6272 x 37829, via email shmurray@volusia.k12.fl.us, or simply join us at our next meeting. All meeting dates and times are posted on www.SpruceCreekSAC.weebly.com.

The School Advisory Council is composed of teachers, students, parents, and other citizens who are representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school. We meet once a month at school in the evening. We discuss current hot topics for our school and school district and provide information about various events and programs at Spruce Creek High School.

The primary purpose of SAC is to assist in the preparation of a plan to improve student performance. Actions of SAC include resource allocation, approval of staff development, school safety, and school management. All are welcome! Please join us! For more information, visit www.SpruceCreekSAC.weebly.com.




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Chorus

- SCHS Choirs will present their Fall Choral Concert on Wednesday, October 28, 7:00 p.m. at the Kenneth W. Parker Amphitheater in the Port Orange City Center.
- Combined choirs will be performing along with selected student solos.
- There is no admission for this concert. Facial masks and social distancing is required.

National Honor Society | BRENDAN RYAN & D. KEITH

It is with great pride that we are able to announce the 2019-2020 Club of the Year was the National Honor Society!! Our chapter logged over 400 collective hours of service in the third quarter of the school year with ten community service activities from January 6 to March 12. Our general club-wide meetings were also held January 15, February 13 and March 11.

We had a large Creek representation who attended the second NHS District meeting which was held at Atlantic High with other schools in our county on January 18. The yearly practice of making plastic yarn called Plarn, returned again in 2020. 39 students gathered to provide plarn to be made into sleeping mats for those not fortunate enough to afford a bed.

On the 13th of February, Creek's NHS held its first-ever JEOPARDY game with senior Josh Liebman who played host. Members played and observed the competition with numerous teachers. The game, full of laughs to break the tension of the game, pitted students against teachers in their knowledge of both popular and obscure Black History Month knowledge. Ultimately, the teachers proved more knowledgeable coming out the victors by several points. It would be an understatement to say that the game was an overwhelming success. It is sure to become an annual tradition.

One of the most popular service projects we do is campus and beach cleanups. Five were held between January and March to help keep the grounds of our home nest free of litter and debris.

Closing out the month on February 26th, the spectacular game show brought to life on our very own Spruce Creek stage, was in the form of the infamous FAMILY FEUD. Josh Liebman again stepped in to host for Steve Harvey, who unfortunately could not make the competition this time. The game saw three bracketed rounds in which seniors first competed against teachers and juniors competed against administrators. Finally, the winners of the first two rounds, juniors and teachers competed for the honor of winning the game. Juniors emerged triumphantly! Family Feud, Creek Edition is yet another National Honor Society game show sure to go down in the history books.

Club members volunteered with the Turie T. Small Elementary school tutoring session on March 6th. Several students stepped up to help teach their younger counterparts with whatever they struggled within school.

At our March 11, 2020 meeting, a new board was elected. Congratulations to the following: President Alisa Van Deijck; VP Madeline Halleran; Secretary Sia Bharucha; Service Chair Iris Qi; Fundraising chair Elizabeth Greenburg; Social Media Chair Kaylee Van Rij; and Historian Reem Abdelghany, Bulletin Board and News Editor Mariya Khan, District NHS President Meryl Liu is also on our board.

On September 30, 2020 we inducted 10 seniors and 111 juniors on MS Teams. A small contingency including officers and sponsors broadcasted on MS Teams from Room C-14. Starting the ceremony was the talented Michael Fantaro on his saxophone. Mrs. Keith then welcomed all. Lauren LeBlanc sang the National Anthem. Dr. Sparger's video was shown, then the board members emphasized the four NHS Pillars of Leadership, Service, Character and Scholarship. President Alisa called out the names of each inductee as their picture was displayed. Each prospect lit their own candle at home and raised a right hand to repeat each line of the NHS pledge.

Due to having members both in school and on Volusia Live, we have held our general meetings online on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 P.M. Shirts have been distributed for the anticipated Nov 9th Club Photo Day. Records are being kept concerning participation in our numerous service projects: Chalk Art for Breast Cancer Awareness, Letter writing to first responders, rock painting, collecting food for Thanksgiving baskets, collecting cleaning supplies for Title One schools and collecting blankets for the homeless.

We look forward to our VL members joining us 2nd quarter so we can work together in service with our President Alisa's year's theme: "Many Minds: One Mission."



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Asian Association

D.KEITH

Our First Asian Association meeting of the year was held October 8th where we concentrated on the country and culture of Thailand. During the course of the two meetings, we learned about different and interesting facts about the country; for example- the elephant is the national animal; and did you know that in Thailand, a live spider is placed on the wedding dress of the bride for good luck? Ewwh!

LeAhn's Restaurant provided Thai Chicken and Basil fried rice. We played King of the Hill with Rock-Paper-Scissors. The 1st lunch winner was Brody Miniski. He received a Pocky prize. In the second lunch, Abigail won and received a second box of fried rice.

Our board members were secured pending their payment of \$15 dues online: President: Claire Bellas; VP: Tammy Tong; Secretary: Kayla Tran; Treasurer: Emily Hagan; Service Chair: Ethan Alves, Fundraising Chair: Danny Nguyen; Social Media: Khavie Tran;

Historian: Cameron Teft; Sgt. at Arms: Joey Colletti; Intramural chair- Ryan Seo.

We will have campus cleanup before our November 12th meeting. Japan will be featured and Mrs. Bellas will be our guest speaker. Join us in G-12 first lunch and C-14 second lunch.

Reviewing last November 2019's meeting: we learned that in Thailand one or two bites are left on the plate to show appreciation to the host and chef. Our special dish of panang curry chicken was served. Allen Zheng was the special winner of a musical chair's challenge.

In December 2019, we celebrated Japan. In Nihon, Japan is associated with the rising of the sun. We had chicken katsu from Leanh's which was a type of chicken covered in panko flakes served with a special sauce and soft rice. Claire Bellas, our co-president taught us many different phrases that would be used in everyday life. To Claire, we say: "Arigato" which means thanks.

Instead of a second meeting, we opted for a Christmas party in Ms. Keith's office. Special thanks to those who brought in an array of different foods for the buffet. And many thanks to Allen and Emily who decorated the door and featured Nihao KaiLan with a decorated Christmas tree and stars in the sky for the "Oh! It's Lit" theme.

January 2020 was the month of the Spring Festival! It was all about China. In this meeting, we learned how to say Happy New Year: "Xin nian cuai le!" The food was chicken lo mein mixed with shiitake mushrooms and an added delicious veggie spring roll. Blessings on LeAhn's Restaurant for being so generous in helping us celebrate. This new year, we will be celebrating the year 4718 of the lunar calendar. We leave behind the boar for the Year of the rat! We wish everyone a happy new decade!

In February 2020, we emphasized Vietnam with "bun-ga" from LeAhn's Restaurant. This included lemongrass chicken on top of vermicelli rice noodles. The meeting continued with trivia on Vietnam, games to get to know each other better, and door prizes.

In March, we had our annual Asian Invasion which incorporates both the Asian Association and the Southeast Asian Club. Asian chips, a chick peas dish, a veggie dish, and samosas were served. A report via a slide show was presented by the SE Asian Club board. Three Lunar new year calendars were given away as door prizes from Mrs. Keith upon her return from Hawaii. She had hoped 2020 would be filled with happiness, fortune, good health and love for all! Little did we know Covid-19 would affect the not just our Spruce Creek lives, but the whole world!

Men's Basketball Schedule 2020 2021

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Thurs	12-Nov	Orange & Black	Spruce Creek HS	6:00
Weed	18-Nov	Tip-off Classic vs Matanzas HS (Houligan)	Spruce Creek HS	6:00/7:30
Thurs	19-Nov	Tip-off Classic vs Deltona HS (Houligan)	Spruce Creek HS	6:00/7:30
Tues	1-Dec	at Palatka	Palatka HS	5:30/7:00
Fri	4-Dec	at West Orange	West Orange HS	5:30/7:00
Mon	7-Dec	at Deland	Deland HS	5:30/7:00
Wed	9-Dec	Sanford Seminole HS	Soruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Fri	11-Dec	at Mandarin HS	Mandarin HS	5:30/7:00
Sat	12-Dec	(JV) Showcase Deland/NSB	Spruce Creek HS	1:15/5:00
Mon	14-Dec	Hagerty HS	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Thurs	17-Dec	at Execute to Impact vs Halifax	New Smyrna	4:30
Fri	18-Dec	at Execute to Impact vs New Smyrna Beach	New Smyrna	5:30
Mon	21-Dec	Battle of the Island Tournament	Fleming Island HS	TBA
Tues	22-Dec	Battle of the Island Tournament	Fleming Island HS	TBA
Wed	23-Dec	Battle of the Island Tournament	Fleming Island HS	TBA
Mon	28-Dec	Jaris Williams Holiday Tournament	Palatka HS	TBA
Tues	29-Dec	Jaris Williams Holiday Tournament	Palatka HS	TBA
Wed	30-Dec	Jaris Williams Holiday Tournament	Palatka HS	TBA
Tues	5-Jan	Lake Mary HS	Spruce Creek HS	6:00/7:30
Thurs	7-Jan	University Orange City HS	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Fri	8-Jan	MLK Andrew Jackson HS	Andrew Jackson HS	TBA
Sat	9-Jan	MLK (JV) Showcase Lake Howell/Deltona	Spruce Creek HS	12:00/2:30
Wed	13-Jan	at Pine Ridge HS	Pine Ridge HS	5:30/7:00
Mon	18-Jan	MLK Showcase/DME White	Spruce Creek HS	4:30/7:30
Wed	20-Jan	New Smyrna Beach HS	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Fri	22-Jan	Atlantic HS	Soruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Tues	26-Jan	Calvary Christian HS	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Fri	29-Jan	at Atlantic HS	Atlantic HS	4:30/7:30
Tues	2-Feb	Evans HS	Spruce Creek HS	6:00/7:30
Fri	5-Feb	Seabreeze HS	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7:00
Sat	6-Feb	JV Shootout Deland/Pine Ridge	Spruce Creek HS	TBA
Tues	9-Feb	District Tournament 9, 10, 12	Lake Mary HS	5:30/7:00

Head Coach: David L. Howard Sr. Assistance: John Wise
Head Assistance: Tony Plowden Assistance: Justin Vallejo
Head JV: Travis Norfolk

JROTC

Welcome back Hawks! This year the Hawk Battalion is striving to reach new heights. Even with the current situation, the Battalion has adapted to accommodate both in-school and online cadets. We are encouraging participation no matter what form of education our cadets choose.

Our Color Guard team has been quite busy this month with multiple practices and events. If you are ever at the football games, look out for them presenting our National colors. On October 21st, we presented the colors for the Daughters of the American Revolution, who were commemorating the great Seminole Chief, Chief Emathla (known as King Philip to anyone other than Indians) with a plaque ceremony.

In mid-October, the Hawk Battalion volunteered for the American Cancer Society in its Pink Car Parade. The cadets were able to assist in making the parade a grand success by cheering on local cancer survivors and recovering patients and then recovering the signs that lined the parade route. The following week, the Battalion also supported the American Cancer Society's Pink Parking Lot Party. We supported this event by assisting in the set-up and take-down. Most cadets will tell you how much fun it was to spend the evening working together within the community. Every year we have worked with the American Cancer Society in the month of October, so to be able to continue that tradition within the COVID-19 environment is exciting for the cadets.

Next month we will be keeping the momentum as we prepare for even more service opportunities.



Womens Basketball Schedule 2020-2021

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
NOVEMBER			
20	Ribault	Terry Parker HS (Jacksonville)	5:00 PM
23	Insider Exposure Showcase	Bolles (JAX)	
24	Mainland HS	Mainland	5:30/7:00
DECEMBER			
01	Deland HS	Deland HS	5:30/7:00
02	Evans	Spruce Creek HS	7:00
04	City of Life	Spruce Creek HS	TBA
08	Seminole HS	Spruce Creek HS	6:00/7:30
10	Bishop Kenny	Spruce Creek HS (PO)	5/6:30
11	FPC Shootout	Flagler Palm Coast HS	TBA
12	FPC Shootout	Flagler Palm Coast HS	TBA
15	Bartram Trail	Spruce Creek HS	5:30/7
17	Raines	Raines HS (JAX)	6/7:30
28-30	Seffner Christian Tournament	Seffner Christian (Seffner, FL)	TBA
JANUARY			
5	Sandalwood	Sandalwood HS (JAX)	TBA
6	Wekiva	Wekiva HS (Wekiva)	5:30/7:00
7	Oakridge	Spruce Creek HS	6:00 PM
8-9	Rob Maracco challenge	Flagler Palm Coast HS (Flagler)	TBA
12	Bolles	Bolles HS	6/7:30
13	Flagler	Spruce Creek HS (PO)	5:30/7:00
15	Boone HS	Spruce Creek HS (PO)	6:30/8:00
16	DME Shootout	DME (Daytona)	TBA
18	DME Shootout	DME (Daytona)	TBA
29	Atlantic	Atlantic HS	TBA
FEBRUARY			
Head Coach- Kelvin Hamm, Sr. JV Coach- Devin Johnson Assistant Coach- Chris Zablo Assistant Coach- Joel Vega Administrative Assistant Coach- Ella Jones			

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In the spring of 2020, our Young Republicans Club kept busy. Due to the widespread and unfortunate occurrence of COVID-19, also referred to as the Coronavirus, an informational meeting was held March 6th that discussed various aspects of the disease. This was not the only special meeting held by this club. On February 7th, Mr. Armando Escalante spoke and provided new insights on various recent governmental policies as a speaker and presenter. Beyond meetings, Young Republicans Club also sent letters to dedicated members in the armed forces to thank them for their services.

Escalante has been a prominent speaker for a multitude of occasions involving Republicans. In his presentation, he presented information that provided new light on the President's controversial policies, specifically his environmental policies. From him, meeting attendees walked away with a new perspective on the President to consider and ponder.

While members of the Young Republicans have certainly learned much, they have also been involved in services to the very dedicated men and women serving. This included writing a variety of handwritten letters to thank members of the armed forces for the services and safety they provide that make many feel more secure in their homes and nations. These letters were sent to a base in Saudi Arabia where the older brother of members Gabi and Nick Harris is stationed. Javier Stewart then helped distribute the letters to others serving with him. While these letters can come nowhere close to fully encompassing the gratitude many feel for the armed force's actions, it is a start.

A slate of officers was approved at the first meeting of the SCHS Young Republicans. This included: President Chris Cherian, Vice President Gabi Harris, Secretary James Hill, and Treasurer Nick Harris. Appointed positions will be chosen November 6th.

On November 13, the club members will gather at Mellow Mushroom Pizza for a Spirit Night and letter writing to Law Enforcement Officers in appreciation.

We are also in a Wreaths Across America effort to put wreaths on the graves of as many servicemen who gave their lives for our country. Help purchase a \$15 wreath in memory of a loved one who served or in honor of one currently serving! Your donation will help our club greatly as we raise money to help purchase our national and state flags to fly on our poles on campus. Go to this site

<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/17897/Overview/?relatedId=15633>

Members of the Young Republicans Club have both learned and contributed in the hopes of improving and understanding the society they live in, and they will continue to do so. For a club that is called "Republican," they focus on issues and situations much greater and beyond politics.

German Club

Hallo Freunde!

Guten Tag - Come and join the fun with German Club! We had great fun showcasing our Club at the Club Expo in the Media Center in September. We already had our first virtual club meeting on Teams during the first week of October. In addition, we plan on meeting every other week on Fridays at 6 PM on Teams so virtual students can attend. German Club is hosting a collaborative lunch in the German classroom F-3 with the French Club in the last week of October (10/29).

Here we can learn and exchange ideas from each other about German and French culture, German and French food, and anything else that comes to mind. And it is not a requirement to take German or French or speak either language. Christmas is just around the corner and German Club will be selling Advent Calendars -be sure get one. German Club welcomes everyone to join. So, come and be part of the fun! We hope to see you there!

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BETA Club

This year, Beta Clubbers started the year off with a classic beach cleanup—gone wrong. Due to an unexpected high tide, our members agreed to our back-up event: cleaning up the surrounding sidewalks and bush areas. This event was incredibly successful! Our 12 members filled 5 buckets, which is fortunately far more than can be found on Florida's beaches.

Although we are getting off to a late start due to the difficulties of running a club virtually, we have so much planned! Opportunities are available now to work with Halifax Urban ministries and tutor elementary school students through Uptimism. Stay tuned for the return of Spruce Creek Recycles, a technology initiative for students, and a COVID-19 hygiene supply drive!

Members: if accepted, you should have received an acceptance letter on Oct 23. Please make sure that you have joined Remind and Discord! **Potential members:** applications are still open with a rolling deadline. Please complete the application found at the top of <https://linktr.ee/betacreek> (has all relevant links for Beta!). If accepted, please read the introductory information emailed to you and pay dues—\$15!

Questions? Text @betacreek to 81010 (Remind101) or email betacreek@gmail.com! Remember: "Let us lead by serving others!"

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