



Viking Voice

Weekly Newsletter

Fort Walton Beach High School

February 9, 2018

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Messages from Administration

****If you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please send me an email (include your student's name) and I will remove you from the distribution list.**

Messages from Administration

Valentine's Day

Due to the disruption that would occur to the school day, Fort Walton Beach High School will not accept any deliveries for Valentine's Day. This does include flowers, balloons, candy, edible arrangements, etc. Please make arrangements for deliveries to be made at another location outside of the school day.

Advanced Placement (AP) Students

Contact: L. Lipnicky (LipnickyL@okaloosaschools.com)



Attention Advanced Placement Students

New for this year you must register online for your AP Exams!

Please register for your 2018 AP exams by clicking on the link below. All AP students must register online by February 20, 2018.

www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/100532

Varsity Brands Announces Finalists for School Spirit Award

FWBHS has been selected as a FINALIST for the Varsity Brands School Spirit Awards. Two years ago, Mr. Spolski won the Principal of Principle award from this same company. Mr. Folsom won the Band/Music award and Jan Shaffer was a Finalist for the most spirited staff member.

Being a finalist allows our school to compete for the grand prize of \$25,000.



Each day, people have to log in and vote. The video had to be created by our own student demonstrating our school spirit. Kade McAllister created a rap song "Welcome to the Fort." There was an essay, a letter of recommendation, questions, and video about our school. We had to provide the lyrics, the software program, and details of how it was created. We provided information about our wonderful community and our school. In order to win, we must gather our supportive Okaloosa County community to vote each day until February 21st. We are the only school in the state of Florida to be selected as a finalist! We are excited to represent Okaloosa County and eager to get the word out to vote.

Please reach out to friends and family members and encourage them to vote for FWBHS every day through February 21st. \$25,000 would be awesome for our school!

<https://www.varsitybrands.com/awards/amshs>

Registration for Next School Year

Contact: Guidance Office (833-3300 ext. 3305)

On Monday, February 12, in WAVE homeroom, your student will receive a registration form that is to be completed, and turned back into their WAVE teacher on **Friday, February 16**. Your child's current teachers will be making recommendations for courses to be taken next year. The current teacher is required to sign the appropriate box on the registration form – before the form is turned in.

Our curriculum guide is available at <http://www.okaloosaschools.com/fwb>. Please take some time this week to look at the curriculum guide, and to discuss registration and course selections with your child. There is a parent signature line at the bottom of the registration form.

Accurate registration is very important to the functioning of our school. Teachers are hired, materials ordered, and resources allocated based on the course selections at the time of registration. Please encourage your child to take this process seriously and to make accurate and appropriate course selections.

If you have questions pertinent to your child's registration please call their counselor at:

Last name beginning with:

A-G	Dr. Dugan	833-3300 ext. 3310
H-J	Ms. Lipnicky	833-3300 ext. 3314
K-R	Ms. Ver Steeg	833-3300 ext. 3312
S-Z	Ms. Lipnicky	833-3300 ext. 3314

Class of 2018

SENIOR CAP AND GOWN PICTURES

Contact: S. Teare (833-3300 ext. 1318 or teares@mail.okaloosa.k12.fl.us)

Photographers from LifeTouch Studio will be here **Wednesday, February 14 and Thursday February 15** for senior cap and gown photos.

Seniors have photos taken during their English class. Seniors without an English class should plan to go during a no-class or study hall. Men should wear a white dress shirt and dark tie and clean up the shaving area. Ladies should wear a top that does not come up too high. The photographers will be providing the cap & gowns for the pictures. See Mrs. Teare in room 318 or call 833-3300 ext. 1318 if you have any questions.

Senior Awards Night – May 21, 2018 at 6:30pm

Contact: B. McElroy or J. Smith (McElroyR@okaloosaschools.com or SmithJ3@okaloosaschools.com)

Our Senior Awards Night will be held on **Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:30pm** in the FWBHS auditorium.

In order to plan this year's program, we need information from you. Seniors, if you have been offered any scholarships/awards, we would like to recognize you. Please submit the form below with your offer letter attached to Ms. Smith in the Media Center or the basket in the Guidance Office **no later than May 8, 2018**. Below is a copy of the memo that each senior received during WAVE. The form to complete is at the end of the memo – or you may pick a blank form up in the guidance office.

Senior Awards Scholarship Award Form

Please report each scholarship offer you have received **whether you plan to attend the college or not**. We will recognize all scholarship offers based on your academic performance, athletic or artistic ability, membership in clubs, and ROTC and U.S. Service Academy appointments.

Please attach a photocopy of the award notice to this page (if you have one).

Do Not report offers of financial aid such as grants or loans based on family income.

Do Not report Bright Futures Scholarships.

FWBHS will include all scholarship offers in a report to be compiled for the Okaloosa County School District.

We will recognize students earning awards at our **Senior Awards Night on Monday, May 21, 2018**.

You must turn in one form and/or copy of offer on each scholarship you are awarded.

The absolute deadline for you to turn in this form – in order to be included in the Senior Awards Night Ceremony and Program – is Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

**We realize that many scholarships will be awarded after this deadline and after the Senior Awards Night. Unfortunately, we cannot recognize those students and awards at the program – BUT we will include them in our school report for the Okaloosa County School District. Please continue to turn in forms and notify us of awards even after this deadline has passed.

You may make pick up blank copies of this form in the Guidance Office.

Turn in completed forms to Ms. Smith in the Media Center or the basket in the Guidance Office (by Tuesday, May 8th). Please write legibly.

Student Name: _____

Scholarship Name: _____

**College or Organization
Awarding Scholarship** _____

Total Value _____
(if renewable for more than one year)

College Acceptance? Military Enlistment?

Contact: J. Smith (833-3300 ext. 2151 or smithj3@mail.okaloosa.k12.fl.us)

Are you a SENIOR @ FWBHS who has been accepted into a college/university or who has enlisted into the military? If so, bring your acceptance letter or enlistment papers to Ms. Julie Smith in the Media Center so we can let people know where you are going!

www.FAFSA.gov

SENIORS – complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) beginning **October 1, 2017**, at www.FAFSA.gov.

It's FAFSA Time Again!

The 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is open now.

Every senior should complete an application to qualify for financial aid. Encourage them not to delay – the earlier the FAFSA application is processed, the more aid a student may receive. [Check out](#) this playlist that describes the process.

Bright Futures Information

Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) – Class of 2018

The *2017-2018 Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA)* will be available online beginning **October 1, 2017**. The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) website at www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org provides the FFAA to students seeking state scholarship and grant awards (including Bright Futures) for the 2018-2019 postsecondary academic year.

Applications can be made beginning **October 1, 2017**, for current seniors at www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org.

Follow these steps:

- Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org.
- Select **State Grants, Scholarships & Applications**, and under **Applicant Quick Links**, select **Student Application** to complete and submit an online application.
- Pay attention to program deadlines listed in the application conditions section, on the application results screen, and on the application acknowledgement communication sent to the e-mail address provided by the student on his/her application.
- The FFAA will provide a User ID and password to each applicant upon submitting the application via the Saved Results Page and in an e-mail communication.
- Students may use User IDs and passwords to check:
 - The status of certification(s) prior to the program deadline(s).
 - The status of awards following the program deadlines.
 - Notifications from OSFA regarding award status.

This single application is used to evaluate the student for the following State of Florida programs:

- ☐ Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program – Deadline Graduation, 2018
- ☐ José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant – Deadline April 1, 2018
- ☐ Rosewood Family Scholarship Program – Deadline April 1, 2018
- ☐ Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans – Deadline April 1, 2018

Seniors – Community Service Hours

Attention Seniors – Please turn your community service hours into the guidance office. In order for these hours to appear on your transcript we must enter them on to the computer.

****Bright Futures retrieves your community service hours from the school district’s computer system.**

Please turn your community service hours into the guidance office!!!

Guidance News

Incoming 9th Graders (Class of 2022)

Contact: M. Hixson-Wells (833-3300 ext. 3313)

The FWBHS guidance staff will be visiting our feeder middle schools to talk with the 8th graders about registering for their freshmen year at FWBHS. Ms. Ver Steeg, Ms. Lipnicky, and Ms. Hixson-Wells will be distributing curriculum guides and registration forms and discussing course selections with the current 8th graders.

We will be visiting the Middle Schools on the following schedule:

Friday, February 9	at Liza Jackson Prep School	8:30am
Friday, February 9	at St. Mary School	Noon
Monday, February 12	at Bruner Middle School	All day
Tuesday, February 13	at Destin Middle School	All day
Thursday, February 15	at Ballet Academie	8:00am

Friday, February 16

at STEMM Academy

Noon

Viking Conquest

Contact: L. Dugan (833-3300 ext. 3310 or
Linda.Dugan@okaloosaschools.com)

On **Wednesday, February 21, 2018**, beginning at **6:00pm**, FWBHS will host the **Viking Conquest** for incoming 9th graders and their parents. Current 8th graders and their parents are encouraged to come to this curriculum fair to experience the **VIKING SPIRIT**, meet the 9th grade teachers and hear about Viking academic programs, Viking elective programs, Viking extracurricular activities, and Viking athletic opportunities.

Scholarship Opportunities

Contact: Julie Smith (833-3300 ext. 2151 or
smithj3@okaloosaschools.com)

Scholarship opportunities for ninth through twelfth graders may be found at www.fwbvikings.com. Students may also come to the Media Center to find out what scholarships are available. Please check each week for updates.

Honors Graduation Criteria

The cumulative weighted grade point average is used to calculate honors graduation designation. At the end of the seventh semester, honors graduates will be determined by the following cumulative scale:

Summa Cum Laude – 4.25 and above

Magna Cum Laude – 4.0-4.2499

Cum Laude – 3.75-3.99

In order to be considered an honors graduate, students must be enrolled in the same year-long course at the same level and receive a grade for the eighth semester.

Community Service Opportunities

Emerald Coast Science Center

Contact: J. Chandler (850-664-1261)

Monday, February 19, 2018

9:00am-2:00pm

Renovating classrooms, painting, cleaning, and light yard work in preparation for the arrival of the "Smallab Exhibit".

United Way

Contact: C. Holmes (cindy@united-way.org)

Saturday, February 10, 2018

10:00am-Noon

United Way Office

102 Tupelo Avenue, FWB, FL 32548

Help assemble table decorations for special event

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

3:00pm-5:00pm

Linkside Ballroom, Sandestin, FL

Set up 30 table centerpieces and other decorations

Thursday, February 22, 2018

10:00am-Noon

Linkside Ballroom, Sandestin, FL

Take down centerpieces and other decorations

Thursday, February 22, 2018

3:00pm-5:00pm

United Way Office

102 Tupelo Avenue, FWB, FL 32548

Help unload decorations, other event materials, dismantle centerpieces and put away.

AFJROTC News

Air Force Enlisted Village

Contact: Col. M. Batcho (850-833-3300 ext. 2401)

The FWBHS Air Force JROTC held its annual Pancake Breakfast at the Magnolia Grill in January and were able to donate **\$1,000** to the Air Force Enlisted Village.

The Air Force Enlisted Village is a nonprofit organization whose core mission is to provide a safe, secure home for surviving spouses of retired enlisted U.S. Airmen. This event and proceeds were made possible due to the efforts from Tom and Peggy Rice and their staff at the Magnolia Grill, Chief Houston, and 30 great cadets from FWBHS JROTC.

Pictured are Mr. Tom Rice from the Magnolia Grill, Col Mark Batcho from FWBHS JROTC, and Mr. Scott Delveau from the Air Force Enlisted Village.



Congratulations JROTC Cadets!

Contact: Col. M. Batcho (850-833-3300 ext. 2401)

This past Saturday, February 3rd, our JROTC Orienteering Team placed 4th out of 30 teams at the University of West Florida's Orienteering Competition.

Orienteering is a competitive international sport that combines racing with navigation. It is a timed race in which teams use specially created, highly detailed maps to select routes and navigate through diverse and unfamiliar terrain to locate exact coordinates or control points, in sequence. The FWBHS Cadets were one of only 4 teams that found all coordinates and completed the course in under the 3 hour time limit. Way to go Cadets!



Science Department News

Congratulations FWBHS Science Fair Participants!

Contact: B. Russell (833-3300 ext. 1226)

The Fort Walton Beach Science Department would like to thank all of the following students for their wonderful science fair projects that all went to the East Panhandle Regional Science Fair last week:

Ryan Sloan
Emma Daldine
Gabriel Salazar
Sam Sheffield
Alexandra Manion
Makenzie Marez
Alayna Spolski
Connor Cleveland
Ryan Bell

Each of these students put in many hours to ensure that they had a great project to be judged.

The following students placed in their category and/or received a special award from the community:

Ryan Bell 3rd place in Math and a special award

Ryan Sloan 2nd place in Chemistry
Gabriel Salazar 2nd place in Plant Sciences and a special award
Emma Daldine 1st place in Physics and several special awards
Makenzie Marez 1st place in Animal Sciences
Alexandra Manion 1st place in Microbiology and special awards
Connor Cleveland 1st place in Earth and Environmental Sciences and special awards
Alayna Spolski 1st place in Cellular and Molecular Biology

ALL OF THE 1st PLACE WINNERS WILL REPRESENT OUR SCHOOL AND OUR DISTRICT AT THE STATE SCIENCE FAIR. Congratulations to you all for your great innovations and hard work.

ALSO....

Representing our District at the International Science and Engineering Fair in Pittsburg, PA this May is CONNOR CLEVELAND. Congratulations to him on this very special opportunity!!

Band News

Viking Band Fundraiser

Contact: R. Folsom or D. Fields (833-3300 ext. 2507/2508)

Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, February 24, 2018
7:30am-10:00am
Donation: \$5.00
Call 833-3046 for ticket information.

***Hosted by Magnolia Grill (157 Brooks Street SE, FWB, FL)**

Dial a Viking

Contact: M. Reilly (Dialaviking@gmail.com or Allforthebandkids@gmail.com)

In need of last minute help moving, organizing, yard work, putting up holiday decorations, babysitting, computer help and more?

Hire a Fort Walton Beach High School Viking to help you out!

These band students are Eager and Dependable! The perfect way to help support the band and an inexpensive means to get the job done right.

(All money earned goes directly into the students accounts to pay for their individual band fees.)

Thank you for your local support!

Math Department News

Math Tutoring

Contact: J. Sheffield (SheffieldJ@okaloosaschools.com)

TUTORING HOURS

3rd 9 weeks 2017-2018

Course specific tutor per teacher:

Ms. Harrell (rm. 336)	Mondays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Betts-Jones (rm. 144)	Tuesdays	2:00pm-2:45pm
Mr. Gardner (rm. 281)	Tuesdays	6:15am-6:45am
Mr. Mueller (rm. 145)	Tuesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Sheffield (rm. 262)	Tuesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Mr. Schwandt (rm. 210)	Tuesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Tuthill (rm. 411)	Tuesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Feagin (rm. 149)	Wednesdays	6:15am-6:45am
Ms. Foreman (rm. 412A)	Wednesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Mr. Hanson (rm. 418)	Wednesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. McWilliams (rm. 341)	Wednesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Young (rm. 407)	Wednesdays	2:15pm-2:45pm
Ms. Duval (rm. 340)	Thursdays	6:15am-6:45am
Ms. Fister (rm. 417)	Thursdays	2:00pm-2:30pm

Additional Math Tutoring

Contact: J. Sheffield (SheffieldJ@okaloosaschools.com)

All FWBHS students, from any math course, may attend the following tutoring sessions:

Mondays	Hanson	Room 418	2:15pm-2:45pm
Tuesdays	Fister	Room 417	2:00pm-2:30pm
Wednesdays	Mr. Kallenbach (Volunteer)	Guidance Office	2:00pm-3:00pm

	Harrell	Room 336	2:15pm-2:45pm
Fridays	Gardner	Room 281	6:15am-6:45am

CHOICE IT News

FWBHS CHOICE – Digital Photography – Photo of the Week

Contact: M. Mason (833-3300 ext. 1269)



**“We All Won’t Fall”
Jakob Dull (10th grade)**

Sports News

SAVE THE DATE – Cheerleader’s 5K

Contact: K. Duval (833-3300 ext. 1340)



Fort Walton Beach High School

400 Hollywood Blvd

April 7, 2018 7:00 PM

Pre-Registered FWBHS Students: \$20.00

Pre-registered: \$25.00

Day of: \$35.00

Pre-registration deadline March 30, 2018

First 200 Registrations include FREE Glow Run t-shirt!

VIKING 5K GLOW RUN



One Registration Form Per Person:

Complete and return with payment to: **FWBHS, 400 Hollywood Blvd, Attn.: Coach R. Harrison, FWB, FL 32548**
or to the Cheerleader (or cheer parent) receiving credit for this registration.

Please make checks payable to FWBHS Cheerleaders, Attention: Rebekah Harrison

Race Day Registration: 6:30-7:00pm Post Race Food and Drinks Provided

Feel free to contact Staci Cardow with any questions: call or text: 850-803-8819 or staciacardow@aol.com

NAME _____ Runner/Walker

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____ T-Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age: _____

Cheerleader that gets credit: _____

Please ✓ Your Race Day Age:

Male	Age	Female
	7 & under	
	8-13	
	14-19	
	20-29	
	30-39	
	40-49	
	50-59	
	60+	

I know that competing in a 5K is a potentially hazardous activity. I should NOT enter unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decisions of the race officials relative to my ability. I, the undersigned, release and forever discharge the city of FWB, FWBHS, and all its agents and representatives and employees thereof, and their successors, from all claims and damage whatsoever which I, my heirs and their executor and administrators have or may have against the said above and its representatives or employees, by reason of damage or injury which may be incurred by myself while participating in the activities sponsored by the 5K run/walk.

Cheerleading Tryout TimeLine

Contact: R. Harrison (850-833-3300 ext. 1423 or fwbhscheer@gmail.com)

WHAT TO EXPECT AT TRYOUTS CLINIC and FWBHS TRYOUTS TimeLine

April 11- April 25: Tryout packets will be available for pickup in the FWBHS front office, or in room 423 or 340. Tryout fee is **\$35**. Please make checks payable to FWBHS Cheerleaders

April 21: What to expect at tryouts clinic 9:00am – Noon.

- Cost is **\$30** to participate
- This is for anyone considering trying out for ANY cheerleading team.

April 23: Tryout Youtube video released

April 25- April 26: Tryout Clinic 4:00pm – 7:00pm

April 26: All tryout packets must be turned in

April 27: Tryouts 4:30pm - TBD
• 2018-2019 Team announced

Cheerleading: What To Expect At Tryouts

Contact: R. Harrison (850-833-3300 ext. 1423 or fwbhscheer@gmail.com)

Fort Walton Beach High School Cheerleading What to Expect at Tryouts Clinic!

***Saturday, April 21, 2018
9:00am-Noon***

Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Age: _____ **Current Grade:** _____

Planning to tryout at: _____

Email: _____

The cost of the clinic is \$30. Payment should be made payable to FWBHS Cheerleaders. If you have questions please contact Ms. Rebekah Harrison at fwbhscheer@gmail.com.

Cheerleading Tryout Information

Contact: R. Harrison (850-833-3300 ext. 1423 or fwbhscheer@gmail.com)

FWBHS Tryout Info Sheet

April 11- April 25: Tryout packets will be available for pickup in the FWBHS front office, or in room 423 or 340. Tryout fee is \$35. Please make checks payable to FWBHS Cheerleaders

April 23: Tryout Youtube video released

- Participants are encouraged to learn the material on the video before the clinic.

April 25- April 26: Tryout Clinic 4:00pm – 7:00pm

- Video material will be gone over, but not taught.
- 1 chant will be learned on the video, 2 chants will be taught at the clinic.

- Jumps, co-ed, and all other material will be watched and critiqued by the coaches to help participants improve before tryouts.

April 26: All tryout packets must be turned in

April 27: Tryouts 4:30pm – TBD

- An up to date physical will be required to try out.
- The day of tryouts, potential cheerleaders will need to wear Navy or Royal athletic shorts, a red bow (ribbon)(girls only), cheer shoes or running shoes, white socks, red lipstick (girls only), and a white athletic fitted top. **NO SPORTS BRAS WITHOUT A SHIRT.**

Tryout categories:

Girls: Dance, Chant, Cheer, Jumps, Tumbling

Boys: Co-ed, Chant, Cheer, Jumps, Tumbling

*Your highest skill will be performed for each category.