

Forest High School News

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Forest Parents,

We are finishing preparation for FCAT testing which will take place next week. Our students and teachers have worked very hard to prepare for the test and I am confident the results will be good. Test dates are March 9th and 10th. Make-up days will be March 11th and 12th. Please help prepare your son or daughter for this most important assessment. Proper diet, rest, and self-confidence are key ingredients in their approach to the test. **Cell phones and I-Pods are not allowed in the testing rooms.** Please have your student keep these items at home.

Please mark your calendar for these key events in the month of March. Our next SAC meeting will be held March 8th. The end of the 3rd grading period is March 29th. An early release day will occur on March 24th and April 2nd is a teacher work day. Students get a head start on Spring Break that day as all school personnel will be on break from April 5th to April 9th.

Thank you for the many ways you support Forest High School.

Go Wildcats!
Chester Gregory, Principal

TUTORING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Four FHS faculty members are available for tutoring Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the FHS Media Center. This tutoring is **FREE** and transportation will be offered. Contact David Forbes at 671-4700 for more information.

Tutoring is available on the following dates:

March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30

April 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

May 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20

The National Honor Society at FHS also offers FREE tutoring on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:45 – 8:30 a.m. Visit the guidance office for a list of NHS student tutors who offer tutoring free of charge, as well as a list of certified teachers who tutor for a fee.

OCALA FOREST HIGH SCHOOL ALL-SPORTS PASS

Spring Sale on Sports Passes: All Sports Passes will be \$20.00 for the remainder of the school year. This pass admits you to all athletic contests that are played at Ocala Forest High School.

Adults:	\$20.00
Sr. Citizens:	\$20.00
Students:	\$20.00

This pass **cannot be used for admittance to FHSAA State Series Events, Invitational Events, or Special Events held on campus.

Contact the Athletic Department to purchase
Phone: (352) 671- 4700 OR
Email: Kenna.Martin@marion.k12.fl.us

TESTING NEWS

The Spring FCAT is only a couple of weeks away. March 9th, 10th, and 11th are the county's scheduled FCAT administration days. Please make sure your student is on time to school and has had a good breakfast to keep him/her focused and alert during the morning sessions of testing. Also, cell phones and other electronic devices are prohibited during these assessments. Students' tests **MUST** be invalidated if they are found with an electronic device (other than an approved calculator that is provided) on or around their person during testing. We want to avoid any possibility of invalidations because of electronic devices so please encourage your students to leave them at home on FCAT days.

Please refer to the testing schedule for specific dates and tests. If you have any questions please contact your student's guidance counselor or Erin Conner (Testing Coordinator).

Tuesday, March 9th

All 9th and 10th grade students will take the Reading FCAT

All 11th grade students will take the Science FCAT

Wednesday, March 10th

All 9th and 10th grade students will take the Mathematics FCAT

11th and 12th grade students that need to retake the Reading portion of the FCAT

Thursday, March 11th

11th and 12th grade students that need to retake the Math portion of the FCAT

JCL NEWS

Forest High School's Junior Classical League traveled to Gainesville this last weekend and competed successfully in all areas of academic and creative competitions. The following students won awards. Let's give a big kudos to our JCL students and their hard work.

Chris Bendall - 1st: Miscellaneous 10-12
Best in Show: Miscellaneous 10-12
3rd: Mythology Adv.
4th: Customs Adv.

Danielle Geckler - 1st: Impromptu Art
2nd: Maps 10-12
3rd: Hellenic History Adv.

Carley Ray - 2nd: Drama Interpretation II
5th: Classical Art II
4th: Classical Geography II

Rebecca Garrison - 4th: Greek Derivatives Adv.
5th: Mythology Adv.

Deion Howard - 4th: Mythology I

Kaitlyn Liebelt - 1st: Painting 10-12

Abbie Abdullah - 1st: 2-D Non-Graphic Art
Best in Show: 2-D Non-Graphic Art
3rd: Classical Art
4th: Roman Customs

Kadeem Morrison - 3rd: 100 yard dash
1st: Games 10-12

Daniel Battista - 5th: History of the Roman Republic and Monarchy II

Ben Ranew - -3rd: Couples Costume
-4th: Greek Derivatives II

Ashley Venegas - -3rd: Couples Costume
-4th: Painting

Emily Woodruff - -3rd: Greek Derivatives Adv.

Brian Snook - -4th: Greek Derivatives II

Robert Shane - 5th: Greek Derivatives II

Elisbel Bandomo - 3rd: 2-D Non-Graphic Art 10-12
4th: Drawing 10-12

Annalese Williams - 2nd: Drawing 10-12
4th: Painting 10-12
4th: Mythology II
3rd: Greek Derivatives II

Heather Crary - 1st: Hellenic History II
2nd: Scrapbook
5th: 2-D Non Graphic 10-12
2nd: Mythology II
3rd: Classical Art II

Shea Davis - 4th: History of Republic I
5th: Hellenic History I
3rd: 4x4 Relay

Richard Phillips - -5th: Textiles 10-12
5th: Derivatives Adv.

Abbie Banitt - -2nd: Vocabulary Adv.

Vignesh Raguraman - 2nd: Pottery 10-12

Justin Hwang - 1st: Modern Myth 10-12
2nd: Games 10-12

Danielle Horosh - 2nd: 2-D Non-Graphic Art 10-12
2nd: Painting 10-12
2nd: Greek Derivatives II
3rd: Hellenic History II

Van Williams - 1st: Male Costume 5-9
5th: Miscellaneous 5-9

Kristen Woodruff - 3rd: Modern Myth
2nd: Greek Derivatives I
2nd: Classical Art I

Emily Whitmarsh - 2nd: Miscellaneous 10-12
2nd: Customs Adv.
4th: Greek Derivatives Adv.
5th: Derivatives Adv.

Morgan Reed - 1st: Couples costumes
2nd: Latin Literature Adv.
4th: Hellenic History Adv.

Claire Kent - 2nd: 2-D Non Graphic Art
1st: Adv. Prose
Best in Show: Adv. Prose

Janine Roberts - 1st: Greek Derivatives II
1st: Textiles 10-12
5th: Latin Literature II
2nd: Scrapbook

Adlin Gordian - 1st: Drawing/Painting 10-12
2nd: Scrapbook
1st: Classical Art II
2nd: Mottoes II
5th: Customs II

Theo Thevenot - 5th: Greek Derivatives II

Julia Gangelhoff - 1st: Sculpture 10-12
4th: Textiles 10-12
5th: Customs II

Brian Andrews - 4th: Culture Adv.
3rd: Geography Adv.

Lucas Randle - 4th: Greek Derivatives II

Ryan McNiff - 2nd: Models 10-12
3rd: Hellenic History I
5th: Mythology I
5th: Geography I

Katie Cummins - 2nd: Scrapbook
3rd: Miscellaneous 10-12
4th: Vocabulary Adv.
5th: Greek Derivatives Adv.

EMIT COMPETES IN *FIRST* ROBOTICS COMPETITION

EMIT is proud to announce their completion of a robot that will compete in the *FIRST*® Robotics Competition, the first school in Marion County to have done so. Six short weeks ago students were given the challenge to design and build a robot that would compete in a soccer-like game called Breakaway. In addition to the competition, judges evaluate teams and present awards for design, technology, sportsmanship, and commitment to *FIRST*. EMIT will compete in the Florida *FIRST* Regional competition March 12 and 13 at the University of Central Florida in Orlando.

The group of EMIT students was divided into 6 specialized teams: Design, Mechanical/Electrical, Remote Control (RC) Vehicle, Game Design, Video, and Communications. The Design and Mechanical/Electrical teams were further separated into the five sub-teams of chassis, drive train, arm, kicker/shooter, and electrical/programming. Together they planned, drafted, and assembled a working robot. The Game Designers provided simulations of the Breakaway competition, which allowed the RC team to hone their handling skills. The Video team documented all important phases of the project while the Communications members compiled essays for the written award submissions.

The success of the EMIT robotics team is owed greatly to the aid and support of these mentors and technical professionals: Joel McKelvey of American Panel; Andrew Copeland of Andrew Copeland, Architect; Michael Stepp of Stepp Construction; Zach Sosebee and Tanvi Ajrawat of Lockheed Martin; Dr. Eric Schwartz with UF doctorate students; Ernie Moore of Progress Energy; Jordan Wood of Verrando Engineering. Thanks also to Jeanette Khonsary of Grove Plumbing for arranging snacks and dinners during the many hours of productivity.

EMIT is very grateful to have the support of its parents, administrative staff and these community sponsors: Airgas; American Panel; Andrew Copeland, Architect, PA.; Brick City Cat Hospital; Elster Amco Water, Inc.; Engineered Building Systems; Faith Sarfarazi, MD, Florida Institute for Human & Machine Cognition; FY Eye Optical; Grove Plumbing; Guerra Development Corp.; Herb Williams; Home Depot; Integrated Medical Supply; Lockheed Martin; Progress Energy; Stepp Construction; University of Florida-College of Engineering; Verrando Engineering Co. Inc.

AWARDS CEREMONY

SAVE THE DATE! The annual Forest High School awards ceremony will be held on May 18th for freshmen and sophomores and May 20th for juniors and seniors. The ceremonies will be held in the FHS auditorium. Please watch future editions of the Forest newsletter for the time of the event.

FHS JR/SR. PROM

The Forest High School Jr./Sr. prom will be held May 22, 2010 at the Disney's World ShowPlace Pavilion.

Tickets for the Prom will be on sale through April 30th. All tickets are \$100 each which include, transportation, dinner, dance and picture packet.

Prom Guest

Those juniors and seniors planning to bring a guest to Prom who is **not** an FHS student **must** follow the following procedure:

1. Pick up a Guest Request Form from the Activities Office B-162
2. Have the guest complete the form, sign and attach a copy of their current Student ID, Identification Card, or Driver's License
3. Return the form to the Activities Office by April 16

All tickets for the Prom must be purchased by April 30.

SENIOR INFORMATION

Make sure you check the FHS Homepage (www.foresthigh.org) for detailed senior information. Look for the *Senior Class Information* link.

April TBD	Delivery of Graduation Announcements and Memorabilia Balance due at this time
April 12-30	Turn in Photos for Sr. Video B241 (Spring Break, Grad Bash, etc)
April 16	Guest Request for Prom Due
April 24	Grad Bash Islands of Adventure
April 30	Final Payment for Prom Due
May 14	All Outside Credits are due to Mrs. Kerkela
May	Cap and Gowns Delivered
May 22	Prom
June	Sr. Luncheon
June 4	Last Day for Seniors (Tentative)
June 8	Baccalaureate 7:00pm, FHS, Aud
June 10	Graduation Practice 8:00am
June 12	Graduation 8:00am, Southeastern Livestock Pavilion

Cap and Gowns

All seniors should have their cap and gown ordered at this time. If not, you must do so **now** for gowns to arrive on time for graduation. You can order on line at www.herffjonesnorthflorida.com or stop by the Activities Office for an order form.

GUIDANCE NEWS

Scheduling for the 2010-2011 school year

On February 23rd grade level meetings were held in which all students received schedule request sheets for the 2010-2011 school year. Students were instructed to secure recommendations from their teachers during the remainder of that week, and after FCAT, the counselors will begin meeting with each student individually about their schedule requests. During these conferences, the counselor reviews the grade history, test scores, teacher recommendations, and student career plans to finalize the schedule. The process will last for the remainder of the school year, and parents are always welcome to call the counselor and give input.

Parents of seniors

It is time to file your **FAFSA** to determine the amount of financial assistance for which you might be eligible to pay those college expenses. www.fafsa.ed.gov

Seniors

It is time to apply for the Bright Futures Scholarship!!!

<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Once you apply, you can continue to take the SAT and ACT to raise your test score if needed. Take care of this soon as you can. You cannot access the money unless you apply by the date of graduation. Seniors also need to notify the guidance office when they get accepted to a college and when they receive scholarships. The guidance office must keep documentation of this for every graduating class.

HOSA NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as the 2010-2011 HOSA Region III Officers:

President – Julia Collazo CRHS
Vice-President – Reggie Long FHS
Secretary – Victoria Ray FHS
Treasurer – Ashley Venegas FHS
Historian – Ashley White FHS
Parliamentarian – Josh Millman FHS

Also, congratulations to the following students who placed in the Region III HOSA competition:

Kim Grant – 1st in Outstanding HOSA Chapter
Alex Lucas – 1st in Outstanding HOSA Chapter
Nekayla Fisher – 2nd in Medical Terminology
Jordan O’Conner – 3rd in Medical Terminology
Meet Patel – 5th in Medical Terminology
Bradlee Fagerberg – 3rd in Medical Math

Kristin Woodruff – 3rd in Medical Math
Christelle Genis – 4th in Medical Math
Austin Dailey – 1st in Pathophysiology
Katarina Alberry – 4th in Pathophysiology
Stephanie Cameron – 2nd in Pharmacology
Ashley Miner – 1st in Nutrition
Erica Wormser – 2nd in Nutrition
Jaclyn Robbins – 1st in Human Growth & Develop.
Angelique Skawinski, Janine Roberts, Analese Williams - 1st in Medical Reading
Shelby Bird, Jhanay Williams, Jacklyn Goff - 2nd in Medical Reading
McKenzie Burns, Danielle Horosh, Brad Sanders - 3rd in Medical Reading
K. Borkowski, Erica Lightsey – 4th in Medical Reading
Hunter Bley, Alex Lucas – 5th in CPR/FA
Katie Cummins – 1st in Sports Medicine
Cassidy Shell – 2nd in Sports Medicine
Harrison Malara – 5th in Sports Medicine
Steven Barker, Cameron Pennell, Ryan Singleton, Brian Wood – 1st in HOSA Bowl
Rebecca Garrison, Danielle Geckler, Christian Saucedo – 2nd in HOSA Bowl
Catherine Anderson, Kirsten Monroe, Justine Morales, Britany Powers – 3rd In HOSA Bowl
EB Bandomo, Kayla Shannon, Amanda Harlow, Brian Macaluso, Luis Sepulveda – 4th in HOSA Bowl
Maili Batchelor, Kayla Shannon, Rachel Standish, Tory Thorsberg – 5th in HOSA Bowl
Victoria Ray – 1st in Extemp. Health Poster
Kevin Kennel – 3rd in Extemp. Health Poster
Josh Millman – 1st in Extemp. Writing
Amber Gray – 1st in Nurse Assisting
Megan Muckenfuss – 2nd in Nurse Assisting
Marquise Watkins – 2nd in Extemp. Speaking
Austin Stopher – 3rd in Extemp. Speaking
Yiliena Quintana – 5th in Extemp. Speaking
Ayla Johnson – 2nd in Prepared Speaking
Gloria Bearce – 4th in Prepared Speaking
Evan Bowen, Alexis Olgesby, Alex White – 1st in Creative Problem Solving
Katarina Korrays, Michael Raimonda – 3rd in Creative Problem Solving
Delaney Boyce, Jordyn Brady, Jennie Dubose, Brystle Garvin – 5th in Creative Problem Solving
Ben Ranew, Ashley Venegas – 2nd in Career Health Display
Colby Beck, Jordan Weaver – 4th in Career Health Display
Daren Tiburcio – 1st in Medical Spelling
Reggie Long – 3rd in Medical Spelling
Caroline Welch – 1st in Dental Spelling
Reggie Long – 3rd in Dental Spelling

MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar 01	Girls Tennis	Lake Weir	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Lake Weir	Lake Weir	4:00 p.m.

Mar 02	V Softball	PK Yonge	Home	6:30 p.m.
	Track & Field	FHS,BHS,VHS	North Marion	4:00 p.m.
Mar 03	V Boys Weightlifting	North Marion	Home	4:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Bellevue	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
Mar 04	JV/V Softball	Brooksville Central	Away	5/7:00 p.m.
	V Baseball	West Port	Home	7:00 p.m.
	JV Baseball	West Port	Home	5:00 p.m.
	JV Boys Weightlifting	North Marion	Away	4:00 p.m.
Mar 05	V Baseball	Vanguard	Away	7:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Citrus	Home	4:30 p.m.
Mar 06	V Baseball	Wesley Chapel	Home	2:00 p.m.
	JV Softball	Ridgewood Tournament	Away	9:30 a.m.
	JV Baseball	Vanguard	Home	11:00 a.m.
	V Boys Weightlifting	Vanguard	Home	4:00 p.m.
Mar 08	Girls Tennis	Vanguard	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Vanguard	Tusawilla	4:00 p.m.
Mar 10	JV/V Softball	West Port	Home	5/7:00 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Trinity Catholic	CFCC	4:00 p.m.
Mar	V Baseball	Dunnellon	Home	7:00 p.m.
	JV Boys Weightlifting	Vanguard	Away	4:00 p.m.
	V Baseball	Brooksville Central	Home	7:00 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Oak Hall	Coehadjoe	4:00 p.m.
Mar 12	JV Baseball	Crystal River (DH)	Away	11/1:00 p.m.
Mar 13	Track & Field	Spruce Creek Invitational	Away	TBA
	JV Baseball	Crystal River (DH)	Away	11/1:00 p.m.
Mar 15	JV/V Softball	Dunnellon	Home	5:30/7:30 p.m.
	9th gr Baseball	West Port	Away	6:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Fleming Island	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Oak Hall	Oak Hall	4:00 p.m.
Mar 16	V Baseball	North Marion	Home	6:30 p.m.
	Track & Field	BHS,NMHS,VHS	Home	4:00 p.m.
	JV Baseball	Vanguard	Away	6:00 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Bellevue	Coehadjoe	4:00 p.m.
Mar 17	V Boys Weightlifting	Bellevue	Away	4:00 p.m.
	V Baseball	Springstead	Away	7:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	West Port	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	West Port	West Port	4:00 p.m.
Mar 18	JV/V Softball	North Marion	Home	5/7:00 p.m.
	9th gr Baseball	Lake Weir	Away	6:00 p.m.
	JV Boys Weightlifting	Bellevue	Home	4:00 p.m.
	V Softball	Springstead	Home	7:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Bellevue	BHS	4:30 p.m.
Mar 19	JV Baseball	Buchholz (DH)	Away	11/1:00 p.m.
Mar 20	V Softball	Palatka	Home	6:00 p.m.
Mar 23	JV Softball	North Marion	Away	5:30 p.m.
	V Baseball	Bellevue	Home	7:00 p.m.
	JV Baseball	Bellevue	Home	4:15 p.m.
	V Boys Weightlifting	Sectionals	Springstead	1:00 p.m.
	Boys Tennis	Trinity Catholic	Coehadjoe	4:00 p.m.
Mar 24	V Baseball	West Port	Away	7:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Flagler Palm Coast	Palm Coast	TBA
	Boys Tennis	Buchholz	Buchholz	4:00 p.m.
Mar 25	V Softball	Lecanto	Away	6:30 p.m.
	JV Softball	Vanguard	BHS	5:00 p.m.
	JV Boys Weightlifting	Lake Weir	Home	4:00 p.m.
	V Softball	Lecanto	Away	6:30 p.m.
Mar 26	JV Softball	Doc 4 Life JV Tournament	Shocker Park	TBA
	V Baseball	Wesley Chapel	Away	11:00 a.m.
Mar 27	9th gr Baseball	Buchholz (DH)	Home	11/1:00 p.m.
	JV Softball	BHS Tournament	Shocker Park	TBA
	JV Baseball	North Marion	Home	6:30p.m.
Mar 29	JV/V Softball	Bellevue	Away	5/7:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	North Marion	Coehadjoe	4:30 p.m.
Mar 30	V Baseball	Vanguard	Home	7:00 p.m.
	JV Track & Field	NMHS	North Marion	4:00 p.m.
	JV Baseball	Bellevue	Away	6:00 p.m.
	Girls Tennis	Trinity Catholic	CFCC	4:30 p.m.
Mar 31	V Boys Weightlifting	Lake Weir	Away	4:00 p.m.