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For the Parents/Guardians, Staff, Students, and Community of Cypress Lake High School

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<http://cyh.leeschools.net>

Vision

Empowering students
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Mission

Students graduating
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ensuring future success.

Principal's Message

Welcome back, Panthers!

I am exceptionally proud of our Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts Panthers as we increased our school grade from a C to a B! Thank you to all Panthers and Panther parents for your hard work and support in making this happen.

This year we will focus on the ABCs- Attendance, Behavior and Classroom Success. Students need support and encouragement to develop habits that are necessary for success in high school and in life. Parents, you are our most important partners in assuring our students' work habits reflect our ABCs. Starting with our "A" - getting to class on time is key to doing well in high school and regular daily attendance is a must. Please make sure your child comes to school every day with required supplies (charged Chromebook, notebooks, calculator, pens and pencils). Check their CASTLE and FOCUS views and discuss what is posted for the "B and C" of our ABCs- behavior and classroom success. Every night you should expect to see your student either completing homework or reading. Your routine of monitoring daily and weekly will help to keep our Panthers focused on their success for the upcoming school year!

The Panther family extends an especially warm welcome to our incoming students and their families. You are all about to become part of a remarkable community. I look forward to the opportunity to get to know each of you in the years ahead. We place a special emphasis on the successful transition of our freshmen students. This new chapter in their lives began last spring with course selection, and will continue on Wednesday, August 1st with *Panther Force*. *Panther Force* is a select program designed to help ninth graders both get ready for their first day of high school and learn what it means to be a Panther. We hope all of our freshmen are as excited to start high school as we are to welcome them to Cypress!

Arts, activities and athletic programs are very important during high school. They create a sense of belonging and bond us to Cypress! We urge all of our students to participate in at least one of these programs each year. Additionally, research indicates that students who are involved in their school achieve more academically. Be sure to look at all CLHSCA has available, and ask yourself: "How can I get involved this year?"

It is important for you to know that my door is always open. Please do not hesitate to contact me. My email is angelarr@leeschools.net and the school phone number is 481-2233. I hope to meet all of you at our Back-to-School Open House on Wednesday, August 8th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. During Open House, students will receive schedules, meet teachers, get bus information, lockers, parking permits and so much more.

I hope everyone has had a restful summer and is ready to tackle new learning, new challenges and new opportunities here at Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts! Looking forward to a great 2018-19 school year!

Angela Roles, Principal



To download a pdf version of this newsletter, go to
<http://www.academypublishing.com/schools/cypresslake/cypresslake.php>

Translation of the newsletter is available in Spanish and Creole. Contact the Main Office for details.

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Campus Update

Late arrivals and students leaving for appointments or early dismissal are signed in and out at the Attendance Office at the Center. Parents:

always bring government issued ID when signing your student in or out.

Guidance

Need to see your student's school counselor? Call 239-481-2233 to make an appointment for a dedicated time for you and your student. Students can request to see their school counselor through their Chromebook.



Back to School Open House!

- When: **Wednesday, August 8th from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**
- Parking: Student parking lot, in back of campus next to the gym (please follow the signs.)
- At 6:00 pm: New students arrive to pick up their schedule in the cafeteria. They will have the opportunity to tour the campus and meet their teachers.
- At 6:30 pm: Administrative welcome will start promptly in the auditorium.
- At 7:00 pm: Returning students may pick up their schedules in the cafeteria and meet with their teachers.

Visit our webpage at <http://cyh.leeschools.net> after August 3rd, 2018, for directions on how to view your student's schedule and request schedule changes.

We look forward to seeing you all!!

Panther Force 2018 for Incoming Freshmen

Panther Force is a one-day Freshmen Orientation Camp designed especially for incoming ninth graders! Led by a dynamic staff of students and teachers at CLHS, every participant will have a chance to learn about CYPRESS...and have fun doing it!

To reserve your spot TODAY, log onto the school website (<http://cyh.leeschools.net/>). Click on "Panther Force" and fill-out the google form. Next, write your student's name on a piece of paper and send it in with your fee to:

Cypress Lake High School
Panther Force
Attention: Rebecca Henry
6750 Panther Lane
Fort Myers, FL 33919

Please make checks payable to Cypress Lake High School. See you soon!

Summer Address Change?

Parents, be sure to update your address if you have moved to get your school mail (report cards, graduation information, etc.) Bring your picture ID along with a copy of the lease or a utility bill (water, electric, or cable) showing the new address to the Cypress Guidance Department. If you live with a family member or friend, please provide a copy of that family/friend's bill or lease, as well as a letter from that family member/friend confirming that the student lives with them. We also need this information for bus changes.

Staff Accolades

Congratulations to:

- Lisa De Freitas on being named Cypress Lake High School's Teacher of the Year!
- Kayla Lisa and Marissa Kotzin for being selected by a team of Florida's music education leaders to be a *Florida Music Education Association Emerging Leader!*
- Natalka Hromiak on being named Cypress Lake High School's Student Support Services Person of the Year!




Grade-Specific Google Classrooms

Grades 9-12 have their own grade-specific Google Classrooms where they can go to access a variety of information pertinent to their grade level. (For example, seniors will have graduation information posted in their Classroom.) Parents: be sure your student shows you how to access his or her grade's Google classroom so you can stay "in the know!"

Classroom Codes:

- Seniors: wbg4j
- Juniors: t5yrby
- Sophomores: 97n2hra
- Freshmen: 68j2drf



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Around Campus

We are proud to announce that:

- Students at Cypress Lake High School last year have earned 162 Adobe Certifications and 112 Microsoft Bundles.
- Cypress Lake currently is the District leader in Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Premiere Pro certifications.
- Ms. Marchand, Ms. Petcher and Ms. Amos recently earned their ToonBoom Storyboard certification so they can begin integrating that program into curriculum in the 2018-2019 school year.



STEM-tastic Event

The STEM @ Work Wrap up event was held on May 9th at FGCU. Students from all high schools in the District worked in teams to build a catapult. Maria Baez was a member of the winning catapult team for longest hang time. The STEM project's top 8 finalist groups also gave their presentations to district and business leaders. The Cypress Lake High team, *The Purple People Eaters*, placed 3rd in the competition and was awarded a \$50 gift card from Best Buy. Members of the winning team were: Lizzie Gleason, Sarah Hawker, and Ashley Walter.

Digital Lee

Our very own Jaden Williams won Best in Show for his visual effects reel at Digital Lee. His prize: a Phantom drone!



New Website and AP Summer Assignments

Lee County schools will be getting a new website over the summer. The posted CLHS AP summer assignment links may not be available as a result. If you are taking AP classes and have not yet accessed your summer assignment, and the AP website is not available, please contact the Main Office at 481-2233, or email your teacher.

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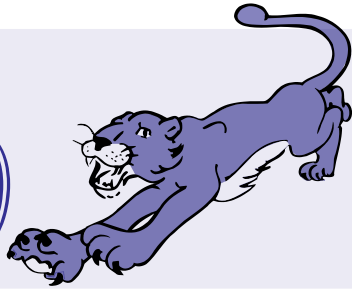
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Class of 2019



Parents of Seniors

Do you want to purchase a Senior Personal Ad in the 2018-2019 Cypressonian Yearbook? If so, **NOW IS THE TIME**. From **August 8th – September 28th Senior Ads are discounted 20%**. This saves YOU \$\$\$ now with all the other senior year expenses you'll have later. This special deal **CANNOT** be purchased online through Jostens. It must be paid to CLHSCA and the ad will be created by the yearbook advisor/students. A proof will be e-mailed for your approval prior to completion. Contact Ms. Ranae Atkinson at ranaeaa@leeschools.net if you'd like to purchase and reserve space.

- Full page - \$300 senior special SALE - \$240
- ½ page - \$150 senior special SALE - \$120
- ¼ page - \$75 senior special SALE - \$60
- 1/8 page - \$40 senior special SALE - \$32



Yearbook News

Did you know the earlier you purchase the yearbook, the more \$\$\$ you save?? Purchase your student's copy **NOW** and **SAVE \$20**. Purchase on campus (order forms in the library and main office) with cash or check, or online at www.jostensyearbooks.com for \$60.00. Jostens also allows for 3 easy payments. The longer you wait, they more expensive the book gets.

- \$60 until August 31st
- \$65 Sept. 1st – Sept. 30th
- \$70 Oct. 1st – Oct. 31st
- \$75 Nov. 1st – Dec. 31st
- \$80 January 1, 2019 until **SOLD OUT**

Senior Photos... Very Important!

Class of 2019: you **MUST** have your photo taken at the Leonard's Photography studio if you want to be in the 2018-2019 yearbook! The only one "on campus" day to have your photo taken will be Thursday, August 30th if you can't make it to their studio during the summer or on Saturdays once school begins. ALL senior photos must be taken by September 29th to guarantee your photo in the yearbook. Cost for basic formal photoshoot (black drape and tux provided by Leonard's) is just \$20. Girls should wear a tank top and boys should wear a light colored/white t-shirt to the photo shoot. Leonard's offers a variety of photo packages for an additional cost. **CALL NOW** to make your appointment **(800) 215-4852**. If you have any questions see the information on our school website or contact Ms. Ranae Atkinson at ranaeaa@leeschools.net.

TAG Takes to the Road

TAG traveled to Memphis, TN to participate in the National A Cappella Convention. In addition to competing against the best high school groups in the country, they visited the National Civil Rights Museum at the Lorraine Motel, (site of MLK assassination), toured Graceland, experienced blues on Beale Street, and had the best BBQ Mr. Stroh has ever had!

They competed in a field of 10 top A Cappella groups from around the country. TAG gave a wonderful performance and came out on top to take the title and \$5,000 cash prize! Cody Vagle was named Best Male Soloist. Please congratulate TAG Members: Alexa Lowman, Anna Miller, Ryleigh Plank, Jennifer Rozell, Keeley Sawyer, Makayla Sawyer, Mackenzie Wolf, A'layahna Checo, Kaylie Genton, Madison Owens, Isabella Sbarra-Michelland, Samantha Strickland, Talia Tumminello, Annie Vardanyan, Elijah Lowman, Mark Sheme, Cody Vagle, Sean Martin, Phillip Stringham, and Wedler Lordeus!

A professionally produced video of the performance is in the works.



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FROM THE CENTER

Lee County Student Film Awards

Cypress students dazzled at the Lee County Student Film Awards, where we took home 5 first place videos and had 5 others nominated as contenders. The ceremony imitated the Oscars' format where all are categorized as nominees, and out of 4 nominees, one is announced as the winner. Congratulations to:

- Music Video - First Place: Heidi Erfourth
- Comedy - First Place: Cameron Sprole; Nominee: Nick Englehart
- Animation - First Place: Jaden Williams; Nominee: Colin Horvath
- Instructional - First Place: Cameron Sprole
- Short Film - First Place: Jaden Williams; Nominees: Zach Jakabuwski & Sophia Tata
- News Package - Nominees: Son Van & Elliott LaBonge
- Documentary - Nominee: Molly Chase

“Leave the Scene Clean” Calendar Contest

Keep Lee County Beautiful (KLCB) sponsors a yearly contest where the culminating prize is a calendar that features student artwork. The 2019 Calendar, produced over the summer and ready for distribution in the fall, will be sold through the schools with all money raised being retained by participating schools. Any school or student environmental club may use this calendar as a fundraiser. The CLHSCA winners in the 2018 Calendar Art Contest were:

COVER WINNER!

Isabella DeMay, \$500.00 prize

9TH GRADE

First Place - Nayeli Ruiz, \$50.00 prize

Honorable Mention - Ava Cerami, Olivia Bevilard

10TH GRADE

First Place - Esmeralda Flores, \$50.00 prize

Honorable Mention - Amber Oldenborg, Dawson Demond

11TH GRADE

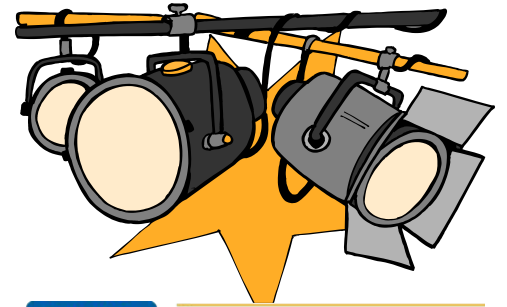
First Place - Bladimir Velasquez, \$50.00 prize

Honorable Mention - Brianna Johnson, Merari Salinas

12TH GRADE

First Place - Sara Miller, \$500.00 prize

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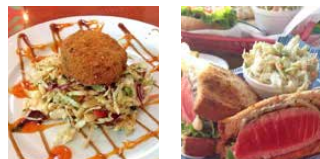
Thirteen students represented Cypress at the All-State Thespian Festival:

- Avery Wilson and Rachael Dominguez received a Superior for Duet Acting Performance.
- Mark Sheme and Samaria Williams received a Superior for Duet Musical Performance.
- Daydra Smith received a Superior for Monologue Performance.
- Kayci Suskind, Bekhruz Akhmedov, Layla Jones, and Andres Palacio received an Excellent for their Pantomime Performance.
- Matteo Occhino received an Excellent for Solo Musical Performance.
- Isabella Cintron, Jesse Massari, and Chloe Tsai received an Excellent for Small Group Musical Performance.



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Athletic Paperwork

All students wishing to participate in Athletics must complete the FHSAA paperwork. This is now done electronically by following these steps:

1. Go to www.athleticclearance.com
2. Select the state of Florida
3. Be sure to watch the video and follow the instructions for registration

The Consent and Release page must be printed and notarized and the original must be returned to the Athletic Dept. with the clearance form that you receive when the process is completed. Please be sure to use the FHSAA physical form when you go to the doctor.

There is a notary available at school during school hours, from 6:45-2:15. During the summer, the notary will be available after July 16. Students are still required to provide their birth certificate and proof of insurance.

If you are a non-traditional student such as a Home School or International student, please see the Athletic Department as there may be additional paperwork needed.

If you have any questions please call the Athletic Department at 481-2233.

Fall Sports

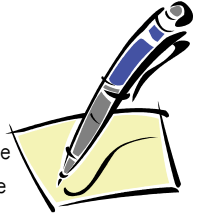
Fall sports begin July 31st. All students wishing to participate must have their electronic registration, physical, proof of insurance and notary page completed prior to first day of the sport.

Athletic Signing

We celebrated some amazing student athletes who signed to compete at the College Level this past year. Congratulations to:

FOOTBALL

- Jermaine Teague- Upper Iowa
- Jerry Ridley - MT Union
- Cameron Nelson - Dean College
- Tim Addison - St Vincent College

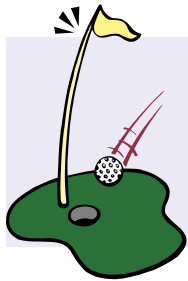


BASEBALL

- Peyton Hayman - Wittenberg University
- Jestin Jones - Frontier Community College

WRESTLING

- Cole Lewis – Southeastern
- Jalen Soto- Southeastern



Boys Golf

Practice begins Tuesday, August 14th at the Lexington Country Club. Contact Coach Cannon if you have any questions.

P.E. Uniforms Required

ALL students taking a P.E. class will be required to purchase and wear the school P.E. uniform. The cost is \$20 which includes a lock and locker. Uniforms will be available during both Open House on August 8th and the first week of school. Checks payable to Cypress Lake H.S. or cash are acceptable

District Tennis Tournament

The boys' and girls' tennis teams competed at the District Tennis Tournament in 85-90 degree weather and represented Cypress with grace and prowess both on and off the court!

BOYS

- #1 doubles team of Jose Camacho & Jannis Halbohm – 2nd Place
- #1 singles – Jose Camacho – 2nd Place
- #2 singles – Jannis Halbohm – 2nd Place
- #3 singles – Joey Flores – 2nd Place

GIRLS

- #1 doubles team of Bruna Barros & Rachel Weaver – 1st Place
- #1 singles – Rachel Weaver – 2nd Place
- #2 singles – Bruna Barros – 2nd Place
- #3 singles – Mackenzie Wolf – 1st Place



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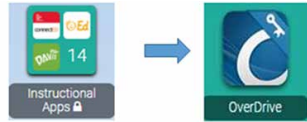
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It's Not Too Late to Beat the Summer Slide

Problem: Every day during the school year, our teachers work to ensure that their students are prepared for the challenges of the next grade level. Every Fall our students return from the Summer a little less ready than when our teachers left them.

Solution: OverDrive can assist by providing your students with access to library materials while they are at home.

Computer: Students can access OverDrive via LaunchPad (<http://launchpad.leeschools.net/>.) Look for the OverDrive app in the Instructional Apps Folder.



Mobile Device: Students can download the mobile app on their android, apple devices, chromebook or kindle. Just sign up, click the menu icon, select add a library, hit search, click on Lee County Public Schools, and click on the star to save Lee County Public Schools.



Fort Myers Beach Scholarship Show

The following students participated in the Fort Myers Beach Scholarship Show and were awarded Art Excellence Scholarships:

- 1st Prize - Hannah Gatof (\$1200 College Art Tuition Scholarship + \$175)
- 2nd Prize - Sara Miller (\$1000 College Art Tuition Scholarship + \$125)
- 3rd Prize - Emma Wigington \$800 College Art Tuition Scholarship + \$75)
- Artistic Merit Awards - Tyler Bell, Aurianna Clark, Darby Debolt, Mary DeLoach, Sam Finlay, Hannah Florell, Shana Jakowlew, Luis Sanchez (\$50 each).

2018-19 Student Government Officers

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- President – Hannah Atkinson
- Vice President – Blythe Morris
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- Treasurer – Valerie Paz-Cuevas

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- 1/4 page - \$75
- 1/2 page - \$150
- 1/8 page - \$40

Lee Art Education Association Winners

Congratulations to the following students for placing in the LAEA High School Juried Art Show:

- Sara Miller - Best of Show (Painting)
- Emma Wigington - First Place (Computer Art)
- Lyrica Parker Bernet - Honorable Mention (Mixed Media)



Cypress Art in the U.S. Capitol

Please congratulate Suzanne "Wren" Montgomery for winning the Congressional Art Competition. This event is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives to recognize and encourage the artistic talent of the nation. Her work will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol and she will be flown to Washington, D.C. for the awards ceremony. Emma Wigington also came in 3rd place with a beautiful digital work.

Newest CLHSCA Club

Thrifty Panthers is a new club this year, responsible for helping raise money and products for teachers and students in need at our school. We will be collecting Box Tops, Coke Caps/Codes, Sunday Coupon Inserts, and Walmart Receipts to use for Savings Catcher. In addition, we will be collecting Points Codes from new purchases of Texas Instruments Calculators. Please send any of the items mentioned above to the main office or Mrs. Gleason's room, E219. If you have any questions or your child would like to join our club, please feel free to email Mrs. Gleason at Tammymg@leeschools.net.