



# ZEPHYRHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

MARCH 11, 2020  
SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Relentless Pursuit of Future Ready" for ALL Bulldogs

THE MISSION OF ZHS IS TO PREPARE STUDENTS TO BECOME  
PRODUCTIVE, RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND LIFELONG LEARNERS

## *Principal's Message*



We are starting to enter the Sprint portion of this race! The end of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter is just around the corner and we are already well into planning for the 20-21 school year! We have so much to celebrate! Great things are happening at Zephyrhills High School and our students demonstrate Bulldog PRIDE (Proud, Respectful, Individual Thinker, Dedicated to academics, and Engaged) every day!

**Academics:** Our Bulldogs are moving in to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Your student's academic progress is one of our top priorities! Teachers meet each month as grade level teams and your student's grade level triad (Assistant Principal, School Counselor, and Graduation Enhancement Coach) meets weekly to review your student's progress. We have been completing graduation plans with and collecting course cards from all students to ensure that students are meeting graduation requirements. I encourage you to reach out to arrange a parent/teacher conference if you have concerns about your student's progress. We will continue to offer after-school tutoring and opportunities for students to recover graduation credits.

**Arts:** Our Symphonic Band went to MPA and scored a Good in performance and an Excellent in Sight Reading! Student Conductor Daniel Alabaugh earned a Superior! Our Band is getting ready to march in Washington too! Our art classes are moving due to construction and worked on getting decorated ceiling tiles out to alumni, as well as painting the block walls in the commons area before construction. Our Chorus also went to MPA—earning a Superior in Sight Reading and two ratings of Excellent on performance pieces.

**Athletics:** Our Girls Weightlifting team went to States and redefined #BulldogStrong. 4 of our Lady Bulldogs placed in the top 4! Girls and Boys Tennis, Boys Weightlifting, Softball, Baseball, and Track seasons are underway, and we are holding our own in league competition. Spring Football is on the horizon and we look forward to watching all our student-athletes represent ZHS in these contests!

**Activities:** Our Army JROTC will be traveling to Virginia for National competition, and they have been busy in our community with Raider competitions, Drill Meets, Community Service, and ceremonial celebrations. Our AVID classes have visited many colleges and hosted several guest speakers. Our National Honor Society students participated in the Great American Clean-Up at Zephyrhills Park. We also celebrated all of our seniors during lunches and on social media as they announced their next steps into College, Career, or Military on Senior Decision Recognition Day.

ZHS is pleased to partner with you and your family as your student builds skills during this exciting time of varied high school experiences, College and Career exposure, and learning more about becoming "Future Ready"! Share the news about the wonderful things happening at Zephyrhills High School with those around you! We have something for EVERY student!

Dr. Christina Stanley  
Principal





## Calendar

### March 2020

- 11 Early Release Day
- 13 End of Quarter 3
- 16 No School—Spring Break (16-20)
- 23 Teacher Planning Day—No School for Students
- 31 Report Cards

### April 2020

- 7 Parent Night for Rising Juniors & Seniors
- 8 Early Release Day
- 10 No School for teachers and students
- 24 Progress Reports

### May 2020

- 1 District & State Assessments (May 1-28)
- 25 No School—Memorial Day
- 27 Student's Last Day
- 28 Teacher Planning Days (May 28-29)

### June 2020

- 4 Graduation

## Early Release Bell Schedule

Period 1	7:20 - 7:55
Period 2	8:00 - 8:35
Period 3	8:40 - 9:15
Period 4	9:20 - 9:55
A Lunch	9:55 - 10:25
5th A Class	10:30 - 11:05
5th B Class	10:00 - 10:35
B Lunch	10:35 - 11:05
Period 6	11:10 - 11:46

### Scheduled Early Release Days:

March 11, April 8



### SAT Test Dates

### Official Registration Deadline

### Late Fee Registration

May 2, 2020

April 2, 2020

April 20, 2020

June 6, 2020

May 6, 2020

May 23, 2020

Register at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

**High School Code 101915**

FREE Test Prep  
for Act & SAT

[www.prepfactory.co](http://www.prepfactory.co)

### ACT Test Dates

### Official Registration Deadline

### Late Fee Registration

April 4, 2020

February 28, 2020

March 13, 2020

June 13, 2020

May 8, 2020

May 22, 2020

July 18, 2020

June 19, 2020

June 26, 2020

Register at <http://www.act.org>



## Mark Your Calendar for Parent Night



**April 7, 2020: Rising Juniors and Seniors Parent Night (6:00—7:30 pm)**

*Everything you need to now about your student's last two years or final year of high school*

- ♦ Rising Juniors: Graduation requirements, Your 2-Year plan, Grades (MyStudent), Attendance, Scholarships/College Applications
- ♦ Rising Seniors: Graduation requirements, ACT/SAT Prep, Your final-year plan, Grades, Attendance, Senior Contract, FAFSA, Scholarships/College Applications

## Driver Ed—Summer Session 2020



Summer Driving Instruction will be offered at ZHS beginning June 2020. The course is ideal for students with the following circumstances:

- cannot fit Driver Ed into their day-school schedule
- attend a surrounding high school that does not offer Driver Ed
- simply need more driving practice & instruction before taking the road skills test for operator's license.

The purpose of the course is to provide behind-the-wheel instruction for beginner drivers. Driving sessions are scheduled in the morning or early afternoon, with two students paired for each session. Students will drive for a total of 5-6 sessions, and will have the opportunity to take the road skills test with me at the conclusion of the course. They will also receive a certificate of completion for possible insurance discount purposes.

This is a fee-supported course, so there is no credit earned toward graduation. To be eligible, students must already have their learner's permit, and must be currently enrolled high school students (no graduates, or older). The course fee is \$175. Spaces are limited, so you must contact me if you are interested so I can add you to my list and answer any questions you may have. Registration will begin in mid May, and this is also when the course fee will be due.

Tom O'Donnell

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Order online at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com) or through the ZHS web site.

**Price: \$75**

Price will increase if purchased at time of yearbook distribution in May.



## Senior Information - Class of 2020



### Calendar of Events

March 14	7:30 am	SAT exam
March 28	8:30 am – 12:30 pm	AP Review Day at District Bldgs. 2 & 3
April 18-19	3:00 pm – 5:00 am	Grad Bash
April 24	10:30 am	Decision Day Lunch Recognition
April 25	7:00 pm	Prom – Tampa Starship Yacht
May 19	TBA	4.0 Senior Breakfast
May 26-27	TBA	Graduation Practice
TBA	TBA	Baccalaureate
May 27	TBA	Senior Brunch
June 4	3:00 pm	Graduation – Yuengling Center



## Seniors - Order Cap & Gown for Graduation

**Cap & Gowns** will be on sale during April 2020. See Mrs. Topham on the stage during lunches to pay for your cap, gown, tassel, medallion, and diploma cover. Price is \$70. All money must be received by May 1.

- Order **graduation announcements and senior memorabilia** from Herff Jones.  
<https://highschool.herffjones.com/secom/home>

## Prom Tickets on Sale



**Prom tickets** are on sale each Friday during lunches. The price is \$80. Prom is April 25th at 7:00 pm on the Tampa Starship Yacht. See the Prom Dress Code attached.



## Seniors Counselors Corner

### Importance of good attendance and keeping up with classwork

Seniors (AND Senior Parents!!) Please keep coming to school and WORKING on your school work! We have just a few short weeks before the end of the school year and I want to make sure that you finish STRONG!! Parents, please continue to review your senior's My Student site so that you are up-to-date with where they stand!!! Feel free to contact teachers to ask specific questions, especially if they are currently not passing. The school counselor will be calling you days before the graduation ceremony if your student did not meet requirements to walk in the ceremony or earn their diploma, so please call teachers if you have concerns!

### On-Line Courses

Some students are trying to complete courses online that are GRADUATION requirements. Those deadlines are SOONER than student's final day. In most cases students MUST complete their online courses by the BEGINNING of MAY!! Parents, you may also sign up for a parent account with FLVS or Pasco E-School to track your student's progress. Students who are also completing courses that are necessary for grade point average or credit purposes will be in danger of not graduating if they do not complete them. Parent's please continue to review those courses as well! Do not wait for a call from the online teacher or school counselor as by then it may be too late!!!

### Confusion regarding Certificates of Completion

Unfortunately, some students will not have met their testing requirements on time for graduation on June 4<sup>th</sup>. However, if they have earned the 2.0 unweighted GPA & have the required number of credits the student WILL be able to walk in the graduation ceremony.

For their future plans, students may apply and attend Pasco Hernando Community College with a Certificate of Completion and earn up to 12 credits (approximately 4 courses). After that, the student will have to have earned their high school diploma or the State of Florida Diploma (formally known as the GED). Students may continue to take the high school graduation tests that they need by contacting our testing coordinator, Kelly Anderson, and/or continue taking the SAT or ACT.

## Contact Us:

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## Business Construction Technology at ZHS



**Students Learning Real World Skills**

## HOSA News



### Health Occupations Students of America

Congratulate the following students from ZHS who competed at Regionals and will now be moving on to State competition on April 2-5:

**Meghan Kolenda** placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Job Seeking Skills

**Alyssa Denmark** and **Chloe Scriven** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in CPR/First Aid

**Gloria Harrison** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Behavioral Health

**Abigail Bartlett** – Home Health Aide

**Congratulations!**

- KUDOS to our ZHS Girls Weightlifting team! They are 2020 Regional Champs!
- KUDOS to our Boys Varsity Basketball team who were District Runners Up in their division!
- KUDOS to the ZHS Bulldogs Cheer squad who placed 2nd at FHSAA regionals!
- KUDOS to LeAnne John and our AG students! Our home grown Chapter Steer and Chapter Exhibitor won Reserve Grand!

Results from the FFA District 9 Contest:

- ◇ Tractor Driving 2nd place—**Lane Paul**
- ◇ Prepared Public Speaking 3rd place—**Emile Limoges**
- ◇ Extemporaneous Speaking 3rd place—**Emily Kirk**



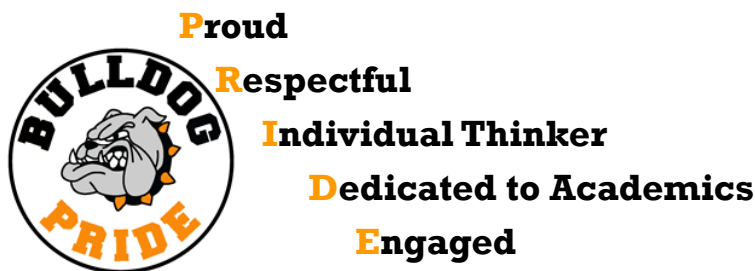
## JROTC

### STATE DRILL MEET

- The Zephyrhills High School State drill meet will be on March 25th. Parents and families are welcome to come and support the drill team and Bulldog Battalion. The Florida State Drill Meet will be held at George Jenkins HS in Lakeland, FL .

### MILITARY BALL

The Bulldog Battalion's annual Military Ball is coming up. The Military ball will be held on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Females will need to wear a formal dress and males need to wear their class A uniform with a white long sleeve shirt and bow tie. One ticket will be \$40 and two will be \$70. As the event gets closer, more information will be given out. We hope to see everyone there!



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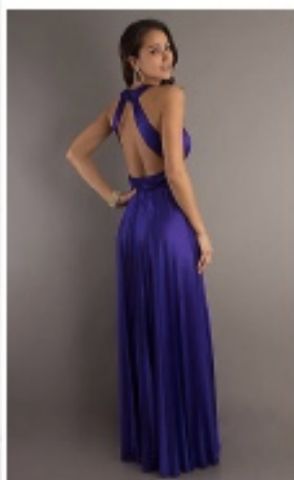
## *Prom Dress Code*

- ★ ZHS Staff and Administration will be enforcing the prom dress code for the event.
- ★ Each student should make sure his or her attire meets dress code **BEFORE** the night of the prom. Only students and guests adhering to the dress code requirements will be admitted to the prom.
- ★ **Young Men:**  
Must wear a suit jacket, dress pants, dress shirt, tie, and dress shoes. All pants must be securely worn around the waist. No jeans, shorts, cargo pants, t-shirts, torn clothing, chains/spikes, bandanas, hats, or any items referencing tobacco, drugs, alcohol, gangs or any sexually implicit or explicit clothes are allowed.
- ★ **Young Women:**  
Must wear a dress or gown, pantsuit, or skirt and blouse outfit that is in good taste. Strapless and dresses or gowns and spaghetti straps are allowed but must cover the midriff areas completely. The back of the outfit cannot be cut lower than the waistline. Necklines must not fall below an imaginary line from underarm to underarm. The dress length and all slits cannot exceed more than four inches above the knee. (See *examples of approved and non-approved dresses/gowns below on the back*). No jeans, shorts, cargo pants, t-shirts, torn clothing, chains/spikes, bandanas, hats, or any items referencing tobacco, drugs, alcohol, gangs or any sexually implicit or explicit clothes are allowed.
- ★ **Refunds will not be granted** for any students/guests who do not adhere to the prom dress code.

*Examples of Appropriate and Inappropriate Dresses/Gowns are on the back:*



## **APPROPRIATE**



## **INAPPROPRIATE**



Back must **NOT** fall below the waistline.



Midriff must **NOT** be exposed.



Necklines must **NOT** fall below the underarm and slit must not exceed 4 inches above the knee.



Dress hem must reach at least 4 inches to the knee.

**No cover-ups will be allowed to bring dress or gown up to code. The dress or gown must meet dress code on its own.**