



# The Bear Connection

Volume 3



## A Message From Your Principal

Dear Bear Familia,

We look forward to hosting our Superintendent Town hall event on Tuesday, Sept 19th starting at 6:30pm! Please join us as we meet and greet with our superintendent and collaborate on finding ways for our OCPS community to shine even brighter.

One of our CCCHS Essentials is: Embrace a collaborative and empowering culture with student leadership and ownership of their learning.

We truly believe that student leadership matters; student voice matters! We have seen the transformative power in students when we empower them to demonstrate their leadership skills. Thank you to all of our amazing teachers who are currently sponsoring 52 clubs! -Mrs. Mendez



## Special Event!

On Friday, October 13th from 4:30p-6:30p Cypress Creek will be having our first Homecoming "Tailgate" event!

Cypress Alumni! We are calling on YOU to come back to the Creek for some food, music, networking and FUN!

Presale tickets go on sale Monday, September 18th. Be on the look out for the QR code on our social media pages!

We can't wait to see everyone's BEAR PRIDE!!

## Building Culture: Cypress Community! We want you!

We're searching for alumni, parents, & business partners in our community to partner with Cypress Creek!

The opportunities are endless. Partners have the power to share resources and build mutually beneficial relationships!

If interested contact our Partners in Education Coordinators:  
Jennifer.LaSanta@ocps.net or  
James.Washington@ocps.net

YOU'RE INVITED TO  
**FRIDAY THE 13TH  
HOMECOMING TAILGATE**  
WELCOME BACK  
ALL ALUMNI

BEFORE THE GAME  
OCTOBER 13 2023  
4:30-6:30PM  
PRACTICE FIELD

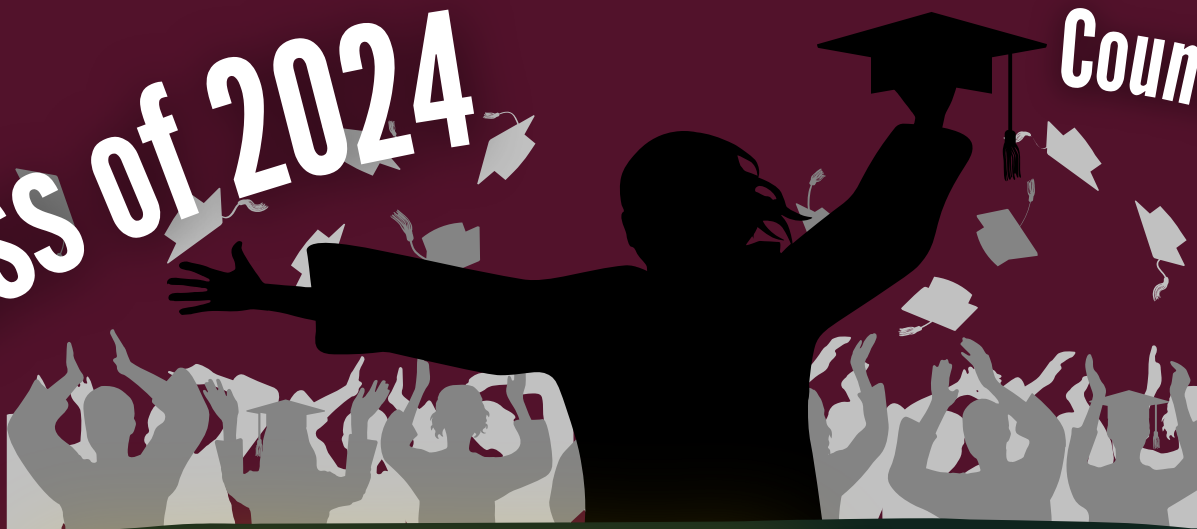
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FOOD & DRINKS  
MUSIC & GAMES  
RAFFLE PRIZES

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# Class of 2024

# Count down!



## SENIOR Corner

Senior Class President:  
Taylor Stuart

"I have been a part of Student Government as a class officer for all 4 years in high school and I am thrilled to represent and advocate for my fellow students. I am also a 4 year varsity cheerleader who very much values school spirit.

With that in mind, I am excited to put on some exciting events for the senior class! To have an idea of what's going on right now, Senior Jeans Day is coming up on the 26th of September.

Also, if you missed the opportunity to paint your parking spot and would be interested in possibly doing so, fill out this form [tinyurl.com/bearparking24](https://tinyurl.com/bearparking24). More announcements to come soon! Make sure you follow our Senior Class instagram @B24rs for the latest info!"

Counselors will begin meeting individually with each senior to discuss graduation status and post secondary planning on select days from 9/18/23-10/5/23 through their senior English classes.

Valencia College Dual Enrollment students not scheduled for a senior English class at Cypress Creek, will receive an email to schedule an appointment.

Need Help Planning Life After High School?

Fill out our [tinyurl.com/seniorsscchs24](https://tinyurl.com/seniorsscchs24)

To choose which which life planning presentation to go to on Sept 21st!



# Discipline Corner

Hello Bear Nation! We would like to remind all students of the OCPS cell phone policy: **From the hours of 7:20a to 2:20p all cell phones, earbuds, & smart watches MUST be put away in a bag or purse.**

**Please be aware that the referral process for device confiscation has begun! Parents will be notified if their student has received disciplinary action via phone, email, or talking points.**

Please discuss with your bears that no device (including earbuds) should be out and visible during transition periods.



Testing...Testing...

## Testing Corner

Still Need to Meet Graduation Requirements?  
Here are a few testing make-up days:

9/18 B.E.S.T Algebra & Geometry EOC\* 9/19 &  
9/20 FSA ELA Retake Session 1 & 2 (12th) 9/21 &  
9/22 FSA Algebra 1 Retake

(2 Sessions – all students who have not yet  
passed the Alg 1 test)

Read More On

[cypresscreekhs.ocps.net](http://cypresscreekhs.ocps.net)



# Athletics Corner

Hello Bear Families!

We had 5 sophomores wrestle in the super 32 qualifier over the weekend!

Congratulations to: Angel Legrand, Mercedes Rivera, Aizea Lopez, Genesis Escorcia, and Bryan Camilo.  
The future is bright!!

Here's a look ahead at our Winter Sports Start Dates:

- Girls & Boys Basketball: Tryouts October 30th
- Wrestling: Tryouts October 30th
- Girls Weightlifting: Tryouts October 9th
- Competitive Cheerleading: Tryouts October 16th
- Girls & Boys Soccer: Tryouts October 16th

All student athletes must be cleared by Mr. Biaggi prior to tryouts.

Steps to get cleared to tryout:

- FHSAA Physical Form
- ECG Cardiology Report
- Updated Athletic Clearance Profile
- NFH Courses (3 Total)



If you need help getting cleared please reach out to your coaches OR [Robert.Biaggi@ocps.net](mailto:Robert.Biaggi@ocps.net)



## SAFE Corner

Start with Hello Week: September 18-22, 2023!

Start With Hello Week activities raise awareness and educate students and the community on ways to reduce isolation and increase connectedness. Students will have the opportunity to enjoy music and fun activities during their lunch time.

If you're needing additional support or have questions please reach out to our SAFE Coordinator: [Nancy.Allred@ocps.net](mailto:Nancy.Allred@ocps.net)





# A Look Ahead...

## Calendar Corner

### A peek into the next two weeks:

- Mon 9/18: B.E.S.T Algebra & Geometry Test, Start with Hello! Week
- Tues 9/19: **Superintendent Town Hall**, Bowling vs Dr Phillips HS HOME (Sky Bowl), Girls Volleyball HOME vs University
- Wed 9/20: Boy's Golf AWAY vs Freedom, **SAC Meeting**, JV Football Away vs Oakridge
- Thurs 9/21: Softball AWAY vs Horizon, FFA Plant Sales, Beta Club Campus Clean up
- Fri 9/22: Varsity Football AWAY vs Colonial
- Mon 9/25: Celebrate Freedom Week! Gaming Club
- Tues 9/26: Baseball HOME vs Gateway, Bahama Bucks Fundraiser, Girls Volleyball HOME vs East River, Senior Jeans Day
- Wed 9/27: Bowling VS Winter Park, Project Lit Meeting
- Thurs 9/28: Softball AWAY vs Apopka, KPOP Club, South Asia Student Association, **SENIOR Night Presentation**
- Fri 9/29: Anime Club, Black Student Union, Varsity Football HOME vs Lake Buena Vista

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