

Good morning parents, this is Mr. Rice, Principal of Lyman High School and this is your Weekly Principal's Update!

Many congratulations are in order from some incredible work that was done this past week! I'd like to share with you the following groups who brought home high honors in recent competition.

- Astronaut Challenge Team – 1st Place in the Landing Competition!
- Cyber Patriot JROTC Team – 2nd Place Overall
- Horticulture Team – 2nd Place Overall at the State Floriculture CDE
- JROTC Drill Team – Army Area 4 Competition
 - 1st Place: Male / Mixed Color Guard
 - 1st Place: Squad Armed Exhibition
 - 1st Place: Platoon Armed Exhibition
 - 1st Place: Dual Exhibition (Lenny Albrecht / Micah Belcher)
 - 2nd Place: Dual Exhibition (Jane Vance / Harrison Wooten)

For pictures, please visit our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) Pages. Congratulations to all involved! Way to represent the Blue & Gold, Greyhounds!

FSA Writing – THIS WEEK!

This week is the FSA Writing Assessment for our 9th & 10th Graders! Our 9th graders will test on Wednesday and our 10th graders will test on Thursday. Please remember that this is the first part of a two-part assessment (Writing & Reading). Students must take the Writing Assessment in order to take the Reading Assessment. Please ensure that your child is here on their designated testing date so that they can complete this testing requirement. If *For any student who achieves a Learning Gain this year (One Year's Growth in One Year's Time), rewards including Spirit Wear, Food Give-a-ways, Rewards at Local Food Establishments, etc. will be provided to those high achievers. Work hard on your FSA/EOC and your child will receive these awards!*

11th Grade Parents, this is just a reminder that the SAT School Day is next Wednesday, March 7th. All 11th graders will take the SAT (For FREE!) during school.

As a reminder, click [HERE](#) for a copy of the full testing calendar.

School Safety & Security:
In light of the tragedy in South Florida, our School Safety and Security Team has reviewed our protocols and have taken measures to ensure the safety and security of your child and our staff is maintained. Here are a few updates and reminders that I want to share with you:

1. **Passes During 7th and 4th Periods (Lunches)** – In looking at our data, this is the class that we have the most absences. In an effort to minimize the concern of skipping and to keep all students safe and secure during this time, we have introduced a “No Pass” policy for these lunch periods. Please know, if there is an extreme emergency, we will work with your child, but please speak with them about the importance of remaining in the classroom and to use the restroom during break and during lunch rather than during this shorter class period.
2. **Exterior Doors** – From time to time, we've noticed students opening exterior doors for students that are locked out. There is no reason for a student to leave the interior of the campus. Please speak with your child about the importance of not opening exterior doors for anyone, no matter if they know the person or not. If they need to get in, they can enter the school through the Administration Office where they will be checked-in.
3. **What to do...Code Red During Lunch/Break/Before-After School/Class Change** – We have shared this with students, but the goal is to run away from the situation, seek a safe location, and hide until authorities clear the area.
4. **Parking Lot is Off Limits** – Once students arrive on campus, our parking lots are off limits. No student will be allowed to return to their car for any reason during the school day.
5. **See Something, Say Something** – We have been provided with some good information over the last few days because of the information that you and our students have provided. We've looked into every lead and have handled each situation thoroughly. Please continue to let us know if you hear anything that might be concerning. Also, remember, you can submit an anonymous tip to the Speakout Hotline at www.speakouthotline.org.
6. **Watch what you say** – We've had a string of situations where a child has joked about having a weapon and then they were reported to us. We are not taking these situations lightly and will discipline accordingly. Please remind your child to watch what they say and not joke about anything related to weapons or inappropriate acts.

Florida Standards Assessment & End of Course Exam BOOT CAMP Opportunities – REGISTER NOW!

We are excited to offer a number of Boot Camps to help prepare our students achieve *One Year's Growth in One Year's Time* on their upcoming State Assessments. These Boot Camps will offer students a review of the content they need to know to prepare for the Writing, Reading, Biology, Algebra, & Geometry assessment and will also provide students with specific test prep strategies. We will provide snacks and most importantly, this is a FREE opportunity. Limited bus transportation will be provided. Please encourage your child to attend. To register, click [HERE](#) to view the informational flyer.

Testing Calendar:

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the Lyman High School Testing Calendar which includes the Florida Standards Assessment (ELA & Algebra 1), End of Course Exams (Geometry, Biology, American History) & AP Assessments.

This Week's Bell Schedule:

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the Blue/Gold Full Year Calendar.

- Monday & Thursday are **Blue Days** (1,3,7,5)
- Tuesday & Friday are **Gold Days** (2,4,7,6)
- Wednesday is a **Red Day** (1-6)

IMPORTANT 2ND SEMESTER DATES (Visit the [Lyman Activity Calendar](#) for more information)

- FSA Writing Assessment – Grade 9 (Wednesday), Grade 10 (Thursday)
- SAT SCHOOL DAY – March 7th - Grade 11 Only – FREE – Administered during the school day
- Prom – April 14th, Hilton Buena Vista Palace Resort – [Prom Info](#) – [Guest Policy](#)
- Greyhound Scholars Awards Night – April 25th, 6:00pm
- AP Testing – May 7th - 18th – [Testing Calendar](#)
- Last Day for Seniors – May 18, 2018
- Graduation – May 25, 2018 – 9:00am - CFE Arena at UCF - click [HERE](#) for further details
- Last Day of School – May 25, 2018

Remember, you matter, we matter, *Everyone Matters* at Lyman High School.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help your child succeed!

Sincerely,
Michael J. Rice
Principal
Lyman High School