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COMMUNITY CORNER

SPECIAL THANK YOU



Lisa Vivo - with Club Z! Tutoring Services - has become a valued part of the FHS Community through her generous support of our students and staff. She helps us recognize the outstanding achievements of our Patriots.

Club Z! Tutoring of Hunter's Creek offers individualized tutoring and SAT/ACT prep to students from PreK through College.

Thank you Lisa and Club Z! for your continued support of FHS.



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Patriots,

We are off to a great start to the new school year, and I am looking forward to the amazing academic and extracurricular achievements our students will accomplish this year.

At Freedom High School, learning is truly our top priority. I hope that as we all settle into the routines a new school year brings, that we will continue to find ways to improve so that we can walk the paths of success together.

We encourage you to make the extra effort to be on campus by 7am so that our students can arrive to first period on time; As events begin on our beautiful campus, I look forward to meeting you at our shows, concerts, workshops, and athletic events; And let us help you stay connected by making sure you can access your Skyward accounts to monitor student progress. Our staff is here to serve you today so that we can ensure that every student has the opportunity to experience a better tomorrow.

Together we will continue to make this the best school in OCPS!

We are the Freedom Community, and this is our Freedom!

WE ARE FREEDOM

Charles France
Principal, Freedom High School



MEET YOUR DEANS



Charles Youtz

Dean (Last Names A-F) | Email: Charles.Youtz@ocps.net

Mr. Youtz enters his 20th year as an Administrative Dean at Freedom High School, and is a charter member of the FHS staff. Prior to working as a Dean, Mr. Youtz worked in OCPS as a Math Teacher. In addition to his role as a Dean, he is also the Senior Class Advisor and the 'Voice of Freedom High School' through our P.A. Announcements. He enjoys being a part of the Patriot community, and seeing the growth of community involvement over these last 20 years.



Nicole Boujaber-Diederichs

Dean (Last Names G-O) | Email: Nicolle.Boujaber-Diederichs@ocps.net

Ms. Boujaber has been a part of the FHS Staff as an Administrative Dean for 7 years. Prior to her time at Freedom, she taught Social Studies and was a District Instructional Coach in Curriculum & Instruction and Advanced Studies. Ms. Boujaber also serves as the Partners in Education Coordinator, ADDitions Coordinator, Field Trip Coordinator, and Compass Dean. She feels lucky to be a part of the Patriot Community, and appreciates the energy and enthusiasm of our staff and students.



David Bush

Dean (Last Names P-Z) | Email: David.Bush@ocps.net

Mr. Bush is entering his 11th year as a part of the Freedom Staff, and his 10th as an Administrative Dean. Prior to becoming a Dean, Mr. Bush taught Health and ESE. In addition to his role as a Dean, Mr. Bush is also the Head Wrestling Coach. His favorite part of being a Patriot is knowing that he is a part of the best high school in OCPS.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Empowering Tomorrow's Leaders Today



Sabrina Barroso
Senior Class President

Sarah Read
Student Body President

LEADING THE WAY

For Sabrina Barroso and Sarah Read, their high school experience is about trying to help every student find their sense of belonging here at Freedom High School.

These two young people, now Seniors, have very different stories of how they came to be leaders in SGA, but their passion for serving is identical. Sarah began her journey as Freshman Class President three years ago, and has been a part of this experience from the start - getting involved with planning and promoting school events. Sabrina took a little bit more time and her biggest regret was not having gotten involved sooner.

Their vision for the 2023-24 school year is to continue to inspire the students, staff, and community to take pride and show their school spirit. They also aim to find common interests and support service projects that will serve a greater purpose for our school.

Whether it is helping one student feel welcome on their first day, or hosting 'Monthly Mingles' for all students during lunch, these two leaders never stop looking for ways to connect with and serve their school community.



*The Freedom High School Student Government Association (SGA) focuses its efforts on expanding school spirit and helping shape the culture of FHS and the community-at-large. Their committees often take part in service projects aimed at addressing social and environmental issues including **Freedom Finds** - a thrift store for students designed to promote environmental sustainability by recycling and reusing. Proceeds for this event supported school-wide environmentally-friendly initiatives, including the future purchase of new recycling containers for our campus.*





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Football Kickoff Classic

Home vs Orlando Christian Prep. Kickoff is at 7pm. Tickets available at FreedomHighAthletics.com

**18
AUG**

PTSA & SAC Meeting

Join us in the Media Center for our first PTSA & SAC Meetings of the 23-24 School Year. PTSA meets at 5pm, followed by SAC at 6pm.

**21
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HoCo Ticket Sales Begin

Homecoming ticket sales begin August 21st on TeachTix.com for \$35. Students must have at least a 2.0 gpa and have no outstanding obligations.

**21
AUG**

Student Club Showcase

We offer a variety of opportunities for students to get involved in service projects, academic initiatives, and networking events through our clubs. Students can learn more about all our offerings at the Club Showcase during A and B lunch.

**24
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CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT



The Freedom
Chorus @ UCF

GRAMMY-LEVEL TRAINING

On Saturday, August 12th, a group of student leaders from our Chorus program attended the UCF Student Leadership Workshop hosted by Dr. Kelly Miller and Grammy Award winner Dr. Jeffrey Redding. This program was specifically designed to help choral students understand how they can best serve their respective chorus programs and support their directors throughout the year.

The workshop emphasized the idea of 'Servant Leadership' and offered students a chance to collaborate, set goals, and learn the best practices in helping lead their peers. There was also a hands-on conductor training with Dr. Redding to help instruct students on how to conduct their choir section in a rehearsal setting.

Students from across the state were invited to participate and left the workshop feeling inspired to lead, serve, and grow as they connect with others through the arts.

"Our students felt inspired and ready to help lead our program."

Chorus Director Thomas Desmond





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STUDENT LIFE AT FHS

FOOTBALL SPIRIT DRESS UP DAYS

8.18 - WHITE OUT

8.25 - ADAM SANDLER DAY

9.1 - LITTLE MS./MR. DAY

9.8 - PATRIOT ARMY

9.22 - BEACH TRIP

10.13 - PINK OUT

SHOW YOUR PATRIOT PRIDE TO SCHOOL
AND AT THE GAME.

SPIRIT WEAR MUST FOLLOW THE DRESS CODE

HOMECOMING TICKETS ON SALE

AUGUST 21ST-OCTOBER 5TH AT TEACHTIX.COM

GUEST APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT ROOM 608 + 612

STUDENT CLUB SHOWCASE

THURSDAY 8/24

DURING A AND B LUNCH

FREEDOM HIGH
HOMECOMING DANCE

*Give
The
Date*

OCTOBER 7th 2023

ABOUT EVENT

Join us for a night of socialization and dancing at our 2023 "Gothic Mansion" Homecoming Dance in the FHS cafeteria & courtyard from 7-11pm. The event will be supervised by FHS Administration, SGA Advisors, and Faculty/Additions Approved Chaperones. Music provided by a 4SchoolsOnly DJ.

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

8.22 - Golf vs Colonial at Grande Vista | 3:30pm

8.23 - Girls Golf vs Timber Creek at Grande Vista | 3:30pm

8.23 - Girls Volleyball at Lake Buena Vista | 6pm(JV) and 7pm(V)

8.24 - Girls Volleyball vs Gateway | 6pm(JV) and 7pm(V)

8.24 - Swim Red & White Meet at Rosen Aquatic | 6:45pm

8.25 - Football vs Horizon | Kickoff at 7pm

Fall Sports @ FHS

Football
Girls Volleyball
Cross Country
Swimming and Diving
Cheerleading
Bowling
Golf

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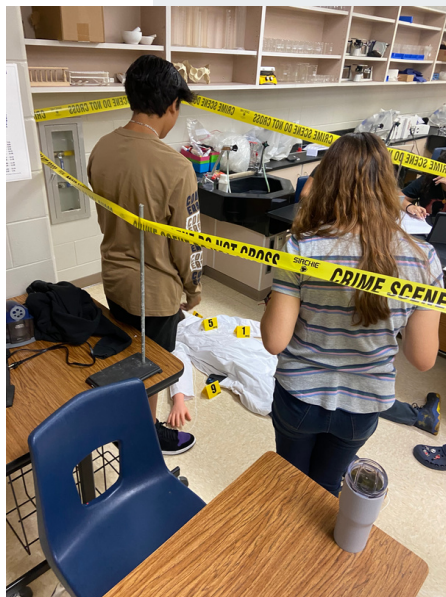
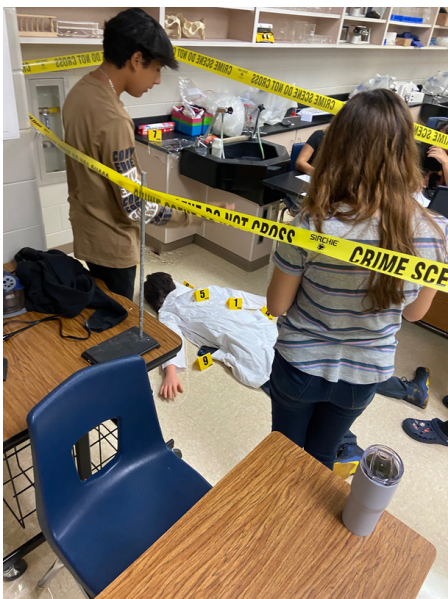


HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

IT'S ALL ABOUT SCIENCE

As an ice-breaker activity, students were given one sheet of paper (8.5" x 11") and 50 cm of tape to construct the tallest freely standing (for 10 seconds) tower. The tallest was 1.12 m (3 ft 8.1 in). They experienced a life-like instance of not being given a "cook-book" experiment. The activity will lead to ideas of center of gravity, sturdy cross-sectional areas, line of action, and torque.

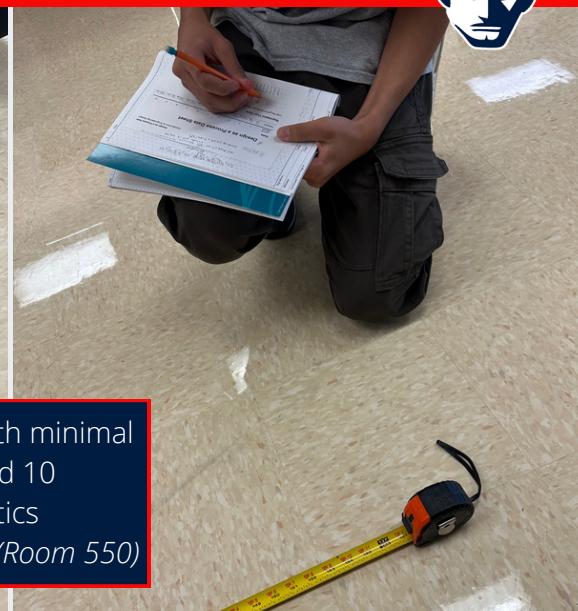
Mr. Madhavan's Class - AP Physics 1 (Room 429)



The Lesson is: Sketchy Scene

Newly recruited Biomedical students begin their thorough investigation into the mysterious circumstances of Anna Garcia's death

Mr. Katz' Class - Biomedical Science (Room 529)



The Lesson is: Design as a Process. Students design launchers with minimal supplies and launched beanbags as far as possible. They recorded 10 launch distances and then analyzed the data and summary statistics

Ms. Schroeder's Class - Intro to Engineering (Room 550)



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OCPS 2023-24 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Wednesday-Wednesday	August 2-9	Pre-Planning August 7-Professional Development Day
Thursday	August 10	First Day of School
Monday	September 4	Labor Day Holiday
Friday	October 13	End of First Marking Period
Monday	October 16	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
Tuesday	October 17	Begin Second Marking Period
Friday	October 27	Teacher Professional Day Student Holiday/Teacher Non-Workday
Monday-Friday	November 20-24	Thanksgiving Break
Friday	December 22	End of Second Marking Period
Monday-Friday Two Weeks	December 25-January 5	Winter Break
Monday	January 8	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
Tuesday	January 9	Begin Third Marking Period Begin Second Semester
Monday	January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Schools and District Offices Closed
Monday	February 19	Presidents' Day/Teacher Non-Work Day Schools Closed/District Offices Open
Thursday	March 14	End of Third Marking Period
Friday	March 15	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
Monday-Friday	March 18-22	Spring Break Schools Closed/District Offices Open
Monday	March 25	Begin Fourth Marking Period
Friday	May 24	End of Fourth Marking Period Last Day of School
Monday	May 27	Memorial Day Holiday Schools and District Offices Closed
Tuesday-Wednesday	May 28-29	Post Planning

SENIOR PORTRAITS

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