



# Newsletter



## Letter from our Principal

Dear Dreyfoos Family,

I can't believe we are wrapping up our last week of the school year and this has been such an amazing year filled with Dreyfoos MAGIC!

This past week, we honored our seniors during graduation and their absence has been felt across the campus since they left. Our seniors have been an amazing group to work with and I am so proud of everything they have accomplished. I wish all of our graduates a lifetime of joy and fond memories of Dreyfoos as they start their next journey.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of our parents, guardians, volunteers, community members, PTSO, and SOAFI for everything they do for us. Dreyfoos is such a unique school and so special because we have so much support from all of our stakeholders.

This will be our last newsletter until mid to late July so please be on the lookout for the summer issue with all of the beginning of the school year information (lockers, parking passes, transportation information, etc.).

I wish everyone a happy, relaxing, and wonderful summer season. I look forward to all of the magic we are going to create next school year!

HAPPY SUMMER!

Sincerely,  
Blake Bennett  
Principal



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## *Dreyfoos Summer Counseling Information*

### **Please note the following:**

- New Student Orientation will take place on Friday, August 8th, at 1:00 p.m.
- FLVS courses will be approved weekly—no need to email your counselor.
- Dual enrollment authorization forms will be approved once a week on Mondays. Please email both Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. Nicholas.
- Summer Dual Enrollment books: There will be no book vouchers for summer dual enrollment. Students will be able to purchase books from the PBSC campus bookstore or online 48-72 hours after summer course registration. Please see more information below. <https://pbsc.edu/bookstore/dual-enrollment.php>
- Senior final transcripts will be sent out the week of June 23rd.
- Schedules will be available for viewing pre-school on or around July 28th.
- Students will be able to request schedule changes to their counselor via email from July 26th through Friday, August 1st.
- DSOA general information can be found on the [DSOA School District site](#) and more specific information can be found on the [DSOA School Counseling website](#).

### **For questions during the summer, please contact the following:**

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# School Counseling

Please do not forget to check out our School Counseling Website:  
<https://sites.google.com/palmbeachschools.org/dsoa/schoolcounseling/home>



Junior strings major, Marina DiMarzio, recently earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. Her project, "What Happened to Grandma?" brings awareness to young children about dementia. She wrote, illustrated, and self-published a children's book on the topic, then shared it with local schools and memory care facilities.

## *Important Dates*

5/27: Period 6 exam

5/28: Period 1 & 2 exams  
(altered bell schedule on page 5)

5/29: Period 3 & 4 exams  
(altered bell schedule on page 5)

5/30: Period 5 & 7 exams  
(altered bell schedule on page 5)



The Dreyfoos Band Department came together for a night of celebration at the annual Dreyfoos Band Banquet, honoring the incredible achievements, hard work, and dedication of our student musicians throughout the year.

# *Important Testing Information*

## **Semester Exam Bell Schedules and Procedures**

Our semester exams will begin on Tuesday, May 27th and run through Friday, May 30th, which is the last school day of the semester and school year. The school day on May 27th will begin and end at the normal times, with a slightly modified bell schedule to accommodate students taking their period 6 exam. However, May 28th, 29th, and 30th will be modified, “early-release” exam days: school will begin at 8:30 am and end at 12:40 pm (please see the schedule below).

## **Semester Exam Schedule**

### **Tuesday, May 27th:**

Period 2: 8:30 – 10:09 am  
Period 3: 10:16 – 11:07 am  
Lunch: 11:07 – 11:54 am  
Period 4: 12:01 – 1:33 pm  
Period 6 Exam: 1:40 – 3:40 pm

### **Wednesday, May 28th:**

Period 1 Exam: 8:30 – 10:30 am  
Break: 10:30 – 10:40 am  
Period 2 Exam: 10:40 am – 12:40 pm

### **Thursday, May 29th:**

Period 3 Exam: 8:30 – 10:30 am  
Break: 10:30 – 10:40 am  
Period 4 Exam: 10:40 am – 12:40 pm

### **Friday, May 30th:**

Period 5 Exam: 8:30 – 10:30 am  
Break: 10:30 – 10:40 am  
Period 7 Exam: 10:40 am – 12:40 pm

# *Important Exam Information*

## **Semester Exam Early Dismissal Day School Bus Transportation**

On May 28th, 29th, and 30th, school buses will run at their usual morning times; however, in the afternoon, buses will depart from Dreyfoos at approximately 12:55 pm to begin drop-offs. As on any other school day, students may only ride the bus they have registered for via the District's Register Your Ride portal.

## **Semester Exam Early Dismissal Day Tri Rail Transportation**

On May 28th, 29th, and 30th, students who ride the Tri Rail will ride the usual P608 morning train that is scheduled to arrive at the West Palm Beach station at 8:00 am. In the afternoon, students should ride the P625 train that departs from the West Palm Beach station at 12:56 pm.

## **Semester Exam Early Dismissal Days: Students with Extended Time**

Each scheduled exam block is 2 hours. However, different teachers' exams may be different lengths of time, up to 2 hours. Therefore, students with extended time may or may not finish an exam within the regularly scheduled exam block. If a student does not finish an exam within the scheduled block and still has time remaining, that student will proceed to their next exam, following the day's exam schedule, and then go to the Media Center immediately after school (12:40 pm) to continue any unfinished exams from that day.

If a student needs to stay after 12:40 pm to finish an exam(s) and needs assistance arranging transportation home from school or an accommodation to this schedule, please see Mr. Dawson or Mr. Lewis. School buses will depart from Dreyfoos at approximately 12:55 pm on early-release exam days.

Example:

On Tuesday, May 28th, a student with extended time does not finish their period 1 exam within the scheduled 8:30 – 10:30 am exam block. That student will proceed to take their period 2 exam during the regularly scheduled 10:40 am – 12:40 pm block. When the school day ends at 12:40 pm, that student will go to the Media Center to continue and finish their period 1 exam, using the time they have remaining. They would also use this time to finish their period 2 exam, if they did not finish it during the exam block.

If you should have any questions, please contact the following staff members:

For questions regarding semester exams or AICE exams, please contact Assistant Principal Ron Lewis at [ronald.lewis@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:ronald.lewis@palmbeachschools.org)

For questions regarding AP exams, please contact Assistant Principal William Clark at [william.clark.2@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:william.clark.2@palmbeachschools.org)

For questions regarding FAST or EOC exams, please contact Assistant Principal Teneisha Finney at [teneisha.finney@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:teneisha.finney@palmbeachschools.org) or Testing Coordinator Sarah Ray at [sarah.ray@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:sarah.ray@palmbeachschools.org)

For questions regarding transportation, please contact Assistant Principal Drew Dawson at [drew.dawson@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:drew.dawson@palmbeachschools.org)

For questions regarding extended time or other accommodations, please contact ESE Coordinator Amy Atwell at [amy.atwell@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:amy.atwell@palmbeachschools.org)



# *Current Juniors/Rising Seniors Important Senior Photo Information*

Attention juniors, your senior year is almost here!

Senior portraits taken during the school day are now available to be viewed using the QR code provided on the photo day.

Students who missed the photo day, would like to retake their yearbook photo, or who would like to schedule a senior photo session can do so at the HJ Photo Studio in Lake Worth. The photo studio opens on June 3rd and senior yearbook photos must be taken by the September 30th deadline. Yearbook photo sessions and retakes of the yearbook pose are free of charge.



Book your session early before the schedule fills up. Visit:  
<https://hjproud.com/book-your-photo-session/>

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# SUMMER BREAKSPOT

## A PLACE WHERE MEALS AND FUN MEET

### For Florida Kids and Teens This Summer

No school? No problem! Summer BreakSpot offers a safe space where kids and teens **18 & under** can access meals at no cost, like breakfast, lunch and/or snacks.

3,000+ site locations are available in all counties across Florida—and no application necessary. All you have to do is show up!

#### RECEIVE MEALS AT NO COST THIS SUMMER:

Visit: [SummerBreakSpot.org](https://SummerBreakSpot.org)

Call: 850-617-7170



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In Your Neighborhood:



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# SUMMER BREAKSPOT

UN LUGAR DONDE LA COMIDA  
Y LA DIVERSIÓN SE DAN CITA

## Para niños y adolescentes de Florida este verano

¿No hay escuela? ¡No hay problema! Summer BreakSpot ofrece un espacio seguro donde los niños y adolescentes de 18 años o menos pueden acceder a comidas sin costo, como desayuno, almuerzo y/o refrigerios.

Hay más de 3,000 sitios disponibles en todos los condados de Florida y no es necesario presentar ninguna solicitud. ¡Todo lo que tienes que hacer es ir!

**Escanea Para Encontrar Un Sitio En Tu Vecindario:**



YON PLAS KOTE MANJE  
AK PLEZI RANKONTRE

## Pou Timoun ak Adolesan Florida yo Ete Sa

Pa gen lekòl? Pa gen pwoblèm! Summer BreakSpot ofri yon espas san danje kote timoun ak adolesan ki gen 18 lane ak mwens yo ka gen aksè ak manje gratis, tankou manje maten, manje midi ak/oswa amizbouch.

Plis pase 3,000 sit disponib nan tou konte Florida yo-epi okenn demann pa nesesè.

Tout sa w gen pou fè se prezante w!

**Eskane Pou Jwenn Yon Sit Ki Nan Katye Ou A:**





# 2026 Student Government Association

**ELECTION RESULTS**



**PRESIDENTS**  
Beau McDowell & Gavin Murray

**VICE PRESIDENTS**  
Ava Fiala & Emily Tabora


**TREASURERS**  
Jenna Simmons & Jack Meller

**RECORDING SECRETARIES**  
Bailey Arnone & Leyla Benoit

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES**  
Lian Dussie & Hinav Kour Ahmad

**HISTORIANS**  
Ruhaan Sood & Landon D'Alessandro

**ELECTION RESULTS**



**PRESIDENTS**  
Karen Zhao & Ashwin Kishor

**VICE PRESIDENTS**  
Ashley Diaz and Gloria Jean Gobin

**TREASURER**  
Jackson Murray

**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
Maya Koppada

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**  
Maria Costa Scheid

**HISTORIAN**  
Nicolle Forestieri

**CLASS REPRESENTATIVE**  
Sienna Rose Sossi

**ELECTION RESULTS**



**PRESIDENTS**  
Malina Asnani & Mia Rubio

**VICE PRESIDENTS**  
Mykell Brown & Brayden Levine

**TREASURER**  
Janiya Carries


**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
Jenna Bennett

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**  
Emma Massimini

**HISTORIAN**  
Anthony Osorio

**CLASS REPRESENTATIVE**  
Leah Teebagy

**ELECTION RESULTS**



**PRESIDENTS**  
Hannah Leger & Lani Nguyen

**VICE PRESIDENTS**  
Catherine Chen

**TREASURER**  
Jillian Loiz

**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
Hannah Michuda

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**  
Sophia Gikher

**HISTORIAN**  
Aria Chesser

**CLASS REPRESENTATIVE**  
Kayla Leger



# Pathfinder Results!

Congratulations to our Pathfinder winners! We are so proud of you and look forward to seeing what your future holds!

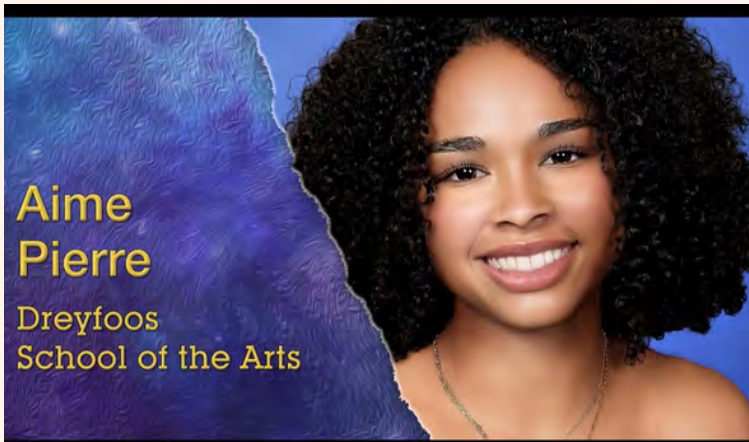
Music-Instrumental: Aidan Gardner, 1st Place

Mathematics: Mia Hakkarainen, 3rd Place

Music-Vocal: Aime Pierre, 1st Place

Academic Excellence: Josetta Wang, 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Business: Luca Weisman, 1st Place



# Theatre



## Metamorphoses Sets Cappies Record with 10 Awards!

Please join us in congratulating the cast and crew of *Metamorphoses* for their record-setting performance at the South Florida Cappies! The production earned an unprecedented 10 awards, breaking the South Florida record for most awards received for a play. It even surpassed the record for a musical and is believed to be the most awards ever received for a play in the 23-year history of the international Cappies program.

Awards were voted on by student critics from 29 participating schools and included:

- **Best Play: *Metamorphoses***
- Featured Actor in a Female Role: Colton McMackin
- Featured Actor in a Male Role: Graham Gilbert
- Supporting Actor in a Female Role: Melanie Simmons
- Supporting Actor in a Male Role: Shane Rainsburg
- Stage Management and Crew: Aniston Jennings, Sherry Wiedrich, and Charlotte Wooley
- Comic Actor in a Male Role: Andrew Hopta
- Lighting: Amira Green and Joey DiMare
- Sets: Penelope Hess, Juliana Priddy, and Company
- Ensemble: Movement Ensemble

Under the direction of Kristina Leljedal and Savannah Whetsell, with technical support from Nat Rayman, Hannah Sherrod, and Penny Williams, the production dazzled both audiences and peers. We also recognize Joseph Raicovich, Melissa Glosmanova and her students for their outstanding projection work, which enhanced the already impressive set design. A special thank you as well to theatre technician Rich Szczublewski for keeping everything running smoothly.

We are grateful to the academic teachers, administrators, and entire Dreyfoos community who supported this production. This milestone is a powerful reminder that Dreyfoos Magic takes all of us!



# Communications

## The Muse Releases Third Print Issue

The third print issue of The Muse is here! We're proud to celebrate the hard work and dedication of the student journalism staff who brought this edition to life.

Read the full issue online here: [The Muse - Volume 223](#)



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## The Muse Wins National Online Pacemaker Award

Congratulations to The Muse for earning its first-ever Online Pacemaker Award from the National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA)—the highest honor in student journalism.

The Muse website was one of only 13 in the nation and the only one in Florida to receive this prestigious recognition, which celebrates excellence in scholastic digital media.

We are incredibly proud of the staff for this remarkable achievement!



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## The Muse Named Best Overall Newspaper by Sun Sentinel

Congratulations to The Muse staff for being awarded Best Overall Newspaper in the Sun Sentinel's Annual High School Journalism Contest! In addition to this top honor, several students earned individual recognition for their outstanding work:

- Second Place, Feature/Entertainment: London Franklin
- Third Place, Commentary: Liliana Kirby
- Honorable Mentions, Commentary: Griffin Petti and Lila Goldin
- First Place, Sports Writing: Charlotte Handel
- Honorable Mention, Social Media: The Muse Instagram
- First Place, Layout/Design: Kiara Benoit
- Second Place, Layout/Design: Kayla Bobb

We are incredibly proud of the staff's dedication to excellence in student journalism.

[See the full list of winners here.](#)

# Jazz Ensemble Dreyfoos Magic



## **Jazz Ensemble Earns National Recognition at Essentially Ellington**

Congratulations to Christopher De Leon and the Dreyfoos School of the Arts Jazz Ensemble 1 (DSOA JE1) for their exceptional performance at the prestigious Essentially Ellington Jazz Band Competition, hosted by Jazz at Lincoln Center. Out of 30 bands selected worldwide, DSOA advanced to the Top 10 Semi-Finals and earned an Honorable Mention—marking the first time since 2018 that our jazz ensemble has achieved this distinction.

Their performance earned national acclaim and a \$2,500 award to support jazz education at Dreyfoos. We are incredibly proud of Mr. De Leon and the talented musicians who represented our school on this international stage.

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## **Jazz Ensemble 1 Wins Prestigious DownBeat Magazine Award!**

We're proud to announce that for the third consecutive year and the fourth time in five years, DSOA Jazz Ensemble 1 has earned a coveted Student Music Award from DownBeat Magazine, this time as WINNERS in the Performing Arts High School Large Jazz Ensemble category! This national recognition highlights the extraordinary talent of our students and the leadership of Director Christopher De León.





# Dreyfoos Magic!



## Dreyfoos Theatre Students Shine at the Kravis Center

As part of an exciting collaboration with the Kravis Center, our theatre students recently helped kick off community engagement efforts for the upcoming Broadway production of *Ain't Too Proud: The Life and Times of The Temptations*. This Tony Award-winning musical, known for its dynamic choreography, inspired a high-energy performance from our students right outside the theater.



With the show's arrival just around the corner, the Kravis Center is working to engage audiences of all ages through the timeless music and signature moves of *The Temptations*. Our students' talent and enthusiasm have already set the tone, and there are more exciting opportunities to come as we continue to connect the community to Broadway.

We are proud to see our students representing Dreyfoos with such enthusiasm, artistry, and poise!

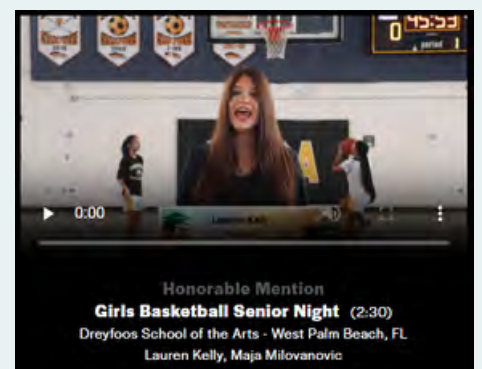
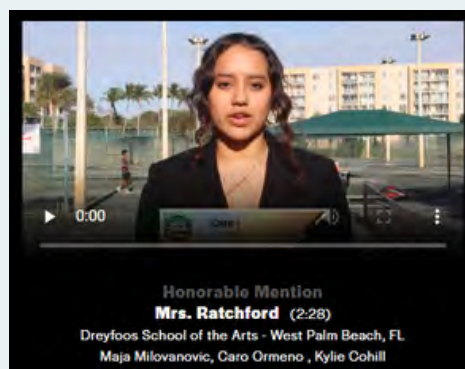
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## DSOA Today Earns National Recognition in STN Spring Nationals

Congratulations to our DSOA Today student journalists for earning national honors in the Student Television Network's (STN) Spring Nationals competition! Their work stood out among submissions from across the country, earning top placements in multiple categories:

- **3rd Place, News Story:** Jefferson Jubilee Gift Wrap by Carolina Ricci, Morgan Bertisch, and Gionna Odell
- **Honorable Mention, Human Interest Feature Story:** Tennis With Mrs. Ratchford by Caro Ormeno, Maja Milovanovic, and Kylie Cohill
- **Honorable Mention, Sports Feature Story:** Girls Basketball Senior Night by Lauren Kelly and Maja Milovanovic

We are incredibly proud of these students for their creativity, storytelling, and journalistic excellence. You can view all the winning entries on the [STN Nationals Winners Page](#).



# Dreyfoos Magic!



## **Jackson Murray Named Bank of America Student Leader**

Congratulations to Jackson Murray, who was selected as a 2025 Bank of America Student Leader, one of only 315 students chosen nationwide from over 12,000 applicants.

Jackson, a band major, varsity swimmer, and class officer, co-founded My Allergy Is Driving Me Nuts!, a nonprofit promoting food allergy awareness. This internship includes hands-on nonprofit work and a summit in Washington, D.C.

Way to go, Jackson!



## **Two Students Awarded Arts for Life! Scholarship**

Congratulations to Payton Borowski (Drama) and Josetta Wang (Music) for being selected as recipients of the prestigious Arts for Life! Scholarship, presented by former First Lady Columba Bush and the Foundation for Excellence in Education.

Chosen from over 600 applicants statewide, Payton and Josetta are among only 25 students awarded this \$1,000 scholarship, recognizing their outstanding talent and dedication to the arts.

They will be honored at the Arts for Life! awards ceremony and luncheon on June 9, 2025, at the Adrienne Arsht Center in Miami. We are so proud of their achievement!

# Dreyfoos Magic!

## Congratulations to Our AA Degree Graduates!

We are proud to recognize Eszter Veres, Elysa Escobar, and Samantha Simpson for earning their Associate in Arts (AA) degrees from Palm Beach State College while still in high school. This remarkable accomplishment reflects their hard work, dedication, and commitment to academic excellence.

Balancing college coursework with their Dreyfoos responsibilities is no small feat, and we commend these students for reaching this impressive milestone. Congratulations, Eszter, Elysa, and Samantha, we can't wait to see all you achieve next!



## Evin Molina-Ramirez Honored with 2025 Social Justice Award

Congratulations to Evin A. Molina-Ramirez, who has been selected as a recipient of the 2025 Palm Beach County Human Rights Council (PBCHRC) Social Justice Award. This prestigious honor recognizes high school seniors who have demonstrated a strong commitment to LGBTQ+ advocacy and social justice.

Evin's leadership and dedication have made a lasting impact on our school community, and we are incredibly proud of this well-deserved recognition.

## Students Recognized for Excellence in Essay Competitions



Congratulations to Norberto Yumang, who was awarded a scholarship for his essay sponsored by the Palm Beach County Bar Association.

We also congratulate David Sanchez, who received first place and a scholarship from the English-Speaking Union.





# Dreyfoos Magic!



Congratulations to Anthony Stan for being recognized as a 2025 Sunshine State Scholar, a prestigious honor awarded to Florida's top 11th-grade students in STEM. We are proud of Anthony's achievement and his commitment to academic excellence!

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## **Jeremiah Alondra Selected for High School Diplomats Program in Japan**

Congratulations to Jeremiah Alondra, who has been selected to continue his participation in the prestigious High School Diplomats program—this time with a fully funded trip to Japan in July 2025.

Sponsored by AIG Insurance of Tokyo, the National Association of Japan-America Societies, and the Freeman Foundation, this competitive program fosters cultural exchange between American and Japanese students. Jeremiah previously earned a scholarship to attend the program at the University of Virginia and was selected for this next phase based on his outstanding performance.

We are incredibly proud of Jeremiah for representing Dreyfoos on an international stage!

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## **Dreyfoos NHS Honored by OneBlood**

Congratulations to the Dreyfoos National Honor Society, which received OneBlood's top award for managing the most outstanding high school blood drive program in Palm Beach County for the 2024-2025 school year.

Recognized at OneBlood's High School Awards Luncheon on April 24, Dreyfoos was named the top committee across all public, private, and charter schools. NHS Blood Drive Committee officers Ella Front, Parker Sheehan, and newly elected officer Summer Irwin accepted the award on behalf of the school.

Dreyfoos was also recognized as the public school with the highest percentage increase in blood and platelet donations. We are incredibly proud of our NHS students for their leadership and dedication to this life-saving cause.



# Dreyfoos Magic!

## Harvard and Dartmouth Book Awards Honor Outstanding Juniors



We are proud to recognize two exceptional juniors for their academic achievement and character. Cecily Mendelson has been awarded the Harvard Prize Book, presented by the Harvard Club of the Palm Beaches, for her excellence in scholarship and leadership across multiple fields. Scarlett Huang received the Dartmouth Book Award, which honors students who excel both academically and in extracurricular pursuits. This year's selected book, *Oh! The Places You'll Go* by Dartmouth alum Dr. Seuss, celebrates the spirit of exploration and ambition that Scarlett embodies. Congratulations to both students!

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## Charlotte Lebedeker and Elliott Wildman Win National Writing Awards



Congratulations to Charlotte Lebedeker and Elliott Wildman, who were named two of just four winners in the National Society of Arts and Letters Writing Competition for the 16-18 age group!

Charlotte, a senior, received a scholarship for her short story "Winter Rapids," and Elliott, a sophomore, earned a scholarship for "Cynthia!" We are so proud of their incredible talent and national recognition!

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## DSOA Slam Poetry Team Wins State Championship

Congratulations to the DSOA Slam Poetry Team, who were named the #1 slam poetry team in the state of Florida after winning the Louder Than A Bomb high school team finals, hosted by the Jason Taylor Foundation and BluApple Poetry Network. This marks the first state championship win for the team—an incredible milestone!

We also celebrate freshman Charlie Bastien, who placed second in the National Poetry Month Youth Poetry Summit spoken word contest. Charlie earned a \$1,000 scholarship for her original performance.

We are so proud of these students for using their voices to inspire and impact others through the power of poetry!





# Athletics



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It's that time of the year again to get excited for Dreyfoos Athletics for the next school year. Fall sports are approaching as a couple of our programs start as early as August 4th, which is the beginning of pre-school week for teachers. All of our athletic programs are listed below with the coaches name, email address, google classroom code, and estimated start date. We have added a few new members to our staff and are very excited for the upcoming seasons.

The School District of Palm Beach County has renewed the contract with Aktivite for the upcoming school year. All athletes must register with an account through Aktivite.com for submission of their athletic eligibility packet. For returning athletes, you will just need to sign in with your previous credentials to restart a new packet for this school year.

## -- Requirements for Participation --

- Completed Athletic Eligibility Packet submitted through Aktivite.com
- Athletic Insurance fee paid via "School Cash Online" on the district website. The cost is \$75 total (\$10 for tryouts and then \$65 if you make the team). Make sure to attach your receipt of payment with Form # 2608 on Aktivite.
- Athletic Safety Courses (found at NFHSlearn.com)
  - Create an account (unless you already have one from a previous year)
- Complete the 4 courses listed below and upload the certificates of completion on your Aktivite account.
  - Sudden Cardiac Arrest
  - Heat Illness Prevention
  - Concussion in Sports
  - Sportsmanship

## FALL

Bowling – AUG 18 – Stephen Anand  
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Google Classroom Code: **brk7d3zo**

Cross Country – AUG 14 – TBD  
Google Classroom Code: **6ff54i5b**

Golf (Boys) – AUG 13– Rick Zullo  
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Google Classroom Code: **2egct64b**

Golf (Girls) – AUG 13 – Timothy Freeman  
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Google Classroom Code: **2h4tb6dt**

Swimming – AUG 12 – Nathan Hesse  
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Google Classroom Code: **dyeb77xs**

Volleyball (Girls) – AUG 5 – Michael Esopakis  
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JV Coach – Natalie Faulkner  
Google Classroom Code: **yy47qkw**

## WINTER

Cheerleading – SEPT 15 – Kettia Nesbitt  
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Google Classroom Code: **yr3tubf4**

Basketball (Boys) – OCT 27 – TBD  
Google Classroom Code: **4p7vukji**

Basketball (Girls) – OCT 27 – Joshua Millstein  
[joshua.millstein@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:joshua.millstein@palmbeachschools.org)  
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Soccer (Boys) – OCT 13 – Thomas Ruth  
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Soccer (Girls) – OCT 13 – Nicolas Angulo  
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## SPRING

Tennis – JAN 26 – Marina Ratchford  
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Google Classroom Code: **vomdxg64**

Track & Field – JAN 20 – Ross Vening  
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Google Classroom Code: **qghvgfbn**

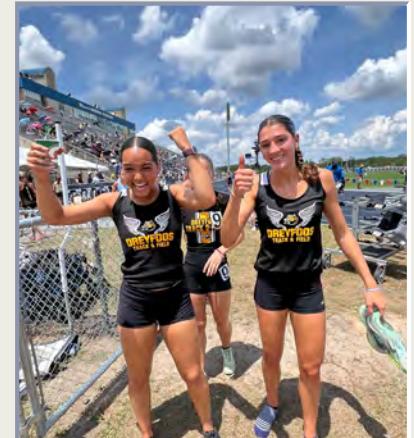
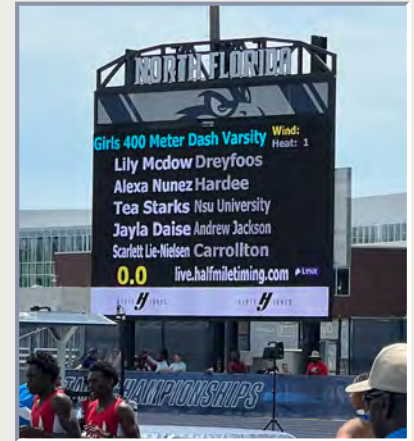
Volleyball (Boys) – FEB 9 – Beth McDowell  
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Google Classroom Code: **3vklcoin**

# Athletics

## Girls Track Team Shines at State Championships

Congratulations to the Dreyfoos Girls Track Team on a strong finish to their season at the State Championships.

Lily McDow ran the second-fastest 400m in school history with a time of 59.23, earning her the 15th fastest time in the state of Florida. The 4x400m relay team—Lily McDow, Aime Pierre, Ella Pierre, and Amelie Cannon—finished 13th in the state, just 0.1 seconds shy of breaking the school record with a time of 4:07.75.



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## Get Ready for Girls Volleyball Tryouts!

The Girls Volleyball season is almost here! Tryouts begin Monday, August 4, 2025, the week before school starts. To stay informed, join the Girls Volleyball Google Classroom using code yy47qkw. All tryout details and updates will be posted there. If you have any questions or need help joining, contact Coach Michael Esopakis at [michael.esopakis@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:michael.esopakis@palmbeachschools.org).





# Support our Athletics



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## **GYMNASIUM BANNER SALES**

Office of the Athletic Director

I/we agree to purchase the designated banner below to support the athletic programs at Dreyfoos for the 2025-2026 seasons. Renewals occur annually and are listed below.

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Make checks payable to: **Dreyfoos School of the Arts Athletic Department**

Your support has helped create outstanding athletic programs here at Dreyfoos. Please help us continue the tradition of giving our students the best opportunity for success in conjunction with their arts and academic excellence.

Please call or email Coach Vaughan at (561) 805-6292 or at [Matthew.Vaughan@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:Matthew.Vaughan@palmbeachschools.org) with any questions you may have.

**GO JAGUARS!**

**THANK YOU FROM THE DSOA ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

# PTSO



## Dreyfoos PTSO Board and Committees for 2025 - 2026

[www.dreyfoosptso.org](http://www.dreyfoosptso.org)

Following is the Dreyfoos Parent Teacher Student Organization, Inc. Board and Committee Chairs for the 2025 - 2026 school year. The slate below was voted on at the General Body Meeting on April 22, at 9:00 am.

We still have several vacancies that we need to have filled. **Please consider joining our organization.** For questions on time commitment, responsibilities, or if you are interested in any of the positions, please contact Arlene Gustave at [Dreyfoosptsopres@gmail.com](mailto:Dreyfoosptsopres@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

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Co-Recording Secretary.....	Megan Beck
Co-Recording Secretary.....	Keren Schiller
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Co-Corresponding Secretary.....	Victoria Wisot
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Project Grad, Snack Shack.....	Vacant
College Fair, Committee Chairs.....	Cheryl Taylor and Brian Ross
Teacher Grants, Committee Chair.....	Vacant
Volunteer Coordinator, Committee Chair.....	Ifat Aloni
New Family Welcome Dinner, Committee Chair.....	Arlene Gustave, Victoria Wisot



# Thank You

To our Dreyfoos families, students, teachers, and staff members for your continued support.

Our organization's events and initiatives would not be possible without your help and dedication.

We thank all our members and volunteers for your time and the magic that you bring to Dreyfoos PTSO.

Have a wonderful summer break!

Questions? Please send us an email to [dreyfoosptsopres@gmail.com](mailto:dreyfoosptsopres@gmail.com)





# DSOA

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DSOA Official Facebook Page:  
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DSOA School District Website:  
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