APRIL 2025

The Cobra Courier

"Together We Will"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Cobra Families,

At Park Vista we value the contributions each staff member makes to our vibrant Cobra community. On Wednesday, April 2, Paraprofessional Appreciation Day, we recognize the contributions of our paraprofessionals to support the needs of our ESE students. Our paraprofessional team is dedicated, hard working, and caring.

On April 23, Administrative Professionals Day, we celebrate the significant contributions of our school secretaries and staff members who work diligently to support our students, families, and staff. Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week, May 5 - 9, will be an opportunity to thank our amazing educators and support staff for their commitment to academic excellence and a school culture that guides our students to thrive.

Senior Week activities in March before the break provided opportunities for students to dress in various themes, "takeover" staff member's jobs, and enjoy the spring pep rally organized by Student Government Association under the direction of Ms. Ladd. The pep rally included performances by our sensational dance team and our spirited cheerleaders. Senior Week is always one of the best opportunities for our upperclassmen to show their school spirit before graduation arrives.

We will begin the application and selection process for Cobra Ambassadors in late April, and these are student leaders who serve as role models to acquaint and support our incoming freshmen with the traditions, expectations, and experiences of Park Vista. Students are required to write an essay and acquire three teacher signatures attesting to their leadership skills and representation as a positive Cobra role model. Freshman Orientation for the Park Vista class of 2029 will be held on Saturday, August 9. Please save the date if you have incoming freshmen joining us in Cobra Country!

Spring is here and we are diligently preparing for a variety of tests. Please encourage students to attend school regularly and to be on time! End-of-course exams start in May and the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) will be administered for 9th and 10th grade students. AICE tests start in April as well and continue into June. AP tests are scheduled throughout May. Our students and teachers have been working hard to prepare for success on these important assessments, and we appreciate your support with our schedule adjustments as we create the best possible testing environments for our students.

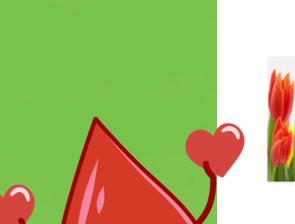
Thank you for staying connected with us in Cobra Country!

Dr. Enrique Vela Principal





Congratulations to **Cobra Robotics Competitive Seaperch Team** for winning 1st place at the South Florida Regional Tournament on March 1, 2025 at Santaluces High School's Aquatic Center. The team's underwater remote operated vehicle swept the competition. Cobra Robotics has secured a bid to the International Championship being held this summer at the University of Maryland. The team is: Pilot - **Hui Min Chen** Equipment Manager and Tether - **Amelia Edelmann** and special thanks to on-campus fabrication support from **Logan Leibowitz**. Go Cobra Robotics!



Park Vista's Blood Drive

Thursday, April 10, 2025



GIVE SOMEONE A LIFETIME OF SPRINGTIMES

Earn potential SCHOLARSHIP \$\$\$ Must be at least 16 to donate Up 6 Hours Community Service



Scan QR Code to sign up:

IF YOU ARE 16, TURN IN PARENT PERMISSION SLIPS TO RED BOXES IN GUIDANCE, MEDIA CENTER OR IN THE MEDICAL ACADEMY

Latinos In Action Winner



Kudos to Kim Ortega and Senior Fabiana Henao-Duran.

Fabiana was one of three Palm
Beach students to be awarded
a scholarship at the Latinos in
Action Annual Student
Conference at Florida Atlantic
University.

Congratulations!

TRUSTED. ADULT

If you feel that you need guidance, advice, or emotional support, please scan the QR code, and a **Trusted Adult** will contact you.





Every year, all bands (and choruses) participate in the annual Music Performance Assessments. MPA assesses the groups' abilities to prepare a graded set of 3 pieces, and a sight reading component (where they are given 2 pieces that they have never seen before, to perform on sight).

Any given year, it is impressive for just one band to earn a Superior rating. It shows an immense amount of work and preparation from all students involved to learn the fundamentals all year, apply them to the literature, perform it, and earn the marks from not 1, but 4 different judges. This year, the Park Vista Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, AND the Concert Band earned Superior ratings at MPA. Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band earned Straight Superior ratings, which means all 1's in all facets of performance, qualifying them for the State MPA, and Concert Band earned a 112 1, which is impressive for a mostly-freshman band.

Moreover, it is an incredible feat that all 3 bands earned Superiors, since only 15/900 high schools in Florida have achieved this honor. It is a testament to their instruction from the Middle School level, and how they've carried it into the high school level, and pushed the envelope forward. That is 1.67% of Florida High Schools - and we are the only school in Palm Beach County to achieve this!





Class of 2 **EVENTS**



Senior Graduation Assembly APR 8

11:15 am in the PV Auditorium, Graduation info, will be distributed

Grad Bash Information Meeting APR 9

Mandatory meeting in Cafeteria after school

APR 11 **Grad Bash**

Prom APR 26

Last Day for Seniors to Attend Classes MAY8 NO EXAMS

Senior Exams MAY

Seniors must report to the Main Office at 8:00 AM, take at least 4 exams 9 &12 on May 9, and return on May 12 at 8:00 AM to complete the rest.

Final Status Check MAY 13

School Counselors will notify if you need to attend.

Mandatory Senior Checkout MAY 14

Seniors will be assigned a specific time to meet in the gym through their Social Science teacher.

Senior Awards MAY 15

6:00 pm in the Auditorium. By invitation only. Graduation gown required

Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal MAY 16

Begins promptly at 3:15 PM in the Auditorium

Graduation Ceremony MAY 19 At the South Florida Fairgrounds, Graduates arrive at 6:30 AM, Ceremony at 8:00 AM

Visual Arts

The Women in the Visual Arts (WITVA), founded in 1989 by a small, enthusiastic group of women, continues its commitment to supporting local art education. Through fundraising efforts, WITVA raises funds to support high school art programs by awarding scholarships and providing supplies to talented students, deserving teachers, and art initiatives. This year, WITVA proudly recognized the outstanding work of several Park Vista students. Mrs. Mambourg's 2D art students, including Arabell An, Joann Marquez, and Lily Joseph, as well as Ms. Chau's ceramics and pottery students, Izzie Stucka, Leticia Parnell, and Julia Roney, were among the honorees. Mr. Henderson's 3D students, Roselynn Cohen, Nichole Grzanka, and Julliannys Cortes, along with Ms. Martinez's 2D students, Mia Acosta, Morgan Barner, and Kayla Olius, were also acknowledged for their exceptional artwork.

Top cash prize scholarships were awarded to **Izzie Stucka, Arabell An, and Kayla Olius,** who will be honored at the 2025 Women in the Visual Arts Art Awards ceremony at Sugar Sand Park Community Center on April 6th, 2025. All of the students recognized will also be celebrated at the event and more cash prizes are forthcoming for the named art students





Student Artwork
Samples







RHO KAPPA NATIONAL SOCIAL STUDIES HONOR SOCIETY

Even with testing season quickly approaching, Rho Kappa has stayed committed to giving back to the community! We organized a donation drive for VA hospitals and overseas military care packages. We were so excited to see everything our members donated, including socks, snacks and even games. Furthermore, we hosted a tattoo booth at Park Vista's Dance Marathon, helping to raise \$2,844 for Nicklaus Children's Hospital! As the end of the school year rapidly arrives, we love to see the immense level of participation in school projects and events. Keep it up, Cobras!







Park Vista seniors, **Fabio Martins** and **Logan Ott** were first place winners in the Universal Technical Institute's Top Tech Challenge. These Automotive Academy students won scholarship money and tool kits to jump start their careers after high school. Way to go!









April 3

All service hours must be submitted and in the system by April 3 in order to be recognized at the Senior Awards ceremony.

SPRING 2025

AP & AICE EXAM SCHEDULE

Syllab					
us	Comp	Syllabus Title	Duration	Date	Session
8021	11	AICE English General Paper	1 hr 15 min	4/25/2025	Morning
9990	11	AICE Psychology (FLVS)	1 hr 30 min	4/25/2025	Morning
8028	31	AICE French Language	1 hr 30 min	4/25/2025	Afternoon
9693	11	AICE Marine Science	1 hr 45 min	4/25/2025	Afternoon
9695	11	AICE Literature in English	2 hours	4/28/2025	Morning
9694	11	AICE Thinking Skills	1 hr 30 min	4/28/2025	Afternoon
8021	21	AICE English General Paper	1 hour 45 minutes	4/29/2025	Morning
8291	11	AICE Environmental Management	1 hour 45 minutes	4/29/2025	Afternoon
9693	21	AICE Marine Science	1 hour 45 minutes	4/29/2025	Afternoon
9093	11	AICE English Language	2 hours 15 minutes	4/30/2025	Morning
9239	11	AICE Global Perspectives & Research	1 hour 30 minutes	5/1/2025	Morning
8022	31	AICE Spanish Language	1 hr 30 min	5/1/2025	Afternoon
9694	21	AICE Thinking Skills	1 hour 45 minutes	5/1/2025	Afternoon
9990	11	AICE Psychology (FLVS)	1 hr 30 min	5/2/2025	Morning
9395	11	AICE Travel & Tourism	2 hours	5/2/2025	Afternoon
9093	21	AICE English Language	2 hours	5/5/2025	Morning
		AP Biology	3 hours	5/5/2025	8:00 AM
8291	21	AICE Environmental Management	1 hour 45 minutes	5/5/2025	Afternoon
9693	31	AICE Marine Science	1 hour 45 minutes	5/5/2025	Afternoon
		AP European History	3 hours 15 minutes	5/5/2025	12:00 PM
		AP Microeconomics	2hrs 10 min	5/5/2025	12:00 PM
		AP Chemistry	3hrs 15 min	5/6/2025	8:00 AM
		AP Human Geography	2hrs 15 min	5/6/2025	8:00 AM
9489	11	AICE History	1 hour 15 minutes	5/6/2025	Afternoon
_		AP United States Government and Politics	3hrs	5/6/2025	12:00 PM
9607	21	AICE Media Studies	2 hours	5/7/2025	Morning
		AP English Literature and Composition	3hrs	5/7/2025	8:00 AM
		AP Comparative Government and Politics	2hrs 30 min	5/7/2025	12:00 PM
_		AP Computer Science A	3hrs	5/7/2025	12:00 PM
		AP Statistics	3hrs	5/8/2025	8:00 AM
9489	21	AICE History	1 hour 45 minutes	5/8/2025	Afternoon
9693	41	AICE Marine Science	1 hour 45 minutes	5/8/2025	Afternoon
		AP United States History	3hrs 15 min	5/9/2025	8:00 AM
8022	11	AICE Spanish Language (Listening - Multiple		5/9/2025	Afternoon
		AP Chinese Language and Culture	2hrs	5/9/2025	12:00 PM
		AP Macroeconomics	2hrs 10 min	5/9/2025	12:00 PM
		AP 2-D Art and Design	n/a	5/9/2025	n/a
		AP 3-D Art and Design	n/a	5/9/2025	n/a
		AP Calculus AB	3hrs 15 min	5/12/2025	8:00 AM
8022	21	AP Calculus BC	3hrs 15 min	5/12/2025	8:00 AM
8022	21	AICE Spanish Language (Multiple Choice) AP Music Theory	1 hour 30 minutes 2hrs 40 min	5/12/2025	Afternoon 12:00 PM
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9695	21	AICE Literature in English AP Precalculus	2 hours 3hrs	5/13/2025 5/13/2025	Morning 8:00 AM
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9699	11	AP Environmental Science	1 hour 30 minutes 2hrs 40 min	5/13/2025 5/13/2025	Afternoon 12:00 PM
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		AP English Language and Composition	3hrs 15 min	5/14/2025	8:00 AM
		AP Ant History	3hrs 3hrs 03 min	5/15/2025	8:00 AM 8:00 AM
		AP Computer Science Principles		5/15/2025	8:00 AM
		AP Computer Science Principles	3hrs	5/15/2025	12:00 PM
9699	21	AP Physics 1	1 hour 20 minutes	5/16/2025	8:00 AM
3033	21	AICE Sociology AP Psychology	1 hour 30 minutes 2hrs 40 min	5/16/2025	Afternoon 12:00 PM
9029	11	AP Psychology		5/16/2025	12:00 PM
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There are NO Makeup Days for AICE Exams!

Missed AP & AICE exams = GPA weighting drops to Honors.

No late admission to AP or AICE exams. Be on time!

Suspicious Activity Reporting App

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.







