

# THE CUDA CURRENT

...2008-2009...

"HOME OF THE BARRACUDAS"

## STUDENTS,

WELCOME TO A NEW AND EXCITING SCHOOL YEAR FOR OUR INCOMING 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS, OUR CURRENT 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS AND THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2009. ALL STUDENTS NEED TO UNDERSTAND AND ADHERE TO THE SCHOOL'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AS OUTLINED IN THE STUDENT PLANNER AND THE DISTRICTS CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT. PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDE WHICH WILL SERVE AS AN ADDITIONAL TOOL FOR A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL YEAR AT New Smyrna Beach High School.

### 1. SECURITY OF PERSONAL ITEMS:

. *The "Security" of all personal items is the "Sole" responsibility of the student during school time & at all school sponsored events. Secure all personal items such as book bags, purses, lockers, and especially all Cell Phones & Electronic Devices.*

\*\*\*\*NEVER LEAVE PERSONAL ITEMS UNATTENDED &  
\*\*\*\*NEVER SHARE LOCKER COMBINATIONS.

### 2. TELECOMMUNICATIONS & ELECTRONIC DEVICES (TD):

. *ALL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES must be "OFF" during "Academic" class time. This includes silent, vibrating and text messaging modes.*

. *"Academic Time" includes hallway & restroom passes.*

. *"Academic" areas include all Classrooms, the Media Center, the Auditorium, the Gym & all office areas.*

. *Telecommunication & Electronic devices are for use during "non-academic" time only and include the courtyard, cafeteria and hallways.*

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE ABOVE GUIDELINES WILL RESULT IN THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

1. *The item will be confiscated and require parent or guardian pick-up.*
2. *Removal of the student from class.*
3. *A school consequence will be issued.*
4. *Continuous disregard of this policy may result in loss of privilege as determined by school administration.*

3. CLASS CHANGES & BELLS:  
FIRST bell signals students to move to the next class.  
WARNING bell signals students to move into the class.  
TARDY or FINAL bell signals instruction to begin.
  
4. Parent drop-off and pick-up: (PLEASE INFORM PARENTS)  
Parents are expected to use the main entrance on 10<sup>th</sup> street only. Parents are required to drop off students between the gym and the media center. Please do not exit the vehicle prior to the designated area as this presents a traffic and safety concern.  
PLAN TO BE ON CAMPUS BY 7:10am TO AVOID TARDIES.
  
5. Parking Areas, Student Arrival and Departure:  
All students must have a "Parking Decal" to park on campus. Students will enter the school from 10<sup>th</sup> street only. Students cannot park in any staff area or use the bus access road. Loitering in the parking lot will not be permitted. After school begins, all students arriving on campus or checking out must be processed through the attendance office.  
PLAN EARLY CHECKOUTS PRIOR TO THE START OF LUNCH AS IT'S DIFFICULT TO LOCATE STUDENTS DURING LUNCH TIME.
  
6. Dress Code will be enforced:  
Carefully read the dress code located in the student handbook. All hats, ski caps and hoods are not permitted in "Academic" and Office Areas. [Bandanas are prohibited.] Inappropriate logos are not acceptable. Chains, collars and spike jewelry are not permitted. The expectation is that students will dress appropriate for school and that the Administration has the final authority in determining the appropriateness of dress.
  
7. Lunch Procedures:  
The lunch area includes the Cafeteria, the Covered Picnic areas and the Courtyard only. Students are not allowed in hallways, stairways or unsupervised areas during lunch. All students are to take personal responsibility for cleaning up during and after lunch. A two minute warning bell will ring prior to the end of the lunch bell to begin cleaning up your area.
  
8. Entrances and Emergency Exits:
  - Before school students are allowed to enter through the Main Office area between buildings 1 & 9 (next to the guidance and main office), and the Parent Drop off area between buildings 2 & 3. (media center & gym).
  - After school students may use the exits to the Bus area, Front parking area and Parent pick up only.
  - At no time may students use the emergency doors leading from the courtyard or the rear of buildings including the back stairways of buildings 5 & 6.

9. **Buses:**

*MORNING:* Bus drivers are instructed not to unload students prior to 6:45am. *Bus riders are required to enter the Cafeteria, the Picnic area, or the Courtyard.* No bus rider may visit the parking lot or leave campus.

*AFTERNOON:* Bus riders need to be ready to board immediately after school as the first bus will pull out 10 minutes after the final bell. Bus riders after school will remain behind the posts until the bus stops. Then, students will line up parallel next to the bus. The bus drivers will be instructed to open the doors after students line up for proper boarding.

**THE BUS, BUS LOOP, AND THE BUS STOP IS AN EXTENTION OF THE SCHOOL AND THE SCHOOL DAY. PLEASE ADHERE TO ALL SCHOOL POLICIES AND BUS PROCEDURES.**

10. **Contraband: JUST DON'T TAKE THE CHANCE!**

*Any illegal items such as drugs, alcohol, tobacco products, lighters & matches (new discipline code), prescription or non prescription drugs not checked in through the clinic, weapons, knives (any type), chains, or any other sharp objects.*

**BRINGING CONTRABAND ITEMS TO SCHOOL WILL BE CAUSE FOR SEVERE DISCIPLINARY ACTION RESULTING IN SUSPENSION AND/OR EXPULSION, INCLUDING CRIMINAL CHARGES.**

11. **SEARCHES:**

All visitors and students are subject to search as posted upon entering school property. Searches are at the discretion of the Administration and upon request may be assisted by the School's Resource Deputy (SRD).

**Searches of students, book bags, personal items, lockers and vehicles are conducted when there is a reasonable suspicion of a violation of the District's Code of Student Conduct & Discipline.**

12. **Passes:**

**All students must have a "yellow" hall pass, "clinic pass" or a "restroom" pass when traveling outside the classroom.**

*All buildings or hallways have student restrooms. Therefore, students are not allowed outside any building with a restroom pass. Restroom passes are to be used for the hallway their classroom is located.*

13. Tardy Policies:

1<sup>st</sup>- periods: *Students arriving to school after the bell must report to the ATTENDANCE OFFICE.*

2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> periods: *Students tardy to class must report directly to the tardy room. Students must report to the tardy room within 5 minutes of the last bell or it will be considered out of area.*

Failure to report to the tardy room will result in disciplinary action.

14. Obligations/Textbooks:

OBLIGATIONS occur when textbooks, locks, uniforms, equipment and other school property are returned damaged or not returned. Vandalism to school property also becomes an obligation.

TEXTBOOK obligations range in cost from \$50-\$100. Please cover all books, prevent water damage, and secure books from becoming DAMAGED, LOST and/or STOLEN. At the end of a semester course, a year long course or a class change, return textbooks to the original teacher and secure the textbook card as your receipt.

ALL OBLIGATIONS MUST BE CLEARED THROUGH THE BOOKKEEPER IN THE MAIN OFFICE.

15. Security/School Drills:

*For security purposes students are not allowed on campus prior to 6:45am and must leave campus by 3:15pm unless supervised by a sponsor, coach, teacher or administrator.*

*Safety drills will be conducted throughout the school year. Students are required to remain with their teachers for attendance purposes. THE USE OF ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED DURING ALL DRILLS AND ARE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.*

16. Language/Respect:  
Inappropriate language directed at staff members, other students or in overheard conversations is not acceptable and is subject to disciplinary action and/or suspension.

If a school staff member asks you to comply with a reasonable request, then it is the school's expectation that you will comply in a respectful manner at all times.

17. Public Display of Affection: *(not appropriate for school setting)*  
*Please address this as a level of RESPECT while on school grounds, on buses or at school sponsored events.*

EXTREME VIOLATIONS or REPEATED WARNINGS will result in PARENT CONTACT AND/OR disciplinary action.

18. Cyberbullying:  
Cyberbullying on School Campus (also known by law as "Cyberstalking" ) which may originate from Myspace, Instant Messaging, E-mails, YouTube, Chat Rooms, Textmessaging, Blogs, etc. which result in bullying, harassment, stalking and/or threats of incitement or intimidation will be cause for disciplinary action and/or the involvement of law enforcement.

***Again, welcome to the "Home of the Barracudas"!***

*Please stop by Student Services if you have any questions or concerns that we can assist you with throughout the 2008-2009 school year. We are located in the courtyard side of the main office in room #1-114.*

**GO CUDAS!**

PROVIDED BY  
STUDENT SERVICES