

Boys Preparatory Academy

Franklin Middle Magnet School

A Journey to Distinction

Welcome to Franklin Boys Prep!

I hope all of our students enjoyed this summer break and the time with family and friends. We are very proud to announce that BPA is still one of the top rated middle schools in the district and a National Magnet Schools of America School of Distinction. We are opening the 2019-20 school year with our biggest enrollment in our history. We look forward to continue striving towards maintaining academic excellence during the new school year.

The first day of school for students is Monday, August 12th. This will be an early release day.

School begins promptly at 8:30 AM and concludes at 3:25 PM. Students who are

registered for HOST may be dropped off no earlier than 6:30AM. All other students may be dropped off no earlier than 7:45AM

Franklin BPA's administration, faculty, and staff continue to remain committed to our vision of "Molding young men of distinction who will achieve greatness." We strive for academic excellence by promoting a challenging and rigorous curriculum, utilizing best practices, and research-based instructional strategies across all content areas.

In addition, BPA will make every effort to help every boy feel connected, safe, and part of the Boys Prep Family. Using effective organizational skills is key to being successful in the preparatory environment. **All students will be required to keep track of their daily assignments and grades using their students planners.** Students will be required to record their academic grades from Edsby on a regularly scheduled basis. We are asking that parents sign and review their son's planner on a weekly basis.

Please take a few moments to review this informational newsletter carefully. It contains a wealth of information you and your child will find useful. In addition, you may contact us at 744-8108 if you have questions.

Finally, I personally invite you to take an active role in your child's education at BPA. Your ongoing support as parents is so important and appreciated in helping Boys Prep Academy be the best middle school for boys in all of Hillsborough County schools. We will offer several workshops on using Edsby to keep you informed of your son's progress. Furthermore, our PTSA offers numerous opportunities for parents to be involved. We look forward to a great year and to having your son be a part of Franklin Boys Preparatory Academy.

Sincerely,
John Haley
Principal



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BPA Open House – Thursday, August 8th

Open House for 6th grade students will be on Thursday, August 8th from 2:00-4:00pm.

Open House for 7th/8th grade students is also Thursday, August 8th from 4:00-5:00pm.

Open House is a perfect chance to:

- Tour the campus
- Meet your son's teachers
- Purchase uniform ties
- Learn about Enrichment Academies.
- Get field trip and medical release forms notarized in advance.
- Get school supplies information
- Join the PTSA



Attendance , Sign In, and Sign Out Procedures

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES:

Please help your child understand the importance of an education and that daily attendance is absolutely essential! Please refer to your child's student handbook for attendance and absence reporting requirements.

If your child is absent, a phone call is required.

The telephone number for our 24 hr. automated system is: **(813) 744-8108 press 1**. Please leave your child's first and last name and your own first and last name on the recording.

SIGN-IN PROCEDURES:

Any student arriving to school after school has begun **MUST** report to the **D.P. Office, Room 110**. A tardy pass shall be issued indicating excused or unexcused tardy or absence.

Students with excessive UNEXCUSED tardies will be subject to disciplinary action.

SIGN-OUT PROCEDURES:

(PRE-APPROVED AND EMERGENCY)

During school hours a principal or designee shall permit a child to leave school only in custody of one of the following adults:

- **LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE STUDENT, WITH PHOTO ID;**
- Person listed on emergency contact card, with photo ID;

Students may NOT be signed out after 3:00 PM.

Regular dismissal is at 3:25 PM.

On Early Release Mondays, students may NOT be signed out after 2:00PM.

We appreciate your cooperation as we minimize classroom interruptions at the end of the school day.



Extramural Sports Requirements

Basketball is our first extramural sport. All extramural paperwork is due by no later than August 19th and must be completed online at Planet HS.



Student may choose to try out for extramural competitive sports at BPA.

Basketball, track, volleyball, soccer and flag football are played in a competitive format against other middle school teams.

The Athletic Packet is available at <http://www.planeths.com>. Planet HS also has an app for your convenience!



Immunization Records and Clinic Information

Students **will not** be able to start 7th grade unless they are compliant with immunizations in accordance to Florida State Law. Florida Certificate of Immunization (**blue card**) must be provided to the school by August 12, 2019 or your child may be excluded from class.



The following immunization are required for seventh grade entry:

- **DPT** (diphtheria, pertussis, and tetanus) - 5 doses
- **Polio Vaccine** (IPV, OPV) - 4 doses
- **MMR** (measles, mumps, rubella) - 2 doses
- **Hepatitis B Series**—3 doses
- **Varicella** (Chicken Pox)
- **Tdap Tetanus Diphtheria** - 1 dose

Contact your physician or the Hillsborough County Health Department. Immunizations are provided **FREE** at the Health Department.

Main Health Department:

(813) 307-8077

Main Hargrett Building
Immunization Clinic
2002 E. 26th Avenue, Tampa, FL

School Clinic

All prescription and non-prescription medications will be administered by the school nurse. Students should not have ANY medication in their possession at school (prescription or non-prescription). Medications must be checked in with the nurse in the original containers with the doctor's instructions.

Students may carry Epi-pens with the proper paperwork completed in the clinic.

This is the only exception to students having medication on their person.

If you have questions or concerns, please call the school health personnel at **744-8108 x229**. We have a full-time nurse, Anastasia Saunders, who can answer all medical questions. Please note that once a day medications containing narcotics will not be administered by the school health personnel.

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

When dropping off students in the AM., please use the circle drive located at the front of the fenced parking lot on East 21st Avenue, on the N side of the faculty parking lot.



PM Pick up only- Parents may park along 21st Ave (heading east) or the circle drive on the north side of the faculty lot. Do not drop off or pick up in the bus lanes in front of the cafeteria.

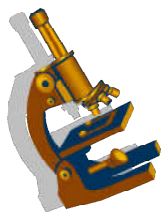
Do not use any unsupervised drop-off points, as we cannot guarantee your child's safety. Morning drop-off is NO EARLIER than 7:45 AM., unless your son is enrolled in HOST. HOST drop off starts at 6:30 AM.

Optional After-School Enrichment Academies

Franklin Boys Preparatory Academy is pleased to offer After-school Enrichment Academies.

These academies are offered on Tuesdays through Fridays from 3:30 - 4:45 PM of each week throughout the school year. **No Enrichment will be held on Mondays.**

We offer 4 different sessions of Enrichment Academies that align with the grading periods. We offer a wide variety of academies that are designed to allow students to discover, explore and develop their interests. We offer an assortment of activities so that



there is something for everyone.

Some of our different enrichment activities include Academic Skill Tutorials, Golf, Model United Nations, Speech and Debate, Chess, Strategic Games, and other activities based upon the interests of the students at Boys Preparatory Academy.



Bus transportation home is not provided following Enrichment.

Students MUST be picked up from the car rider line by no later than 4:45 PM unless they are attending HOST.

Students may sign up for Enrichment Academies online during the first week of school.

Enrichment information forms will go home the first day of school.

The first session of After-school Enrichment Academies begins on Tuesday, August 20, 2019.

2019-2020 Enrichment Dates

Session 1	August 20 - October 11
Session 2	October 15 – December 20
Session 3	January 8 - March 13
Session 4	March 26—May 15

HOST After-School Care

In addition to the Enrichment Academies, we offer the Hillsborough Out of School Time (**HOST**) program to your child for a **small fee**. HOST Options are listed here. Please contact BPA HOST at 813-744-8108 for further information.

REGISTER ONLINE

<http://www.host.mysdhc.org/>

HOST Options	Cost
My child will attend HOST after school when the Enrichment Academies end, 4:45 – 6:00 PM (including early release Mondays)	Weekly \$27.00
My child will attend HOST for early release Mondays only from 2:30 – 6:00 PM	Monthly \$20.00
Morning program only 6:30 –7:45 AM	Weekly \$15.00

Mandatory School Uniform Information

Boys Preparatory Academy is a **mandatory** uniform school. Uniforms are mandatory beginning Day 1 of the school year. Uniforms must be worn Monday through Friday. The dress and grooming of pupils shall be that which contributes to the health and safety of the individual and which is non-disruptive of the educational activities and processes of a school. House shirts are the only alternative shirt and may only be worn on Fridays. They may be purchased online.

All items, except for the neck tie and P.E. uniform, may be purchased from a local store like Target, Wal-Mart, Old Navy, JC Penny, etc. or online at our **NEW SCHOOL STORE**: https://stores.inksoft.com/franklinBPA_webstore.

TOP VARIETIES

- Blue button-down oxford (short or long sleeve)
- School crest logo is not required, but is the **ONLY** logo that can be displayed.
- All tops must be tucked appropriately into bottoms.
- Approved school House t-shirt may only be worn on House Competition Days and Mentor Meeting Days.

JACKETS & SWEATERS

- Jackets and sweaters should be **solid** navy blue or black. **No logos or design patterns** should be displayed other than the school logo. **MUST** have buttons, snaps, or zipper.
- **The only jacket with a hood that is allowed is the BPA issued jacket.**

NECK TIE

- Purchase at **Franklin BPA** during **Open House**
- **House lanyard and photo ID** are also worn around the neck and are a mandatory part of the school uniform.



BOTTOM VARIETIES

- Khaki pants or shorts
- Pants and shorts shall be secured at the waist with a belt.
- No logos should be displayed.
- Bottoms **MUST NOT** be altered with cuts or holes.
- No Joggers
- Belts should be a **solid** black or brown.

SHOE VARIETIES

- Shoes must be closed toe and closed heel.
- Shoes must be a **solid** black or brown. Multi-shaded shoes are allowed as long as the shades are brown.
- Any logo **MUST** be the **SAME** color as the shoe.
- Socks must be **solid** white or black.
- Tennis (athletic) shoes are required for PE class, but are not required to meet uniform criteria.

EXAMPLES OF SHOES:

- **Solid** black athletic shoes with black sides, soles and black laces are acceptable.
- **Solid** black or brown dress shoes and solid brown Sperry Top-siders are also acceptable.



Available for purchase during Open House

Uniform Ties \$20.00

Cash, check, or money order only



**School House T-Shirts can be worn to school on Fridays in lieu of the regular uniform shirt and tie.
Online purchased House Shirts will be distributed after the boys are inducted into their Houses.
You may order PE, House, and regular uniform items online.*

Important Dates



2019-2020 STUDENT ACADEMIC CALENDAR

First Semester

Students' First Day of School	Monday, August 12
Labor Day Holiday/Schools and District Offices Closed	Monday, September 2
End of 1st Grading Period	Friday, October 11
Veteran's Day Holiday/Non-Student Day	Monday, November 11
Fall Break/Schools and District Offices Closed	Monday – Friday /November 25-29
Students Return to School	Monday, December 2
End of 2nd Grading Period (End of 1st Semester)	Friday, December 20
Winter Break/Schools and District Offices Closed	Monday – Friday /December 23– January 3

Second Semester

Non-Student Day.....	Monday, January 6
Students Return to School	Tuesday , January 7
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday/Schools and District Offices Closed	Monday, January 20
Florida State Fair Day/Non-Student Day (ALL).....	Friday, February 7
President's Day/Non-Student Day.....	Monday, February 17
Strawberry Festival Day/Non-Student Day (ALL).....	Monday, March 2
End of 3rd Grading Period	Friday, March 13
Spring Break/Schools and District Offices Closed	Monday – Friday /March 16-20
Students Return to School	Tuesday, March 23
Non-Student Day	Monday, April 10
Non-Student Day.....	Friday, April 20
Memorial Day/Non-Student Day.....	Monday, May 25
Last Day of School.....	Friday, May 29



FRANKLIN BOYS PREPARATORY ACADEMY



2019-2020 IMPORTANT DATES

REPORT CARDS AVAILABLE ONLINE:

- Tuesday, October 29, 2019
- Wednesday, January 22, 2020
- Wednesday, April 8, 2020
- Thursday, June 11, 2020

CONFERENCE NIGHT DATES: (4:00—6:30 PM)

- Thursday, September 12, 2019
- Tuesday, November 19, 2019
- Tuesday, February 11, 2020
- Thursday, April 23, 2020

NO EARLY RELEASE ON THESE DAYS!

- October 14, 2019
- October 21, 2019
- October 28, 2019
- November 4, 2019
- November 18, 2019
- December 2, 2019
- December 9, 2019
- December 16, 2019

Save these dates!

Semester One Exams –

12/16/19 - 12/20/19

Semester Two Exams—

5/26/2020—5/29/2020

Check out our newsletters, Twitter @HCPSBoysPrep, EDSBY, and our website at <http://Franklin.mysdhc.org>

Bus Route Information

Bus Route information is mailed directly to your home from HCPS Transportation Department.

Please contact the HCPS Transportation Department

for questions regarding bus routes and bus stops.

(813) 982-5500



Car Pool?

Stop by the PTSA Table and check out our zip code map.

Maybe you can find a family that lives near you that wants to car pool.

There is also a District wide program to help find a carpool and a link on the BPA Website!

<http://www.tbarta.com/en/school-program/commuter/school-program>



PTSA

Our PTSA is excited that you have chosen to be part of the BPA Family and we are looking forward to a year of success for our students, teachers, staff and school. Please keep an eye out for our Franklin BPA PTSA packet in your son's Welcome Back Paperwork.

The packet will have information to keep you well-informed on all of the ways that you can stay connected, volunteer and help out your school.

We are still looking for parents and/or guardians to help chair some positions and we are always appreciative of any volunteers and support of our events. If you are interested in volunteering or being a part of this wonderful team, please fill out the Volunteer Form in our packet or contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Debbie Siebenthal at americans@verizon.net

You can follow us on Facebook at /franklinbpapta or on Twitter at @franklinbpapta

JOIN THE PTSA

Membership Fees:

\$7.00 adult

\$5.00 student

**CHECK OUT OUR TABLE
AT OPEN HOUSE**