



PAXON

School for Advanced Studies



NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Principal...

Eagles,

Summer is near! The campus is abuzz with the promise of summer vacation and new opportunities to learn and explore outside of the school environment. Before we move forward, it is important to look back and consider all that we have accomplished. This school year, we have moved closer to a "normal" school experience, while simultaneously discovering and understanding that normal will never be the same. Even with all the changes and challenges the world presented, Paxon eagles continued to be resilient. We continued to excel in academics, being named a Magnet School of Distinction, bringing home district, regional, and state science fair awards, and achieving top scores in district assessments. We continued to excel in sports, earning district and regional championships in several areas. Our teachers continued to be the best as demonstrated by district, state, and national recognition. We continued to develop the whole student by encouraging participation in our award-winning fine arts programs. We have accomplished much, together. However, we still have much work to do to bring this school year to a close. In this final month of school, we must not lose sight of the here and now. Not only is this month representative of assessments, but it also includes celebrations of student and teacher accomplishments. Let us approach this final month of school with the same vigor and determination that has defined this school year. I have the highest expectation that the best of this year is yet to come.

We must continue to focus on upcoming FSA, EOC, AP and IB assessments. These assessments, while challenging, represent the culmination of the hard work of our students and teachers and provide for them opportunities to meet graduation requirements, obtain college credit, and earn scholarship monies. This is an important time. Students, study for your exams and get lots of rest. Go into each exam with confidence as our teachers have done an excellent job of helping you prepare. Parents, encourage your students to approach each exam with the seriousness that they deserve, encouraging them to do their very best. We are confident that when results return in the summer, students will see the fruits of their labor.

This month, we will also continue to celebrate our school community. Join us in celebrating our students at our various ceremonies including graduation on May 27th at 1 p.m. at the UNF Arena. Our Senior Awards Ceremony will be on May 24th at 6 p.m. Our Baccalaureate Ceremony will be May 26th. We will celebrate our underclassmen on May 25th at 6 p.m. Help us recognize and celebrate our teachers during teacher appreciation week, May 2nd-May 6th by sending them words of encouragement and other tokens of appreciation. Please continue to watch our website and parent phone calls for information and updates. The final week of school will consist of half days with an 11:55 am dismissal each day beginning May 23rd. As you look forward, save the dates for our school's summer orientation for the 2022-2023 school year. Orientation will be July 20th for Seniors and Juniors, July 21st for Sophomores, and July 26th-July 28th for our Freshmen transition

program. Please watch for more detailed information in the weeks to come.

As we close this year, we want to thank our school's SAC for their dedication to ensuring the academic needs of our school are met. This year, SAC supported an incentive gift card giveaway to encourage student participation in assessment preparation sessions. Thank you to our PTSA for the many wonderful programs sponsored this year in support of the safety and well-being of all members of our school community. Please continue to support our PTSA by participating in several end of year and summer volunteer opportunities.

We cannot end this school year without a final salute to our Eagles in recognition of their accomplishments. Congratulations to the Paxon Women's Chorus for earning Straight Superiors at the State Music Performance Assessment. Congratulations to E.D. Sturgeon on being named 1010XL athlete of the week. Congratulations to Kristi Biswas on earning 2nd place in the state science fair. Congratulations to Matthew Richey for earning a silver medal in the National Scholastic Art and Writing Awards. Congratulations to Madyson Brinson on earning the Girl Scout Gold Award. Congratulations to the Paxon JROTC Raiders female team on their recent 1st place wins at competition. Congratulations to Mrs. Claudia Elliott on being named the SCOLT (Southern Conference on Language Teaching) Teacher of the Year!

I am so proud to be a member of this community of learners. You all have proven that there is no circumstance that an Eagle cannot fly above! As we look forward to a new school year, please remember, "Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end." We look forward to the end of this year, so that we may once again start anew, refreshed for another year filled with the highest of expectations!



Dr. Royce Turner

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND
2A Geometry EOC AP US Government (AM) AP Chemistry (PM) Achieve 3000 Level Set Window Opens District EOC Make ups	3B Geometry EOC AP Environmental Science (Am) AP Psychology (PM) District EOC Make ups	4A AP English Lit (Am) AP Computer Science (PM) IB History (PM) District EOC Make ups	5B AP Human Geography (AM) AP Macroeconomics (AM) IB History (AM) AP Statistics (PM) IB Environmental Sys. (PM) District EOC Make ups	6A AP Euro History (AM) AP US History (AM) IB Environmental Sys. (AM) AP Art History (PM) AP Microeconomics (PM) IB Math AA & AI (PM) District EOC Make ups PTSA Comfort Pets Program 11:15am	7
9B FSA Reading 9th & 10th AP Calculus AB & BC (Am) IB Math AA & AI (AM) AP Computer Sci Principles (PM) District EOC Make Ups	10A SAC Meeting 4:00pm FSA Reading 9th & 10th AP English Comp (AM) AP Physics C (PM) IB Latin (PM) IB Chinese (PM) District EOC Make ups	11B US History EOC AP Spanish (AM) IB Chinese (AM) AP Biology (PM) IB Biology (PM) District EOC Make ups	12A AP French (AM) AP World History (AM) IB Math AA (AM) AP Physics 1 (PM) IB English Lit (PM) District EOC Make ups	13B Biology EOC AP Music Theory (AM) District EOC Make ups	14
16A FSA & EOC Make-up Algebra 1 EOC Retake Day 1 IB Spanish (PM)	17B JWJ Parent Night 5:00pm-8:00pm FSA & EOC Make-Up Algebra 1 EOC Retake Day 2 IB Spanish (AM) IB Psychology (PM) IB Information Technology (PM)	18A <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Early Dismissal 1:10pm</div> FSA & EOC Make-Up AP US History (Late-Am) IB Psychology (AM) AP English Lit (Late-Pm) IB Chemistry (PM)	19B Rising AP 9th grade Registration Palm Avenue Graduation FSA & EOC Make-Up AP Physics (AM-Late) AP Biology (PM-Late) IB French (PM) Palm Avenue Graduation Awards	20A Last Day For Seniors IB Senior Dinner FSA & EOC Make-Up Achieve 3000 Level Set Window closes IB French (AM)	21
23B Early Dismissal 11:55am Senior Movie Day 9:00am FSA & EOC Make-up	24A Early Dismissal 11:55am Senior Awards 6:00pm FSA & EOC Make-Up	25B Early Dismissal 11:55am Cap & Gown Distribution 10:00am Underclassmen Awards 6:00pm FSA & EOC Make-Up	26A Early Dismissal 11:55am Baccalaureate 6:00pm FSA & EOC Make-Up	27B Early Dismissal 11:55am Paxon Graduation UNF Arena 1:00pm <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Last Day Of School</div>	28
30 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">No School Holiday</div>	31 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">No School Weather Day</div>	June 1st <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">No School Weather Day</div>	June 2nd <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Employee Plan/ In-Service</div>	June 3rd <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Employee Plan/ In-Service</div>	Notes:

PTSA Happenings



On **Friday, May 13th** during both lunches, Paxon PTSA will host the last visit of the school year from Pet Partners. We are no longer requiring parent consent forms. If you would like to visit with the comfort dogs, please sign up, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044CABA62C7-petpartners>, for a time during your lunch period. Please arrive at the courtyard area at your scheduled time.

2022-2023 Paxon SAS PTSA Board Nominations

It's time to accept nominations for PTSA officers for the 2022-23 school year! We are accepting nominees for the following positions: President, 1st VP of Programs, 2nd VP of Resources, 3rd VP of Membership, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Correspondence Secretary. We are also accepting nominees for committee chairs. Please contact our nominating committee chairperson at paxonptsacorre-spondence@yahoo.com if you are interested in learning more about getting involved next year.

NOTICE **General PTSA Meeting**

We will host a PTSA General Meeting on Wednesday, May 18th at 6pm on Zoom. Please plan to attend. We will be electing our executive officers in this meeting. Zoom login information is posted on our PTSA website, <http://paxon.my-ptsa.org/>.

Parents, if you experience any difficulty with transportation to our programs, please contact the school for assistance.

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