

Bobcat Territory

Buchholz Recognizes Teacher of the Year, Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to **Mrs. Stacia Berben**, our Buchholz High School Teacher of the Year for the 2008-2009 school year. Mrs. Berben teaches AP psychology. We appreciate your hard work and dedication to teaching our students.

We would also like to recognize **Nancy Nixon**, our Career Service Volunteer of the Year.

The Buchholz High School Senior Class Awards Night is May 21 at 7 pm in the BHS auditorium. All seniors and their families are invited.

The Buchholz High School Underclass Awards Night is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26 at 7 pm in the BHS auditorium. Those students being recognized will receive a letter in the mail in May.

Congratulations to the Buchholz High School Band and Band Director

Congratulations to the Buchholz High School Band for excelling once again at District and Solo Ensemble MPA. The band earned (individually) an impressive 182 superior medals plus Straight Superiors for the Jazz Band.

The Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony earned Straight A's and Straight Superior ratings at the District MPA. **Ryan Sullivan** and **Russ Cawthon** won superiors as student conductors.

Congratulations to the BHS Wind Symphony for having been selected to perform at Carnegie Hall during the April 2009 New York Wind Band Festival.

Our wonderful Band Director **Alex Kamisky** was recently honored among the prestigious listing as one of 50 Directors Who Make A Difference by School Band and Orchestra Magazine.

Attention Parents

For your child's protection, BHS policy restricts contact with students to parents/legal guardians and those persons who have been authorized by the parents/legal guardians. "Contact" includes checking a student out of school, asking to speak to a student, or making deliveries of any kind (i.e. homework, gym clothes, lunch, etc.).

This policy covers all "non-parents" including immediate family (siblings, grandparents, uncles, aunts), as well as friends, neighbors, etc. This policy means only those visitors that have been pre-approved by parents may have contact with students. Non-parents can be approved by listing those names on your child's signed emergency card. If you have any questions, please contact BHS at 955-6702.

Administration of Medication

BHS and Alachua County Public Schools requires that the administration of all medications on school property (prescription and over-the-counter) must be done by a school employee.

The required forms to provide for the routine or occasional administration of medication are available at the BHS Clinic.

Buchholz High School would like to welcome Our new clinic staff!

Robin Tracey is our permanent nurse, and **Tina Williams** will be here several days a week to assist. We are so happy to have our clinic staffed with such wonderful healthcare personnel. If you need to contact them, call 955-6702 ext.278.

Call for Nominations for the Buchholz School Advisory Council

Any parent of a BHS student who is interested in serving or would care to nominate a parent to serve on the BHS School Advisory Council (SAC) is requested to complete the nomination form below and return it to the school. The deadline for receipt of nominations is April 30, 2009. An election will be conducted at the May SAC meeting. Parents and other community members are invited to attend these meetings.

School Advisory Council
Parent Member Nomination Form

Please return to:
Buchholz High School
Attn: SAC Nominating Committee
5510 NW 27th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32606

Name of Nominee: _____

Name of BHS Student(s) and Grade _____

Address: _____

Home telephone: _____ Work/Cell: _____

Email address: _____

Note: Adults that do not have a student at BHS may serve on the BHS SAC as Community Members. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Principal Vicente Perez at (352) 955-6702.



Volunteer News

February was *Volunteer Appreciation Month* in our schools. Each year during that month we take time to celebrate the tremendous contribution of our volunteers here at Buchholz. We celebrated during the week of February 23rd – 27th by providing snacks each day for our volunteer force. I hope many of you were able to partake of the “goodies” brought in each day for you. This is just a small way of saying **THANKS** for all you do.

As a personal note, we want to extend our deepest thanks to each of you who spend your time giving back to our school in some capacity. You will never know how much your efforts keep us going. Buchholz is blessed to have a large group of volunteers who give of their time and talents to help this school operate at an extraordinary level of excellence. Our thanks to each of you!

The next big volunteer need is the proctoring of AP Exams in May. Below is a matrix of the dates and times the exams will be administered (AM – 7:00a – 11:45p; PM 11:45a – 4:00p):

	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8
AM	US Govt	Spanish Lang	Calculus AB/BC	English Lit (12) German Lang	US History
PM	French Lang	Statistics	Chinese	French Lit	European Hist Studio Art
	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	
AM	Biology	Environ. Sci Chemistry	English Lang(11 th)	Macroeconomics World History	Spanish Lit
PM	Physics	Psychology	Art History	Microeconomics	

We will begin assigning proctors in mid to late March after the registration counts are finalized. If you are interested in helping during any of these periods please contact us by leaving a message at school (955-6702) or writing to buchholzvolunteers@gmail.com for more information. Please note, you may not proctor an exam that your child is taking.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about volunteering at Buchholz.

Sean Timmons, Volunteer Co-Coordinator
Kathy Wheeler Co-Volunteer Coordinator