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Visit our website: Allen D. Nease High School Website



Hello Panther Families,

The first week of school has been a whirlwind of new beginnings, learning the *Nease Way*, and fostering our *Panther Traditions*. We held Panther Expectations and Safety meetings for all grade levels on Thursday and Friday.

This week, our seniors enjoyed a Sunrise Breakfast at the stadium and received information about purchasing **Cap &Gowns** and senior dues. Juniors also received information about **Class Rings**.

Herff Jones will be taking Junior class ring and senior cap/gown orders during lunches on Thursday Aug 29th, Friday Aug 30th and Friday Sept. 6th.

This edition of the **Panther Press** is packed full, so please review it carefully. I have titled each section so you can focus on your particular student's interest. Have a great weekend!

Gina Fonseca, Principal Allen D. Nease High School "TRADITION LIVES HERE"

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

## Fri, August 23

• Football v. Ponte Vedra (H)

## Wed, August 28

• Club Fair (during excel)

## Thurs, August 29 - Fri, August 30

• Sr. Cap & Gown and Jr. Class Ring Orders

## Thurs, September 5

• Nease High School College Fair

## Thurs, September 5 - Fri, September 6

• Picture Day (Underclassmen)

## Friday, September 6

• Sr. Cap & Gown and Jr. Class Ring Orders

## Friday, September 20

- Military Appreciation Football Game SAHS v. Nease 7PM
- \*4PM JROTC Flag Football Game



#### ACADEMY INFORMATION

Communications, Hospitality, and Stellar Academy of Engineering students, welcome to the 2024-25 school year! We are looking forward to a year filled with real-world projects, hands-on learning, and unique experiences that can only be found via our Academy programs. Please check the Academy Section of the Panther Press weekly for updates on important paperwork, upcoming opportunities, and scholarships! If students or parents have any questions related to the Academy programs at Nease, students can find me in C-Pod, office C-101, or you can email me at jaime.combs@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

## **ATTENDANCE INFORMATION**

Attendance Information is on the Nease HS website under the Attendance tab. Please familiarize yourself with important attendance information and the online digital forms for Absences and Early Check Out. <a href="https://www.nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/parents/attendance/">https://www.nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/parents/attendance/</a>

#### **CLUB DAY**

Nease High School extracurricular clubs are a tremendous opportunity for Nease students to participate and explore their interests and grow their circle of friends! The NHS Club Fair will be held during EXCEL on Wednesday, August 28th for all students.

## PICTURE DAYS ARE COMING!

Picture days for grades 9-11 are scheduled for Thursday and Friday, September 5-6 through English classes. Students will receive order forms, or photos can be ordered online at leonards.com. Please make sure your students get a photo taken. Students without an English class may come to the PAC at their convenience during the day.

## 17th ANNUAL NEASE HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE FAIR

Come join us for the 17th Annual Nease High School College Fair on Thursday, September 5th from 6-8PM in the Nease gym. All St Johns County high school students and their families are invited to attend!

#### PE UNIFORMS

Required for all Physical education classes. <a href="https://crowleyprinting.com/shop/ols/categories/nease-physical-education">https://crowleyprinting.com/shop/ols/categories/nease-physical-education</a>

# MAKE <u>YOUR</u> VOICE HEARD

with Student Government Association





\*You must have a minimum 2.0 unweighted GPA

\*Applications are due by August 18th



## **Travel Opportunity!**

Final Interest Meeting- 6pm (virtual) on Tuesday, September 10th. <u>Go to MsMGlobalTravel.com</u> or email <u>MiragliaTeaches@gmail.com</u> for more info!



# Travel with me on my Next EF Tour! MsMGlobalTravel Japan- Summer 2025

Recorded Informational Meeting from 11/11/23 <a href="http://tinyurl.com/miragliaJapan2025">http://tinyurl.com/miragliaJapan2025</a>
Enrollment: <a href="https://www.eftours.com/2711106WK">www.eftours.com/2711106WK</a>

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# INFORMATION ABOUT XELLO

Dear Senior Parents,

As many of you know, our students will be utilizing Xello to assist with the college application process. Nease School Counselors will visit senior classes in the next few weeks to support our seniors with this process.

If you have not already done so, please log in to XELLO. You can find XELLO in your CLEVER link on the Nease HS home page. <a href="https://www-nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/">https://www-nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/</a>

XELLO replaces Naviance here as the system that we will be using to organize, manage, and send your college application documents out to the schools of your choice.

Once set up, it will help you to manage your college deadlines, help you request your teacher recommendations, and document when your school documents are sent out to each college. The system is scheduled to integrate with Common App soon, so more information will follow. For now, students should log into their XELLO account for the first time (if you have not already done so) and explore.

More information about Xello will be added to our website for easy access, but for now, see the helpful links below.

GET STARTED FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN (XELLO.WORLD)

INTRODUCTION TO XELLO 6-12 - US - YOUTUBE

CLICK HERE>> FOR DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO SET UP YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN XELLO ACCOUNT!

## IMPORTANT SENIOR INFORMATION

<u>CLICK HERE>></u> to view the "GUIDE FOR SENIOR YEAR" that was provided to class of 2025 students during the Senior Class assembly.

## SENIOR YEARBOOK ADDS

Senior Yearbook Ads are now available for a limited time. Recognize your special graduate-to-be with an ad in the yearbook. You can design your ad as you like, and include photos and a personal message. Various sizes are available, but the deadline is November 1. Go to yearbookordercenter.com and enter code 15476.

#### SENIOR PORTRAITS

Time is running out to get your senior portrait done at Leonard's Studios! In order to be in the yearbook, you must have your portraits done at Leonard's by September 18. Call (904) 209-3300 or visit www.leonards.com for more information.

Seniors: September: Senior Scavenger Hunt (signupgenius.com).



# Senior Sunrise Breakfast









## **NEASE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

## **Fall Sport Photo Dates:**

- · Senior banner photos for fall sports **make-up day** will take place in the Gym Lobby on Wednesday, August 21 from 3:00 pm 4:00 pm cost is \$45.00. Families will pay Leonard's directly online. **Only senior banners that have been paid for will be printed.** Here is the link for the banner payment: <a href="https://leonards.fotomerchanthv.com/search/C655277">https://leonards.fotomerchanthv.com/search/C655277</a>
- · *Team/Individual photos* for Golf and Swim/Dive photos will be taken on location at a later date.

#### Girls Soccer

Pre-tryout meeting – Thursday, September 12th at 6:30 pm outside at the tables under the covered space in front of CPod.

### Girls Basketball

Attention anybody interested in Girls Basketball.

There will be a tryout for our fall team this Wednesday, August 21st at 7:15 am.

\*\*\*All interacted players MUST be cleared in Athletic Clearance in order to participate\*\*\*

If you have any questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:neasegirlsbb@gmail.com">neasegirlsbb@gmail.com</a>

## **Boys Basketball**

Fall club tryouts will be Monday, August 19th from 7-8:30 pm for grades 9th-12th.

Email: bailenbasketball@gmail.com with questions.

#### Baseball

There will be a fall informational meeting for students interested in playing fall baseball this year on Monday, August 19th in Panther Hall room 209 after school. The meeting should last 30 minutes. Students will need to secure a ride home at 4:30 pm.

Tryouts – August 21st and 22nd.

Students will need to have a physical on file. Forms are on the Nease website under athletics. Questions, please reach out to Coach Jason Hatcher at jason.hatcher@stjohns.k12.fl.us

#### Girls Lacrosse

Fall Ball Interest Meeting, Wed 8/21 PH 205 - During Excel B. If you can NOT make it, please email Coach Fifield at melissa.fifield@stjohns.k12.fl.us for more information.

<u>CLICK HERE>></u> for updated information from the Nease Athletics department.

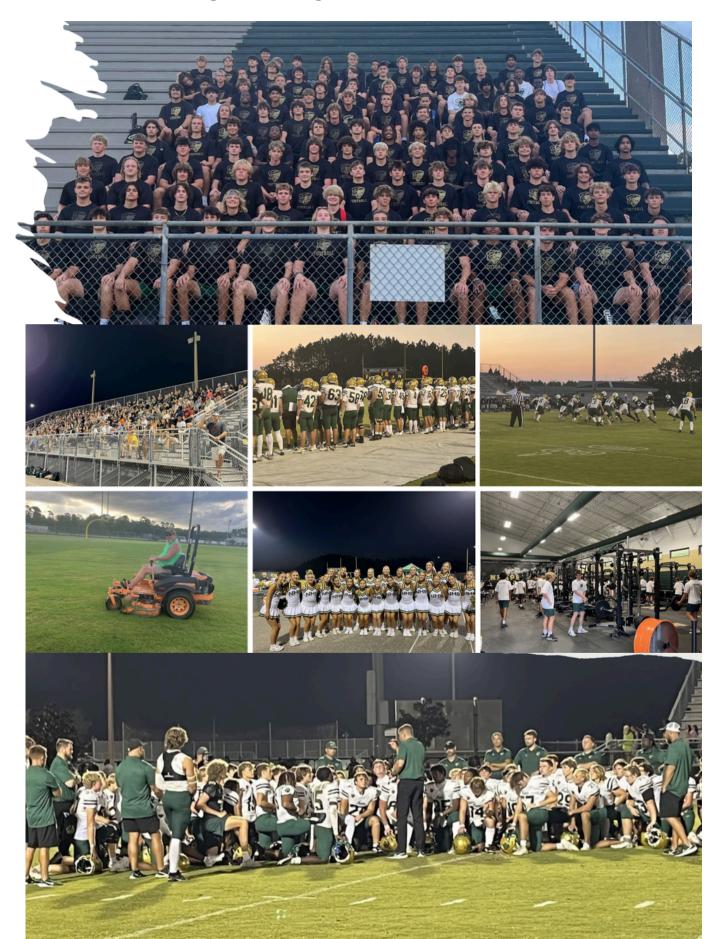


**Congratulations!** On August 8<sup>th</sup> Coach Max Gurowski, Boys Lacrosse was recognized as the St. Johns County School District Jeff Holt Pursuing Victory with Honor Coach of the Year and a very special congratulations to Michael Kypriss for his induction into the FHSAA Hall of Fame, ceremony will be in Gainesville, FL on September 22<sup>nd</sup>!



## FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

## Are you ready for Nease Football?



## Nease High School Parent Involvement Opportunities

Welcome to a fabulous new academic year to all Nease parents and families! Get involved in your children's education and support their endeavors by your participation in the following organizations:

All are welcomed to join and participate in the **Nease School Advisory Committee (SAC)** meetings held monthly. The first SAC meeting will be held on Thursday 8/15/24 from 8AM-9AM in the Nease Panther Hall Front Office conference room 104. https://www-nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/sac/

The **Golden Panther Booster Club** serves the Nease Athletic Programs and each individual high school sports team also has their respective sport team's booster club with parent volunteers. If your student athlete makes the selection onto their sport's high school team roster, volunteer to support their sports season and make it a successful season for all student athletes!

https://neaseathletics.com/

Congratulations to our new **Nease Panther Naval NJROTC** cadets and new cadet families at Nease High School! Learn about this incredible award winning program at Nease High School:

https://sites.google.com/a/navyjrotc.us/nease-panther-njrotc/?pli=1

Please get involved in our Nease High School community! Plenty of opportunities need your support and participation! Model leadership to your Nease Panther by becoming involved! Let's have a fabulous school year together as Nease Panthers! An engaged student and parent community strengthens our Nease High School!

See information about the Nease IB Boosters and the Nease PTSO on the next few pages.

## NEASE HIGH SCHOOL IB PROGRAM INFORMATION

If your family has a student in the Nease IB/Pre-IB Program, please plan to attend the monthly IB Booster Club meetings! Our first Nease IB Booster Club meeting this year will be held on Tuesday 8/27/24 from 9:45AM to 10:45AM at the Nease Media Center conference room.

Get to know about the IB Program at Nease High School and get to meet the Nease IB School Advisory Committee. Thank you to all who have joined the IB Booster club! If you haven't joined, there is still time. You can go to our website, <a href="https://neaseibboosters.org/join-the-booster/">https://neaseibboosters.org/join-the-booster/</a>, and join today! For our senior families, your Gold level membership comes with a senior stole that your student will wear at graduation this May.

Dates and other major event dates are at <a href="https://neaseibboosters.org/calendar/">https://neaseibboosters.org/calendar/</a>

## **Need Parking?**

Current IB student drivers – get ready to place your bids! An online auction for parking spot #38 will start on Friday, August 16th @ 10AM and end on Sunday, August 18th @5PM.

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## Nease PTSO

The Nease High School community has a wonderful Nease PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization). And by becoming a member, your membership fees help us support Nease High School in many ways! The first Nease PTSO general meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 9/3/24 from 7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m. at the Nease front office conference center. Nease PTSO has plenty of opportunities throughout the school year for parents to get involved! <a href="https://neaseptso.givebacks.com/store?limit=21&live=true&category=Membership">https://neaseptso.givebacks.com/store?limit=21&live=true&category=Membership</a>

## **Gold Panther Partner Spotlight**

At **Dr. Ann Huynh Nguyen & Associates**, we are dedicated to protecting and restoring vision, with a strong focus on delivering exceptional patient outcomes and experiences. We provide comprehensive primary eye care for all ages, specializing in contact lens evaluations, myopia control, and ocular disease treatments. Dr. Ann Huynh Nguyen is a proud member of the Panther family and has been a PTSO business sponsor since 2017! Visit us at <a href="www.dr-ann-eyecare.com">www.dr-ann-eyecare.com</a> or call us at +1 904-280-4855. Thank you, Dr. Ann, for all you do for the Nease community!

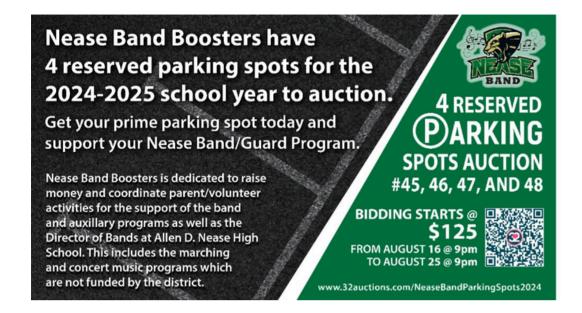
## Platinum Panther Partner Spotlight

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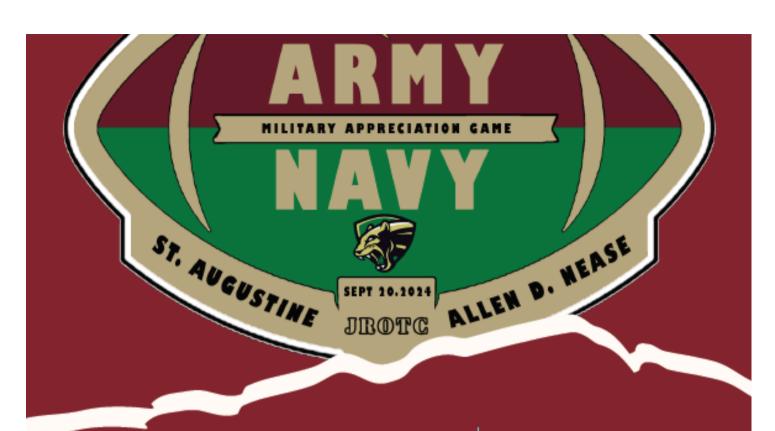
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## **Panther Pride Band**









# MILITARY APPR<mark>ECIATION</mark> FOOTBALL GAME

Come enjoy military displays, meet local veteran prganizations, and visit with local vendors before the game

## SAHS VS NEASE

Friday, September 20, 2024 SAHS HL Brumley Stadium

4:00PM JROTC Flag Football Game 7:00PM Varsity Game Kick-off

Gates open at 3PM | \$10 Admission Free Admission for Veterans & Active Duty Military members with Military ID

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