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Dear Panther Families,

It is the last week of the 2024-2025 school year! Thank you to a great team of faculty & parents for all the contributions to the Panther Press this school year!

This edition of the Panther Press includes this week's schedule, as it is different every day! There is also important Senior Picture information for the Class of 2026 and lost & found items information.

We are excited to announce the appointment of our new Band Director, Thomas "Ben" Gaona. Band Director Gaona will be holding a Band Interest Meeting for ANY students interested in band or marching band this Tuesday evening. See the flyer in the Band section for details.

Tradition Lives Here! Gina Fonseca Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, May 26
Memorial Day - No
School

Tuesday, May 27

Band Interest
Meeting
Click the link for
Band

Friday May 30

Last Day of School





ALLEN D. NEASE HIGH SCHOOL

Last 5 days of the 2nd Semester...

MONDAY, MAY 26: MEMORIAL DAY (NO SCHOOL)

TUESDAY, May 27

"Gold Day"

First Bell: 9:15am

2nd Period: 9:20am - 10:52am 4th Period: 10:58am - 1:10pm

- A Lunch: 10:58am -11:28am
- B Lunch: 11:32am -12:02pm
- C Lunch: 12:04pm-12:34pm

6th Period: 1:16pm - 2:47pm 7th Period: 2:53pm - 3:50pm

Last Summative in Math and Social Studies.

WEDNESDAY, May 28

"Make-up Green Day"

First Bell: 9:15am

1st Period: 9:20am - 10:37am 3rd Period: 10:43am - 12:43pm

- A Lunch: 10:43am -11:13am
- B Lunch: 11:17am -11:47am
- C Lunch: 12:04pm-12:34pm

5th Period: 1:08pm - 1:58pm 7th Period: 2:04pm - 2:50pm

Last Summative in Math & Social Studies.

THURSDAY, May 29

"Straight 7 w/3 Lunches"

First Bell: 9:15am

1st Period: 9:20am - 10:05am 2nd Period: 10:11am - 10:53am 3rd Period: 10:59am - 11:41am 4th Period: 11:47am - 1:25pm

- A Lunch: 11:47am 12:17pm
- B Lunch: 12:21pm 12:51pm
- C Lunch: 12:55pm –
 1:25pm

5th Period: 1:31pm - 2:13pm 6th Period: 2:19pm - 3:01pm 7th Period: 3:07pm - 3:50pm

REMEDIATION DAY

FRIDAY, May 30

"Wednesday Early Release Schedule"

First Bell: 9:15am

1st Period: 9:20am - 10:02am 2nd Period: 10:07am - 10:47am 3rd Period: 10:53am - 11:33am 4th Period: 11:39am - 12:19am EXCEL: 12:21pm - 1:21pm 5th Period: 1:23pm - 2:03pm 6th Period: 2:09pm - 2:50pm

LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS.

Make-ups and retake summatives. 7th Period will make-up/retake during EXCEL EXTINA



Reminder from the School Clinic

If you have medication or other items in the clinic, please stop by to see Nurse Aberdeen for pick-up. All items left in the clinic on May 30th will be disposed of!

A special thanks to Nurse Aberdeen for taking care of our students!



PLEASE stop by the Front Office if you have lost an item listed below during this school year. Some items have been in Lost and Found since the Fall.

Sunglasses, glasses, calculators, watches, Air pods, and other ear buds, miscellaneous jewelry & more.

For all clothing, lunchboxes, and water bottles, check in the Cafeteria Lost & Found.

Panther Week at a glance

Week at a Glance...

May 26 - May 30

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day - No School



Tuesday, May 27
Gold Day

Last Summative in Math & Social Studies Band Parent Meeting 7 P - PAC

Wednesday, May 28
Make-up Green Day
Last Summative in Math & Social Studies

Thursday, May 29
Green Day
REMEDIATION DAY!

Friday, May 30 Gold Day

LAST STUDENT DAY!!

Wednesday EARLY Release Schedule (traditional w/2:50pm dismissal) 7th Period Retakes during EXCEL!



CLUB OF THE YEAR

PRESENTED BY NEASE INTERCLUB COUNCIL



TRANSPORTATION CLUB

Transportation Technology helps students explore their interests related to various forms of transportation. Our main focuses this year were the American Rocketry Challenge and Electrathon racing. Our club numbers more than 20 actively involved students who are not just engineers and mechanics but also those students' doing graphics, video and fundraising. Our Electrathon Team competed at 3 races so far this year and will be racing at Daytona International Speedway on June 10. Electrathon is an hour-long endurance race for our electric go kart. The last race at Florida Solar Energy center our team took 2nd place and only missed 1st by one lap.

When asked what Transportation Technology club has meant to them one student responded "When I started in Electrathon as a freshman I was exploring interest areas to find my real passion, and this club hit home.

Electrathon was key in inspiring and developing my engineering/mechanical skills that align with my future mechanical engineering hopes. Beyond the technical growth, Electrathon fostered a team dynamic where students with shared interests and ambitions came together. Engaging-with other Electrathon teams introduced an environment of collaboration and innovation that was both inspiring and rewarding, benefiting everyone involved."



All about A.J. Drake III - Youth Resource Deputy | Nease High School

Deputy AJ Drake is a third-generation law enforcement officer who retired from the New York State Police in 2019. His career in New York was spent primarily on investigations. He was part of the New York State Police's Protective Services Unit, where he was tasked with protecting the Governor of New York and his family, as well as being a Task Force Officer with the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force under the DEA. After retiring with the rank of Senior Investigator and moving to St John's County. Deputy Drake made the decision to go back into Law Enforcement earlier this year with the goal of making our schools safer. Vote for the style using the link below!

bit.ly/NeaseDeputyCarWrap



HELP US RE-WRAP THE NEASE YRD VEHICLE

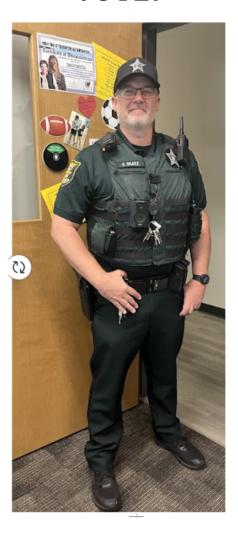
Our Nease YRD's car is in need of a re-wrap and it's up to the Nease community to fund it. Please consider donating to the Go Fund Me below to help us get to our goal and have Deputy Drake patrol St John's County in the best-looking vehicle around!



VISIT THE GO FUND ME SITE BY FOLLOWING THE QR CODE OR GOING TO THE WEBSITE BELOW

HTTPS://GOFUND.ME/933F70C3

WE NEED YOUR VOTE!





Architecture & Design Summer Camp

Nease students are invited to take part in Architecture and Design summer camp, sponsored by the **North Florida National Organization of Minority Architects** (NoFLo NOMA). Camp dates and details are below, and there are limited spots available. This camp is open to high school students in North Florida.

Dates/Times:

Friday, July 18th 9:00am - 4:00pm Saturday, July 19th 9:00am - 4:00pm Sunday, July 20th 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: RS&H, 10748 Deerwood Park Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32256

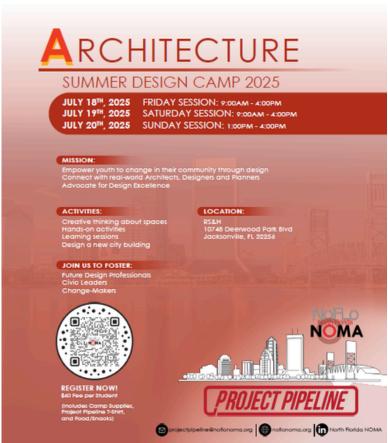
There is a \$60 registration fee for the camp, which helps cover the cost of the student's camp t-shirt, supplies, and food. NOTE: REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE.

Transportation to/from the camps will not be provided. Parents must arrange transportation for their students.

Email: <u>projectpipeline@noflonoma.org</u> with any questions about the camp, and see details in the flyer below.

North Florida NOMA





Nease Panther Pride Band



You do NOT want to miss out on this **Exciting** season of Nease Band!

YES! You can be in band AND sports and clubs, come find out how!

BAND INTEREST MEETING

Tuesday May 27th @ 7PM

Be a part of NEW NEASE TRADITIONS!

- Meet Mr G, our new director
- Get the scoop on the 2025 SHOW!
- Learn about fees and camp dates



SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Juniors - Rising Seniors

Your Bright Futures Early Evaluation report was distributed to you in your English classes. If you do not have a Brick-and-Mortar English class, please stop by C -POD to pick up your packet. Attached to your BF report is the key and a Junior rising senior checklist. If you need help with your report, please see your school counselor before Summer Break!

Use this summer for internships/ jobs in the major you are interested in. Hands on experience is the best way to solidify your plans!

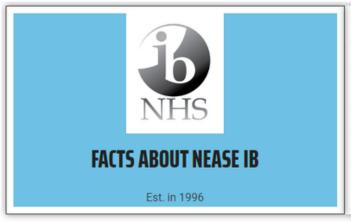
Any junior who has need to pass the FSA/ ALG 1 test for graduation please consider signing up for the CLT over the summer.

https://www.cltexam.com/



Congratulations to our IB Seniors!!

We would like to recognize the 80 seniors who are International Baccalaureate Diploma candidates. These students have taken the most rigorous college curriculum available and have taken exams in 6 different academic areas. They will receive their IB diploma in July.



- First graduating class was in 1998.
- Admission is competitive, drawing from the entire county.
- 90 students graduated in 2023, making a total of 1,744 Nease IB graduates in 26 years.
- Currently, 398 students are enrolled in the program: 86 Seniors,
 83 Juniors, 102 Sophomores, & 125 Freshman.
- ✓ All 169 Seniors and Juniors are full diploma candidates
- 50% of parents & 57% of grandparents are originally from foreign countries.



https://www-nhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/summer-reading-challenge/

EOY MEDIA MATERIALS

On Wed., May 14th, a system-generated email went out to all students that STILL have media items (library books, textbooks, fines, etc.). It was simply to inform students & parents of the current items/fines your student may have on his/her account. Please DO NOT pay any fines until I send out another email on Wednesday, May 28th with instructions. If your student knows for certain that they have lost/damaged a book, feel free to pay using the link that was provided in the email on Wednesday. ALSO, PLEASE DO NOT pay for fines for OTHER schools using our links. This creates an accounting nightmare for us.

We are receiving books by the dozens every day and get them checked in as quickly as possible. Thank you so much for your patience during this hectic time. Feel free to email me or call me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

SUMMER READING BINGO CHALLENGE IS BACK!!

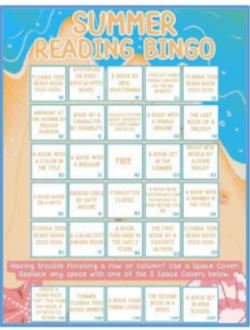
AVOID THE SUMMER SLIDE and catch up on some wonderful opportunities to readread-read!



Read anything you want this summer and earn some great prizes like Starbucks, Amazon, or gas gift cards, and even earn a catered lunch in the media center! <u>PLUS!</u> THE CHANCE for a \$50 Gift card! Click on the link to take you to our media center "<u>Summer Reading Challenge Bingo</u>" webpage for more specific details and instructions. If you have any questions, email <u>Mrs. Milian</u>. AND – students will have

the opportunity to check out up to 5 books from our media center for the summer! They will need to do this after Memorial Day and by May 30th.





EOY IMPORTANT MEDIA DATES and ACCESS!

We have decided to keep the media center <u>open</u> **ONLY** for LUNCHES during this week of May 19-23. During the mornings and the school day, *only* students returning textbooks will be able to come in. <u>ALL library books and textbooks MUST be returned by Thursday, May 29th. Any items not returned will be marked as "LOST" and charged off to student media accounts. This will IMPACT students being able to access their schedules in August or checking out materials for the new school year.</u>

NEASE ATHLETICS

The 2025 Golden Panther Booster Club Gala theme is "Welcome to the Jungle" Come out to support our Nease PANTHER athletes!

Make sure to join us in the Jungle for a Roaring good time!

You can purchase tickets at

https://neaseathletics.com/gala/

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For the most up to date information, please follow the facebook event page at <u>GPBC Facebook Page</u>

The GPBC Gala is our ONE annual fundraiser, with your help the GPBC is able to support ALL Nease Athletics! We are looking for event sponsors, table sponsors & donations for the auction. If you would like to support the gala as an event sponsor and/or with an auction donation, please let me know, I look forward to hearing from you. All event sponsors & donations are tax deductible.

If you have any questions please email neasegpbcevents@gmail.com .

See the flyer on the next page





NEASE ATHLETICS

Nease sports physicals



THURSDAY, MAY 29TH, 2025

Nease Media Center

5:30 P.M. to 7 P.M.

\$20 Physicals can be purchased on go fan (see QR code) or debit/credit/applepay/checks/cash will be accepted at the door.

The FHSAA <u>Physical (EL2) form</u> is located on neaseathletics.com, under the Forms tab. Please have pages 1-2 filled out prior to arrival. <u>Students can come alone but must have parent's signature on pg 2 of the EL2 form to get a physical</u>.

Physicals are done by Southeast Orthopedic Specialists, Atlas Physical Therapy, and Nease Athletics. All proceeds benefit Nease Athletic Training.

Questions? email ashley.raymond@stjohns.k12.fl.us





THE NEASE PTSO EXTENDS A SINCERE

THANK YOU

TO OUR INCREDIBLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT ALLOWS US TO FUND PROGRAMS, CELEBRATE OUR STAFF, AND ENHANCE THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE ALL YEAR.

WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

GO PANTHERS!

NEASE FAMILY BANNERS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE FENCE AND ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP IN THE FRONT OFFICE!





THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE NHS PTSO

NEASE PTSO



Class of 2026 Senior Portraits Book your appointment by July 1!

We are pleased to announce our partnership with CADY for Senior Portraits. Thank you to those families who have already signed up for their photo session! Students who sign up by <u>July 1</u> will be entered into a raffle to win a free Senior Session at their studio and a digital package!

Please review this information > <u>CADY 2026 Senior FAQ</u> for more details and instructions on how to book your appointment.

Session prep information for students can be found here > 2026 Senior Session Prep

Reserve your photo session today—time slots are filling up fast!



Nease Highschool IB CAS Project: Lend A Paw



MAY 28TH, 2025

5-8 PM

Make sure to visit our website for more information



Donation Item Wishlist



EVENT LOCATION

Nease High School Stadium/ Field



We are excited to announce that our Nease Highschool IB CAS group will be hosting a field day filled with various outdoor, family-friendly games on May 28th, 2025 to acquire goods to help support our local Animal Care and Protective Services. The entrance fee is just a simple donation of a pet related item that can be acquired from the QR Code on this page. Apart from the main festivities, we will also be having a cake walk with an entrance fee of one item. Cake walks will happen at 6:00 and 7:00 pm. Attendees can also purchase dog and cat treats with an extra nonmonetary donation. All donations will be received by ACPS.







Make the Leap to High School with Confidence!

Is your rising 9th grader ready for the challenges ahead? Whether they're struggling with study habits, time management, or just need a boost before day one, the Nease Freshman Prep Camp provides the tools and guidance to thrive in high school.

Led by veteran teachers- Mr. Binns (English) and Ms. Gebauer (Math), this camp focuses on the skills that matter most—organization, communication, academic readiness, and more.

TOPICS DISCUSSED

- ♥ Time management
- Organization skills
- ✓ Test & class preparation
- high school
- ✓ Using Schoology in High School

- Mavigating school resources
- ✓ Understanding the block schedule
- Al: its role and its limits in the classroom

Open to ALL Rising 9th Graders!

Ready to help your student succeed? Sign up today! Contact neaseib@gmail.com with any questions. Don't miss out on this valuable preparation opportunity!

REGISTE



NEASE IB BOOSTER CLUB FUNDRAISER



Fortify Florida

FortifyFL is a website and app developed at the direction of the Florida Legislature.

Any student, educator, parent or member of the public can report school safety concerns directly to law enforcement and school administrators anonymously

and easily through the FortifyFL app or at https://getfortifyfl.com/.



ATTENTION DRIVERS!!

The manager of the retail strip across the street from Nease informed us that any student parking in their lot will be towed!

DO NOT RISK BEING TOWED!