



Weekly Update

Good Evening, Baldwin Family,

To test, or not to test, that seems to be the question in Education. Believe it or not, testing, or “practicing recall” can enforce memory and help students remember what they learn in the long-term. Maybe there is over testing compared to years ago, but testing IS an important part of learning. At Baldwin, we’re going to give best effort on every test we take. What we’re NOT going to do is let one test score completely define a student’s future.

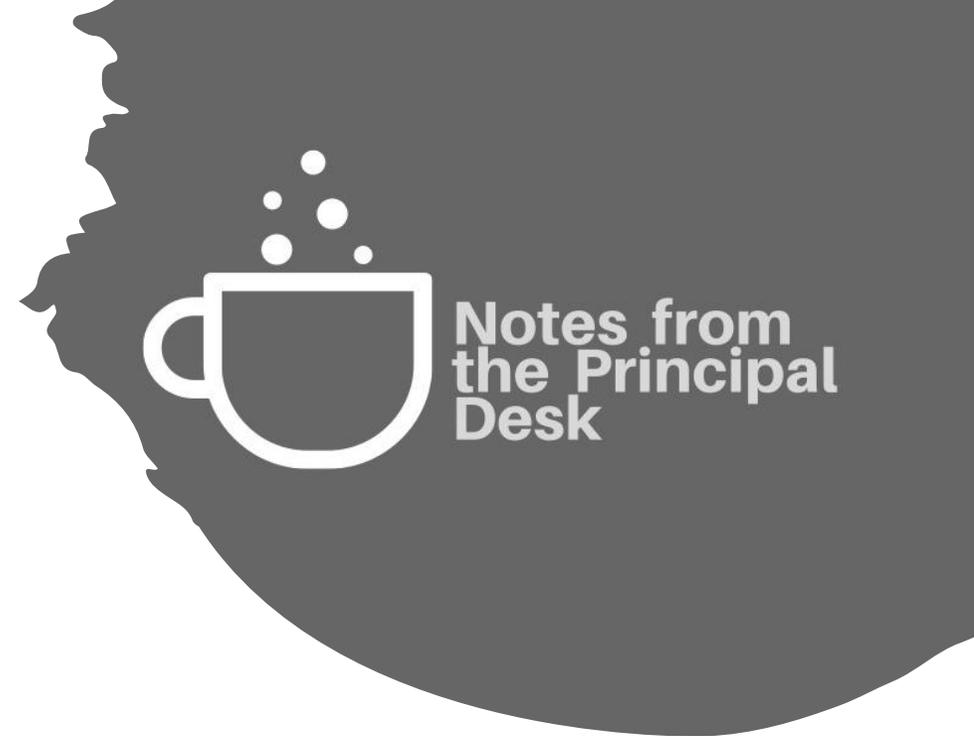
From last week until Spring Break, students will be taking DMA 3 or Quarter 3 exams. It is VERY important that students take these tests seriously. Though most teachers curve the score like they’ve always done, these tests are still a grade. Students trying their best will help teachers know how to review and provide targeted tutoring as we move into Quarter 4.

Finally, almost all district final exams are worth 20% of the final grade. Some State exams, like 8th Grade Science, Civics, Biology, High School US History, Algebra 1 & Geometry are worth 30% of the final grade. That means a student may get A’s, B’s, C’s & D’s all 4 quarters as a grade and still fail the course for the year. **For seniors, that means not graduating. For 8th graders, that means not promoting. For both, that means mandatory summer school.**

Parents, PLEASE talk to your student about the exams they are taking. Ensure that they study and give best effort. College, career or military service awaits. Let’s take a deep breath, roll up our sleeves, and rock these tests!

Principal Townsend

#AllMeansAll #LevelUp



Class of 2026 Announcement

We're not new at this.
We've supported a few graduating classes.
We completely understand you are over school.
We DO want you to have fun.
We know you've already paid.
However, you haven't graduated yet.

Please understand that if you fail a course needed for graduation Q3, you will NOT be attending Grad Bash & Prom even if you paid.

It's not personal. We just love you and want you to FINISH **#BALDWINSTRONG**.





Celebrations

Spring sports & activities are in full effect and Mr. Townsend needs your help. PLEASE message or email him pictures of any events you attend if you'd like them to make the Weekly Update. He can't be at everything and needs students, parents or staff to send him amazing pictures like these from an amazing softball parent. ALL of our sports, clubs and extracurriculars are important to helping students LOVE school. Please help Mr. Townsend celebrate our school family weekly!



Celebrations

Our poor, poor Seniors. For like the 17,000th year in a row, a bunch of elding staff members took it to you on the basketball court on Friday. Maybe instead of skipping school on Wednesday to get chunky eating breakfast, y'all should have put in a little time shooting some hoops? Here's hoping your Q3 grades are better than your jump shots, or its going to be a long Q4!
#SeniorsVsFaculty2026 #BisquitsAndBricks #StaffMakingItRain #NextTimeWeWillJustPlay4On5ToGiveYouaChance



Celebrations

Special thanks to all the students, parents and staff that made the 4th Annual Middle School Sweethearts dance a success! With 159+ middle school students in attendance, the building was filled with laughter, dancing, joy, and unforgettable memories. From the music to the smiles to the nonstop energy on the dance floor, our students had the opportunity to simply be kids in a great environment. #BaldwinStrong #ThisIsHowWeDolt



Celebrations

All the pictures are not in, but the 2025-2026 JROTC Military Ball was a huge success. From King & Queen crowning, to a delicious dinner, toasts, cake cutting and the Grog Ceremony, it was not a night to be missed. Special thanks to Chief Oyola, First Sargent Rankin, our amazing JROTC parents and cadet leaders, as well as special guest speaker John Wells for making it such an amazing event. #CollegeCareerAndServicePrep #WeHaveThat #LevelUp

Events This Week

Monday March 2 B Day	Tues March 3 A Day	Wed March 4 B Day	Thurs March 5 A Day	Friday March 6 B Day
<p>DMA #3 ELA, Civics, 8th Science & Biology</p> <p>Varsity Softball at Clay (6:00pm)</p>	<p>DMA #3 ELA, Civics, 8th Science & Biology</p> <p>JV & Varsity Baseball at Sandalwood (5:00/7:00pm)</p> <p>Varsity Girls Tennis Home vs Riverside (3:30pm)</p> <p>Varsity Boys Tennis at Riverside (3:30pm)</p> <p>JV & Varsity Flag Football Home vs Baker (6:00/7:00pm)</p> <p>Varsity Track at Raines</p> <p>JV & Varsity Softball Home vs Middleburg (4:30/6:30pm)</p>	<p>DMA #3 ELA, Civics, 8th Science & Biology</p> <p>Fire Drill (12:05pm)</p> <p>NAEP Testing (Select 8th Grade Students)</p> <p>Miss Baldwin Interest Meeting (1:15pm, see slide)</p> <p>JV & Varsity Flag Football at Stanton (6:00/7:00pm)</p>	<p>DMA #3 ELA, Civics, 8th Science & Biology</p> <p>Varsity Boys Tennis Home vs Jackson (3:30pm)</p> <p>Varsity Girls Tennis at Jackson (3:30pm)</p> <p>Varsity Baseball vs University Christian at St. Johns River CC (6:00pm)</p> <p>JV & Varsity Softball at Paxon (4:30/6:30pm)</p>	<p>DMA #3 ELA, Civics, 8th Science & Biology</p> <p>JV & Varsity Baseball Home vs Baker (4:00/6:30pm)</p> <p><u>Saturday, March 7</u> Feeding NE Florida Food Distribution (10:00am, but will start earlier if set up. Brought to us by our amazing local churches)</p>

Save the Date:

Middle School Track Tryouts: Mon March 9th -Girls, Tues March 10th- Boys, Wed March 11- Girls, Thurs March 12- Boys

Middle School Swim Tryouts: TBD based on Baldwin pool temperature

DPCS Employment Fair
for Seniors & Juniors
March 10th 10:00am-12:30pm

Students MUST sign up by February
27th using the QR code



Students will need to complete a video and resume as well as dress business casual. There will be in person hiring and multiple job opportunities.

Senior Updates

Senior shirts & Hoodies will be distributed Friday Feb 27th during 2nd period starting @ 9:00am

Senior Pano Friday Feb 27th @ 11:00am in the GYM

Senior vs Faculty game Feb 27th during 4th period ALL TICKETS on GOFAN

TICKETS



BALDWIN MIDDLE SENIOR HIGH
PROM NIGHT

*Old
Hollywood*

FRIDAY | APRIL 24 | 6:00PM

ALL GUEST MUST BE APPROVED, GET
APPLICATIONS FORM KIRK

@ THE GLASS FACTORY

STUDENTS MUST BE AT SCHOOL FRIDAY BUT CAN
CHECK OUT STARTING @ 9:55AM.
ALL TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED STARTING @
9:45AM.

QUESTIONS EMAIL KIRKA@DUVALSCHOOSL.ORG



MISS BALDWIN INTEREST MEETING

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4TH @ 1:15PM
IN ROOM 133 KIRKS CLASSROOM
PLEASE SIGN UP TO ATTEND.
JUNIORS ONLY



THERE WILL BE A MANADATORY PARENT MEETING MONDAY
MARCH 9TH @ 6:00PM



Guide on how solve any disagreement

- 🌰 Finding balance requires a mix of compromise and confidence for success.
- 🌰 Just increasing the volume doesn't guarantee you a win!
- 🌰 Mastering a calm yet powerful tone is like having a magic wand in debates!
- 🌰 Bring your A-game with evidence and rock-solid proof!



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Who to ask?! We are committed to great communication!

- 6th – 7th , 8th A-M Grade School Counselor – Mrs. Griffin – griffins2@duvalschools.org
- 8th N-Z, 9th – 10th A-M Grade School Counselor – Ms. James – jamesf2@duvalschools.org
- 10th N-Z, 11th – 12th Grade School Counselor – Mrs. Fry – fryk@duvalschools.org
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- Communities in School Social Worker – Mrs. Cooley – cooleyc1@duvalschools.org