

First Lunch: First Impression

BY KAYAUNDRY YOUNG

On August 23, 2010, the entire group of upperclassmen at Bartow High were all buzzing about one thing: the lunch line. It has come to the attention of many students that the lunch line is causing some chaos. This year students are offering suggestions for the entire cafeteria staff. The cafeteria manager, Wanda Duncanson, also has some concerns and suggestions for how to make a better lunch experience.

According to Maddilyne Terry, a junior at BHS, the lunch staff should open up the extra windows to serve the students faster. This should shorten the line and make things run smoother.

"The lunch line should consider putting senior skip privileges back on the menu", says BHS Senior Keitley Watson. In the previous years, seniors could use their IDs to skip the front of the line

Dress Code

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Pritchard quoted the assistant principal of IB, "If you look good and feel good, then you are going to do good." Mr. Pritchard says that students aren't the only ones with a dress code. Teachers now have a stricter dress code that they have to follow too. "Dress code is just a way to help keep the work environment looking professional," says Mr. Pritchard.

The new dress code policies have had mixed responses, with many people's approval, but also having the protesters go as far as to create a Facebook page against this year's dress code. Either way, it seems as though Bartow High School has some new rules to follow. How do you feel about the new dress code?

before the lunch detention tardy bell rings.

Others, including Ariel Pierce, a BHS junior disagrees. "Seniors should have to wait in line just like the rest of us."

Mrs. Duncanson also believes that first lunch should be split between two time frames. In her opinion, Summerlin lunch runs the smoothest. "We work with hundreds of students a day and after a while you start to notice things." Still, Duncanson says there are things that students can do to help her staff as they feed more than 1,500 students plus staff in less than an hour and a half daily - a huge job.

"We work with hundreds of students day after day and after observing, we notice that some students don't care. Students should clean up after themselves and not expect us to", says Duncanson.

For students, faster lunch lines. For staff, perhaps a look at modifying the schedule and more consideration from students, would make a better and more pleasant experience for both.

Dress Code Poll of BHS Students

100% students do not like the dress code

14% students have received a violation for dress code

93% say the hardest part about the dress code is tucking in the shirts

50% students do not agree with the rule about shorts being mid-thigh or lower

71% students say the teachers should also have a dress code

100% students say they would rather have a dress code and not have to wear uniforms

100% students say they could possibly change the dress code

Senior Spotlight

BY MARINA ASTELLO

Senior year is your biggest year yet, the year you graduate and start your life. Some seniors have no idea what plans they have, but these are three that do. Seniors Synquis Williams, Paige Meeks, and Robert Trejo share their plans for their futures.

Senior Synquis Williams' goal is to graduate from BHS with honors, and set a successful path for herself when she graduates. Synquis is a very hard-working student and says "I have unlimited expectations and will achieve any obstacle to accomplish my goals." She plans on attending Florida State for their law program, and becoming a lawyer.

Williams and Robert Trejo are very simi-

IIT on Campus

BY LEEANN DELACERDA

Required classes sometimes give students the impression that they are going to be very difficult, very boring, and very pointless. That isn't the case, however, when freshmen students find themselves in Introduction to Information Technology (IIT). In IIT students learn that the class is interesting and beneficial to their futures.

According to Mrs. Holly Bishop, BHS IIT teacher, "There are several different classes in the Business Department that deal with technology, we have Web Design, Jacket Connections, and several different computer science classes along with the class I teach, Introduction to Information Technology. The curriculum is the same for any teacher that teaches this class. Most of the work is online through Blackboard."

It isn't only the freshmen who enjoy IIT, the teachers are liking it too. "I enjoy teaching this class very much.

lar in their expectations. Trejo determined to do anything to succeed in his expectations also. He says, "My expectations will hopefully send me to a good college and raise my GPA." Robert also plans on attending PSC, where he says is a good place to start off his college education. Trejo also explains that after graduating from PSC he wants to become very successful and be a role model to high school students.

Unlike Williams and Trejo, Paige Meeks has different plans. Paige is a very hard-working student at BHS but claims if her expectations are set too high she will make some changes to them. Paige plans to attend PSC since it is so close to the Bartow community. Meeks says, "I do want to become successful, yet stay close to home doing so."

All these seniors have one thing in common, they all want to become successful. Although, they have different strategies as to how they are going to get there.

We have the opportunity to explore the changes in technology," says Bishop.

"We will be learning about the development of computers, and the internet, application and system software, operating systems, computer safety, ethics, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and character development," says Bishop about what freshmen students will learn before they pass out of the door to their next Business course on campus. "I like the class," says BHS freshman Lyliana Zamarripa who is in Mr. Harder's 7th period IIT class. "I want to learn everything I need to know about technology."

With what they've learned, they'll be well prepared, for their next classes, for the future, and for the age of computers that has begun.

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