

# BULLDOG NEWS

## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Also, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is October 12, falls within this 30 day period.



## 3RD-10TH GRADE STATE TESTING UPDATE



3rd-10th Grade FAST state testing has been completed. Teachers will be using Class DOJO to send parents a copy of your child's results. FAST testing scores will also be available online. You can view your students' scores here: <https://fl-familyportal.cambiumast.com/#/> If you do not know your students Access Code, you can message your child's teacher.

## OUR MISSION

BridgePrep Academy believes every child learns best in a safe, nurturing and stimulating environment where high academic expectations, self-esteem, good character, and an appreciation for the arts are promoted. BridgePrep Academy's mission is to provide a challenging academic curriculum that will encompass an enriched Spanish language program, technology and experiences that will enable students to develop in all areas. BridgePrep Academy's goal is to educate well rounded individuals and enable students to reach their maximum potential.

## OUR NORMS

- Be Prepared
- Be Present
- Be Thoughtful
- Be Brave
- Assume the Best

## OUR VISION

BridgePrep Academy believes that each child is a unique individual who needs a secure, nurturing and stimulating atmosphere in which to grow and mature emotionally, intellectually, physically, and socially. BridgePrep believes in a student-centered educational philosophy that emphasizes hands on learning and students actively participating in learning. Students will be able to discover through hands on, engaging activities that will incorporate different approaches to accommodate each child's learning style and as a result, raise academic achievement

## PHONE & EARBUDS POLICY

One of our problem areas that we need support from parents is our phone, and earbud policy. This year at BridgePrep phones/earbuds are not allowed out at all from the beginning of the day to dismissal. Reasons for this rule are to eliminate interrupted learning by using the phone, playing games, or on apps such as X formally known as Twitter, TIK TOK, and Facebook. Also, we cannot monitor what students are doing on their phones because we are busy teaching. Lastly, phones can get broken and stolen and we are not responsible for this. Phones/earbuds will be confiscated during the day if they are out and the scholars can pick them up from the office at the end of the day.



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Students can shop for many exciting book titles and purchase them for their at home libraries. At the same time, you're supporting BridgePrep, Make shopping easier by creating an e-wallet for your child!



## UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES



Show your support for  
**BRIDGEPREP ACADEMY OF RIVERVIEW**  
**TUESDAY - September 26, 2023**

**Fundraiser Code: PT**

To ensure your purchase counts toward your goal - Online orders enter this code in the coupon code section. In store & phone orders mention code upon ordering.

**ORDER ONLINE @ PIZZAHUT.COM**

Find participating locations at [Hutamerican.com/fundraisers](http://Hutamerican.com/fundraisers)  
 Fundraising event is only valid at Hut American-owned Pizza Hut locations on the day specified. Fundraiser is excluded from purchase of alcohol, tax, delivery fee tip and future orders. ©2023 Pizza Hut, LLC.

Every Monday is Early Release

K/1 1:30pm

2-4 1:45pm

5-10 2:30pm

September 22nd-Wear a Hispanic Heritage Shirt with Uniform Bottoms

September 26th-Pizza Hut Spirit Night. Order over the phone or online at any Tampa area location to support BridgePrep. Be sure to use the code PT when ordering.

September 25th-29th-Scholastic Book Fair will be on campus this week, add money to your child's e-wallet by visiting [scholastic.com](http://scholastic.com)

October 12th-End of 1st Quarter

October 16th-Teacher Planning Day-No School for Students

October 24th -Cookie Dough Fundraiser delivery. All orders must be picked up on this date.