

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year, seniors! This is an important year and you have a lot to accomplish, so please make sure to take a look at this information. This newsletter will tell you where to find valuable resources and provides key dates relating to senior activities. You may find all of this information on the High School Counseling canvas page under “Seniors”.



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The Where and How of Senior Year

- ❑ Senior Class Sponsors:
 - ❑ Mrs. Koppitch, seniors@pky.ufl.edu - Questions about all things senior-related
 - ❑ Mr. Fabulich, kfabulich@pky.ufl.edu - Senior Water Day, Senior Sunset
 - ❑ Mr. Lincoln, glincoln@pky.ufl.edu - Grad Bash
- ❑ School Counselor: Ms. Schweim, eschweim@pky.ufl.edu
 - ❑ Questions about community service hours, credits, GPA, college, etc.
- ❑ Yearbook: Mrs. Eubanks, eeubanks@pky.ufl.edu
- ❑ Library Cards (Public): Mrs. Koppitch, mkoppitch@pky.ufl.edu
- ❑ Senior Project: Mr. Lincoln, glincoln@pky.ufl.edu
- ❑ Career and College Readiness: Mrs. Henry, chenry@pky.ufl.edu
- ❑ Engineering Pathway Senior Project: Ms. Brewster, labrewster@pky.ufl.edu
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*Key Dates

- ☐ August 5-8: Parking Spot Painting (9a-2p) See [here](#) for more information
- ☐ August 28: Second Parking Spot Painting (9a-2p) See [here](#) for more information
- ☐ August 27: Senior Smart Start (5:30-6:30p)
- ☐ October 1: Senior Portrait Retakes (on campus)
- ☐ October 1: FAFSA and Bright Futures Student Application Opens
- ☐ October 25: [Cap and Gown Orders](#) Due
- ☐ November 1: Priority College Application Deadline (for many schools)
- ☐ January 28: Cap and Gown photos (on campus)
- ☐ February 14: Grad Bash Money Due
- ☐ April 1: Community Service Hours Due
- ☐ April 5: Grad Bash
- ☐ May 10: [Prom](#) 7 pm-11 pm
- ☐ May 14-15: Senior Exams
- ☐ May 19: Senior Picnic (families welcome)/Senior Awards (families welcome)/Final Wave Walk (families welcome)
- ☐ May 20: 2nd Semester Research Presentations and Senior Activities Day
- ☐ May 21: Turn in Chrome Books
- ☐ May 21: Senior Sunset 6:30 pm
- ☐ May 23: Graduation Rehearsal 9 am Phillips Center for Performing Arts
- ☐ May 23: Graduation 7 pm Phillips Center for Performing Arts

THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES

Senior Week is Almost Here!

- **Senior end of year forms due by May 1st**
 - ☐ [Senior Graduation Contract](#) - words to be read at graduation
 - ☐ [Senior Exit Surveys](#) - must be completed to receive your Cap & Gown
 - ☐ [Vote for Graduation EMCEE.](#)
 - ☐ Water Day and Senior Sunset [sign up.](#)
 - ☐ [Senior Slide Show](#) - Upload your pictures from any events, K-12. This will play at the end of the senior awards on May 19th.

- ❑ Clear all debts - must be cleared to receive your diploma. Remember, your chromebooks will be returned on Wednesday, May 21st. Contact: cashier@pky.ufl.edu

- **Yearbooks**

- Yearbooks will be distributed on May 8 from 8:00-9:00 am and, if you haven't bought one yet, we don't want you to miss out! We have very few extras and would like to offer them to seniors first.
- 2024-2025 Yearbooks (30 left for sale) \$100
- 2023-2024 Yearbooks (18 left for sale) \$50
- Purchase at the [Hometown App link](#). You must provide your Hometown receipt at pickup. If you purchased through Balfour, we have you on the list.
- Please buy by Friday, May 2. Sales will be open to PreK-11th Grade at that time.

- **Google Drive and School Emails**

- Just a reminder that once you graduate, your P.K. email and Google Drive will be deleted. SO, if you're interested in keeping anything in either of those - make plans to save them somewhere else. :)

- **May 10: Prom**

- When: Saturday, May 10, 7:00-11:00 p.m.
- Where: Reitz Union Rion Ballroom
- Who: PKY Juniors and Seniors and their guests (one guest per PK student)
- Need to know: Must not have an attendance, behavior, or academic notice.
- Must have completed and turned in service hours by May 1.
- Requirements by grade:
 - 11th grade - 50 service hours
 - 12th grade - 75 service hours
- [Tickets](#) must be purchased through Hometown Ticketing.
- Tickets are NON-REFUNDABLE. If you purchase a ticket and do not meet the requirements, you will not be refunded the cost of the ticket.
- If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Geiger, cgeiger@pky.ufl.edu

- **May 19: Senior Activities Day**

- 11:00 am - Top Circle - [Senior Picnic](#) (families welcome). Please feel free to bring your blankets, chairs, and picnic lunches! There will be music, and photo opportunities.
- 12:15 - PAC - Senior Awards (families welcome)
- 1:45 pm - Caps/gowns handed out. Debts must be paid in order to receive caps and gowns.

- 2:00 pm - Final Wave Walk (families welcome)
- **May 20: Senior Presentations and Water Day**
 - 9 - 11 am - Mr. Lincoln's senior research classes will be presenting their final projects.
 - 11:30 am - Top field (by the softball field) - games, water slides, etc. Bring a towel and your swimsuit - lunch provided.
- **May 21: Senior Sunset**
 - 9-12 am - Seniors should return their chromebooks to Q-501. Students can pay any debt in the business office during this time.
 - 6:30 pm - Football field.
 - Dinner provided.
- **May 23: Graduation Rehearsal | UF Phillips Center for the Performing Arts**
 - 9:00 am - Attendance is mandatory.
 - Tickets for graduation will be given to students at rehearsal IF students have paid off their debt.
 - Each student will receive 10 tickets.
 - Students who do not attend rehearsal will not receive tickets and may not attend Graduation.
- **May 23: Graduation | UF Phillips Center for the Performing Arts**
 - 5:45 pm - Class of 2025 seniors arrive at 5:45 pm.
 - 7:00 pm - Event begins
 - Any leftover additional tickets will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis in front of the Phillips Center an hour prior to the event. One ticket per person.
 - Tickets are required for adults and children who attend graduation.
 - Graduates do not need a ticket.

Graduation questions answered:

- **Q:** Do I need to order my cap and gown? When will I get them?
 - **A:** No, we've ordered and paid for them already. You will get them after senior awards on Monday, May 19th.
- **Q:** Can I decorate my cap?
 - **A:** No, P.K. has a tradition of not having graduation caps decorated at the graduation ceremony. However, the caps and gown are yours to keep, so you may decorate it at any other time except the ceremony.
- **Q:** I earned cords/sashes/medals. When will I get them?
 - **A:** All school-sponsored graduation regalia will be given out at Senior Awards on Monday, May 19th at 12:15.
- **Q:** What is Wave Walk?
 - **A:** Wave Walk is a P.K. tradition where all seniors wear their caps and gowns and parade through the school, beginning in the elementary

building and ending in front of the gym. The faculty and students line the sidewalks to “say goodbye” to the graduating seniors. This year, Wave Walk will take place following the Senior Awards on Monday, May 19th.

- **Q:** How many tickets can I get for graduation?
 - **A:** Each senior will get 10 tickets at graduation rehearsal at 9 am on Friday, May 23rd. YOU MUST ATTEND REHEARSAL IN ORDER TO GET YOUR TICKETS.
- **Q:** What if I need more than 10 tickets?
 - **A:** You may ask your friends if they need all 10 of theirs. There will also be a table set up in front of the Phillips Center an hour before graduation with extra tickets. These will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. One ticket per person.

PK Yonge Senior Scholarship: Educator Empowerment Scholarship

A scholarship will be awarded to a graduate of P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School who intends to pursue a career in education. Application is due May 7 to Mrs. Schweim. See the attached application in the High School Counseling Canvas Course announcements.

PK Yonge Senior Scholarship Opportunity: Randy Norris Scholarship

The Randy Norris Scholarship was established in memory of Lieutenant Randy Norris, Jr. who served as a P.K. Yonge school resource officer and lost his life at an early age.

A partial scholarship will be awarded to graduate(s) of P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School with a preference for those intending to pursue a career in law enforcement or education.

For the 2025 graduating class, two \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded to those students in good standing accepted to a college or university, and declaring a major in law enforcement or education. Awardees will be selected by a committee of administrators, counselors, and teachers. Applications are due to Mrs. Schweim by Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. The application can be turned in both

personally and electronically. See the attached application in the High School Counseling Canvas Course announcements.

End of the Year Forms - REQUIRED

What do seniors need to do? When? By MAY 1st!

- ☐ [Senior Graduation Contract](#) - words to be read at graduation
- ☐ [Senior Exit Surveys](#) - must be completed to receive your Cap & Gown
- ☐ [Vote for Graduation EMCEE.](#)
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Edrie Gates Cawley Scholarship- Micanopy Area Seniors

Graduating seniors who live in a Micanopy postal area code are eligible to apply for this Friends of the Library local scholarship. Please see the attached flyer in your canvas email for requirements and application details.

Graduation Announcement Orders

If you would like to order graduation announcements (not required), please do so by **April 11th** to ensure on time delivery. Caps, gowns and tassels are provided by the school. You may place your orders with Herff Jones at: highschool.herffjones.com

Academic Signings

Seniors, your hard work has paid off, and now it's time to celebrate! Just like athletes sign their letters of intent, we're giving YOU the chance to officially "sign"

to your college, university, military, or jobs in front of your friends, family, and PK faculty and staff. This is your moment to shine and showcase your next big step!

📌 How to Participate:

- ✓ Complete this [Google Form](#).
- ✓ Upload a copy of your acceptance letter.
- ✓ Get ready to take photos, celebrate, and proudly declare your future!

Let's make this a day to remember—your future starts NOW! **Due: April 22nd**



Senior Go Week

Go Week - April 28-May 2nd

We are planning a Senior Go Week this year from April 28 – May 2nd. We will have themed dress-up days, senior shout-outs on the tv screens around campus, and academic signings.

Dress Up Days:

- Monday - Versus Day (Teachers vs Students - dress like a teacher)
- Tuesday - Unusual Backpack Day (Anything but a backpack)
- Wednesday - e-learning Day
- Thursday - Senioritis Day (Wear your pjs)
- Friday - Rep Your Future (Dress as your future plans)

Alachua County Farm Bureau Scholarship

Graduating seniors with a parent/guardian who is a member in good standing of the Alachua County Farm Bureau are eligible to apply! Great local scholarship opportunity.

Find the application [here](#).

Letters of Recommendation

Many of you may need letters of recommendation for scholarships/job applications/college admissions. Your teachers prioritize writing strong letters on your behalf, and we would like to remind you of the following best practices when requesting a letter of recommendation:

1. Plan for the application process. Try to give as much notice as possible to your recommender. Most recommenders value at least a week's notice for the request.
2. Personally speak with the teacher/faculty member if at all possible. Explain what the letter of recommendation is for and timeline. You should also ask what the recommender needs from you (resume, extracurricular activities, etc.). Be prepared to share when you will need the letter, and how the recommender will submit the letter on your behalf. Generally ask if the person is willing to write a letter on your behalf, and if they agree let them know you will follow-up with all of the information in an email.
3. In the follow-up email, include what you discussed in person. Make sure to reiterate the purpose of the letter, timeline, and submission details. Send any documents the recommender requested to make sure you have the strongest letter possible.

GRAD BASH 2025

We are looking forward to Grad Bash and celebrating with our seniors who have purchased their tickets! To make sure you get the chance to thoroughly enjoy this event, please ensure that you follow the dress code that Universal Studios strictly enforces.

Important reminders:

- Students who do not meet the dress code may be required to purchase appropriate clothing at the park.
- If you are bringing a bag, know they will be searched at the park by Universal employees.
- Buses may not be secured, so please do not leave any valuable items on board.
- If bags are brought into the park, you will be responsible for storing them in lockers at your own cost.
- If you have medication needs, please see Mr. Lincoln by **Tuesday, April 1st.**
- **Bring money (or food) for dinner.**
- As a reminder, all school rules and regulations apply to students throughout the trip.

[Click here for the dress code for Grad Bash](#)

[Click here for P.K. student expectations](#) (all students and their parents signed this form when they purchased tickets)

Itinerary of events

When: **Saturday, April 5**

3:30 – 3:45PM – All students report to P.K. Yonge. Meet in front of the gym.

4:00PM – Buses leave P.K.

6:00PM – Buses arrive at Grad Bash. 1:30AM – Students need to make their way to the exit point at Universal.

2:00AM – Gates open for students to exit to bus parking area.

2:15AM-2:30AM – Buses leave to return to Gainesville

4:30AM – Buses arrive back at P.K. Please arrange to be picked up promptly upon return.

Yearbook Sales Reopened Until March 14

We still have 60 Yearbooks left to sell, so we have reopened Yearbook sales until Friday, March 14.

Buy your Yearbook at this [link](#). Yearbooks are \$90. Yearbooks are pre-sale only and may not be available for purchase when they are delivered in May.

Senior ads sales are officially closed.

Seniors have 24 hours advance notice of this message to purchase a Yearbook before the message is sent to the rest of the school community.

Senior Spotlights

We want to celebrate you! Please fill out this [form](#) by Friday, March 28th, to be featured on the TV slides and P.K.'s social media accounts. If you don't fill out this form, you won't be featured.

Balkhi Foundation Higher Education Scholarship

Current high school seniors with a 3.5 weighted or unweighted GPA with financial need are encouraged to apply. Due 3/26

Application Link:

<https://balkhifoundation.com/making-education-more-affordable/>

2025 Florida College Decision Day

The Greater Gainesville Chamber's Foundation is celebrating graduating seniors moving on with post-secondary plans to attend a 4-year or 2-year college, technical school, or military.

- Rescheduled to May 9th, 7-9pm
 - 4949 Celebration Pointe Ave
- Registration closes on March 27th

- See [flier](#) for more information and to register.

The Florida Pearls, Incorporated 2025 Scholarship: Due 3/31

Graduating seniors planning to enter college full-time in the fall of 2025. All applications must be submitted by March 31, 2025. See attached flyer.

Application:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe38CuUcmPXkuaoHptErm8-6K9d143_IIMzCDnv1a4iZ6eVMA/viewform

Scholarship Opportunities

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Scholarship Due: 4/4/2025

- African- American seniors planning to attend college in fall of 2025 should apply: <https://www.gacdst.org/programs/scholarship>

Florida Visionary Scholarship

- Seniors planning to attend college are eligible to apply: <https://wallot.app/scholarships>

SAT Test Prep Workshop

We are excited to offer a Saturday SAT Test Prep workshop prior to March 5th and 8th SATs.

The SAT Saturday Workshop will be taught by P.K. Yonge faculty Ms. Ellis and Dr. Sterner-Bolejack.

- Saturday, March 1
 - 8:30 am-10:30 am
 - 10:30 am-12:30 pm
- Timeslot will be assigned once student interest is determined
- Blue Wing, 1st Floor Open Space

Register [here](#) for workshop by Friday, February 28th at noon.

2025 Florida Wild For All Scholarship

Alachua Conservation Trust is pleased to announce the 2025 Florida Wild for All Scholarship. With this scholarship award, ACT seeks to amplify and celebrate the existing voices of Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and Multiracial People of Color interested in pursuing a career path in natural resources management or protection of the environment of Florida.

Selected recipients will be awarded \$250-500 for the 2025-2026 school year, which can be used for expenses as they relate to pursuing a career path in the environment and/or natural resource management fields. Awardees will also be invited to participate in future ACT community events and programs, including the ACT Internship Program, which provides students and recent graduates with the skills and training needed to pursue a career in the natural resources or nonprofit fields.

Eligibility Requirements

For your application to be considered, you must meet all three eligibility requirements listed below.

- I am interested in pursuing a career path in the environment and/or natural resource management fields.
- I identify as Black, Indigenous, Latinx, Multiracial, or a Person of Color.
- I live in one of the following Florida counties: Alachua, Taylor, Volusia, Pasco, Seminole, Gilchrist, Citrus, Union, Marion, Suwannee, Sumter, Putnam, Lake, Levy, Madison, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Hernando, Lafayette.

Interested applicants can learn more about the Florida Wild for All Scholarship and eligibility criteria at <https://www.alachuaconservationtrust.org/scholarships>

Applications will be accepted online or by mail through April 1st, 2025. Scholarship recipients will be notified on or before May 15th, 2025.

For more information about the Florida Wild for All Scholarship, contact ACT at (352) 373-1078 or info@alachuaconservationtrust.org.

FSU Scholarship Opportunity: FSU Service Scholars Program

Graduating seniors attending FSU with excellent community service experience should apply: <https://thecenter.fsu.edu/scholarships-awards/service-scholars>

Grad Bash

Grad Bash is here! Here are a few important things you need to know:

- P.K. will be going on Saturday, April 5th.
- We will leave P.K. at 4 p.m. and return the next morning at 4:30 a.m.
- Cost is \$150/student and includes travel by charter bus.
- This is a special event, so season passes are not accepted.
- There are 2 forms that must be signed by your parent/guardian and returned to the business office when you purchase your ticket. You will NOT be allowed to go without these signed forms.
- The forms are available in the main office and also posted here - [Permission Slip](#), [Expectations Contract](#), [Dress Code](#).
- Tickets go on sale Thursday, February 1st, and are due Friday, February 14th. We have to submit our ticket order to Universal, so late orders cannot be accepted.
- The business office will be accepting payments M-F at 7:30-9 am, and 1:40-2:13 pm. You may pay with check or credit card.

Please see Mr. Lincoln for any questions.

Santa Fe College Summer Stem Camp: Grrate Guitars, Rocketry, Robotics

Rising 9 - 12 grade students can attend an 8-day summer STEM camp at one of the five Santa Fe College Academic Centers. The summer 2025 curriculum will cover hands-on learning for an electric guitar project. Students will work from a kit to create their own electric guitar under the guidance of trained faculty.

Additional Information and registration can be found here:

<https://www.sfcollege.edu/grrate/>

SAT Test Prep

We are pleased to offer intensive SAT Test Prep tutoring if you are registered for a March 2025 SAT.

Mr. Robert Edmondson (Mr. E) will provide SAT Test Prep Tutoring in preparation for a March 2025 SAT.

- February 20th, February 27th, March 6th
- 4:00-6:00 pm
- Blue Wing, 1st Floor Open Space
- Register [here](#) for tutoring

Robert Edmondson is a modern music instructor at P.K. Yonge. For two years, he worked as the academic director at Aces in Motion After School program, where he established regular SAT and ACT practice regimens for students seeking to improve their scores. As an educator, coach, and mentor, he strives to close equity gaps in access to quality music education and post secondary education.

Other Test Prep Resources

- Varsity Tutors College Prep: Visit the Varsity Tutors platform for a chance to increase your SAT and ACT test scores with self-paced classes and practice problems. Login through Clever.
- Schoolhouse SAT Bootcamp: Preparing for the digital SAT? Attend a 4-week tutoring bootcamp on Schoolhouse, a non-profit founded by Sal Khan of Khan Academy. Parents must sign up for it to get consent for their student to participate. <https://schoolhouse.world/sat-bootcamp?ref=ka-sat-learner>
- Alachua County Library ACT/SAT Test Prep: aclib.us/databases under “research” - “databases” - “learning express”
- Khan Academy Test Prep: Khan Academy offers self-paced test prep modules and practice tests. <https://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep>

FAMU Scholarship: Due 3/7

Planning on attending FAMU? Want to earn a \$1,000 scholarship? Apply today!

Eligibility Requirements:

- 3.0 or higher GPA
- Resides in Alachua County
- SAT score 1060 or higher/ACT 21 or higher
- Complete a resume

Application link below: <https://forms.gle/aQt6wuvzhyHKYfKU6>

See [here](#) for more information.

2025 Twenty Pearls Scholarship: Due 3/28

This scholarship will be awarded to an African American female who is graduating for a high school in Alachua County Florida and has a GPA of 3.0 or higher. The scholarship is given based on several criteria: a) scholastic achievement b) financial need c) character d) leadership ability e) quality and level and quality of activities related to school, church, and community.

[Application Attached.](#)

Return completed application to Emily Schweim in Guidance.

Scholarships for USF: due 2/17

Great scholarship opportunities for graduating seniors admitted to USF and planning to enroll as full-time students in Fall 2025. Due 2/17. Information and application guidelines:

<https://www.usf.edu/honors/prospective-students/hosted-scholarships.aspx>

Education Foundation Scholarship: Due 2/16

Make sure to apply for the Alachua Education Foundation:

<https://edfoundationac.org/senior-scholarships/>

Great opportunity for all seniors! One application for over 80 scholarships.

Santa Fe College Construction Day: 2/13

Construction day at SFC is coming soon, please see the [attached flyer](#)! Lots of great opportunities for students who are interested in the trade industry. Students will have the opportunity to speak with employers about Apprenticeships and how these employers can pay for their tuition at SFC.

FAFSA Help at Santa Fe College

- The Gainesville Chamber Foundation and its local partners have launched the Cash for College campaign to promote Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion as students and their families make plans for education beyond high school.
- January 28th at Santa Fe College 5-7pm
- Register:
<https://members.gainesvillechamber.com/events/details/santa-fe-college-dual-enrollment-cash-for-college-37061>

Black History Month Essay Contest and Scholarship

- Each winner will receive a 2-Year Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation and a \$100 gift card for school supplies. Once the winners are announced, the decision is final.
- Find Contest Rules and Submission Guidelines
here: <https://www.floridablackhistory.com/student-contests/>
- Due 2/3/2025

Florida Credit Union Scholarship

- Check out the FCU scholarship opportunities and apply:
<https://flcu.org/about/florida-credit-union/community/scholarships/>
- Due 2/7

Clay Electric Youth Scholarship \$2,000

- This annual scholarship program is limited to any public, private or home schooled high school senior whose home (primary residence) is served by Clay Electric and who will be graduating from high school at the end of the school year.
- Paper copies are available in my office, or find a PDF here (<https://clayelectric.com/scholarships>).
- Make sure to complete ALL requirements to be considered.
- Due 4/7

Yearbook Reminders and Cap and Gown Picture Information

Cap and Gown Photos

- Tuesday, January 28
- 9:00 am to 12:30 pm
- Secondary Commons
- Wear an undershirt
- Optional

Field Photo

- Tuesday, January 28
- Gather at 1:30 pm
- Photo will be taken at practice field

Lifer Photo

- Tuesday, January 28
- After field photo
- Photo will be taken at playground

Yearbook and Senior Ads

- PRE-SALE ONLY
- On sale until February 28 or until we sell out
- <https://www.balfour.com/student-info?smi=108880>

- Yearbook Pricing
 - \$80 January 11-January 31
 - \$90 February 1-February 28
- Senior Ads
 - Yearbook staff will design ads
 - All pictures and words due by March 1, but turning in earlier is very helpful!
 - Submit your photos and text through Balfour or email to yearbook@pky.ufl.edu.
 - Prices increase January 31
 - \$200 Two-Page Spread - max 20 pictures, 800 characters (not words)
 - \$110 Full Page - max 10 pictures, 500 characters (not words)
 - \$70 Half Page - max 6 pictures, 300 characters (not words)
 - \$45 Quarter Page- max 2 pictures, 150 characters (not words)

The Education Foundation Scholarships (Only Alachua Seniors)

The Alachua County Education Foundation Scholarship is due 2/16! Submit ONE application to be considered for 80 different local scholarships.

Apply Now: <https://edfoundationac.org/senior-scholarships/>

Clay Electric 2025 Youth Tour to Washington DC Contest

Due 1/31:

Clay Electric Youth Tour Contest is open to current juniors and seniors. Find a paper copy of the application in my office and attached. Here's a video from the 2023 Tallahassee to Washington DC Youth Tour.

Clay Youth Tour 2023 Video: <https://vimeo.com/866518891/dbf2eca48f>

Senior Merchandise



Class of '25 - buy your senior shirts, hoodies, and long sleeve shirts now! Starts as low as \$12. Scan the QR code on the posters around school, or go to [this link](#) to order yours.

Senior Superlatives

Please vote for this year's [senior superlatives](#) by October 15th. NO late submissions will be accepted! Vote your fellow seniors!

Cap and Gown Orders

It's time to order your caps and gowns for graduation. There is no cost - P.K. Yonge pays for them. Please fill out [this form](#) by October 25th, including the correct spelling of your name for your diploma. For questions, please see Mrs. Sheppard.

Senior Workshop Day

On Wednesday, October 2nd, P.K. will take seniors over to Norman Hall during the school day to participate in breakout sessions for topics related to transitioning to their next steps. Sessions will include: career mapping, resume building, study abroad opportunities, how to highlight activities for employment or college admissions, financial aid applications, and all things senior year. Chromebooks and backpacks will not be needed. Students will need to return [permission slips](#) to Mr. Fabulich, Ms. Corbin, or Mr. Hasan, or the front office by Friday, September 27th. Be sure to let us know about your lunch plans on the back of the form.

Senior Picture Retakes

SWI will be on campus on October 1st for any senior portrait retakes from 8-11. This is your last chance to have your photo included in the yearbook. These photos will only be the formal portraits - no additional outfits. Please see [the form](#) for more details.

All Things Yearbook

It's time to order the 2025 P.K. Yonge Yearbook! Every PreK-12 student will be in the Yearbook! It's the best way to remember this year's events, classmates, and friends.

Yearbooks are on sale for an early bird price of \$70 until December 19, 2024. Prices will increase on December 20 and again on January 31.

Buy your Yearbook at this [link](#).

- 2025 Yearbook Theme "In the Moment"
- Yearbooks, \$70 each until December 19
- FREE name imprint on front cover until December 19 to makeup for delivery snafus from last year

Win a FREE Yearbook!

- Enter the cover design contest by September 30! Every student is encouraged to enter. It can be a sketch or a digital design. See the Yearbook Instagram at [@pky.yearbook](#) for more contest details.

2024 Yearbooks

- A few still available
- \$90
- Purchase in business office

Go Blue Wave!

PKY Yearbook Staff 24-25

Instagram [@pky.yearbook](#)

P.S. The yearbook staff will not be ordering additional copies of this year's book, so reserve your copy today!

School Picture Day!

- Make sure to get your picture taken to be included in the yearbook.
- October 1 for Senior Make-Up Pictures

Questions? Contact Emily Eubanks, Yearbook Adviser, yearbook@pky.ufl.edu

Senior Smart Start

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 27th, from 5:30-6:30 for Senior Smart Start! Everything you need to know to navigate your senior year will be addressed, from college applications to community service requirements for graduation. This will be taking place during the Blue Wave Meet and Greet.

If you can't attend, please contact Mrs. McElroy for more information at cmcelroy@pky.ufl.edu.

Senior Portraits

Schedule your Senior 2025 session today with SWI, our official yearbook photographer. New appointment dates/times available!
<https://swipphoto.com/seniors2025/>

Please disregard if you have already been photographed or booked an appointment. Contact SWI Photographers directly with any questions.
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Senior Parking Spot Painting

Painting parking spots for senior parking will be **Monday, August 5th - 8th from 9 am - 2 pm**. Paint brushes and paint will NOT be provided. An additional painting date will be **Wednesday, August 28th, from 9 am - 2 pm**. Click [here](#) for specified paint and more information. Please note that paint that does not match the specified paint will NOT be allowed to be used on the parking lot. You can paint up to the white lines on the spaces, but not over them. On school days, you must be in your spot by 9:00 am, otherwise that spot is available for other cars to park. For more questions, see a Senior Class Officer or Mrs. Koppitch.

- ★ YOU MUST HAVE A PARKING PASS
- ★ YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN PAINT AND BRUSHES
- ★ YOU MUST PAY \$30
- ★ YOU MUST GET YOUR DESIGN SKETCH APPROVED PRIOR TO PAINTING DAY - Send them to cgeiger@pky.ufl.edu by 2 pm the day before painting.



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