



# Okeechobee High School

## Freshman Campus

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Parents, Students, and Community Stakeholders,

Okeechobee High School Freshman Campus is excited to welcome the Okeechobee High School Class of 2026! The transition from middle school to high school is a pivotal year for students as they adjust to a new school, a new set of peers, and new teachers all at once. Add on the expectations of being a “high school” student and it becomes easy to see how for many students freshman year can be their toughest year of high school. However, be assured the faculty and staff at Okeechobee High School Freshman Campus are working to ensure that our students are successful by setting an academic foundation focusing on each and every student, each and every day.

Ninth grade is a critical year for students to establish effective work habits and strategies to help them successfully navigate high school. Our faculty work collaboratively to ensure students are scheduled according to their individual educational needs. Our Pre-AP English 1 teachers are prepared to deliver lessons based on the principles of close observation and analysis, evidence-based writing, higher-order questioning, and academic conversation. These skills will equip students for the full range of academic options, including Honors, Advanced Placement, and Dual Enrollment, available to them at Okeechobee High School. Students can begin to take challenging Honors Biology, Honors Geometry, and Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment classes when they arrive on our campus. Students needing support in reading will have Intensive Reading and personalized instruction using Read 180. Students who need math support will have Algebra 1a this year, providing them with two years of Algebra instruction before taking the graduation requirement End of Course Algebra 1 exam. Students will hear early and often about both promotion and graduation requirements. We will work to ensure they understand that we are one Okeechobee High School, with two campuses.

We are excited for the return of students on August 10th. We look forward to seeing our students experience their first year of Okeechobee High School, creating lasting memories of shared traditions.. It is time to teach our freshman class The Brahman Way. It is time to Move Forward and Be Great!

Sincerely,

Vicki Goggans, Principal

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