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SpaceX, NASA launch two astronauts from US for first time in 9 years



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The SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket, carrying astronauts Doug Hurley and Bob Behnken, lifts off from Kennedy Space Center Saturday. The SpaceX Demo-2 mission is the first crewed launch of an orbital spaceflight from the U.S. in nearly a decade.

LIFTOFF TO NEW ERA

BY CHABELI CARRAZANA AND AUSTIN FULLER

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER — America's triumphant return to human spaceflight looked like this Saturday: A commercial rocket cutting through clear blue skies with cheers erupting across the Space Coast. SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket took off right at 3:22 p.m., astronauts Bob Behnken and Doug Hurley riding atop on a Crew Dragon astronaut capsule, ending a nine-year drought for America's astronaut launch program. The moment was like one large sigh of relief, for the thousands of engineers who have dedicated nearly a decade to this program, for SpaceX founder Elon Musk who founded his company to take humans to space, for NASA, which bet on a new commercial approach to human spaceflight and for the families of the two brave astronauts who took the ride.

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CORONAVIRUS IN FLORIDA

Healthy or not: One doctor, 12 test sites, delayed results

BY KARINA ELWOOD
AND CINDY KRISCHER GOODMAN

Contractors hired by Florida for 12 test sites have taken days — even weeks — to give thousands of people their coronavirus results. The state said Friday it has resolved the problem, but that doesn't explain why many Floridians have endured aggravation for at least two months trying to get their test results — and why a pediatrician in Hallandale Beach was entrusted with handling thousands of notification phone

calls a day. People swabbed at the sites throughout the state, including Holiday Park in Fort Lauderdale and the Youth Fairgrounds at Florida International University, were given a phone number to call Eric Pantaleon, the pediatrician, if they didn't get results in five days. Calls to that number went unanswered or a recording told them to leave a message that never was returned. Dozens of frustrated residents describe spending days or weeks calling Pantaleon,

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The drive-thru coronavirus test site at Holiday Park on Wednesday in Fort Lauderdale.

FLOYD DEATH PROTESTS

Cities facing rise in unrest

National Guard called in as
crowds intensify in some areas

BY AARON MORRISON
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Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Protesters set police cars ablaze, smashed businesses' windows and skirmished with baton-wielding officers in streets from Atlanta to Los Angeles, as anger over George Floyd's death spread across the country. Authorities were bracing for more violence Saturday, with some calling in the National Guard to beef up overwhelmed forces.

In Minneapolis, where Floyd died Monday after a white police officer pressed a knee into his neck and kept it there for more than eight minutes, Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz fully mobilized the state's National Guard and promised a massive show of force to help quell unrest that has grown increasingly destructive.

"The situation in Minneapolis is no longer in any way about the murder of George Floyd," Walz said. "It is about attacking civil society, instilling fear and disrupting our

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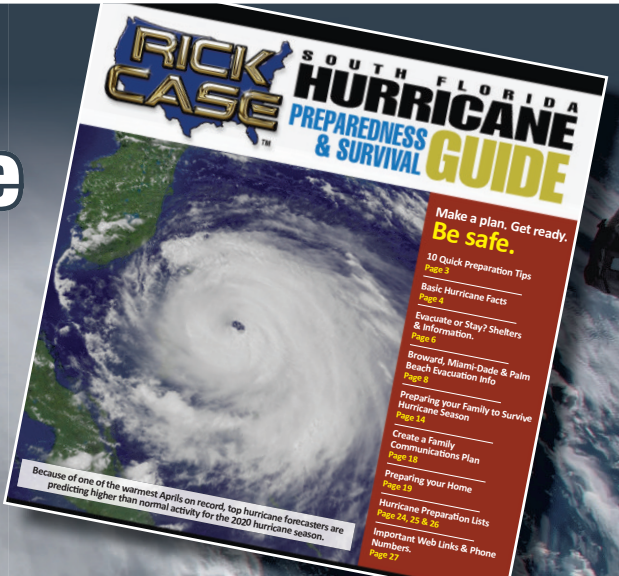
District rejects findings, clears school officials

BY SCOTT TRAVIS

An outside investigator described numerous failures by administrators at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High that may have contributed to the 2018 shooting, but the Broward School District rejected the findings and cleared the employees. A committee of district administrators decided May 7 there was no just cause to discipline Ty Thompson, who was principal of the Parkland school at the time of the shooting, or Assistant Principal Denise Reed. Both were reassigned last year. Jeff Morford, another assistant principal who has since retired, was cleared of most allegations against him but was given a letter of reprimand for mishandling a 2016 threat assessment of the student who killed 17 people on Feb. 14, 2018. The committee's decisions were in stark contrast to the findings made by lawyer

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