

The Orbiter



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:30pm School Hours 9:40-4:10 December 1, 2021

Supervision

There is no supervision before 9:15 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time.

Social Emotional Learning

As parents and caregivers our attitude about leadership in our children's education and our communities can inspire our children. Raising caring, confident, capable children through guidance and reminders, is a big part of parent leadership skills and responsibilities. Here are five ways to help your child practice building leadership skills at home:

- 1. Let them solve their own problems.
- 2. Teach them how to make decisions.
- 3. Help them practice their listening skills.
 - 4. Apologize when necessary.
 - 5. Encourage them to start something.

All students will be celebrating leadership and service as a school on December 10th. Click on the following link for information about building leadership at

home. https://www.imom.com/how-to-raise-a-future-leader/

REGISTRATION for 2022-2023

Registration for the **2022-2023** school year is open from September 1, 2020- February 1, 2021. FAU will begin selecting students in March, beginning with Kindergarten. You must apply for the lottery for a new student, even if you already have siblings here at PPE. Please share this information with your family and friends who may want their children to become Rockets!

Staff Honorees

Congratulations to the following staff members as they will represent Palm Pointe this year at the Night of the Stars! We are so proud of this year's honorees! They are shining stars! We appreciate all you do every day for Palm Pointe!

Teacher of the Year: Bridget Austin
Distinguished Minority Educator Award: Melissa Sanchez
Outstanding First Year Teacher: Angela Fernandez
School Related Employee of the Year: Gina Millan



Palm Pointe is proud to Support Toys for Tots

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to Palm Pointe for children ages 0-14 for our donation sleigh!

$\frac{We \ will \ be \ collecting \ toys \ from}{December \ 1^{st} - \ 10^{th}}$

Palm Pointe's Goal is to collect over 500 gifts!

*A <u>FREE</u> dress code pass will be given to each student who brings a toy. The pass is to be used on December 13th.

Together we can make a difference and bring a joyous Christmas morning to children across St Lucie County.

History & STEM Fair

The final History Fair projects are due December 13th, and the school-level fair will be held in mid-January. Stay tuned for more details. The STEM Fair is a unique opportunity for students to use the Scientific Process to ask questions and seek answers about the natural world. Through the development of the STEM Fair project, students gain a valuable, hands-on experience with scientific investigation. Students in grades 6-8 will submit their projects to their teacher by Dec. 1. Finalists will be featured in our school-based Virtual STEM Fair to share their results with family, peers, and the community. Gold Medalists will continue to the St. Lucie Schools District STEM Fair. Please be sure to check out the Virtual Science Fair on Dec. 13th on our YouTube channel and facebook page. Those moving on to the district fair will be announced on December 17th.

November Citizen of the Month

Although we are currently not holding live ceremonies, we want to be sure to recognize students each month for being an outstanding citizen. One student in each homeroom was chosen and recognized in class by their teacher. Awards are presented to each child by administration and families will receive a picture via email and the presentation of all the honorees will be posted on Facebook each month. These students were selected based on Palm Pointe's School-wide Expectations: **Take Responsibility, Engage in Your Learning, Act Respectfully, Make Safe Choices, and for demonstrating the SEL theme for the month.** Congratulations to:

Kindergarten – William Degraffenreid, Nadia Estrada, Brielle Genereux, Amelia Gordon, Tyler Peters, Valentina Presigiacomo, Elijah Rosemond, Zoey Rosen, Leila Rummery

First Grade- Lincoln Abel, Mikaela Escoto, Joseph Esposito, Ethan Fontilien, Leah Garcia, Jackson Giaquinto, Micaiah Henry, Jackson Maypole, Cade Van Valkenburg

Second Grade – Skylar Duffy, Ariella Howard, Hannah Kenny, Liam Lawston, Abigail Paglino, Mateo Pichardo, Susej Tovar Polanco, Noah Swantic, Charlotte Ziegler

Third Grade- Amiya Clendenin, Camila Corral, Kaliyah Garcia, Bentley Girard, Hope Hamblin, Tristan Joseph, Austin Narcisse, Evelyse San Martin. Miguel Tinoco Morales. Bella Volcin

Fourth Grade – Taleya Chavez, Antonio Davis, Ruby Diaz Diaz, Jenesys Guerrero, Zechariah Louis, Carlos Peregrin, Izobella Pierre, Julianna Ramos, Thiago Rivera, Maddex Weeks

Fifth Grade – James Baumgartner, Shelby Blickenstaff, Charles Chuong, Isabella Fernandes, Layla Moises, Ellenoir Oxendine, Natalya Pierre Louis, Kelula Saint Soir, Alexah Tout- Pouissant

Sixth Grade- Emily Cole, Isabella Cruzado, Gianna Edelkraut, Colten Furman, Millie Mejia Espinoza, Sofia Pilloni, Jaden Martin Ramos, Angel Seda, Alessandro Simmons, Ariah Steplin, Brianna Torres

Seventh Grade – Jackson Armstrong, Lauren Bernal, Madison Eddinger, Samantha Echeverri-Cespedes, Ivy Golden, Christian Guerrero, Lensley Jean, Emma Outlaw, Dareek Scutt, Elyjah St. Fleur, Madison Van Gogh

Eighth Grade- Princeton Binns, Melik Enoch, Lillian Heelan, Zoey Lockett, Brianna Louis-Pierre, Jayden McGregor, Naiya Pierre-Louis, Isabella Ramos-Cordero, Efren Rodriguez, Gabrielle Thomas

ESSER III and ICP Feedback

In accordance with the DOE, Palm Pointe is seeking feedback from stakeholders on its Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP), as well as how best to expend its Emergency and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) allocated funds of \$1,745,508. At least 20% of the funds must address learning loss.

According to the ESSER III guidelines, funds must be budgeted:

- •To address learning loss through curriculum, teacher support, additional staffing, and technology enhancements;
- •To address health services, mental health and social emotional student needs through staffing, and partnerships;
- •To continue strategies started with ESSER II funds and add new ones;
- •To recoup general funds utilized in the Return to School Plan;
- •To enhance facilities for health and safety.

Feedback can be submitted through our Forms survey by December 3rd. You may scan this provided QR code with your phone to access the survey. A link to the survey, along with the school's Instructional Continuity Plan, is available on Palm Pointe's website.



Mark Your Calendar

On early dismissal days, school ends at **2:10 pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **12/17**, **2/2**, **3/11**, **4/20**, **5/31**, **6/1**

Student & Parent Handbook

Our complete Student & Parent Handbook is available for review on our website, on the home page at www.tradition.fau.edu.

Dismissal Procedures

This year, dismissal changes can be made through our new PikMyKid app or by calling the school up until 3:15 each day. Changes can only be made by a parent and students cannot be picked up early after 3:15 each day.

Live Performances

We are excited to hold live performances in December for our Palm Pointe Players presentation of Annie and with our middle school bands. We want to remind all those with advance tickets that we will need all families' cooperation to make this happen and still follow social distancing and Covid guidelines. Benches will be spaced apart in the audeteria making the audience much smaller, masks must be worn by all audience members and seating will be assigned in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. Thank you in advance for your support!

Palm Pointe is wishing each of our families a happy, healthy holiday season!



Conveniently purchase PPE planners, ear buds, spirit shirts and sweatshirts online! You can also purchase your prepaid Dollar Days pass to dress down on specific days this year!

DECEMBER 2021

Pay online all in one click with credit card or check. For more details, visit:

https://www.schoolpay.com/parent/mip/MdLJ Planner are required for all students.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Sports Practice Soccer— T & Th 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Boys Baskeb all-T & Th 4:30-5:45 Volleyball— T, W, Th 4:20 PM—5:15 PM	* Toys for Tots — Toy Drive 12/01-12/10 * Holiday Shoppe 11/29-12/7	I B STEM Fair Projects Due 5:30-6:30 pm Grade 3, Part 1 GSA Game Night/ Partnering w/Parents to Ask the Right Questions	2 C	3 D Super Hero Day to Support Toys for Tots (Must have & wear pre purchased lanyard to participate)	# PPP Musical Set up 1-4pm MS Soccer Tourn-TCHS
5	6 E 5:30-6:30 Grade 2 Jeopardy Game-Parent Event 6:00pm PPP Musical- Dress Rehearsal	7 F 6:00pm PPP Musical- Annie Jr (Tickets MUST be purchased in ad- vance) 6th Grade Health Screening	8 G Progress Reports 6:00pm PPP Musical- Annie Jr	9 A 6:30 pm 6th Grade Band Concert	10 B MS Elective/Reading Semester Exams SEL Activity Day - Leadership & Service 3:40 NJHS Meeting in Audeteria	II MS Soccer Finals- FPCHS
12	13 C MS ELA Semester Exams History Fair Projects Due 5:30 PPE Virtual STEM Fair No Dress Code Day for Those Who Bring in a Toys for Tots Toy	I & D MS Social Studies Semester Exams 11:00 ESOL Parent Event - Virtual	15 E MS Science Semester Exams Citizen of the Month Students Recognized 6:30 pm 7th Grade & Jazz Band Concert	16 F MS Math Semester Exams 8:45 SAC Mtg. 6:30 pm 8th Grade & Jazz Band Concert	17 G Wear Your Ugly Sweater/Shirt Day to Support NJHS (Must have & wear pre purchased lanyard to participate) PBIS Quarter 2 Schoolwide Events Early Dismissal Day PPE STEM Fair Winners Announced	18
19	20 Winter Break for Students December 20- January 3rd Students Return January 4th	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	