



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:30 pm
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Supervision
There is no supervision before 9:15 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time.

History Day & Project Citizen

Palm Pointe hosted its 2023 History Day School Celebration on January 24th, 2023. Students in grades 6-8 social studies participate in this yearly project by researching a topic related to an annual theme. This year's theme is "Frontiers in History," and students chose topics ranging as far back as the middle ages to as recently as 9/11. Students could create an exhibit, performance, or documentary, or write a historical paper to showcase their research and analysis. The top projects in each grade level were honored at the ceremony in front of the students' families, and the projects moving on to the district level of competition were announced. Representing Palm Pointe at the District fair this year are: Coralie Reich, Maxwell Middleton, Jack Tolman, William Li, Robbie Hood, Ivy Golden, Makayla Grigsby, Zoe Walden, Janiyah Talabert, Brielle Charles, McKenzie Vickers, Mariana Sanchez Serrano, Chrystal Oliviera, and Emily Duarte-Garcia. Congratulations to all!

Additionally, students in 7th grade Civics have the opportunity to participate in Project Citizen each year. This immersive project tasks groups with identifying a community issue and creating an action plan proposal to solve the problem. With their project titled, "Protect PSL Trees," the team moving on to the district competition includes Kaelynn Scott, Aaliyah Bott, Isabella Cruzado, Faith Mathew, and Eden Smith.

The District Project Citizen event will be February 17th and the District History Fair takes place between February 27th and March 3rd at the St. Lucie Public Schools main offices.

Palm Pointe Talent Show

We hope you will join us February 16th from 6pm - 7:30pm in the Auditoria for Palm Pointe's first middle school talent showcase! This event will feature a variety of performers from grades 6-8 and is a family-friendly fundraiser to support the 8th grade Gradventure trip. All ages are welcome! Students must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets cost \$5 per person and can be purchased through school pay starting February 1st (www.palmpointe.fau.edu) or at the door. If you have any questions, please reach out to

Melanie.Larsen@stlucieschools.org.

STEM Fair Regional/District Winners

The District STEM fair was held at IRSC on January 13th, and we are proud to announce we had five winners, two of whom will be representing Palm Pointe and SLPS District at the State Level. Congratulations to all our District winners:

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| Aiden Hong (State Qualifier) | 1 st Place in Plant Sciences Community Award from FPL Grace Stock Conservation Award from the St. Lucie Audubon Society Community Award from the University of Florida |
| Coralie Reich (State Qualifier) | 1 st Place in Earth and Environmental Science Hand 2 Mind award for Chemistry and Environmental Science Grace Stock Conservation Award from the St. Lucie Audubon Society |
| Gabriella DaCosta | 2 nd Place in Earth and Environmental Science Office of Naval Research Award from the U.S. Navy & Marine Corps |
| Maya Zawackis | 2 nd Place Plant Sciences Publix Good Science Award |
| Holland Lilley | 3 rd Place in Chemistry |

Palm Pointe Has Talent!



- WHAT?** A talent showcase featuring a variety of acts from Palm Pointe middle school students
- WHEN?** February 16th 6pm—7:30pm
- WHERE?** Palm Pointe Auditoria
- HOW MUCH?** Tickets cost \$5 per person and can be purchased through school pay (www.palmpointe.fau.edu) starting 2/1, or at the door.

January Citizen of the Month

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 CLE theme for the month.** Dates and times for Citizen of the Month Award Ceremonies 2/22, 3/29, 4/26, and 5/17. All assemblies are at 10:15 am in the Auditoria. Parents/guests must register through Raptor prior to the ceremony to proceed directly there to get your pass to enter. All those who do not RSVP must report to the office to check in prior to the ceremony.

Kindergarten: Giselle Moyano, Justin Moncion, Anthony Morgan, Tremain Spencer, Holden Lehman, Bodi Boxall, Aleena Matthews, Taya Davis

First Grade: Mason Irizarry, Xavier Williams Jr., Xander Ghobrial, Luke Lawston, Caroline Barrett, Santiago Padilla Palacio, Avery Anderson, Jenna Hamideh, Scarlett Jacobs

Second Grade: Zion Castro, Karsen Lasseter, Jordynn Pearce, Christian Toth, Liam McGeary, Mikaela Escoto, Soraya Geffrard, Baron Evanson, Sydney Kelleher, Mikey Guzak

Third Grade: Charleigh Serrano, Hailey Ruiz, Ace Pickard, Richard Kowalski, Khloe Wright, Leah Savoree, Joshua Rosemond, Noah Villier, Alexandra Cruzado, Liam Lawston

Fourth Grade: Mery Jordan, Chelsea Donald, Camila Corral, Nathan Alguire, Josiely Trinidad, Liam Cohen, Sophia Camacho, Alivia Dean, Isaiah Rolle, Elijah Arias

Fifth Grade: Sarah Padilla Palacio, Owen Key, Ashton Turner, Enoch Hong, Sawyer Timothee, Valentina Valencia, Maddex Weeks, Lorenzo Mangual, Adrian Polychronis, Weston Ziegler

Sixth Grade: Ryan Marino, Joshua Miller, Liana Bonet, Maraya Carter Evans, Julian Allen, Isabella Diaz, Markandra Thomas, Juan Marquez, Mia Gluck, Yazaira Sanchez, Ashlyn Voelker, Logan Sommer, Wyatt Friedberg

Seventh Grade: Gabriela La Porta, Naomi Joseph, Terry Mckeeon, Gabriella Dacosta, T'yhler Brown, Wolfgang Baere, Emory Harper, Alicia De La Cruz, Logan Tavares

Eighth Grade: Gavin Whelan, Sadie Keelor, Ethan Ogilvie, Robbie Hood, Mckinley Lehman, Alana Borgella, Nathaniel Krigger, Lamarr Parks, Ivy Golden, Ny'dez Malone Jackson, Thianna Viens

FAST Progress Monitoring Scores for Grade 3-8 Students

Student results for the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Progress Monitoring (PM) tests are available for Grades 3-8. Parents can access their student’s FAST results through Skyward Family Access. Parents can view and print scale scores, achievement levels, and a bar graph indicating where the scale score falls within the achievement level bands. **A flier with instructions to locate FAST results for grade 3-8 students was sent home.**

- ▶ Health
- Activity
- ▼ Portfolio
- Attachments
- ▼ Grad Reqs

Star Progress Monitoring Score Reports for K-2 Students

Parents can locate scores for their child’s performance on the Star Early Literacy, Literacy, and Math progress monitoring tests on Skyward. The “Portfolio” tab opens to an “Attachment” tab (reports cards are also posted here) where student scores and an Individual Score Report can be found. Both PM1 and PM2 scores can be located here.

Mark Your Calendar

On early dismissal days, school ends at **2:10 pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **2/1, 3/10, 4/19, 5/31, 6/1**

Code of Conduct

Parents & guardians, Palm Pointe Educational Research School supports the belief that schools should be a place where teachers can teach, and students can learn. Please remind your child of Palm Pointe’s expectations relating to school appropriate conversation as well as keeping hands, feet, and objects to themselves. Please refer to the St. Lucie Code of Conduct for additional information. We appreciate your support.

<http://www.stlucie.k12.fl.us/pdf/codeofconduct.pdf>



Cultural Learning Environment (CLE)

The CLE trait for February is responsible and ethical decision making. Responsible and ethical decision making is the ability to make constructive and respectful choices about personal behavior and social interactions based on consideration of ethical standards, safety concerns, social norms, evaluation of consequences of actions and well-being of self and others. At home, allow your kids to practice responsible decision making by simulating real-world scenarios in the home, and let kids live with the choices they make. Parents can also encourage independent decision making by encouraging their kids to praise their siblings, friends, or teammates when they see good decisions being made or when they notice someone considering their options. This also helps kids to see more examples of decision-making. On Friday, February 10th, we will kick off the week of kindness. Stay tuned for the many activities sprinkled throughout the week!



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<https://getfortifyfl.com>

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!

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | Clubs Coding Club 8:15 –9:15 (W) Crazy 8 Math Club 8:15-9:15 (T) Odyssey of the Mind 4:30-5:45 (T & Th) Gr. 4 Chorus 8:15-9:15 (T) Gr. 5 Chorus 8:15-9:15 (Th) | Clubs MS Chess Club 4:15-5:15 (T/TH) Sci Explorers Gr 2, 4, 5 -8:15-9:15 (W) Gr 3 8:15-9:15 (M) MS Digital Art 8:15-9:15 (TH) Gr 2 Reader’s Theatre 4:15-5:15 (T) | 1 D Early Dismissal Honor Roll Grades 5& 6 Students Recognized Candy Grams Sales 2/1-2/10 to Support Guid Dept | 2 E Honor Roll Grades 7&8 Students Recognized Gr 3– Crack the Curriculum– Parent Event 5:30-7:30 | 3 F No Dress Code Day to Support PBIS (Must have and wear pre-purchased lanyard to participate) | 4 Night of the Stars 5:00pm |
| 5 iReady Reading & Math Winter Diagnostics 1/30-2/24 GrK-8 | 6 G | 7 A | 8 B Progress Reports 4:30-6:00 Talent Show Rehearsal Jazz Band MPA Festival 1:00 Gr 2 Family Jeopardy Night 5:30-7:00 Family Night at Mod Pizza | 9 C Gr 5 Family Event– Coffee & Content 8:15-9:15 | 10 D 3:30 NJHS Last day to Purchase Candy Grams CLE Activity—Responsible and Ethical Decision Making | 11 |
| 12 Jump Rope for Heart Feb. 13-17 | 13 E Drama Jr’s (1)Rehearsal until 6:00pm | 14 F Dress up for Valentines Day to Support Sunshine (Must have and wear pre-purchased lanyard to participate) Distribute Candy Grams | 15 G Drama Jr’s (1) Performance– Once Upon a Time at PPE 5:00pm | 16 A 8:45 SAC Mtg. 6:00 Middle School Talent Show | 17 B District Project Citizen Day | 18 |
| 19 BEST Tutoring Phase 2 Begins 2/21-4/27 | 20 Holiday for All-Presidents Day | 21 C Gr 1 Family Event 5:30-7:00 Let’s Taco ‘Bout Standards– Audeteria | 22 D 10:15 Citizen of the Month | 23 E | 24 F Dental Screening (2nd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th) | 25 |
| 26 FSAA 2/27-4/14 | 27 Teachers PD Day No School for Students District Level—History Day Fair—2/27—3/3(in person) | 28 G | Sports Practice Girls Basketball M, & Th 4:20 PM—5:15 PM Boys Basketball T, W, & Th 4:20 PM—5:45 PM | Collaborative Learning Feb. 1st-DPP #3 (Jan. 31 @ 8:45) Feb 8th– Emerg.Action Planning(Identified teachers)-FAU Rm Feb. 14th/15th—Crunch time planning: data analysis | Collaborative Learning Feb. 21st/22nd—Crunch time planning: identify areas Feb. 28th/Mr1—Crunch time Planning—finalize wish lists | |