



The Orbiter



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:45pm
School Hours 9:40-4:10

Supervision
There is no supervision before 9:20 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time.

Principal's Corner

Dear Palm Pointe Families,
On behalf of the Administration and Palm Pointe Staff, we would like to wish all of our families a happy holiday season! It is December and your children will be busy learning and growing while participating in some holiday fun. Please see the December calendar for activities at Palm Pointe. Also, colder weather dress code is included; please review so everyone is prepared for our changes in climate. As always, thank you for your support of our school, its staff, and your children.

Mrs. Kathleen Perez, Principal

Toys for Tots

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to Palm Pointe for children ages 0-14 for our donation sleigh! We will be collecting toys from now through December 15th and will also be purchasing additional gifts with the money we raise from our December 8th free dress code day. Help us reach our goal of collecting 300 toys, so children less fortunate have gifts to open on Christmas.

Volunteers of the Year

The following are the Outstanding Volunteers of the Year! Congratulations to them and thank you to all of our volunteers!

Youth: Jack Gallo
Adult: Mrs. Marie Simco
Senior: Mrs. Diane Yeager

Palm Pointe's Science Expo & Awards Celebration

Palm Pointe middle schoolers have been working hard on their projects that were due November 20, 2017. The top ten winners in each pod will be displayed in the middle school pods the week of December 4th-8th for judging. They will also be displayed in the Auditoria on December 19th at 2:45 pm for The Science Fair Expo and Awards Celebration. Invited participants and families will be able to view the projects on display from 2:45 – 3:10pm. The award ceremony will begin at 3:10. "Good Luck" to our future scientists!

Congratulations to our 2017-2018 Staff Honorees!

Please join us in celebrating our staff honorees for the 2017-2018 school year! We are so proud!

Teacher of the Year

Mrs. Rebecca Benton

Distinguished Minority Educator Award

Ms. Carline Jean

First Year Teacher

Ms. Rachel Sparks

School Related Employee of the Year

Mrs. Barbara Gallo

SIP/PFEP

PPE's School Advisory Council approved the 2017-2018 School Improvement Plan (SIP) and Parent/Family Engagement Policy (PFEP). Visit <https://www.floridacims.org/districts/fau-lab-sch/schools/0020> to access the published SIP. Look for at-a-glance documents about the SIP and PFEP to be sent home with your child later this month.

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 9th 9:00-11:00am

Breakfast Served 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Santa Arrives at 9:30 a.m.

Palm Pointe Auditoria

Tickets \$5-Children's tickets include 3 crafts

There will be raffles, face painting, holiday tattoos, and holiday entertainment from our own Mrs. Larsen and Mrs. Estrada! Santa's exclusive visit to Palm Pointe will be Saturday, December 9th. Bring your own camera. Santa will be available for pictures from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Join us for a pancake breakfast and holiday crafts. All breakfast tickets are pre-sale only. Your prepaid tickets will be available for pick up at the door, the day of the event.

Registration for the 2018-2019 School Year

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is open from September 1, 2017- February 1, 2018. FAU will begin selecting students in March. Please share this information with those you may know who want to enroll their children at PPE, as it is different from the enrollment period for other schools in St. Lucie. Please visit <http://applypk12.fau.edu> to enroll online.

Citizen of the Month - November 2017

The Citizenship Award will be given to one student in each class in grades K-5, homeroom classes in grades 6-8, and one per Elective and Resource teacher. These students were selected based on Palm Pointe's School-wide Expectations. Parents and family members can report directly to the Auditoria. All assemblies are at 10:30am.

Kindergarten: Sam Stoller, Allyson Matos, Keaton Alcantara, Jack Ayers, Taleya Chavez, Julian Friman, Soren Carbenia, Mason Buck, Tresean Briggs

First Grade: David Lyons, Brielle Charles, Fernando Diaz, Ashlyn Voelker, Kylie Duffy, Brianna Hudson, Coralie Reich, Ava Gachette

Second Grade: Kayla Yearwood, Brianna Torres, Emily Cole, Aria Croce, Zahir Thomas, Shane Duffy, Kaden Huggins, Isabella Castelo, Rachel Reid, Jack Henrichsen, Juliana Apostolico

Third Grade: Jeremiah Henderson, Ameer Nofal, Christopher Conran, Jordyn Lowery, Anthony Luongo, Eliah Bonet, Julia Peralta, Dominic Dimarco, Brianna Crockett, Raul Lopez

Fourth Grade: Jessie Dukes, Victoria Zaravelis, Xiomara Perez, Madison Pesula, Isabella Nunes, Gabriel Silva, Tori Dickinson, Connor Givens, Maya Kormov

Fifth Grade: Crystal Smith, Esteban Gomes Lopez, Hannah Raymond, Jaiden Robert, Lauren Imbert, Brenna Rooney, Evan Harrison, Olivia Donnelly, Tyler Sinclair

Sixth Grade: Laney Keys, Abigail Solari, Damira Parham, Levi Ghent, Alexis Emanuel-Faullin, Jackson Willette, Jasmine Price, Lupita Vargas, Alondra Torres, Ryan Storck, Peyton Harvey

Seventh Grade: Ian Cruz Gomez, Kaitlyn Cole, Ty Lettera, Makaila Jackson, Leo Perez, Jake Harrison, Hailey Schoner, Amaya Hernandez, Ephraim Pierre, Tyra Dimatteo, Jasmine Chuong

Eighth Grade: Samantha Striffler, Darielle Scutt, Naomi Henderson, Juan Navarro, Cora Lents, Nicole Beltran, Maximillian Simco, Alyssa Monaco, Brian Nunes, Braylen Lopez, Gabriella Bailey, Christian Alvarez-Quiroga

McKinney Vento Homeless Act

If you lost your housing due to economic hardship, natural disaster, or other similar reason, and are living temporarily with friends or relatives, or in a shelter, motel, vehicle, or campground; or on the street; or in an abandoned building, then you are eligible to receive services provided under the McKinney-Vento Act. Regardless of your housing status, every child has the right to an education and additional services must be provided by the school. If you are not in a permanent home, please contact Mrs. Summer Kuba, Palm Pointe's homeless liaison. She can be reached at (772) 345-3245 or summer.kuba@stlucieschools.org. If you would like additional information on the educational rights of homeless children and youth, please visit the Palm Pointe website or the FAU Resource Room in the school's front office.

Cold Weather Clause

When the temperature falls 50° or below, K-5 students may wear dress code jeans, slacks, or school-approved skirts with leggings under. Permitted **dress code outerwear** would include: properly fitting cardigans, sweatshirts, sweaters, and pullovers in solid blue, gray, white, black, and tan. Small prints in those colors will be permitted. All others will not be permitted while in the school building.

PPE Website Updates

Missed the Classroom Kickoff/Curriculum Night 2.0 event in October? Grade level materials have been posted on the PPE website, as well as the Title I Parent Information Meeting presentation. Missing a Wednesday Envelope flyer? Check out our new "School-Home Communication" tab to see the most recent, school-wide, informational items that have been sent home.

Parent Information Resource Center

Did you know that our front office houses an area filled with community and educational resources? Visit the "FAU Room" to learn more.

PTO NEWS

The Annual Holiday Shop begins December 4th and runs through December 11th. If you are a district approved volunteer and have some time to spare, we welcome the help. Please email palmpointept@gmail.com and let us know your availability. Some of our younger shoppers require assistance shopping for their families. The December general meeting is cancelled. We will see you at the January general meeting.

On Early Dismissal days, school ends at 2:10pm. The dates for the year are as follows: **12/22, 1/24, 2/14, 3/9, 4/6, 5/30, 5/31**

Spirit Shirts are available for \$10.00 in the Front office. Students may wear any PPE T-Shirt on Spirit Day, which is every Friday.

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Earbuds are for sale for \$4.00. Student Planners on sale for \$5.00

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Code Red Drill Sometime During this Week	4 A PTO Holiday Shoppe in L. Pad 12/4- 12/11 Sci. Fair Judging 12/4-12/8	5 B	6 C Are You Smarter Than A 7th Grader- Parent Event 5:30-6:30 Big Apple Night 5-9 pm	7 D Young Musicians Holiday Concert -6:30 pm Elem. Rocket Chorus & 6th Gr. Band PBIS Holiday Hat & Sock Presale 12/7-12/8	1 F Prospective Parent Tour 10 am Palm Pointe Players - Peter Pan Jr. 6:00 PM Smencil Sale - PBIS \$1 8 E TCUS Mtg 1:30 PBIS School-Wide Event K-8 12:00-4:00 \$1 No Dress Code to Support Toys for Tots Tradition Square Performance - 8th Gr. Jazz Band & Rocket Chorus 7:00 pm	2 PPP - Peter Pan Jr. 3:00 PM Soccer A Team Tournament @ FPCHS Girls Volleyball A Team Tournament @FPCHS 9 Breakfast with Santa 9-11am
10 Semester Exams 12/11-12/22 District Sem. Exams EOC- Alg 1 & Civics	11 F History Fair Projects due to teacher Gr 6 & 8 PBIS Holiday Hat & Sock Sale 12/11 - 12/15	12 A	13 B Progress Reports Due Elective/Reading Semester Exams SAC Mtg 8:30	14 C Science Semester Exams Holiday Fine Arts Extravaganza 6:30 pm	15 D Language Arts Semester Exams Parent Academy 9:45	16 NJHS Nursing Home Visit (Brennity) 9-11 am
17	18 E Social Studies Semester Exams 3rd gr Rotary Club Dictionary Presentation 10:30 - in pod	19 F School Sci. Fair Awards Ceremony 2:45 (Identified students)	20 A Math Semester Exams Gr 3 -New Years Traditions Around the World-Family Event 2:30-in pods	21 B 5th Grade CSI Family Event 1:30-3:00	22 C Early Release Day End of 2nd 9 weeks \$1 Ugly Holiday Shirt/Sweater to Support NJHS	23
24	25 Winter Break ** Dec. 23 - Jan 5 for Students	26 Students return to school on January 8, 2018	27	28	29	30
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