



The Orbiter



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:45
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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,
February has been a great month! Our Jazz Band sent two middle school jazz bands to the District 13 Florida Bandmasters Association Jazz Music Performance Assessment. As the only groups from St. Lucie County, they were proud to participate and represented our county with pride. We were well represented at the District Science and History Fair, too, with many students receiving honors. It is difficult to believe that the end of the third nine weeks is fast approaching and our FSA testing has begun. Students in grades 4-8 will participate in the writing portion of the assessment Feb 28 and March 1st. The other assessments will be administered after spring break. Your students are well prepared by dedicated staff and will perform well. We are confident our rockets will continue to soar!
I want to personally thank you for sharing your most prized possession with us. We love teaching them every day... Enjoy your spring break- March 13th-17th!
Mrs. Kathleen Perez, Principal

District Science & History Fair

Palm Pointe Rockets proudly represented our school at the SLC Science and History Fair Awards Ceremony. Congratulations to the following students:

Science Fair

Samantha Watson, Riley Holtzclaw, and Summer Melrose- Special Recognition Award
Riley Holtzclaw-2nd Place- Engineering
Andre Gomez-Lopez- 1st Place- Animal Science
Anna Burtseva-2nd Place- Environmental Science
Samantha Watson- 1st Place- Mathematical and Computation Science

History Fair

Summer Melrose-Special Recognition Award
Summer Melrose-1st Place- Exhibit
Zandryn Epan-Ramos-2nd Place- Documentary
Delaney Cassidy, Jackson Martin, and Josh Rios-1st Place- Group Documentary
Gabriella Lawrence and Ashley Tucker-2nd Place- Group Documentary
Alex Gaudreau-3rd Place- Website
Taylor Milton and Kayla Permuy-1st Place Group Website
Maverick Prince, Sarah Hawblitzel, and Cameron Stott-3rd Place- Group Website
Grace Lloyd-1st Place- Individual Performance
Daniel Polvos-Gomez-2nd Place-Research Paper

March FSA Testing

Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) testing began February 28th with ELA Writing. Grades 4-7 took a paper-based test, and grade 8 Endeavour took a computer-based test. The grade 8 Challenger team will test Writing on Wednesday, March 1st.
Grade 3 paper-based ELA Reading will take place on March 28th and 29th. The test session is 80 minutes each day. Attendance and promptness during FSA season is most appreciated!

8th Grade Families: Wednesday, March 22nd at 6 pm is High School Open House. You will not want to miss this opportunity to visit your ZONED school with your child and learn about all they have to offer.

Volunteers of the Year

Congratulations to the following volunteers who represent Palm Pointe this year as Volunteers of the Year!

Justin Tyrell - Youth Volunteer of the Year
Ellen East - Adult Volunteer of the Year
Betty Smith- Senior Volunteer of the Year



Citizen of the Month

Congratulations to our February recipients!

KINDERGARTEN: Mayra Pena-Munoz, Shelby Blickenstaff, Coralie Reich, Colton Heishman, Julien Mera, Brandon Madonia, Russell Renella, Vanessa Jackson, Sofia Oviedo, Kelula Saint Soir
1ST GRADE: Holland Lilley, Jake Blizzard, Josivan Desouza, Faith Mathew, Alexis Clements, Shane Martinez, Sofia Piloni, Gabriella LaPorta, Nile Edwards
2ND GRADE: Dylan Rice, Marissa Maciel, Breanna Weiser, Sophia Tarantino, Logan Gluck, Madison Voelker, Sammy Shann, Elizabeth Hannon, Sebastian Emma, Ivy Golden
3RD GRADE: Jacob Gomez, Kayleigh Murnane, Jayla Lopez, Evan Keirs, Kaden McKenzie, Cody Simmonds, Juan Pablo Paez, Ethan Harper
4TH GRADE: David Cassidy, Salem Nofal, Camrin Weeks, Richard Edelkraut, Hannah Dorval, Omarion Ward, Zachary Veldhuis, Tyler Sinclair, Madison Sage
5TH GRADE: Laney Keys, Bridline Aurelien, Cianna Lents, Jacob Hadley, Tyler Reid, Shamika Metayer, Tiffany Perrott, Alina Leighton
6TH GRADE: Ashley Buchanan, Abigail Rinker, Nalia Rodriguez, Taylor Bush, Savanna Buonocore, Joshua Berger, Isabella Aviles, Jake Harrison, Bianca Forsythe, Anna Barnhart, Christopher Harvey, Tyra DiMatteo
7TH GRADE: Kacy Zdenek, Victoria Sierra, Luke Ballard, Maximillian Simco, Ashley Reynolds, Kayla Ferdinand, Hugo Calderon, Aubrey Mason, Autumn Eichenlaub
8TH GRADE: Eliana Smartt, Samantha Watson, Preston Kuffner, Bianca Searles, Roger Borjay-Boulay, Joshua Rios, Mariana Trujillo Naranjo, Adrianys Vega, Delaney Cassidy, Bailey Brown, Tanisha Betancourt-Figueroa

PTO News

Thank you to all the families who made the Tutti Frutti Event possible. The winners of the Box Top contest are K-2 -Mrs.

Apostolico, 3-5- Mrs. Jewell, abd 6-8 Mrs. Garcia.

Your ice cream social will take place during your scheduled lunch on Friday March 3rd. March 30th is our Family Night Out at Five Guys Burgers & Fries from 3:00-9:00pm. See you there!

Spring Picture Day is Here!

Grades K-8 will take pictures on March 1st and Grade 8, Challenger pod only, will take pictures on March 6th. Refer to the green flier that was sent home with your child for dress code expectations.

ESE Parent Survey

The 2016-17 FLDOE ESE Parent Survey is open from 2/1/2017-5/31/2017. You will receive a paper copy of the survey sent him via your student (check back packs) or you can go to www.esesurvey.com to complete your survey. Your input is valued.

St. Lucie County Fair Display

Palm Pointe is Red, White, and True Blue! Please vote for our display at the SLC Fair, where "We Salute Florida's History." You can vote each day you visit. The school with the most votes wins the People's Choice Award of \$500. The fair runs from February 24th - March 5th. A special thank you to our art teachers, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Schott, for creating our display with our students' beautiful art work! We received 1st Place for K-8 schools!

The Neptune Project

Many middle school students have chosen to participate in an exciting reading challenge called "The Neptune Project." Students are competing in challenges, tasks, and missions in a game-like format (Gamification). The purpose is to motivate students to read and write in authentic ways. Each competing student earns XP points for their team in hopes of being the one pod that will win. The game runs from January 17th to April 12th.

Yearbooks are on Sale....and the deadline has been extended until March 10th for purchases! Order online at: <https://ybpav.lifetouch.com>. Enter job # 9980617 and pay with a debit or credit card. The cost of a hard or soft cover is \$5 less for ordering online (\$30/\$35). If you order at school, please fill out the bright pink flyer that was sent home and return it with your check.

Spirit Shirts are available for \$10.00 in the Front office.

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Students may wear any PPE T-Shirt on Spirit Day, which is every Friday.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1 Gr 8 FSA Writing CBT-Challenger PTO 9:00 Lifetouch Spring Picture Day- K-8 Except Challenger Team 1st Grade Field Trip to Publix 10:00-1:00 Heissenburg, Watson and Petrino D3</p>	<p>2 FSA Writing Makeups 1st Grade Field Trip to Publix 10:00-1:00 Garcia and Hazen Gr. 6 Tacos & Trivia 5:30 in Auditoria E4</p>	<p>3 ELA Tutoring Make-up Day 8:15-9:15 FSA Writing Makeups 1st Grade Field Trip to Publix 10:00-1:00 Apostolico and Troup F5</p>	<p>4 Drama Dress Rehearsal 9-12:30</p>
5	<p>6 Lifetouch Picture Day - Challenger Team am. Dress Rehearsal 4-6 pm 3/6-3/7 A1</p>	<p>7 Gr. 4 FSA Family Game Night 5:30-7:00 in pods B2</p>	<p>8 Big Apple Night 5-9:00pm C3</p>	<p>9 All County Chorus Rehearsal @ LPA (Identified students) - all day Spring Musical-Princess Whatsername 6:00 pm Garden Festival-Kindergarten in Garden back of Build.2 @ 2:00 Band Festival Evening Practice @ TCHS (Identified Students) D4</p>	<p>10 Early Release Day- \$1.00 No Dress Code - Supporting March of Dimes End of 3rd Quarter E5</p>	11
12	<p>13 Spring Break— March 13-17th</p>	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 F1	21 A2	<p>22 SAC 8:30 in LP Gr. K 4-H Farm Field Trip 9:45-1:00 B3</p>	<p>23 Citizen of the Month 10am C4</p>	24 D5	25
26	27 E1	<p>28 Gr. 3 FSA ELA - PBT (SI) F2</p>	<p>29 Gr. 3 FSA ELA Reading - PBT (S2) Makeups 3/30-4/7 A3</p>	<p>30 Gr. 8 Kettle Corn & Kahoot! 5:30 - 7:00 PTO Family Night Out—Five Guys 4-9 pm B4</p>	<p>31 Report Cards Go Home PBIS Aprils Fools Day – Mismatch \$1.00 C5</p>	

